

# Objective

Students will be able to name the degree of a polynomial expression and identify different types of polynomials.

Quiz on Thursday over Evaluating and Graphing Polynomial Functions

# Polynomial

Polynomial is a monomial or a sum of monomials; all exponents are whole numbers and the coefficients are all real numbers

A polynomial function is written in standard form if its terms are written in descending order of exponents from left to right:

$$f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 x + a_0$$

degree ↘

↑ leading coefficient      ↗ constant term

# Common Polynomial Functions

Degree	Type	Standard form	Example
0	Constant	$f(x) = a_0$	$f(x) = -14$
1	Linear	$f(x) = a_1x + a_0$	$f(x) = 5x - 7$
2	Quadratic	$f(x) = a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0$	$f(x) = 2x^2 + x - 9$
3	Cubic	$f(x) = a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0$	$f(x) = x^3 - x^2 + 3x$
4	Quartic	$f(x) = a_4x^4 + a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0$	$f(x) = x^4 + 2x - 1$

Decide whether the function is a polynomial. If so, write in standard form and state its degree, type, and leading coefficient. If not, explain why.

1)  $g(x) = 3x^2 - \sqrt{5}x - x^3 + \sqrt{2}$

Yes,  $g(x) = -x^3 + 3x^2 - \sqrt{5}x + \sqrt{2}$  ; it has degree 3 (cubic) and a leading coefficient of -1

2)  $f(x) = 4x^4 + 3x^{-2} - x^{1/2}$

No,  $3x^{-2}$  and  $x^{1/2}$  have exponents that are not whole numbers.

Use direct substitution to find the value of  $f(2)$  when

$$f(x) = -3x^3 + x^2 - 12x - 5$$

$$f(2) = -3(2)^3 + (2)^2 - 12(2) - 5$$

$$= -3(8) + 4 - 24 - 5$$

$$= -24 - 25$$

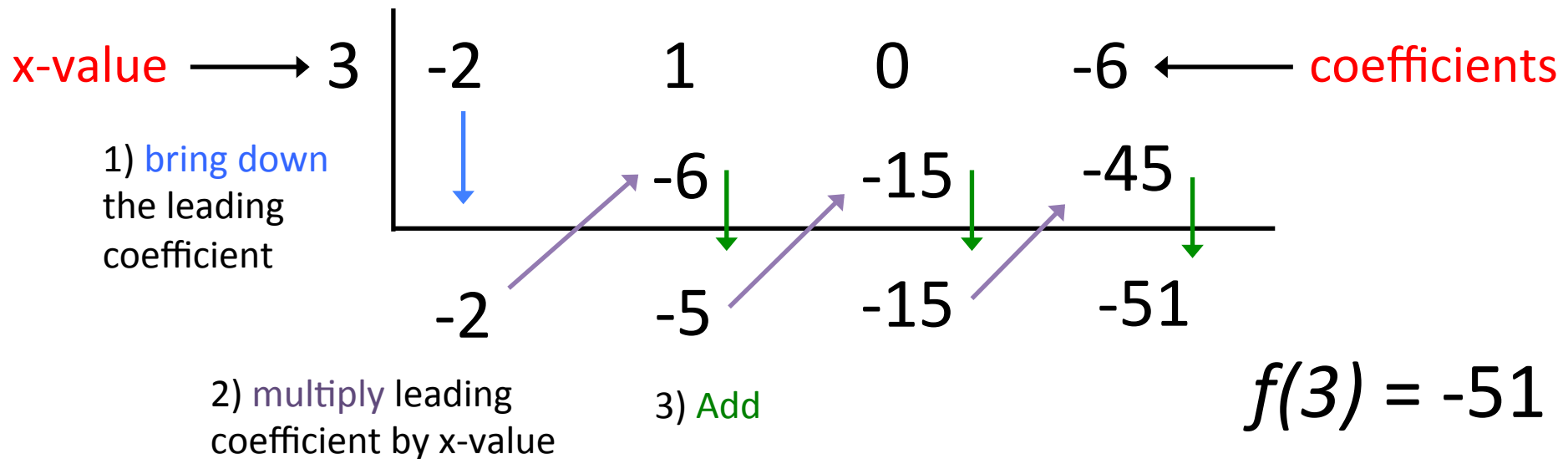
$$= -49$$

$$f(2) = -49$$

We can also evaluate polynomials by synthetic substitution.

