

This is our final learning opportunity together, and I'm hoping to take full advantage. Read the questions carefully. It's possible to earn points on a problem by *knowing* that you did something wrong and clearly *explaining how* you know and what you're *trying* to accomplish, and how you're going about it. More points for solid terminology and English.

1. Solve the equation  $x^2 + 6x - 16 = 0$  in two different ways:

part a (10 pts) Factoring

$$(x+8)(x-2) = 0$$

$$x \in \{-8, 2\}$$

part b (10 pts) Completing the square

$$x^2 + 6x = 16$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 3^2 = 16 + 9$$

$$(x+3)^2 = 25$$

$$x+3 = \pm 5$$

$$x = -3 \pm 5 \begin{cases} \rightarrow -3+5 = 2 \\ \rightarrow -3-5 = -8 \end{cases}$$

$$x \in \{-8, 2\}$$

2. Solve the absolute value inequality. Give your answer in set-builder *and* interval notation.

part a (10 pts)  $|3x-2| \geq 5$

$$3x-2 \geq 5 \text{ OR } 3x-2 \leq -5$$

$$3x \geq 7 \text{ OR } 3x \leq -3$$

$$\{x \mid x \geq \frac{7}{3} \text{ OR } x \leq -1\}$$

$$= (-\infty, -1] \cup [\frac{7}{3}, \infty)$$

Number line for part a:  $x \leq -1$  and  $x \geq \frac{7}{3}$ . A scratch line is drawn between  $-1$  and  $\frac{7}{3}$ . The final solution is  $x \leq -1$  OR  $x \geq \frac{7}{3}$ .

part b (10 pts)  $|3x-2| < 5$

$$3x-2 < 5 \text{ AND } 3x-2 > -5$$

$$3x < 7 \text{ AND } 3x > -3$$

$$\{x \mid x < \frac{7}{3} \text{ AND } x > -1\}$$

Number line for part b:  $x < \frac{7}{3}$  and  $x > -1$ . The intersection is  $-1 < x < \frac{7}{3}$ .

$$= (-1, \frac{7}{3})$$

3. Find the domain of each of the following:

part a (10 pts)  $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{(x-3)^4(x-5)^7}{(x-1)^3}}$

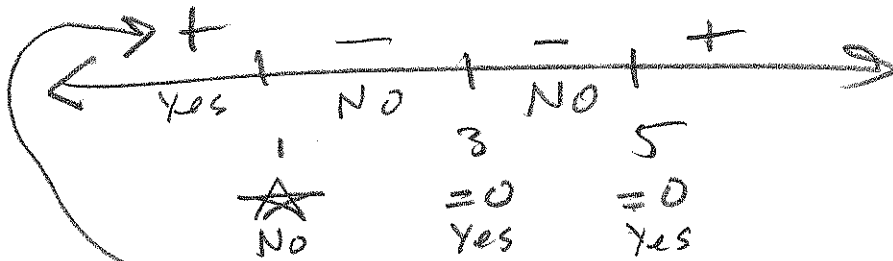
$x=3, m=2$  DON'T CHANGE SIGN

$x=5, m=7$  ODD? CHANGE SIGN

$x=1, m=3$  CHANGE SIGN

NEED  $\frac{(x-3)^4(x-5)^7}{(x-1)^3} \geq 0$

ALSO NEED  $(x-1)^3 \neq 0$   
 so  $x \neq 1$  part of  $\sqrt{\quad}$ .



