

Write a polynomial function of least degree that has rational coefficients, a leading coefficient of 1 and the given zeros.

1. 1, 2, 3

$$\begin{array}{l} (x-1)(x-2)(x-3) \\ (x-1)(x^2-3x-2x+6) \\ (x-1)(x^2-5x+6) \\ \begin{array}{r} x^3-5x^2+6x \\ -x^2+5x-6 \\ \hline x^3-6x^2+11x-6 \end{array} \end{array}$$

2. -2, 1, 3

$$\begin{array}{l} (x+2)(x-1)(x-3) \\ (x+2)(x^2-3x-1x+3) \\ (x+2)(x^2-4x+3) \\ \begin{array}{r} x^3-4x^2+3x \\ +2x^2-8x+6 \\ \hline x^3-2x^2-5x+6 \end{array} \end{array}$$

3. $\sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3}$

$$\begin{array}{l} (x-\sqrt{3})(x+\sqrt{3}) \\ x^2+\sqrt{3}x-\sqrt{3}x-3 \\ x^2-3 \end{array}$$

4. $5i, -5i$

$$\begin{array}{l} (x-5i)(x+5i) \\ x^2+5ix-5ix-25i^2 \\ x^2+25 \end{array}$$

5. $4, \sqrt{5}, -\sqrt{5}$

$$\begin{array}{l} (x-4)(x-\sqrt{5})(x+\sqrt{5}) \\ (x-4)(x^2-5) \\ x^3-5x-4x^2+20 \\ x^3-4x^2-5x+20 \end{array}$$

6. -3, 1, 6

$$\begin{array}{l} (x+3)(x-1)(x-6) \\ (x+3)(x^2-7x+6) \\ x^3-7x^2+6x \\ +3x^2-21x+18 \\ \hline x^3-4x^2-15x+18 \end{array}$$

7. 2, -2

$$\begin{array}{l} (x-2)(x+2) \\ x^2-4 \end{array}$$

8. $4+i, 4-i$

$$\begin{array}{l} (x-4-i)(x-4+i) \\ x^2-4x+ix \\ -4x+16-4i \\ -ix+4i-i^2 \\ \hline x^2-8x+16+1 \end{array}$$

9. $3+2i, 3-2i$

$$\begin{array}{l} (x-3-2i)(x-3+2i) \\ x^2-3x+2ix \\ -3x+9-6i \\ -2ix+6i-4i^2 \\ \hline x^2-6x+9+4 \\ x^2-6x+13 \end{array}$$

10. $7i, -7i$

$$\begin{array}{l} x^2-8x+17 \\ (x-7i)(x+7i) \\ x^2-49i^2 \\ x^2+49 \end{array}$$

Divide using long division.

$$11. \quad 5x^4 + 2x^3 - 9x + 12 \div x^2 - 3x + 4$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 3x + 4 \overline{) 5x^4 + 2x^3 + 0x^2 - 9x + 12} \\ \underline{-5x^4 + 15x^3 + 20x^2} \\ 17x^3 - 20x^2 - 9x \\ \underline{-17x^3 + 51x^2 + 68x} \\ 31x^2 - 77x + 12 \\ \underline{-31x^2 + 93x + 124} \\ 16x - 112 \end{array}$$

$$12. \quad x^3 + 11x^2 + 25x - 21 \div x + 7$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x + 7 \overline{) x^3 + 11x^2 + 25x - 21} \\ \underline{-x^3 + 7x^2} \\ 4x^2 + 25x \\ \underline{-4x^2 + 28x} \\ -3x - 21 \\ \underline{+3x + 21} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

Divide using synthetic division.

$$13. \quad 2x^4 - 11x^3 + 15x^2 + 6x - 18 \div x - 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 3 & 2 & -11 & 15 & 6 & -18 \\ & & 6 & -15 & 0 & 18 \\ \hline & 2 & -5 & 0 & 6 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{2x^3 - 5x^2 + 6}$$

$$14. \quad x^4 - 6x^3 - 40x + 33 \div x - 7$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 7 & 1 & -6 & 0 & -40 & 33 \\ & & 7 & 7 & 49 & 63 \\ \hline & 1 & 1 & 7 & 9 & 96 \end{array}$$

$$x^3 + x^2 + 7x + 9 + \frac{96}{x-7}$$

Factor completely.

$$15. \quad 9y^2 - 64 \quad (3y + 8)(3y - 8)$$

$$16. \quad 5x^3 + 5x^2 + 30x$$

$$5x(x^2 + x + 6)$$

$$17. \quad x^3 + 8y^3 \quad (x + 2y)(x^2 - 2xy + 4y^2)$$

$$18. \quad 5x^4 + 10x^2 - 15$$

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

$$5(x^2 + 3)(x^2 - 1) \Rightarrow 5(x^2 + 3)(x - 1)(x + 1)$$

$$19. \quad 2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 6$$

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

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

$$20. \quad x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x - 12$$

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

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

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

$$21. \quad 64x^3 - 27y^3 \quad (4x - 3y)(16x^2 + 12xy + 9y^2)$$

$$22. \quad x^4 - 13x^2 + 36 \quad (x^2 - 9)(x^2 - 4)$$

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

$$23. \quad 15x^3 + 14x^2 - 3x - 2 \text{ if } (x + 1) \text{ is one of the factors.}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -1 & 15 & 14 & -3 & -2 \\ & & -15 & 1 & 2 \end{array}$$

$$(x + 1)(15x^2 - x - 2)$$

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

$$24. \quad x^3 - x^2 - 8x + 12 \text{ if } (x + 3) \text{ is one of the factors.}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -3 & 1 & -1 & -8 & 12 \\ & & -3 & 12 & -12 \\ \hline & 1 & -4 & 4 & 0 \end{array}$$

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

$$(x + 3)(x - 2)(x - 2) \Rightarrow (x + 3)(x - 2)^2$$

Solve.