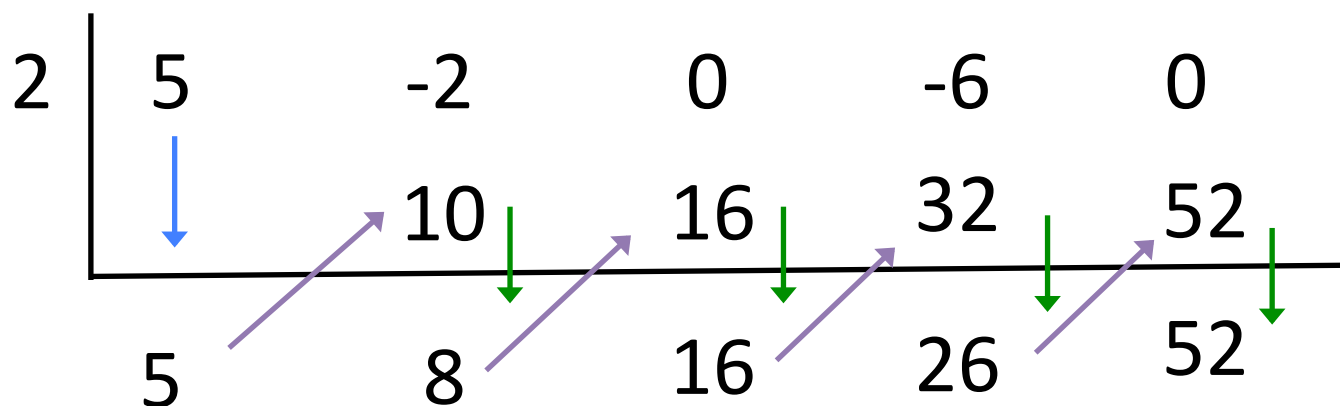
Use synthetic substitution to evaluate  $f(x) = -2x^3 + x^2 - 6$  when  $x = 3$ .

write coefficients of  $f(x)$  in standard form



Use synthetic substitution to evaluate

$$f(x) = 5x^4 - 2x^3 - 6x \quad \text{when } x = 2.$$



$$f(2) = 52$$

# Homework

p. 341: 3-17 (odds)

**POLYNOMIAL FUNCTIONS** Decide whether the function is a polynomial function. If so, write it in standard form and state its degree, type, and leading coefficient.

3.  $f(x) = 8 - x^2$     5.  $g(x) = \pi x^4 + \sqrt{6}$     7.  $h(x) = -\frac{5}{2}x^3 + 3x - 10$

**DIRECT SUBSTITUTION** Use direct substitution to evaluate the polynomial function for the given value of  $x$ .

9.  $f(x) = 5x^3 - 2x^2 + 10x - 15; x = -1$

11.  $g(x) = 4x^3 - 2x^5; x = -3$

13.  $h(x) = x + \frac{1}{2}x^4 - \frac{3}{4}x^3 + 10; x = -4$

**SYNTHETIC SUBSTITUTION** Use synthetic substitution to evaluate the polynomial function for the given value of  $x$ .

15.  $f(x) = 5x^3 - 2x^2 - 8x + 16; x = 3$

17.  $g(x) = x^3 + 8x^2 - 7x + 35; x = -6$



# Objective

Students will be able to identify end behavior and find the zeros for polynomials functions in order to sketch the graph of a polynomial function.

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# End Behavior of Polynomial Functions

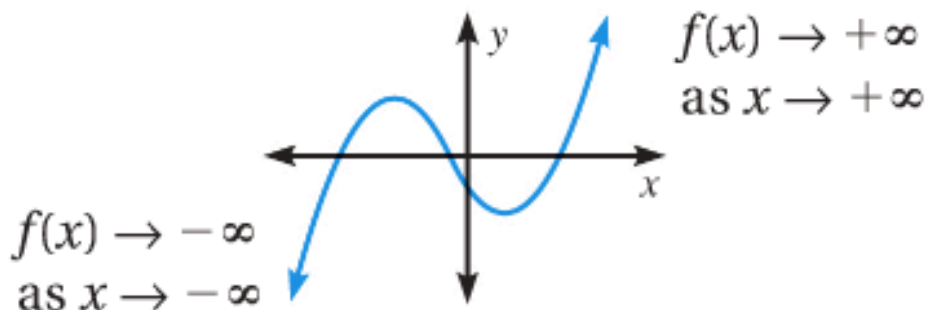
The end behavior of a function's graph is the behavior of the graph as  $x$  approaches positive infinity ( $+\infty$ ) or negative infinity ( $-\infty$ )

For the graph of a polynomial function, the end behavior is determined by the function's degree and the sign of its leading coefficient.

