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**Worksheet 3.4—Complex Zeros of Polynomial Functions**

Show all work on a separate sheet of paper. All answers must be given as **simplified, exact answers!** Calculators are permitted, but only to help you narrow down choices of rational zeros.

**Multiple Choice**

1. The reciprocal of the number  $i$  is

- (A)  $-i$  (B)  $-1$  (C)  $1$  (D)  $i$  (E) none of these

$$\frac{1}{i} \cdot i = \frac{i}{i^2} = -i$$

2. State the possible number of imaginary zeros of  $g(x) = x^5 + 3x^3 + 7x^2 - 6x - 13$

- (A) 3 or 1 (B) 2, 4, or 0 (C) Exactly 1 (D) Exactly 3 (E) Exactly 4

3. What is the simplified form of  $\frac{9i^5 - 5i^{1735}}{2i^4}$

- (A)  $-7i$  (B)  $-2i$  (C)  $2i$  (D)  $7i$  (E) none of these

$$\frac{9i^5 - 5i^{1735}}{2}$$

$$\frac{9i - 5(-i)}{2} = \frac{14i}{2} = 7i$$

$$4 \overline{) 1735}$$

$$\underline{4} \phantom{00} 33$$

$$\phantom{4} \underline{16} \phantom{00} 13$$

$$\phantom{4} \phantom{16} \underline{12} \phantom{00} 15$$

$$\phantom{4} \phantom{16} \phantom{12} \underline{12} \phantom{00} 3$$

4.  $\frac{(-2-2i)(5+2i)}{(5-2i)(5+2i)}$  (A)  $-\frac{2}{5}$  (B)  $-\frac{14}{29} - \frac{14}{29}i$  (C)  $-\frac{6}{29} - \frac{14}{29}i$  (D)  $-\frac{6}{21} - \frac{14}{21}i$  (E)  $-\frac{14}{21} - \frac{14}{21}i$

Short Answer

$$\rightarrow \frac{-10 - 14i + 4}{25 + 4} = \frac{-6 - 14i}{29}$$

#3 was changed.

If you have  $5^{1735}$  then the answer is E

If you have the newer version then the answer is D.

4. List all possible rational x-intercepts of  $y = 2x^3 + 3x - 5$ , then find all complex roots. Use your calculator to narrow down your rational root possibilities. Show the synthetic division.

$$\frac{5}{2} \quad \frac{\pm 1, \pm 5}{\pm 1, \pm 2}, \quad \pm 1, \pm 5, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{5}{2} \quad 8 \text{ possible}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & -5 \\ & & 2 & 2 & 5 \\ \hline & 2 & 2 & 5 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$2x^2 + 2x + 5$$

$$X = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(2)(5)}}{4}$$

$$X = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-36}}{4} = \frac{-2 \pm 6i}{4} \quad X = \frac{-1 \pm 3i}{2}$$

$$\text{Roots: } X = 1, \frac{-1 \pm 3i}{2}$$

5. Use the Rational Roots Test to find possible rational zeroes of  $y = 6x^4 - 11x^3 + 8x^2 - 33x - 30$ , then find the all complex roots. Use your calculator to narrow down your rational root possibilities. Show the synthetic division. You do not have to list the rational root possibilities.

$$y = 6x^4 - 11x^3 + 8x^2 - 33x - 30 \quad \text{Roots: } X = -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{2}, \pm \sqrt{3}i$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} -\frac{2}{3} & 6 & -11 & 8 & -33 & -30 \\ & & -4 & 10 & -12 & 30 \\ \hline & 6 & -15 & 18 & -45 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} \frac{5}{2} & 6 & -15 & 18 & -45 & 0 \\ & & 15 & 0 & 45 & \\ \hline & 6 & 0 & 18 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$6x^2 + 18 = 0$$