$(-\infty, 1) \cup \{3\} \cup [5, \infty)$

TEST  $x=0$

$$\frac{(0-3)^4(0-5)^7}{(0-1)^3} = \frac{(-3)^4(-5)^7}{(-1)^3}$$

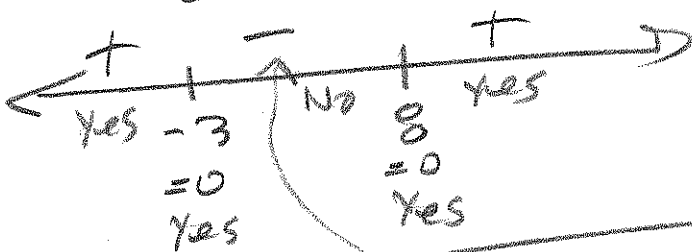
$$= \frac{3^4(-5^7)}{-1^3} = \frac{-3^4 5^7}{-1^3}$$

$$= \frac{3^4 5^7}{1^3} \quad (+)$$

part b (10 pts)  $\ln(x^2 - 5x - 24)$

Need  $x^2 - 5x - 24 > 0$

$(x-8)(x+3) > 0$



$x \in (-\infty, -3] \cup [8, \infty)$

TEST  $x=0$

$(0-8)(0+3)$

$= -24 \quad (-)$

4. (20 pts) Let  $f(x) = x^2 + 5x$ . Simplify the difference quotient  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(x+h)^2 + 5(x+h) - (x^2 + 5x)}{h} \\
 &= \frac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2 + 5x + 5h - x^2 - 5x}{h} \\
 &= \frac{2xh + h^2 + 5h}{h} \\
 &= \frac{h(2x + h + 5)}{h} = \boxed{2x + h + 5}
 \end{aligned}$$

5. (15 pts) Form a polynomial (in factored form) that will have *real* coefficients after expanding (which you shouldn't bother to do!) that has the following zeros with the respective multiplicities:

$x = 4$ , multiplicity = 3

$x = -5$ , multiplicity = 2

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(x-4)^3 (x+5)^2 (x-(4-5i))(x-(4+5i)) \\
 &\quad 3 \quad + \quad 2 \quad + \quad 1 \quad + \quad 1 = 7
 \end{aligned}$$

6. (5 pts) What's the minimum possible degree for the polynomial described?

$$\boxed{7}$$

7. How many ways to...

**part a** (5 pts) ... choose 4 trumpet players for the jazz band, if there are 20 players trying out?

$$\binom{20}{4} = {}_{20}C_4 = C(20,4) = \frac{20!}{4!16!} = \frac{20 \cdot 19 \cdot 18 \cdot 17}{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} = \boxed{4845}$$

**part b** (5 pts) ... choose 4 trumpet players for the jazz band, if there are 20 players trying out and you will then arrange them into 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> chair?

$$P(20,4) = {}_{20}P_4 = \frac{20!}{16!} = 20 \cdot 19 \cdot 18 \cdot 17 = \boxed{116,280}$$

check?

$$= C(20,4) \cdot 4! = 4845 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 = 116,280 \quad \checkmark$$

8. Let  $f(x) = 4x^4 - \overset{-63x^2}{\cancel{x^2}} + 159x - 130$ .

**part a** (20 pts) Use synthetic division to determine if  $x + 5$  is a factor of  $f$ .

Interpret your work by filling in the quotient and remainder in the statement

$4x^4 - 163x^2 + 159x - 130 = (x + 5) \cdot \text{quotient} + \text{remainder}$ .

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} -5 & 4 & 0 & -63 & 159 & -130 \\ & & -20 & 100 & -705 & 130 \\ \hline & 4 & -20 & 37 & -26 & 0 \end{array}$$

$f(x) = (x+5)(4x^3 - 20x^2 + 37x - 26) + 0$

**part b** (10 pts) Show that  $x = 2$  is a root of  $f$  by dividing your quotient in part a by  $x - 2$ . This question, in itself ought to give you a very clear idea of what your conclusion ought to have been in part a.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 4 & -20 & 37 & -26 \\ & & 8 & -24 & 26 \\ \hline & 4 & -12 & 13 & 0 \end{array}$$

**part c** (5 pts) Based on your work, factor  $f(x)$  over the real number field. This involves an irreducible quadratic factor.

$f(x) = (x+5)(x-2)(4x^2 - 12x + 13)$

**part d** (10 pts) Compute the discriminant of  $4x^2 - 12x + 13$ . Then find the two nonreal roots of  $4x^2 - 12x + 13$ , by any method (other than copying from someone else).

