

# MTH 150 Chapter 3

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# 1 Reflection

I found mostly sections 3.1 – 3.2 simple just because I have seen most of these problems in high school.

I had a little bit of trouble in section 3.2 on question 27. I was a bit confused how i should use the information i was given to solve the height of the ball in seconds. After a little review online i was able to get my desired outcome.

I found section 3.3 really easy as all i had to do was factor out my equation in order to get my real zeroes

As for section 3.4 i found it to be pretty simple since its basic plotting information that is given from the data. I also used graphs to help me find the points and was able to find all real possible zeroes

In section 3.7 i found it to be pretty easy as i worked with points and asymptote back in high school. Majority of the work felt pretty similar.

Sometimes when it came to finding the complex roots it became a bit difficult since i did not remember the equation used but after some quick research explaining the exercise the work became fairly easy.

## 2 Section 3.1 Power Functions Polynomial Functions

### 2.1 1,15,17,21

1. Find the long run behavior of each function as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  and  $x \rightarrow -\infty$

$$x^4$$

*As  $f(x)$  approaches  $-\infty$   $x$  approaches  $-\infty$   
*As  $f(x)$  approaches  $\infty$   $x$  approaches  $\infty$**

15. Find the degree and leading coefficient of each polynomial

$$(2x + 3)(x - 4)(3x + 1)$$

$$(2x + 3)(x - 4) = 2x^2 - 5x - 12$$

$$(2x^2 - 5x - 12)(3x + 1)$$

$$(6x^3 - 13x^2 - 41x - 12)$$

Degree = 3 Leading cf = 6

- 17 Find the long run behavior of each function as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  and  $x \rightarrow -\infty$

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

*As  $f(x)$  approaches  $-\infty$   $x$  approaches  $-\infty$   
*As  $f(x)$  approaches  $\infty$   $x$  approaches  $\infty$**

- 21 What is the maximum number of  $x$ -intercepts and turning points for a polynomial of degree 5?

Total number equals 4

#### Comments

This was pretty simple, finding long behavior is easy as soon as you put it in graph form and working with degrees is easy.

### 3 Section 3.2 Quadratic Functions

#### 3.1 7,13,20,27

7 For each of the follow quadratic functions, find a) the vertex, b) the vertical intercept, and c) the horizontal intercepts.

$$y(x) = 2x^2 + 10x + 12$$

A- Vertex (-2.5,-0.5)

B- Horizontal intercepts (-3,0)(-2,0)

C- Vertical Intercepts (0,12)

13 Rewrite the quadratic function into vertex form.

$$f(x) = x^2 - 12x + 32$$

$$x^2 - 12x + (-6)^2 - (-6)^2 + 32$$

$$(x - 6)^2 - (-6)^2 + 32$$

$$f(x) = (x - 6)^2 - 4$$

20 Write an equation for a quadratic with the given features  $x$  - intercepts(2, 0)and(-5, 0), andyintercept(0, 3)

$$f(x) = a(x - 2)(x + 5)$$

$$3 = a(-2)(5)$$

$$F(x) = -0,3(x - 2)(x + 5)$$

27 A rocket is launched in the air. Its height, in meters above sea level, as a function of time, in seconds, is given by  $h(t) = 4 + .9t^2 + 29t - 234$ . A - 234

B - 4795 feet

Comments

This was pretty simple, only had trouble with exercise 27 as i did not know how to use the information to find desired outcome.

## 4 Section 3.3 Graphs of Polynomial Functions

### 4.1 19,31

19 Solve each inequality.

$$(x-3)(x-2)^2 > 0$$

$$2x^2 - 10x + 12$$

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

$$x < 2 \text{ or } x > 3$$

31 Write an equation for a polynomial the given features.

A Degree 3. Zeros at  $x = -2$ ,  $x = 1$ , and  $x = 3$ . Vertical intercept at  $(0, -4)$

$$ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$$

$$g(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$$

$$g(-2) = -4, g(1) = 0, g(3) = -4, g(4) = 0$$

#### Comments

This was pretty simple, had to be careful when i was factoring out the equation to make sure i get the right input.

## 5 Section 3.4 Factor Theorem and Remainder Theorem

### 5.1 21,22,1,3

21 *Below you are given a polynomial and one of its zeros. Use the techniques in this section to find the rest of the real zeros and factor the polynomial.*

$$x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$$

Zeros at x=

$$x=3$$

$$x=1$$

$$x=2$$

22

$$x^3 - 24x^2 + 192x - 512$$

Zeros at x =

$$x=-2$$

$$x=-1.73$$

$$x=1.73$$

Comments

This was pretty simple, i had worked with finding zeroes back in high school

## 6 Section 3.5 Real Zeros of Polynomials

### 6.1 1,3

1 For each of the following polynomials, use Cauchy's Bound to find an interval containing all the real zeros, then use Rational Roots Theorem to make a list of possible rational zeros.

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

Real zero at  $x =$

$$x = -2$$

$$x = 1$$

$$x = 3$$

Possible zero at  $x =$

$$x = 1$$

$$x = 2$$

$$x = 3$$

$$x = 6$$

3

$$x^4 - 9x^2 - 4x + 12$$

Real zero at  $x =$

$$x = -2$$

$$x = 1$$

$$x = 3$$

Possible zero at  $x =$

$$x = 1$$

$$x = 2$$

$$x = 3$$

$$x = 6$$

$$x = 4$$

$$x = 12$$

## 7 Section 3.7 Rational Functions

### 7.1 5,6

5 *For each function, find the horizontal intercepts, the vertical intercept, the vertical asymptotes, and the horizontal asymptote. Use that information to sketch a graph.*

$$\frac{2x - 3}{x + 4}$$

Horizontal Asymptote (0,2)

Vertical asymptote (-4,0)

x intercept (1.5,0)

Y intercept (0,-0.75)

6

$$\frac{x - 6}{3x - 1}$$

Horizontal Asymptote (0,2)

Vertical asymptote (-4,0)

x intercept (1.5,0)

Y intercept (0,-0.75)

This was fairly simple, got a little lost when trying to find the asymptote points as its been a while but the work was easy