

# Solution to Practice test II

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Pre Calculus Test II (Practice)

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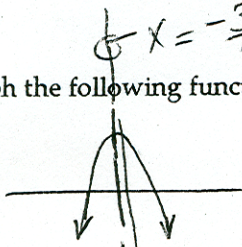
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1) Graph the following function  $f(x) = -4x^2 - 6x + 2$ , and determine the following:

(16 points)

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a) Vertex  $x = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-(-6)}{2(-4)} = -\frac{3}{4}$  ;  $y_{\text{vertex}} = 4.25$

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b) Axis of symmetry  $x = -\frac{3}{4}$

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c) y-intercept  $(0, 2)$

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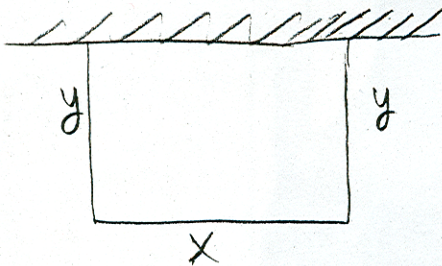
d) x-intercepts (if any)

$(-1.78, 0)$  &  $(0.28, 0)$

2) A developer wants to enclose a rectangular grassy lot that borders a city-street for parking. If the developer has 380 feet of fencing and does not fence the side along the street, what is the largest area that can be enclosed?

(Hint: Draw a picture, and label each side, i.e length is  $x$  and width is  $y$ , and remember that we do not want to fence the side along the street)

(12 points)



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$$x + 2y = 380 \implies 2y = -x + 380 \implies y = -\frac{x}{2} + 190$$

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$$\text{Area} = x \cdot y = x \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}x + 190\right)$$

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$$\text{Area} = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 190x$$

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$$x_{\text{vertex}} = \frac{-190}{2(-\frac{1}{2})} = 190 \text{ feet}$$

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$\implies \text{Area} = 18050 \text{ feet}^2$

3) For the following function  $f(x) = (x-2)^2(x+2)(x+4)$  determine the following:

(15 points)

④ a) Find the x-intercepts  $(2, 0)$ ,  $(-2, 0)$  and  $(-4, 0)$

② b) Find the y-intercept  $(0, 32)$

④ c) Determine whether the graph crosses or touches the x-axis at each x-intercept  
Graph touches x-axis at  $x=2$ ; graph crosses at  $x=-2$  and  $x=-4$

② d) End behavior: Find the power function that the graph of  $f$  resembles for large values of  $|x|$   
 $y = x^4$

e) Determine the number of turning points on the graph of  $f$ .

③ Three turning points

4) For the rational function  $R(x) = \frac{x^3 - 1}{x^2 + 2x} = \frac{(x-1)(x^2 + x + 1)}{x(x+2)}$

(5 points)

③ a) Find the domain of the rational function  
All Reals except 0 and -2

③ b) Write  $R$  in the lowest terms  
Already in lowest form

③ c) Locate the x-intercept  $(1, 0)$

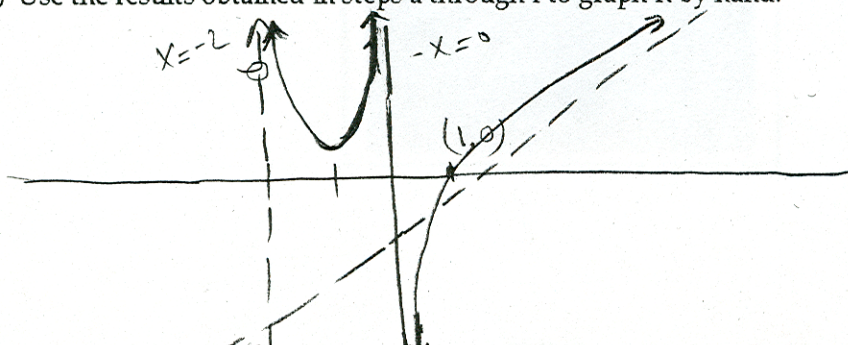
③ and the y-intercept None

③ d) Test for symmetry  
 $R(-x) = \frac{-x^3 - 1}{x^2 - 2x}$  No symmetry

③ e) Locate the vertical asymptotes.  
 $x=0$  and  $x=-2$

③ f) Locate the horizontal or oblique asymptotes, if any.  
oblique Asymptote  $y = x - 2$

④ g) Use the results obtained in steps a through f to graph  $R$  by hand.

