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MA131/135: College Algebra

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Midterm Exam 3—Chapter 3

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Read and follow all instructions.

Part I: True or False [2 points each]

*Read each statement carefully. In the space provided, write **T** if the statement is always true, or **F** otherwise.*

- F 1. A polynomial function of degree 5 has exactly 5 real zeros. *at most*
- F 2. A polynomial function of degree 4 has at least 1 real zero. *could have 0*
- T 3. A polynomial function of degree 6 with negative leading coefficient and positive y -intercept must have at least 2 real zeros.
- T 4. Every polynomial of odd degree has an even number of turning points.
- T 5. The polynomial function $P(x) = 3x^6 - 3x^2 - 3$ has no positive real roots larger than 2.

Part II: Fill in the Blank [2 points each]

Choose the appropriate word or phrase from the word bank, and write its corresponding letter in the space provided.

Word Bank:

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| A. zero | B. one | C. two |
| D. three | E. four | F. five |
| G. remainder | H. root | I. factor |
| J. quotient | K. divisor | L. squirrel |

- B 6. The polynomial function $P(x) = x^3 + 3x$ has _____ real zeros.
- B 7. The polynomial function $P(x) = -x^5 + 9x^4 + 13x^3 - 5x^2 + 2x^2 + 12$ has exactly _____ positive real root(s).
- A 8. The polynomial function $P(x) = 9x^9 + 7x^7 + x^3 + 5x$ has _____ negative real roots.
- I 9. If $x = k$ is a root of a polynomial function P , then $(x - k)$ is a _____ of P .
- J 10. When dividing $P(x) = 3x^4 - 4x^2 + 9x - 12$ by $D(x) = x^2 - 3x + 2$, the term $3x^2 + 9x + 17$ is called the _____.

Part III: Multiple Choice [4 points each]

Write the letter corresponding to the appropriate answer in the space provided.

- C 11. Find the vertex of the function $P(x) = -2x^2 - 4x + 6$.

A. $(1, 8)$

B. $(4, 6)$

C. $(-1, 8)$

D. $(-4, 6)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= -2(x^2 + 2x + 1) - 3 - 1 \\ &= -2(x+1)^2 + 8 \end{aligned}$$

- D 12. Solve the equation $6x^2 - 15x + 6 = 0$.

A. $x = 1, 2$

B. $x = \frac{1}{2}, 2$

C. $x = 3, 2$

D. $x = \frac{1}{2}, 2$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{15}{12} \pm \frac{\sqrt{15^2 - 4 \cdot 6^2}}{12} \\ &= \frac{15}{12} \pm \frac{\sqrt{81}}{12} \\ &= \frac{15}{12} \pm \frac{9}{12} = \frac{24}{12} = 2 \\ &\quad \diamond \quad \frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

- C 13. Solve the equation $x^2 - 4x = 2$.

A. $x = -1 \pm \sqrt{6}$

B. $-2 \pm \sqrt{2}$

C. $x = 2 \pm \sqrt{6}$

D. $2 \pm \sqrt{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 4x + 4 &= 2 + 4 \\ (x-2)^2 &= 6 \\ x &= 2 \pm \sqrt{6} \end{aligned}$$

- A 14. Solve the equation $3x^2 + 3x - 2 = 0$.

A. $x = -\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{33}}{6}$

B. $\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{33}}{6}$

C. $x = -\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{i\sqrt{33}}{6}$

D. $\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{i\sqrt{33}}{6}$

- A 15. The function $f(x) = x^6 - 5x^5 + 3x^4 + x^3 + 40x^2 - 24x - 72$ has 3 as a root of multiplicity 2, 2 as a root of multiplicity 1, and -1 as a root of multiplicity 1. Find all other roots.

A. $x = -1 \pm i\sqrt{3}$

C. $x = -1 \pm \sqrt{3}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ | \\ \begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & -5 & 3 & 1 & 40 & -24 & -72 \\ \downarrow & 3 & -6 & -9 & -24 & 48 & -72 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 & -8 & 16 & 24 & 0 \\ \hline \downarrow & 3 & 3 & 0 & -24 & -24 & \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -8 & -8 & 0 \\ \hline \downarrow & 2 & 6 & 12 & 8 & \\ 1 & 3 & 6 & 4 & 0 \\ \hline \downarrow & -8 & -2 & -4 & \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 \end{array} \end{array}$$

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

$$(x+1)^2 = -3$$

$$x = -1 \pm \sqrt{-3}$$

- D 16. The function $f(x) = 4x^4 - 21x^2 - 25$ has i as a root. Find all roots of f .

A. $x = i, \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$

C. $x = i, \pm 5$

B. $x = \pm i, \pm \sqrt{5}$

D. $x = \pm i, \pm \frac{5}{2}$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 1 \quad \overline{)4x^4 + 0x^3 - 21x^2 + 0x - 25} \\ \underline{4x^4} \quad \underline{+ 4x^2} \\ \hline -25x^2 - 25 \end{array}$$

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

- B 17. Divide $\frac{3x^3 - 5x^2 + 6}{x - 1}$.

