

Practice Test on 6.1 - 6.4

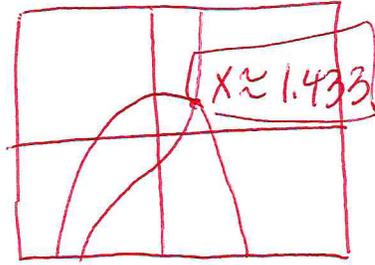
Key

1) Solve by graphing. (C)

$$x^3 - 1 = -x^2 + 4$$

$$y_1 = x^3 - 1$$

$$y_2 = -x^2 + 4$$



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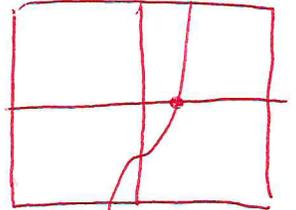
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$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 - 1 = -x^2 + 4 \\ +x^2 - 4 \quad +x^2 - 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$y_1 = x^3 + x^2 - 5$$

or $y_2 = 0$

$$x \approx 1.433$$



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2) Factor each polynomial completely. Do not solve. (NC)

a) $x^3 - 216$

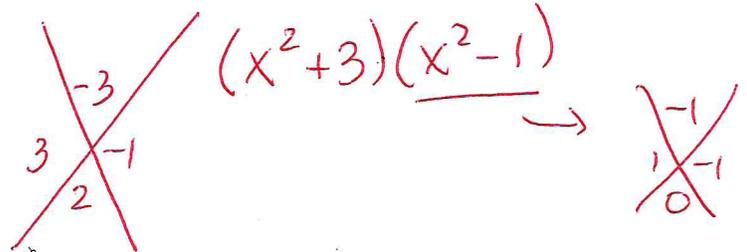
$$(x)^3 - 6^3$$

$$a = x \quad b = 6 \quad ab = 6x$$

$$a^2 = x^2 \quad b^2 = 36$$

$$(x-6)(x^2+6x+36)$$

b) $x^4 + 2x^2 - 3$



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

3) Use the given polynomial: (C)

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

a) Prove the polynomial algebraically.

$$(x-y)(x+y)^2$$

$$(x-y)(x+y)(x+y)$$

$$(x^2 - xy + xy - y^2)(x+y)$$

$$(x^2 - y^2)(x+y)$$

$$x^3 + x^2y + xy^2 - y^3 = x^3 + x^2y - xy^2 - y^3 \quad \checkmark$$

b) Verify the polynomial numerically

let $x=2, y=4$

$$(2-4)(2+4)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 2^3 + 2^2 \cdot 4 - 2 \cdot 4^2 - 4^3$$

$$(-2)(6)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 8 + 16 - 32 - 64$$

$$(-2)(36) \stackrel{?}{=} -72$$

$$-72 = -72 \quad \checkmark$$

4) Solve each of the equations. Find all the solutions. (NC)

a) $x^4 + x^2 - 90 = 0$



$$(x^2+10)(x^2-9) = 0$$

$$x^2+10=0$$

$$x^2 = -10$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{-10} \rightarrow 10$$

$$x = \pm i\sqrt{10}$$

$$x^2 - 9 = 0$$

$$x^2 = 9$$

$$x = \pm 3$$

b) $x^3 + 216 = 0$

From (2a)

$$(x-6)(x^2+6x+36) = 0$$

$$x-6=0$$

$$x=6$$

$$x = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{6^2 - 4(1)(36)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 144}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{-108}}{2} = \frac{-6 \pm 6\sqrt{3}i}{2} = -3 \pm 3i\sqrt{3}$$