

Remember to use separate paper for everything except your name. Leave a margin in the top left corner. Spread out your work. Use only one column for your work. *Submit problems in order!!!*

1. (10 pts) Form a polynomial of *minimal degree* in *factored form* that has real coefficients (after expanding) and will have the given zeros. Do *not* expand your polynomial. Leave it factored! If you run out of room, you're doing it wrong!

$x = -5$ , multiplicity 3;  $x = 2 - 7i$ , multiplicity 1;  $x = 2$ , multiplicity 2.

$$\frac{30}{70}$$

3. (5 pts) Represent the work you just did on the previous problem by writing  $P(x)$  in the form  $Dividend = Divisor \cdot Quotient + Remainder$ .

4. Suppose  $f(x) = (x+1)^2(x-2)^3(x+4)(x-4) = x^7 - 4x^6 - 15x^5 + 74x^4 - 20x^3 - 168x^2 + 64x + 128$ . If showing you both factored and expanded form to help you answer the following:

a. Solve the inequality  $f(x) \geq 0$ . Your sign pattern for this one will be helpful in the next two. You just have to interpret what you're seeing.

b. (10 pts) Provide a rough sketch of  $f$ , using its zeros, their respective multiplicities and its end behavior. Include  $x$ - and  $y$ -intercepts. Your graph should be smooth. Un-exaggerate the vertical for a better quality graph.

c. (5 pts) What is the domain of  $\sqrt{\frac{(x-2)^3(x-4)}{(x+1)^2(x+4)}}$ ?

5. Let  $f(x) = 4x^5 - 12x^4 - 5x^3 + 21x^2 - 11x - 21$ .

a. (5 pts) Use Descartes' Rule of Signs to determine the possible number of positive and negative zeros of  $f$ .

b. (5 pts) List all possible rational zeros of  $f$ .

c. (Bonus 5 pts) Find the smallest possible integer bounds on positive and negative zeros.

6. (10 pts) Find the *real* zeros of  $f(x) = 4x^5 - 12x^4 - 5x^3 + 21x^2 - 11x - 21$ . Then factor  $f$  over the set of *real numbers*. This should involve an irreducible quadratic factor.

(If things go haywire, come up with a *plausible*-looking polynomial, in factored form, with the right number of real roots and 2 nonreal roots. The 2 nonreal roots will still be living inside the irreducible quadratic

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$$(x+5)^2(x-2)^2(x-7)(x-2)(x-7)(x-2)^2$$



$$(x-2)^2$$

$$x-2 = x^m$$

$$(x-2)(x-7)$$

$$x-7 = x^m$$

$$(x+5)^2$$

$$x-5 = x^m$$

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Test # 3

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$P(x)$

$$P(x) = (x-3)(3x^4 + 7x^3 + 38x^2 + 115x + 335) + 1001$$

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$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \overline{) 3x^5 + 7x^4 + 38x^3 + 115x^2 + 335x + 1001} \\ \underline{3x^5 \phantom{+ 7x^4} + 9x^4 \phantom{+ 38x^3} + 21x^3 \phantom{+ 115x^2} + 105x^2 \phantom{+ 335x} + 1005} \\ 2x^4 \phantom{+ 38x^3} + 10x^3 \phantom{+ 115x^2} + 30x^2 \phantom{+ 335x} + 256 \end{array}$$

$$P(x) = 3x^5 - 2x^4 + 17x^3 + x^2 - 10x - 4$$

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~~$4x^5 - 12x^3 - 5x^2 + 21x - 11 = 21$~~   
 ~~$4x^5 - 12x^3 - 5x^2 + 21x - 11 = -21$~~

Try  $x = -1$  again, on this

$4$	$-16$	$11$	$10+21$	$0$
$4$	$-4$	$16$	$-11$	$-10+21$
$-11$	$-12$	$-5$	$21$	$-11-21$

Rational Zeros Theorem

1 possible negative number = 2 or 0  
 zeros

$f(x) = 4x^5 + 12x^3 + 5x^2 - 21x + 11 + 21$

2 or 1 positive possible numbers = 0, based on 2 =  
 zeros

5.  $f(x) = 4x^5 - 12x^3 - 5x^2 + 21x - 11 - 21$

1 2 3  
 3 or 1

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2 or 1

0

$$\begin{array}{r} \Delta -20 \ 35 \ 49 \ 94 \ -804 \\ \hline \Delta -8 \ 40 \ -70 \ 98 \ -188 \\ \hline \Delta -12 \ -5 \ 21 \ -4 \ -21 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \Delta -4 \ -13 \ -5 \ -21 \ -63 \\ \hline \Delta -8 \ -26 \ -10 \ -42 \\ \hline \Delta -12 \ -5 \ 21 \ -11 \ -21 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \Delta -8 \ -13 \ 34 \ 23 \ +2 \\ \hline \Delta -8 \ -13 \ 34 \ 23 \\ \hline \Delta -12 \ -5 \ +21 \ -11 \ -21 \end{array}$$

$$1 \ 4 \ 21$$

$$\frac{4}{21}$$

6  $f(x) = 4x^5 - 12x^4 + 21x^3 - 11x^2 - 21x - 21$



$$4x^2 - 8x - 5$$

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$$\begin{array}{r} 4x^2 - 8x - 5 \\ \hline 8x - 10 \\ \hline 12x - 21 \end{array}$$

again  
 $x = -1 \frac{1}{2}$   
by

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x^2 - 8x - 5 \\ \hline 8x - 10 \\ \hline 12x - 21 \\ \hline 11x - 12 \end{array}$$

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#6-3

$z_1 =$

$\frac{z}{144}$       $\frac{z}{144 \pm 8}$

$\frac{z}{-8 \pm \sqrt{144}}$

$\frac{z}{-9 \pm \sqrt{9-4ac}}$

$144 =$

$64 - 80$

$(-8)^2 - 4(4)(-5)$

$-b^2 \pm -4(ac)$

$a \quad b \quad c$   
 $4x^2 - 8x - 5$   
Whence?

0



0

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(67)

$$9 - 18 + 74 - 20 - 168 + 64 + 128 =$$

$$= 128$$

$$f(x) = 0^2 - 4(x)^6 - 15(x)^5 + 74(x)^4 - 20(x)^3 - 168(x)^2 + 64(x) + 128$$