

Bellwork Alg 2 Thursday, November 14, 2019

1. Write a possible equation for a polynomial with the given degree and given number of zeros.

a) 8th degree and 4 distinct real zeros.

b) 9th degree and 6 distinct real zeros.

2. State the degree (actual NUMBER) and leading coefficient (actual NUMBER) for this polynomial:

$$y = -2x^4(5x - 1)^2(6x - 1)(3 - 2x)^3(4x + 3)^2(7 - x)^2$$

3. Find all x-intercepts by a method other than graphing.

a) $y = -8x^2(x^2 + 16)(2x - 1)(x + 4)$

b) $f(x) = 5x^3 - 20x$

c) $y = 500 - 4x^3$

4. Use the given intervals below:

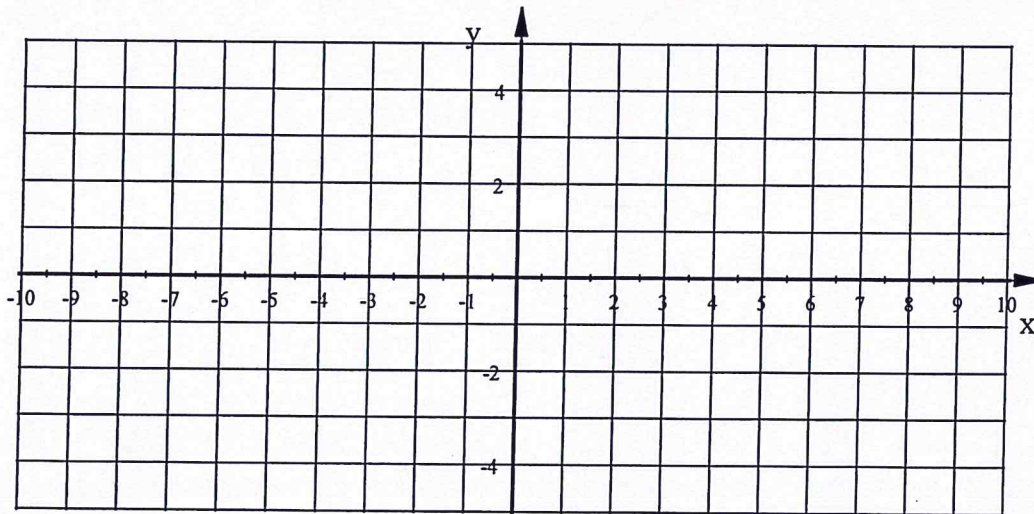
>Increasing and concave up: $(-8, -5) \cup (1, 4)$

>Increasing and concave down: $(-5, -3) \cup (4, 7)$

>Decreasing and concave up: $(-\infty, -8) \cup (-1, 1)$

>Decreasing and concave down: $(-3, -1) \cup (7, \infty)$

a) Sketch a graph with these characteristics. Place a visible dot at each max, min, and pt of inflection.



b) State the x-coordinates of all maximums.

c) State the x-coordinates of all minimums.

d) state the x-coordinates of all points of inflection.

e) What is the most likely degree of this polynomial and is the leading coefficient Positive or Negative?

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ANSWERS

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SHOWN ARE SOME EXAMPLE ANSWERS. THERE ARE AN INFINITE # OF POSSIBILITIES

b) 9th degree and 6 distinct real zeros.

$$y = x^2(x+1)^2(x-2)^2(x+3)(x-4)(x+5) \quad \text{or} \quad y = x^2(x+1)(x-2)(x+3)(x-4)(x+5)(x^2+1)$$

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$$(-2x^4)(5x)^2(6x)(-2x)^3(4x)^2(-x)^2 = (-2x^4)(25x^2)(6x)(-8x^3)(16x^2)(x^2) = 38,400x^{14}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{matrix} \text{L.C.} = 38,400 \\ \text{DEG} = 14 \end{matrix}}$$

3. Find all x-intercepts by a method other than graphing.

a) $y = -8x^2(x^2+16)(2x-1)(x+4)$

$$\boxed{x\text{-INT} = 0, 1/2, -4} \quad \text{Real zeros of factors shown}$$

b) $f(x) = 5x^3 - 20x$

$$0 = 5x^3 - 20x \rightarrow 0 = 5x(x^2 - 4) \rightarrow 0 = 5x(x+2)(x-2)$$

$$\boxed{x\text{-INT} = 0, \pm 2}$$

c) $y = 500 - 4x^3$

$$0 = 500 - 4x^3$$

$$\frac{-500}{-4} = \frac{-4x^3}{-4}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{250} = \sqrt[3]{x^3}$$

$$\boxed{x = 5}$$

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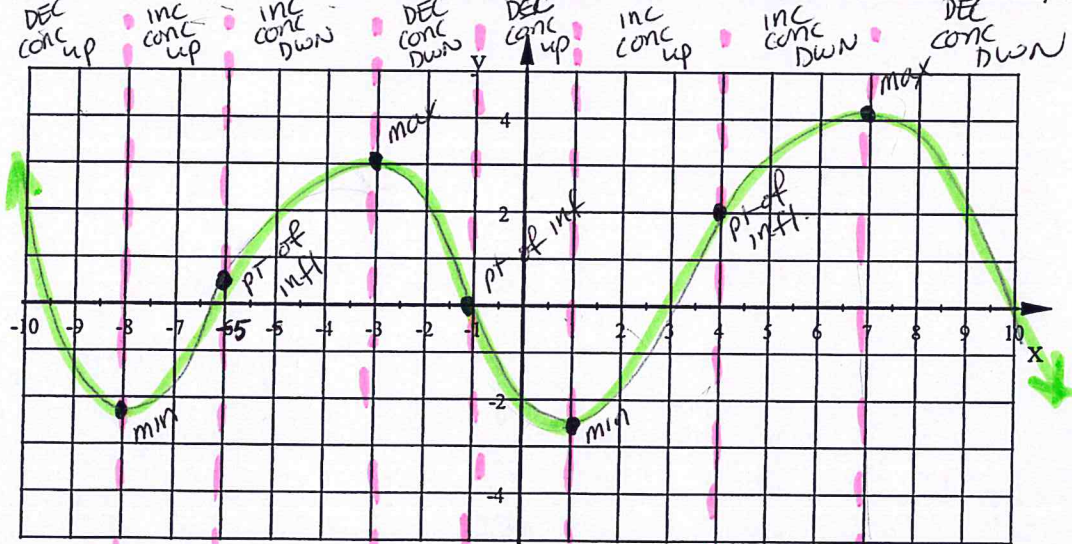
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$$x = -3, 7$$

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$$x = -5, -1, 4$$

e) What is the most likely degree of this polynomial and is the leading coefficient Positive or Negative?

5th DEGREE WITH NEG LEADING COEFF.

4 extremes
 $n-1=4$
 $n=5$

end behavior $\uparrow \downarrow$