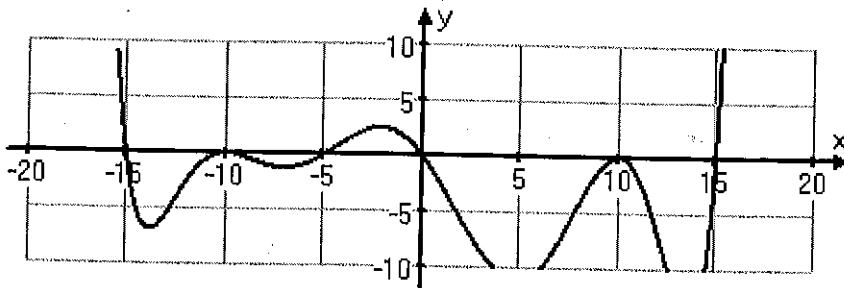
$$6(x^2 + 3) = 0$$

$$\frac{-0 \pm \sqrt{0 - 4(1)(3)}}{2} = \frac{\pm \sqrt{-12}}{2} = \pm \sqrt{3}i$$

calculator permitted to find A

6. The following is a graph of a 8<sup>th</sup> degree polynomial function,  $f(x)$ , with all real roots.

(a) Write a general equation of the function.



(b) If the function satisfies  $f(-2) = 3$ , find the particular equation of  $f(x)$ . Show work and use proper notation.

$$f(x) = A(x+15)(x+10)^2(x+5)^3(x-10)^2(x-15)$$

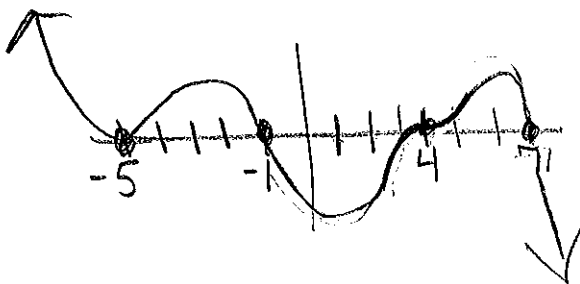
$$3 = A(-2)(13)(8)^2(3)^3(-12)^2(-17)$$

$$3 = A(109983744)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{36661248} x(x+15)(x+10)^2(x+5)^3(x-10)^2(x-15)$$

7. Sketch a graph of the following polynomial. Show all  $x$ -intercepts.

$$y = -\frac{1}{5600}(x+5)^2(x+1)(x-4)^3(x-7)$$



8. Given that  $-i+2$  is a zero of  $f(x)=x^5-6x^4+11x^3-x^2-14x+5$ , find all complex roots using synthetic division. List your possible rational roots also. Possible  $\pm 1, \pm 5$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrrr}
 2-i & 1 & -6 & 11 & -1 & -14 & 5 \\
 & & 2-i & -9+2i & 6+2i & 12-i & -5 \\
 \hline
 2+i & 1 & -4-i & 2+2i & 5+2i & -2-i & 0 \\
 & & 2+i & -4-2i & -4-2i & 2+i & \\
 \hline
 & 1 & -2 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 
 \end{array}$$

$$x^3 - 2x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$$

Possible roots:  $\pm 1$

Hopins for  $\rightarrow$   $\textcircled{-1}$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr}
 -1 & 1 & -2 & -2 & 1 \\
 & & 1 & -1 & -3 \\
 \hline
 & 1 & -1 & -3 & -2
 \end{array}$$

so must be  $-1$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr}
 -1 & 1 & -2 & -2 & 1 \\
 & & -1 & 3 & -1 \\
 \hline
 & 1 & -3 & 1 & 0
 \end{array}$$

$\textcircled{\text{Ha!}}$

$$x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9-4}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Roots: } x = 2 \pm i, -1, \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}}$$

9. Find all the complex zeroes of the following polynomial:  $f(x) = 2x^5 + 3x^4 - 30x^3 - 57x^2 - 2x + 24$ . List all possible rational roots first, then use your calculator to help narrow down the search. Show your synthetic division.