$b^2 - 4ac = (-12)^2 - 4(4)(13) = 144 - 208 = -64$   
 $x = \frac{-(-12) \pm \sqrt{-64}}{2(4)} = \frac{12 \pm 8i}{8} = \frac{3 \pm 2i}{2}$

$\frac{3+2i}{2}, \frac{3-2i}{2}$

$64 = 2^6$   
 $\sqrt{-64} = 2^3 i = 8i$

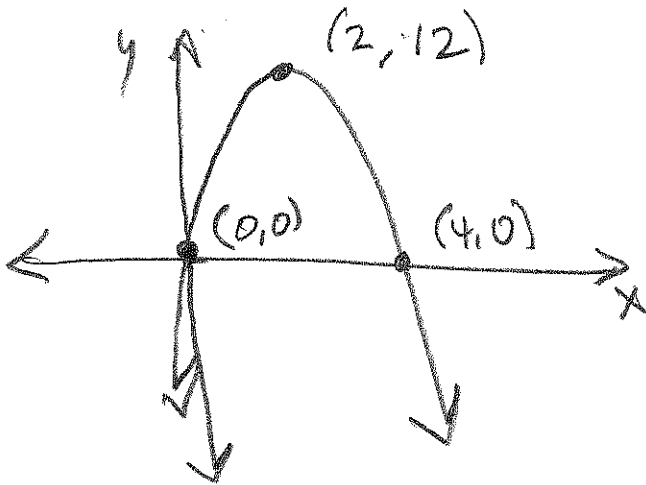
$2 \overline{) 64}$   
 $2 \overline{) 32}$   
 $2 \overline{) 16}$   
 $2 \overline{) 8}$   
 $2 \overline{) 4}$   
 $2$

**part e** (5 pts) Based on your work, split  $f(x)$  into the product of linear factors.

$4(x+5)(x-2)(x - (\frac{3+2i}{2}))(x - (\frac{3-2i}{2}))$

Hopefully, your remainder is zero. It's how you get it and how you interpret it that matter to me.

9. (10 pts) Graph  $g(x) = -3(x-2)^2 + 12$  using the techniques of shifting, stretching and reflecting. Label the vertex and all intercepts.



$$\begin{aligned} g(0) &= -3(-2)^2 + 12 \\ &= -3(4) + 12 \\ &= -12 + 12 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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$$-3(x-2)^2 + 12 = 0$$

$$-3(x-2)^2 = -12$$

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

$$x-2 = \pm\sqrt{4} = \pm 2$$

$$x = 2 \pm 2 \begin{cases} \nearrow 4 \\ \searrow 0 \end{cases}$$

10. (10 pts) Evaluate the sum  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 7 \cdot \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{k-1}$   $a = 7, r = \frac{3}{5}$

$$\begin{aligned} S &= a \left( \frac{1}{1-r} \right) = 7 \left( \frac{1}{1-\frac{3}{5}} \right) = 7 \left( \frac{1}{\frac{2}{5}} \right) = 7 \left( \frac{5}{2} \right) \\ &= \boxed{\frac{35}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

11. The population of a town in 2008 is 15,000 people. The population of that town grows to 16,500 in 2012. The population is a function of time in the exponential model  $P(t) = P_0 e^{kt}$  where  $t=0$  represents the year 2008.