A. $3x^3 - 2x^2 - 2x + 4$

B. $3x^2 - 2x - 2 + \frac{4}{x-1}$

C. $\frac{3x^2 - 2x - 2}{4}$

D. $3x^2 - 2x - 2$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad 3 \quad -5 \quad 0 \quad 6 \\ | \quad \downarrow \quad 3 \quad -2 \quad -2 \\ 3 \quad -2 \quad -2 \quad 4 \end{array}$$

- D 18. Divide $\frac{x^4 - 2x + 6}{x^2 + 2}$.

A. $x^2 - 2 - 4x + 10$

B. $x^2 - 2 + \frac{-2x + 2}{x^2 + 2}$

C. $\frac{x^2 - 2}{-2x + 10}$

D. $x^2 - 2 + \frac{-2x + 10}{x^2 + 2}$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 2 \quad \overline{)x^4 + 0x^3 + 0x^2 - 2x + 6} \\ \underline{x^4} \quad \underline{+ 2x^2} \\ \hline -2x^2 - 2x + 6 \\ \underline{-2x^2} \quad \underline{-4} \\ \hline -2x + 10 \end{array}$$

A

19. Does the function $P(x) = 3x^4 + 5x^3 - 35x^2 - 55x + 22$ have a real root between $x = 3$ and $x = 4$?

A. Yes

B. No

C. Indeterminate

D.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \ 5 \ -35 \ -55 \ 22 \\ \underline{4} \ 9 \ 42 \ 21 \ -102 \\ 3 \ 14 \ 7 \ -34 \ \underline{-80} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \ 5 \ -35 \ -83 \ 22 \\ \underline{4} \ 12 \ 68 \ 132 \ 308 \\ 3 \ 17 \ 33 \ 77 \ \underline{330} \end{array}$$

A

20. Find a cubic polynomial with zeros at 4 and $2i$, and such that $f(1) = -15$.

A. $f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 + 4x - 16$

B. $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 + 4x + 16$

C. $f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 16$

D. $f(x) = -15x^3 - 4x^2 + 4x$

$$\begin{aligned} & (x-4)(x^2+4) \\ &= x^3 - 4x^2 + 4x - 16 \end{aligned}$$

D

21. Find all roots of the function $P(t) = 7t^2 + 3t + 4$.

A. $t = -\frac{3}{14} \pm i\sqrt{\frac{103}{14}}$

B. $t = -\frac{3}{14} \pm \frac{i\sqrt{103}}{14}$

C. $t = \frac{3}{14} \pm i\frac{\sqrt{103}}{14}$

D. $t = -\frac{3}{14} \pm i\sqrt{\frac{103}{14}}$

D

22. Describe the end behavior of the graph of the function

$$P(x) = -\sqrt{2}x^3 + 4x^2 + 2x - 4.$$

A. ↗ ↘ ↗

B. ↗ ↙ ↗

C. ↘ ↗ ↘

D. ↗ ↘ ↗

A 23. Divide the polynomial function $P(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 + 4x - 10$ by $D(x) = x + 1$.

A. $2x^2 + x + 3 - \frac{13}{x+1}$

B. $\frac{2x^2 + x + 3}{-x^3}$

C. $2x^2 + x + 3 - 13$

D. $2x^2 + x + 3 - 13(x+1)$

B 24. Solve the equation $x^3 + 5x^2 - 14x = 0$.

A. $x^2 / 7, 0$

B. $x = -7, 0, 2$

C. $x = -\frac{5}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{7}}{2} i$

D. $x = -7, 2$

D 25. Find a polynomial function with real coefficients of lowest possible degree having -2 and $6i$ as zeros.

A. $P(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 3x + 72$

B. $P(x) = x^3 - (2+6i)x^2 + 12i$

C. $P(x) = x^2 - 4x + 12$

D. $P(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + 36x - 72$

C 26. Let $P(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x + 19$. Use synthetic division to find $P(-3)$.

A. 50

B. -3

C. -50

D. 19

D 27. Find all (real *and* complex) solutions of equation

$$5x^4 + 7x^3 + 119x^2 + 175x - 150 = 0.$$

- A. $x = 1, 2, 30, 5$ B. $x = -2, 1, 5i, -5i$
C. $x = 1, i, -i$ D. $x = -2, \frac{3}{5}, 5i, -5i$

A 28. Find a polynomial function P of lowest degree with $-3 + 4i$ as a root and $P(1) = 48$.

- A. $P(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 9x + \frac{75}{2}$ B. $P(x) = 48x^2 + 6x + 25$
C. $P(x) = x^2 + 6x + 25$ D. $P(x) = 48(x^2 + 25)$

C 29. Let P be a quadratic function with a root at $5 - 12i$ and leading coefficient of -3 . What is the vertex of P ?

- A. $(5, 12)$ B. $(-3, -\frac{452}{3})$
C. $(5, -\frac{452}{3})$ D. $(5, \frac{452}{3})$
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D 30. What is the maximum number of positive roots of the function?

$$P(x) = 17x + 3x^3 + 7x^5 - 2x^2 - x^6 - 13x^4 - 5$$

- A. 1 B. 4
C. 0 D. 6