# End Behavior of Polynomial Functions

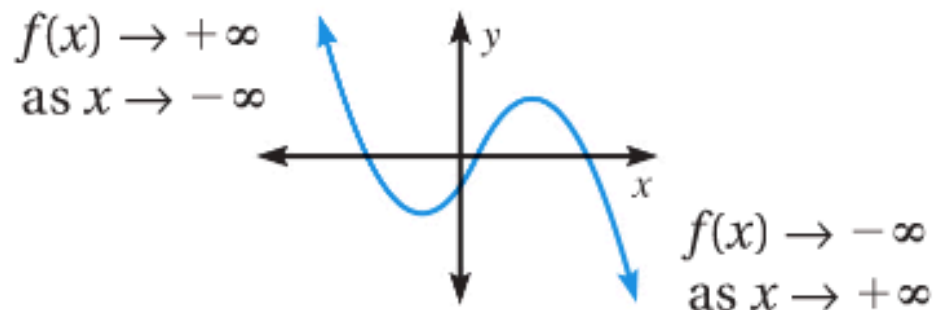
**Degree:** odd

**Leading coefficient:** positive



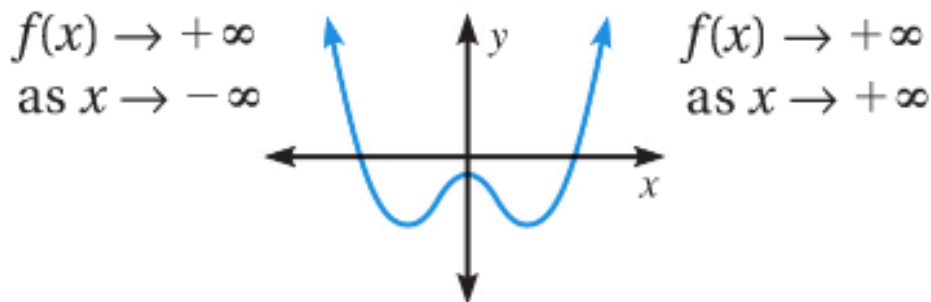
**Degree:** odd

**Leading coefficient:** negative



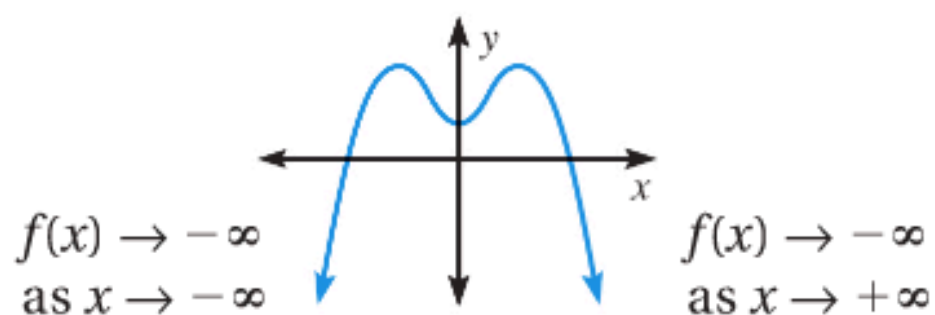
**Degree:** even

**Leading coefficient:** positive



**Degree:** even

**Leading coefficient:** negative



# Remember Slope Man?

Lines: Have a degree of one (odd)

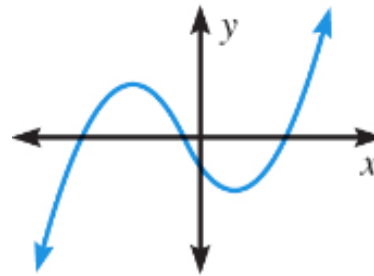
$$y = mx + b$$

slope represents the  
leading coefficient

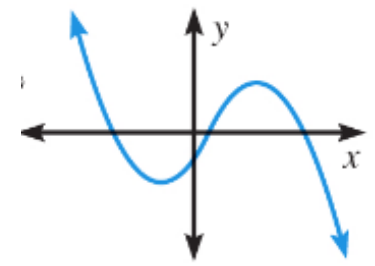
L.C.: positive  
because its  
positive  
slope

L.C.:  
negative  
because its  
negative  
slope

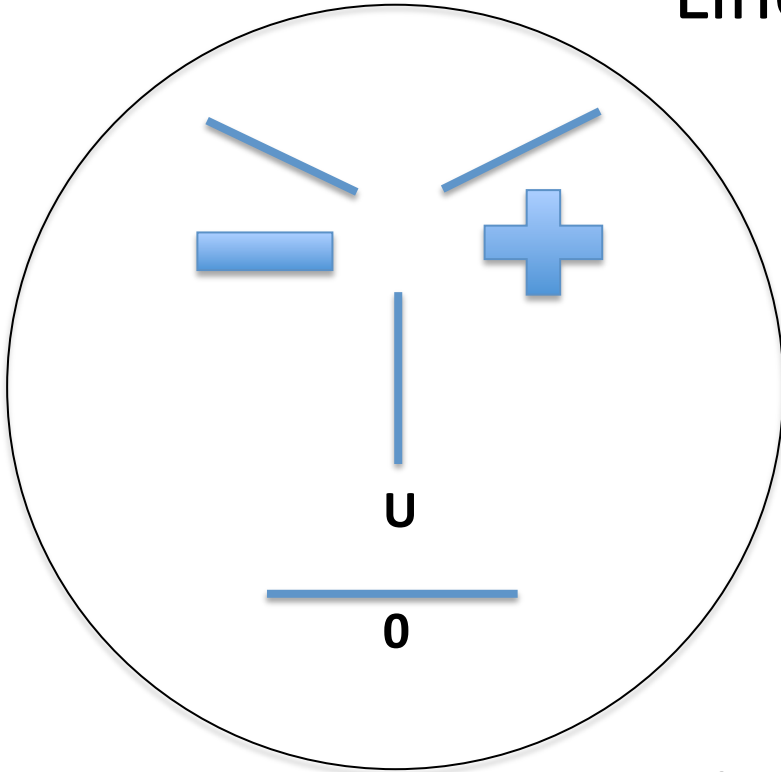
*Similarly,*



Degree: odd  
L.C: positive



Degree: odd  
L.C: negative

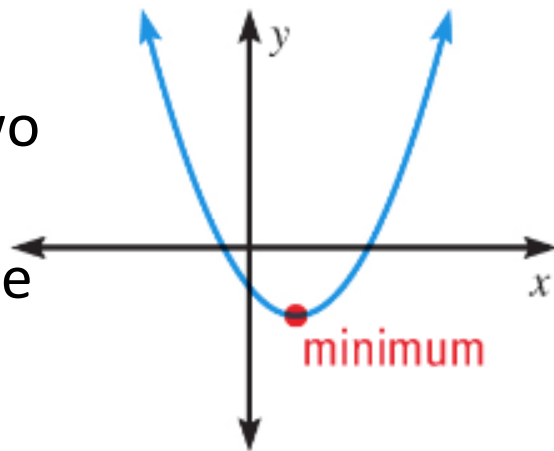


# Quadratics and Even Degree

Degree: two  
(even)