25. $x^4 - 9x^2 + 14 = 0$

$(x^2 - 7)(x^2 - 2) = 0$

$x^2 - 7 = 0$ $x^2 - 2 = 0$

$x^2 = 7$ $x^2 = 2$

$x = \pm\sqrt{7}$ $x = \pm\sqrt{2}$

26. $10x^4 - 160 = 0$

$10(x^4 - 16) = 0$

$10(x^2 + 4)(x^2 - 4) = 0$

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

$x^2 = -4$ $x^2 = 4$

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

$x = \pm 2i$ $x = \pm 2$

27. $6x^2 + 11x - 35 = 0$

$(3x - 5)(2x + 7) = 0$

$3x - 5 = 0$ $2x + 7 = 0$

$3x = 5$ $2x = -7$

$x = 5/3$ $x = -7/2$

28. $12x^2 - 21x - 45 = 0$

$3(4x^2 - 7x - 15) = 0$

$3(4x + 5)(x - 3) = 0$

$4x + 5 = 0$ $x - 3 = 0$

$4x = -5$ $x = 3$

$x = -5/4$

Write the end behavior for the polynomial function.

29. $g(x) = 2x^3 - 3x + 1$

$x \rightarrow -\infty$ $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

$x \rightarrow \infty$ $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$

30. $f(x) = -3x^7 + 5x^4 - 2x + 4$

$x \rightarrow -\infty$ $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$

$x \rightarrow \infty$ $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

31. $h(x) = x^4 - 4x + 2$

$x \rightarrow -\infty$ $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$

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32. $f(x) = -6x^8 - 25$

$x \rightarrow -\infty$ $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

$x \rightarrow \infty$ $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

Decide whether the function is a polynomial function. If so, state its degree, type (constant, linear, quadratic, etc.), and leading coefficient.

33. $f(x) = 78$ yes

Constant function

degree 0

34. $g(x) = -2x^3 - 2x^2 + 3$

L.C. $\Rightarrow -2$

cubic function

Degree 3

35. $g(x) = 4x^2 - x^{-2} + 3$

Not a polynomial

36. $f(x) = -8 + 3x + x^4 - x^2$ $x^4 - x^2 + 3x - 8$

L.C. $\Rightarrow 1$

quartic

Degree 4

Perform the indicated operation.

37. $(x^3 + x^2 - 6) + (2x^2 + 4x + 8)$

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

38. $(-3x^2 + 4x - 10) + (x^2 - 9x + 15)$

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

39. Write a cubic function whose graph passes through the points.

$(3, 0), (-3, 0), (4, 0), (0, 36)$

$$y = a(x-3)(x+3)(x-4)$$

↑
y-intercept

$$y = a(x^2 - 9)(x-4)$$

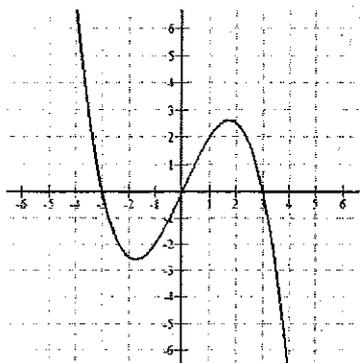
$$a = 1$$

$$y = x^3 - 4x^2 - 9x + 36$$

↑ y-intercept

$$x^3 - 4x^2 - 9x + 36$$

40. Write a cubic function whose graph is shown.



$$y = a(x+3)(x-3)(x+0)$$

$$y = a(x^2 - 9)(x)$$

$$y = a(x^3 - 9x)$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{4}(x^3 - 9x)$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{4}x^3 + \frac{9}{4}x$$

Because the y-intercept is zero you can't tell what "a" equals.

Pick another known point on the grid. It is hard to tell but $(4, -7)$ is a point you can use.

$$-7 = a(4+3)(4-3)(4)$$

$$-7 = 28a$$

$$a = -1/4$$

Simplify.

41. $\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{-2} = \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{25}{9}$

42. $\left(\frac{2}{3^{-2}}\right)^2 = \frac{4}{3^{-4}} = 4 \cdot 3^4 = 324$

43. $(x^4y^{-2})(x^{-3}y^8) = xy^6$

44. $(a^2b^{-5})^{-3} = a^{-6}b^{15} = \frac{b^{15}}{a^6}$

45. $(-3c^3d^4e^6)^2 = (-3)^2 c^6 d^8 e^{12} = 9c^6 d^8 e^{12}$

46. $\frac{12x^{-3}}{y^4} \cdot \frac{(y^{-2}x^2)^{-2}}{15x^{-2}} = \frac{12}{y^4x^3} \cdot \frac{y^4x^{-4}}{15x^{-2}} = \frac{4y^4x^{-4}}{5y^4x}$

$$\frac{4}{5x^5}$$

47. $\frac{x^3y^7}{x^{-4}y^0} = x^7y^7$

48. $\frac{c^3d^{-2}}{c^5d^{-1}} = \frac{c^3d}{c^5d^2} = \frac{1}{c^2d}$