factors of  $\frac{24}{2}$

$$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 8, \pm 12, \pm 24$$

$$\pm 1, \pm 2$$

Possible Roots:  $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 8, \pm 12, \pm 24, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{3}{2}$

found from graph  $4, -\frac{3}{2}, -1$

4	2	3	-30	-57	-2	24
		8	44	56	-4	-24
-1	2	11	14	-1	-6	0
		-2	-9	-5	6	
$-\frac{3}{2}$	2	9	5	-6		0
		-3	-9	6		
	2	6	-4			0

$$2x^2 + 6x - 4 = 0$$

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

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9+8}}{2} = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}$$

Roots:  $x = 4, -1, -\frac{3}{2}, \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}$

10. Find the remainder when  $x^{36} + 4x^{27} + 7$  is divided by  $x+1$ .

$$(-1)^{36} + 4(-1)^{27} + 7$$

$$1 - 4 + 7 = 3$$

$$\boxed{\text{remainder is } 3}$$

11. Find  $P(x)$  if  $P(x)$  divided by  $x-1$  has a remainder of  $-2$  and a quotient of  $x^3 + x^2 - x - 1$ . Write  $P(x)$  in expanded form.

$$\boxed{P(x) = (x^3 + x^2 - x - 1) + \frac{-2}{x-1}}$$

12. A polynomial function has the following complex roots: A polynomial  $P(x)$  has the following roots:  
 $-2, 1 + \sqrt{3}, 5i$ .

(a) Write an equation of the function of lowest possible degree. Remember to expand any factors containing radicals or imaginary units.

(b) If  $P(0) = -25$ , write the particular equation.

$$P(x) = A(x+2)(x-1-\sqrt{3})(x-1+\sqrt{3})(x-5i)(x+5i)$$

$$x^2 - x + x\sqrt{3} - x + 1 - \sqrt{3} - x\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3} - 3$$

$$P(x) = A(x+2)(x^2 - 2x - 2)(x^2 + 25)$$

$$-25 = A(2)(-2)(25)$$

$$-25 = A(-100)$$

$$\frac{-25}{-100} = \frac{A}{-100}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\boxed{P(x) = \frac{1}{4}(x+2)(x^2 - 2x - 2)(x^2 + 25)}$$

13. Determine a polynomial of lowest degree with real coefficients that has the given roots:

(a)  $0(m2)$ ,  $4+3i$

(b)  $7-i\sqrt{5}(m2)$ ,  $\sqrt{5}(m2)$

a)  $f(x) = A x^2 (x-4-3i)(x-4+3i)$   
 $x^2 - 4x + 3ix - 4x + 16 - 12i - 3ix + 12i + 9$   
 $f(x) = A x^2 (x^2 - 8x + 25)$

b)  $f(x) = A \left( (x-7+i\sqrt{5})(x-7-i\sqrt{5}) \right)^2 \left( (x-\sqrt{5})(x+\sqrt{5}) \right)^2$   
 $x^2 - 7x - ix\sqrt{5} - 7x + 49 + 7i\sqrt{5} + ix\sqrt{5} = -7i\sqrt{5} + 5$   
 $f(x) = A (x^2 - 14x + 54)^2 (x^2 - 5)^2$

14. Determine  $k$  so that  $f(x) = x^3 - 11x^2 + kx - 6$  has  $x-3$  as a factor.

$0 = (3)^3 - 11(3)^2 + k(3) - 6$   
 $0 = 27 - 99 + 3k - 6$   
 $0 = -78 + 3k$   
 $78 = 3k$   
 $k = 26$

15. True or False: if False, explain why or provide a counterexample.

- (a) A polynomial of the 5th degree can have only 2 real roots and 3 imaginary roots. **F**
- (b) A polynomial function of degree 8 can only have as its real roots 2 (m3) and 3 (m2). **F**
- (c) A polynomial function of degree 7 must have at least one rational root. **T**
- (d) A 44th degree polynomial function can have exactly 12 relative extrema. **F**
- (e) Every even degree function is even. **F**
- (f) Every odd polynomial function is also of odd degree. **T**
- (g) An odd degree polynomial has a range of all real numbers. **T**
- (h) An even degree polynomial has a domain of all real numbers. **T**
- (i) Precalculus is awesome. **TRUE!** 😊