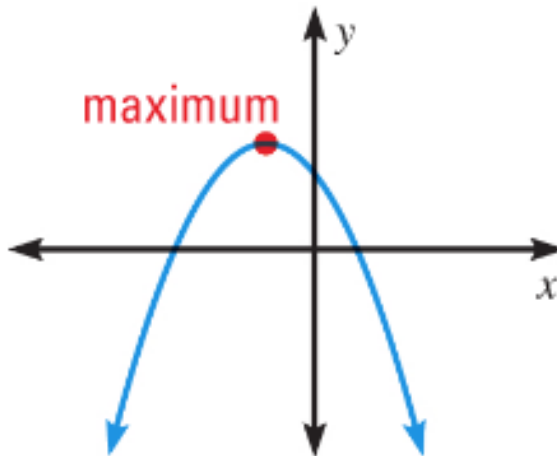
L.C: positive  
Opens Up

end behavior  
toward  $+\infty$



**$a$  is positive**

maximum



**$a$  is negative**

Degree: two  
(even)

L.C: negative  
Opens Down

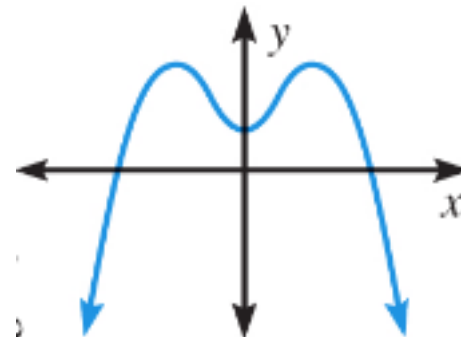
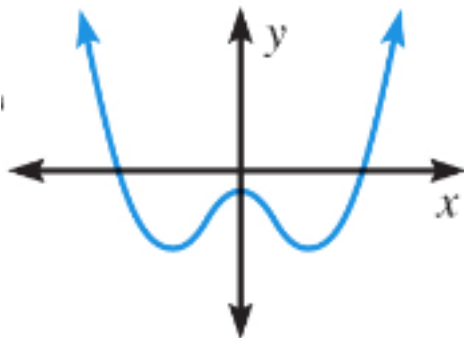
end behavior  
toward  $-\infty$

*Similarly,*

Degree: even

L.C: positive  
Opens Up

end behavior  
toward  $+\infty$



Degree: even

L.C: negative  
Opens Down

end behavior  
toward  $-\infty$

# Multiplicity of a Polynomial Function

Multiplicity of a polynomial function is the number of times that a zero's associated factor appears in the polynomial

Example:  $f(x) = (x - 3)(x + 2)^2$

the zero of 3 has a multiplicity of one

the zeros of -2 has a multiplicity of two

even multiplicity bounces off and odd multiplicity goes through the x-axis

Sketch the graph of the polynomial:

Ex 1:  $g(x) = (x + 4)(x + 1)(x - 2)$

Degree: 3

Leading coefficient: 1

End behavior:  $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$   
and  $f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$

x-intercept(s): -4, -1, 2      y-intercept: -8

multiplicity: -4, -1, 2 have multiplicities of one

Sketch the graph of the polynomial:

Ex 2:  $h(x) = -(x + 3)^2(x - 1)$

Degree: 3

Leading coefficient: -1

End behavior:  $f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$   
and  $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$

x-intercept(s): -3, 1

y-intercept: 9

multiplicity: -3 has a multiplicity of two  
1 has a multiplicity of one



Ex 1: Sketch the graph of the polynomial:

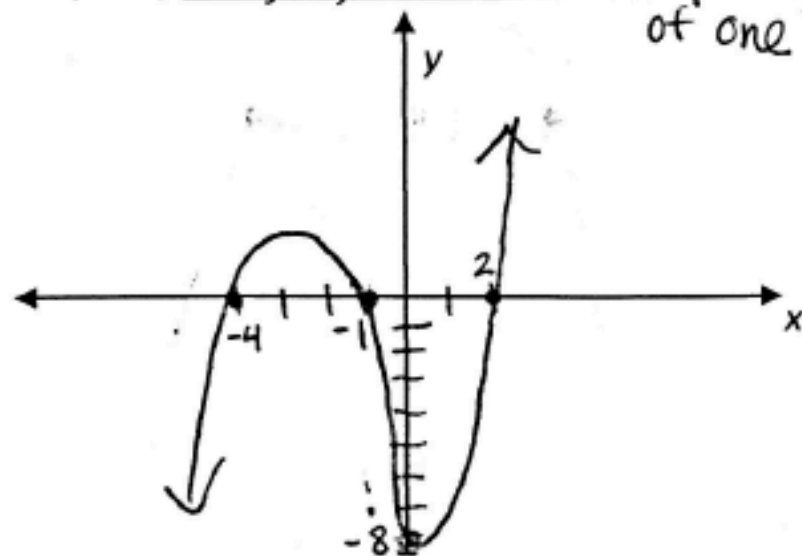
$$g(x) = (x + 4)(x + 1)(x - 2)$$

·Degree: 3 ·Leading coefficient: 1

·End behavior:  $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$   
and  $f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$