**part a** (2 pts) Define the variables given this information and identify the two ordered pairs to use as points.

Let  $t = \text{time, in years, after 2008}$

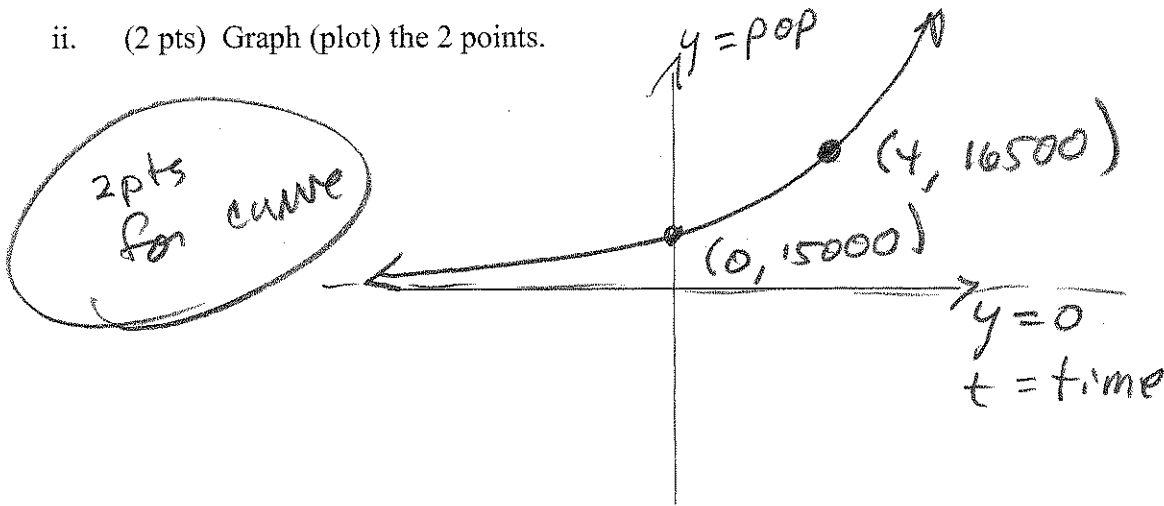
$P = \text{Pop. as a function of } t$

$2008 - 2008 = 0 \rightarrow (0, 15,000)$

**part b** Graphing  $2012 - 2008 = 4 \rightarrow (4, 16,500)$

i. (2 pts) Label the axes appropriately for the context of the problem.

ii. (2 pts) Graph (plot) the 2 points.



**part c** i. (2 pts) Find the rate of growth. Show your work. Round to 4 decimal places.

$$P_0 e^{kt} = 15000 e^{kt} \text{ and } e^{4k} = 1.1$$

$$P(4) = 16500$$

$$15000 e^{4k} = 16500$$

$$e^{4k} = \frac{16500}{15000} = 1.1$$

$$4k = \ln(1.1)$$

$$k = \frac{\ln(1.1)}{4}$$

$$\approx \boxed{.0238}$$

$$.023827545$$

ii. (2 pts) Find the equation of the exponential function which models the situation.

$$P(t) = 15000 e^{.0238t}$$

**part d** (2 pts) Graph the equation of the curve on the same graph as the two points in **part b**.

**part e** (2 pts) Use the equation to find the estimated population in 2015. Show your work.

$$P(t) = 15000e^{-0.0238t}$$

$$2015 \rightarrow 2015 - 2008 = 7 = t$$

$$P(7) = 15000e^{0.0238(7)} \approx 17,719,22487$$

$$P(7) \approx 17,719$$

**part f** (2 pts) Use your equation to calculate in what year the population will reach 20000 if the growth continues at this same rate. Show your work.

$$P(t) = 20000$$

$$15000e^{-0.0238t} = 20000$$

$$e^{-0.0238t} = \frac{20}{15} = \frac{4}{3} = 1.\bar{3}$$

$$-0.0238t = \ln(1.\bar{3})$$

$$t = \frac{\ln(1.\bar{3})}{-0.0238} \approx 12.08748204 \approx 12$$

$$2008 + 12 = 2020$$

**part g** (2 pts) What would be the effect to the population if the rate had the opposite sign? Use complete sentences in your explanation.

If  $k$  were negative, this would be exponential decay.

**part h** (2 pts) List two real-life factors which may affect the population such that this model would not prove valid. Use complete sentences.

Plague, immigration/emigration, poor economy, are just a few factors that could ruin our wonderful, beautiful exponential growth model.