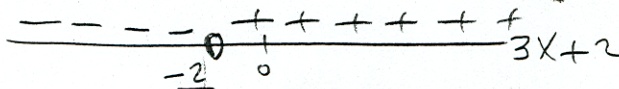


$$\begin{array}{r} x-2 \\ x^2+2x+0 \overline{) x^2+0x^2+0x-1} \\ \underline{0x^3+2x+0x} \\ -2x^2+0x-1 \\ \underline{+2x^2-4x} \\ 4x-1 \end{array}$$

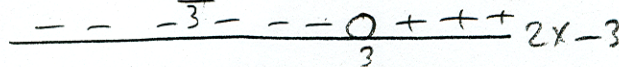
5) Solve the following inequality algebraically  $6x - 5 < \frac{6}{x}$

(14 points)

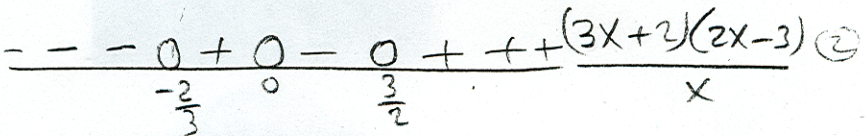
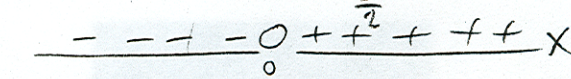
②  $6x - 5 - \frac{6}{x} < 0$



①  $\frac{6x^2 - 5x - 6}{x} < 0$



②  $\frac{(3x+2)(2x-3)}{x} < 0$



$x < -\frac{2}{3}$  or  $0 < x < \frac{3}{2}$

$(-\infty, -\frac{2}{3}) \cup (0, \frac{3}{2})$

6) Find the real zeros of  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$  (Must use the following steps):

(10 points)

Step 1) Use the degree of the polynomial to determine the maximum number of zeros.

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Maximum Zeros are 3

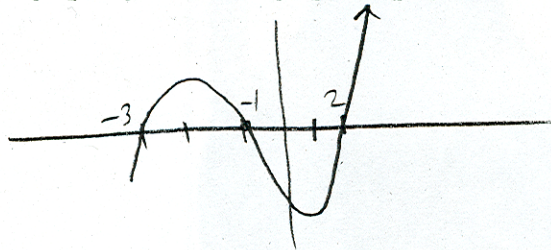
Step 2) Use the Rational Zeros Theorem to identify those rational numbers that potentially can be zeros.

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$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 6}{\pm 1} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 6$

Step 3) Using a graphing calculator, graph the polynomial function.

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Step 4) Identify the real zeros of  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$ .

(Hint: You could use the "2nd trace value" of your calculator, or use other methods!)

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$x = -3, x = -1, x = 2$

Step 5) Now, use the real zeros to factor the function  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$ .

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$x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6 = (x+3)(x+1)(x-2)$

7) Form a polynomial  $f(x)$  with real coefficients having the following degree and zeros:

Degree 4; Zeros: 3, multiplicity 2;  $-i$

(10 points)

(Hint: After you set up your factors, you must multiply (FOIL) the factors to get the desired polynomial)

$$= (x-3)^2 (x+i)(x-i)$$

$$= (x-3)^2 (x^2+1)$$

$$= (x^2-6x+9)(x^2+1)$$

$$= x^4 + x^2 - 6x^3 - 6x + 9x^2 + 9 = x^4 + 10x^2 - 6x^3 - 6x + 9$$

8) Find the complex zeros of the following polynomial function  $f(x) = x^3 + 13x^2 + 57x + 85$

(20 points)

Step 1) Use the degree of the polynomial to determine the maximum number of zeros.

② Maximum No of Zeros = 3

Step 2) Use the Rational Zeros Theorem to identify those rational numbers that potentially can be zeros.

④  $\frac{p}{q} = \frac{\pm 1, \pm 5, \pm 17, \pm 85}{\pm 1} = \pm 1, \pm 5, \pm 17, \pm 85$

Step 3) Now use either synthetic division or long division to find the other factors  $(x+5)$  is a factor

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$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -5 & 1 & 13 & 57 & 85 \\ & & -5 & -40 & -85 \\ \hline & 1 & 8 & 17 & 0 \end{array}$$

② (x+5)(x^2+8x+17)

$$x^2 + 8x + 17 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 4(17)}}{2} = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-8 \pm 2i}{2} = -4 \pm 1i$$

Step 4) List the Zeros of the above polynomial

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$$-5, -4+i, -4-i$$

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9) Factor Completely

(10 points)

$$a) \quad x^3 + 2x^2 - x - 2$$

$$= x^2(x+2) - 1(x+2)$$

$$= (x^2 - 1)(x+2)$$

$$= (x-1)(x+1)(x+2)$$

$$b) \quad x^4 - 1 = (x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 1)$$

$$= (x-1)(x+1)(x^2 + 1)$$

10) Perform the following:

(10 points)

$4x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 1$  divided by  $4x^2 + 1$

$$4x^2 \overline{) 4x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 1}$$

$$\underline{-4x^3 + 0x^2 + 1x}$$

$$-3x^2 + 1$$

$$\underline{+3x^2 + 0x - \frac{3}{4}}$$

$$1 + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{7}{4}$$

$$4x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 1 = \left(x - \frac{3}{4}\right)(4x^2 + 1) + \frac{7/4}{4x^2 + 1}$$

11) Suppose that the manufacturer of a gas clothes dryer has found that, when the unit price is  $p$  dollars, the revenue  $R$  (in dollars) is  $R(p) = -4p^2 + 4000p$

(8 points)

What unit price should be established for the dryer to maximize revenue?

(4)

$$p = \frac{-4000}{2(-4)} = \frac{-4000}{-8} = \boxed{\$500}$$

What is the maximum revenue?

(4)

$$\text{Maximum Revenue} = \boxed{\$1,000,000}$$