·x-int(s): -4, -1, 2 y-int: -8

·multiplicity: -4, -1, 2 have multiplicity of one



Ex 2: Sketch the graph of the polynomial:

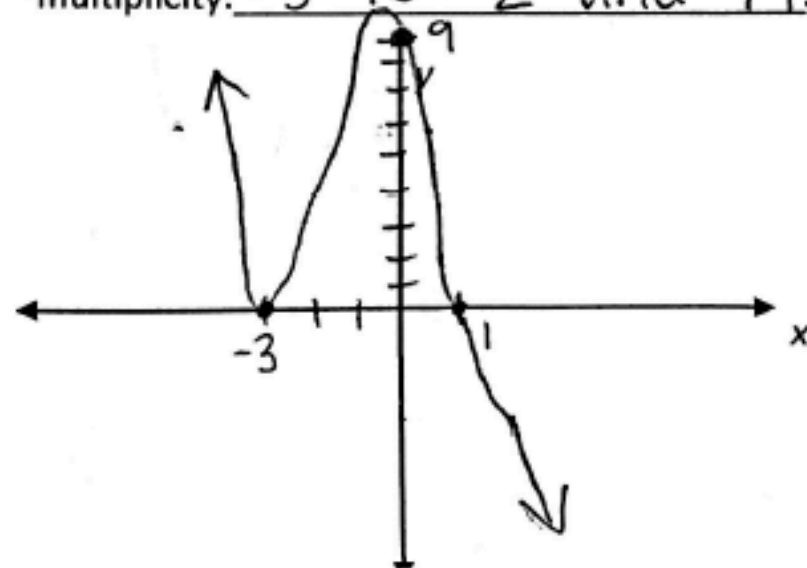
$$h(x) = -(x + 3)^2(x - 1)$$

·Degree: 3 ·Leading coefficient: -1

·End behavior:  $f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$   
and  $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$

·x-int(s): -3, 1 y-int: 9

·multiplicity: -3 is 2 and 1 is 1



# Homework

Finish examples on 5.2/5.8 Sketch  
Polynomial Functions in Factored  
Form Note Sheet

# Objective

Students will be able to sketch the graph of a polynomial function using the end behavior, x-intercepts, and y-intercept of the function.

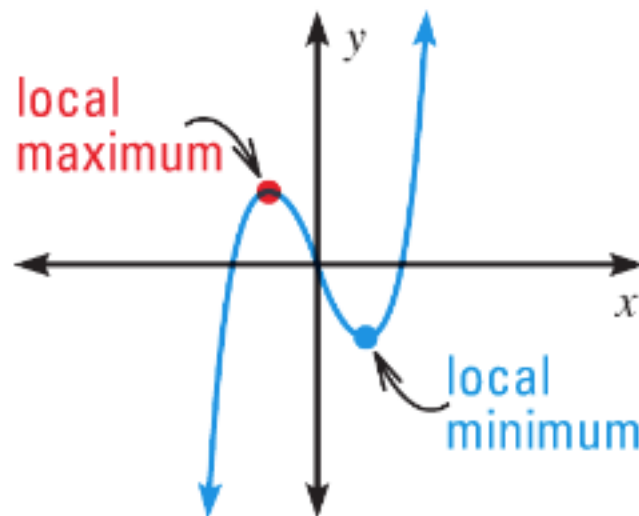
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NO GRAPHING CALCULATORS for Quiz

# Turning Points

Another important characteristic of graphs of polynomial functions is that they have turning points corresponding to local maximum and minimum values.

The y-coordinate of a turning point is a local maximum/minimum of the function if the point is higher (lower) than all nearby points.



# Turning Points of Polynomial Functions

- 1) The graph of every polynomial function of degree  $n$  has at most  $n - 1$  turning points.
- 2) If a polynomial function has  $n$  distinct real zeros, then its graph has exactly  $n - 1$  turning points.

How many turning points to the following polynomials have?  
Are they local maximum(s) or local minimum(s)?

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

degree: 3; odd

leading coefficient: 1; positive

two turning points; a local max and a local min

2)  $g(x) = 10x - 6x^3 + 3x^2 - x^4 - 3$

degree: 4; even

leading coefficient: -1; negative

three turning points; two local maxs and a local min

Sketch the graph of the polynomial:

$$7) \ y = (x - 2)^2 (x - 1)(x + 3)^2$$

Degree: 5

Leading coefficient: 1

four turning points, two local mins and two local maxs

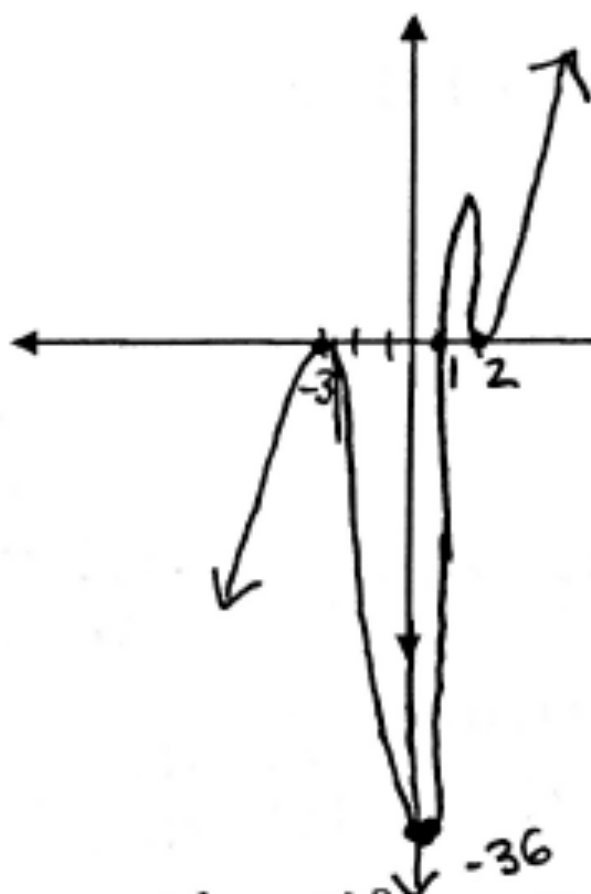
End behavior:  $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$   
and  $f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$

x-intercept(s): 2, 1, -3

y-intercept: -36

multiplicity: 2 and -3 have a multiplicity of two  
1 has a multiplicity of one

7)  $y = (x - 2)^2(x - 1)(x + 3)^2$  Degree: 5 (odd)  
 L.C: 1 (positive)



4 turning points

x-ints: 2, 1, -3

y-int:

$$\begin{aligned} &(-2)^2(-1)(3)^2 = \\ &4(-1)(9) = \\ &-36 \end{aligned}$$

bounce at  
2 and -3



# Homework

Finish practice problems on 5.8  
Analyze Graphs of Polynomial  
Functions/ Sketch Polynomial  
Functions in Factored Form Note  
Sheet

Study for Quiz tomorrow!

# Objective

Students will be able to add, subtract, and multiply polynomials.

# Adding and Subtracting Polynomials

To add or subtract polynomials, add or subtract the coefficients of like terms. You can use a vertical or horizontal format.

- 1) Add  $2x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x - 9$   
and  $x^3 + 6x^2 + 11$  in a  
vertical format.

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x - 9 \\ + \quad x^3 + 6x^2 \quad \quad + 11 \\ \hline 3x^3 + x^2 + 3x + 2 \end{array}$$

- 2) Add  $3y^3 - 2y^2 - 7y$  and  $-4y^2 + 2y - 5$  in a horizontal format.

$$\begin{aligned} & (3y^3 - 2y^2 - 7y) + (-4y^2 + 2y - 5) \\ &= 3y^3 - 2y^2 - 4y^2 - 7y + 2y - 5 \\ &= 3y^3 - 6y^2 - 5y - 5 \end{aligned}$$

# Subtracting Polynomials

1) Subtract  $3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 7$  from  $8x^3 - x^2 - 5x + 1$  in a vertical format.

**\*\*Align like terms, then add the opposite of the subtracted polynomial**

$$\begin{array}{r} 8x^3 - x^2 - 5x + 1 \\ - (3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 7) \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{r} 8x^3 - x^2 - 5x + 1 \\ + \underline{-3x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 7} \\ 5x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x - 6 \end{array}$$

2) Subtract  $5z^2 - z + 3$  from  $4z^2 + 9z - 12$  in a horizontal format. **\*\*Write the opposite of the subtracted polynomial, then add like terms**

$$\begin{aligned} (4z^2 + 9z - 12) - (5z^2 - z + 3) &= 4z^2 + 9z - 12 - 5z^2 + z - 3 \\ &= 4z^2 - 5z^2 + 9z + z - 12 - 3 &= -z^2 + 10z - 15 \end{aligned}$$

Find the sum or difference of the following problems.

1)  $(t^2 - 6t + 2) + (5t^2 - t - 8)$

$$6t^2 - 7t - 6$$

2)  $(8z - 3 + 9z^3) - (z^3 - 13z^2 - 4)$

$$8z^3 + 13z^2 + 8z + 1$$

# Multiplying Polynomials Vertically and Horizontally

To multiply two polynomials, you multiply each term of the first polynomial by each term of the second polynomial.

1) Multiply  $-2x^2 + 3x - 6$

and  $x - 2$  in a

vertical format.

$$\begin{array}{r} -2x^2 + 3x - 6 \\ \times \quad \quad \quad x - 2 \\ \hline 4x^2 - 6x + 12 \\ -2x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x \\ \hline -2x^3 + 7x^2 - 12x + 12 \end{array}$$

Multiply  $-2x^2 + 3x - 6$  by  $-2$

Multiply  $-2x^2 + 3x - 6$  by  $x$  +

Combine like terms

2) Multiply  $z + 3$  and  $3z^2 - 2z + 4$  in a horizontal format.

$$(z + 3)(3z^2 - 2z + 4) = (z + 3)3z^2 - (z + 3)2z + (z + 3)4$$

$$= 3z^3 + 9z^2 - 2z^2 - 6z + 4z + 12 = 3z^3 + 7z^2 - 2z + 12$$

**\*\*It is like FOILing (but with three terms)**

Multiply  $x - 5$ ,  $x + 1$ , and  $x + 3$  in a horizontal format.

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

FOIL

$$= (x^2 - 4x - 5)(x + 3)$$

$$= x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x^2 - 12x - 5x - 15$$

$$= x^3 - x^2 - 17x - 15$$

# Product Patterns

## Sum and Difference

$$(a + b)(a - b) = a^2 - b^2$$

## Example

$$(x + 4)(x - 4) = x^2 - 16$$

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## Square of a Binomial

$$(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a - b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$$

## Example

$$(y + 3)^2 = y^2 + 6y + 9$$

$$(3z^2 - 5)^2 = 9z^4 - 30z^2 + 25$$

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## Cube of a Binomial

$$(a + b)^3 = a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3$$

$$(a - b)^3 = a^3 - 3a^2b + 3ab^2 - b^3$$

## Example

$$(x + 2)^3 = x^3 + 6x^2 + 12x + 8$$

$$(p - 3)^3 = p^3 - 9p^2 + 27p - 27$$



# Use Special Product Patterns to Solve the Following Problems:

1)  $(3t + 4)(3t - 4)$

sum and difference

$$9t^2 - 16$$

2)  $(8x - 3)^2$

square of a binomial

$$64x^2 - 48x + 9$$

3)  $(pq + 5)^3$

cube of a binomial

$$p^3q^3 + 15p^2q^2 + 75pq + 125$$

# Homework p. 349: 5-11 (odds), 17-21 (odds), 29, 39, 44

**ADDING AND SUBTRACTING POLYNOMIALS** Find the sum or difference.

5.  $(4y^2 + 9y - 5) - (4y^2 - 5y + 3)$

7.  $(3s^3 + s) + (4s^3 - 2s^2 + 7s + 10)$

9.  $(5c^2 + 7c + 1) + (2c^3 - 6c + 8)$

11.  $(5b - 6b^3 + 2b^4) - (9b^3 + 4b^4 - 7)$

**MULTIPLYING POLYNOMIALS** Find the product of the polynomials.

17.  $5x^2(6x + 2)$

19.  $(3z + 1)(z - 3)$

21.  $(2a - 3)(a^2 - 10a - 2)$

**MULTIPLYING THREE BINOMIALS** Find the product of the binomials.

29.  $(x + 1)(x - 7)(x + 3)$

**SPECIAL PRODUCTS** Find the product.

39.  $(w - 9)^2$

44.  $(7x - y)^3$

# Objective

Students will be able to factor polynomial equations.

We have learned how to factor the following types of quadratic expressions.

Type	Example
General trinomial	$2x^2 - 3x - 20 = (2x + 5)(x - 4)$
Perfect square trinomial	$x^2 + 8x + 16 = (x + 4)^2$
Difference of two squares	$9x^2 - 1 = (3x + 1)(3x - 1)$
Common monomial factor	$8x^2 + 20x = 4x(2x + 5)$

# Factoring Polynomials

You can also factor polynomials with degree greater than 2.

A factorable polynomial with integer coefficients is factored completely if it is written as a product of unfactorable polynomials with integer coefficients.

Examples:

$2(x + 1)(x - 4)$  and  $5x^2(x^2 - 3)$  are factored completely

$3x(x^2 - 4)$  is not factored completely because  $x^2 - 4$  can be factored as  $(x + 2)(x - 2)$ ;  $3x(x + 2)(x - 2)$  is factored completely

# Factor the following polynomials completely.

1)  $x^3 + 2x^2 - 15x$

$$= x(x^2 + 2x - 15)$$

Factor common monomial  
(greatest common factor)

$$= x(x + 5)(x - 3)$$

Factor trinomial

2)  $2y^5 - 18y^3$

$$= 2y^3(y^2 - 9)$$

Factor greatest common factor

$$= 2y^3(y - 3)(y + 3)$$

Difference of two squares

3)  $4z^4 - 16z^3 + 16z^2$

$$= 4z^2(z^2 - 4z + 4)$$

Factor greatest common factor

$$= 4z^2(z - 2)^2$$

Perfect square trinomial

# Special Factoring Patterns

## Sum of Two Cubes

$$a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

## Example

$$\begin{aligned} 8x^3 + 27 &= (2x)^3 + 3^3 \\ &= (2x + 3)(4x^2 - 6x + 9) \end{aligned}$$

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## Difference of Two Cubes

$$a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$$

## Example

$$\begin{aligned} 64x^3 - 1 &= (4x)^3 - 1^3 \\ &= (4x - 1)(16x^2 + 4x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

S.O.A.P

Same Opposite Always Positive

Factor the following polynomials completely.

1)  $x^3 + 64$

$$= x^3 + 4^3 \quad \text{Sum of two cubes}$$

$$= (x + 4)(x^2 - 4x + 16)$$

2)  $16z^5 - 250z^2$

$$= 2z^2(8z^3 - 125) \quad \text{Factor greatest common factor}$$

$$= 2z^2[(2z)^3 - 5^3] \quad \text{Difference of two cubes}$$

$$= 2z^2(2z - 5)(4z^2 + 10z + 25)$$



# Homework

p. 356: 3-13 (odds), 16

**MONOMIAL FACTORS** Factor the polynomial completely.

3.  $14x^2 - 21x$

5.  $c^3 + 9c^2 + 18c$

(7.)  $3y^5 - 48y^3$

9. ★ **MULTIPLE CHOICE** What is the complete factorization of  $2x^7 - 32x^3$ ?

(A)  $2x^3(x + 2)(x - 2)(x^2 + 4)$

(B)  $2x^3(x^2 + 2)(x^2 - 2)$

(C)  $2x^3(x^2 + 4)^2$

(D)  $2x^3(x + 2)^2(x - 2)^2$

**SUM OR DIFFERENCE OF CUBES** Factor the polynomial completely.

11.  $y^3 - 64$

13.  $125n^3 + 216$

16.  $192w^3 - 3$

# Objective

Students will be able to factor polynomial equations.

# Factoring By Grouping

For some polynomials, you can factor by grouping pairs of terms that have a common monomial factor. The pattern for factoring by grouping is shown below:

$$\begin{aligned}ra + rb + sa + sb &= r(a + b) + s(a + b) \\ &= (r + s)(a + b)\end{aligned}$$

Factor the polynomial  
 $x^3 - 3x^2 - 16x + 48$  completely.

$$x^3 - 3x^2 - 16x + 48$$

Factor by grouping

$$(x^3 - 3x^2) + (-16x + 48)$$

$$= x^2(x - 3) - 16(x - 3)$$

Factor greatest  
common factor

$$= (x^2 - 16)(x - 3)$$

Factor greatest common  
factor (Distributive  
property)

$$= (x - 4)(x + 4)(x - 3)$$

Difference of two squares

# Quadratic Form

An expression of the form  $au^2 + bu + c$ , where  $u$  is any expression in  $x$ , is said to be in quadratic form. We can use the factoring techniques that we learned previously to help us factor such expressions.

Example:  $x^4 + 2x^2 + 1$  is in quadratic form (it is “quadratic-like”)

# Factor the following polynomials completely:

$$1) \quad 16x^4 - 81 = (4x^2)^2 - 9^2$$

Write as a difference of two squares

$$= (4x^2 - 9)(4x^2 + 9)$$

Difference of two squares

$$= (2x - 3)(2x + 3)(4x^2 + 9)$$

Difference of two squares

$$2) \quad 2p^8 + 10p^5 + 12p^2$$

$$= 2p^2(p^6 + 5p^3 + 6)$$

Factor greatest common factor

$$= 2p^2(p^3 + 3)(p^3 + 2)$$

Factor trinomial in quadratic form

# Homework

p. 357: 19-29 (odds)

**FACTORING BY GROUPING** Factor the polynomial completely.

19.  $y^3 - 7y^2 + 4y - 28$

21.  $3m^3 - m^2 + 9m - 3$

23.  $4c^3 + 8c^2 - 9c - 18$

**QUADRATIC FORM** Factor the polynomial completely.

25.  $a^4 + 7a^2 + 6$

27.  $32z^5 - 2z$

29.  $15x^5 - 72x^3 - 108x$

# Objective

Students will be able to factor and solve polynomial equations.

Polynomial and Polynomial Functions  
(5.2 - 5.5, 5.8) Test on Thursday!



# Solving Polynomial Equations

After we factor, we are going to use the zero product property to solve higher-degree polynomial equations.

What are the solutions of the equation  $3x^5 + 15x = 18x^3$ ?

$$3x^5 + 15x = 18x^3$$

$$3x^5 - 18x^3 + 15x = 0$$

Write in standard form

$$3x(x^4 - 6x^2 + 5) = 0$$

Factor greatest common factor

$$3x(x^2 - 1)(x^2 - 5) = 0$$

Factor trinomial

$$3x(x - 1)(x + 1)(x^2 - 5) = 0$$

Difference of two squares

$$x = 0, 1, -1, \sqrt{5}, -\sqrt{5}$$

Zero product property

What are the solutions of the equation  $x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x = 4$ ?

$$x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x = 4$$

$$x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x - 4 = 0$$

Write in standard form

$$(x^3 - 2x^2) + (2x - 4) = 0$$

Factor by grouping

$$x^2(x - 2) + 2(x - 2) = 0$$

Factor greatest common factor

$$(x - 2)(x^2 + 2) = 0$$

Factor greatest common factor

$$x = 2, i\sqrt{2}, -i\sqrt{2}$$

Zero product property

What are the solutions of the equation  $x^3 - 1 = 0$ ?

$$x^3 - 1 = 0 \quad (x)^3 - 1^3 = 0 \quad \text{Difference of cubes}$$

$$(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1) = 0 \quad \text{Zero product property}$$

$\uparrow$   
unfactorable, use quadratic formula to solve

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(1)(1)}}{2(1)} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{-3}}{2} = \frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = 1, \frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

# Homework

p. 357: 32-38 (evens), 39  
(find both real and  
imaginary solutions)

**SOLVING EQUATIONS** Find the real-number solutions of the equation.

**AND imaginary solutions, if possible**

**32.**  $y^3 - 5y^2 = 0$

**34.**  $g^3 + 3g^2 - g - 3 = 0$

**36.**  $4w^4 + 40w^2 - 44 = 0$

**38.**  $5b^3 + 15b^2 + 12b = -36$

**39.**  $x^6 - 4x^4 - 9x^2 + 36 = 0$