
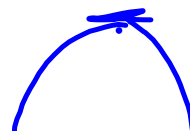
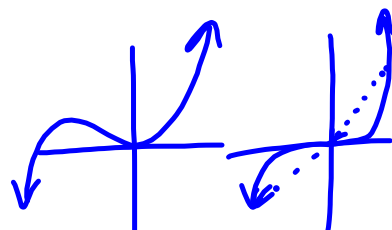
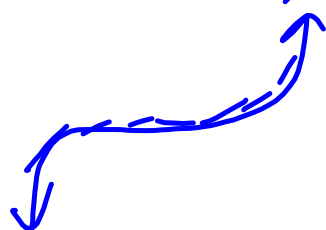


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a) $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ 
 $a \neq 0, b = 0$

b) $f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$
 $a \neq 0, b = c = d = 0$



Lesson 3.03 - Polynomials in Factored Form



Learning Goals:

- I can identify properties of polynomial functions when expressed in factored form.
- I can express any polynomial function in its factored form, and then graph it.

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

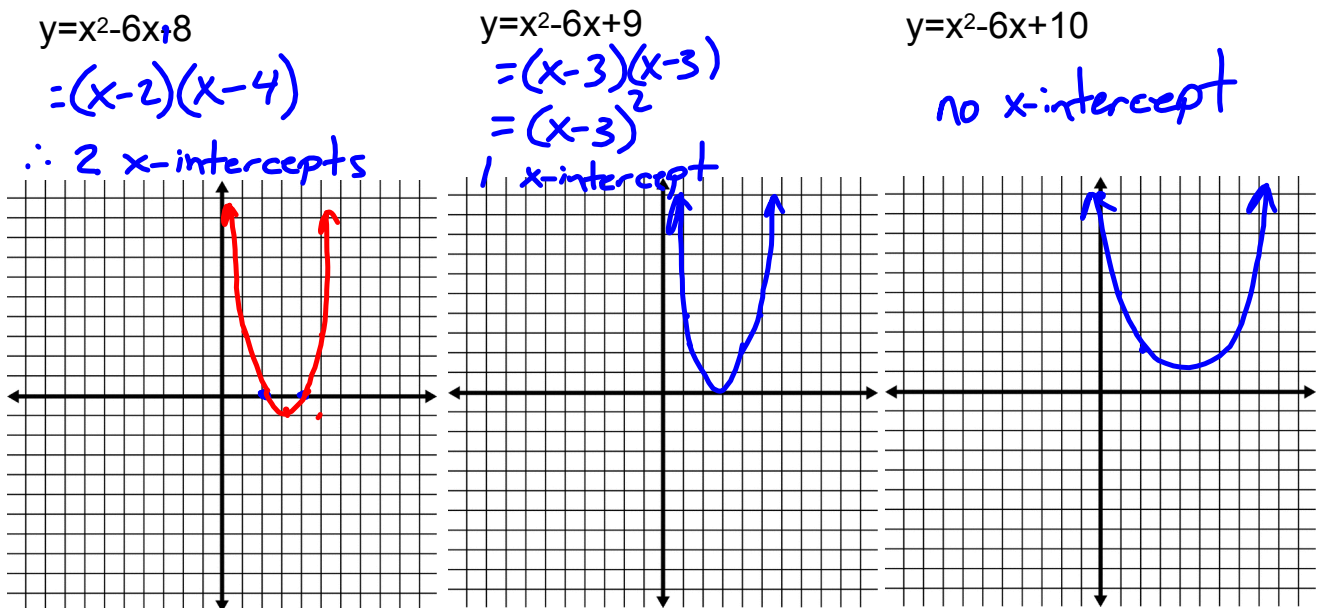
Factored Form : $y = a(x - p)(x - q)$

Eg: $y = (x - 1)(x + 2)$

x-intercepts

Recall:

- To factor a number (or expression) means to determine the numbers (or expressions) that divide into it with a remainder of zero.
- A prime number is a positive number that has only two unique factors: 1 and itself. Note: the number 1 is not prime.
- The zeros of a function $y=f(x)$ are all real numbers x such that $f(x) = 0$. They correspond to the x -intercepts of the function $y=f(x)$. In the investigation from the last class, you learned that a polynomial function of degree n may have up to n distinct zeros.



The exponents of each factor, also known as the order, dictates the behaviour of the function at that x-intercept.

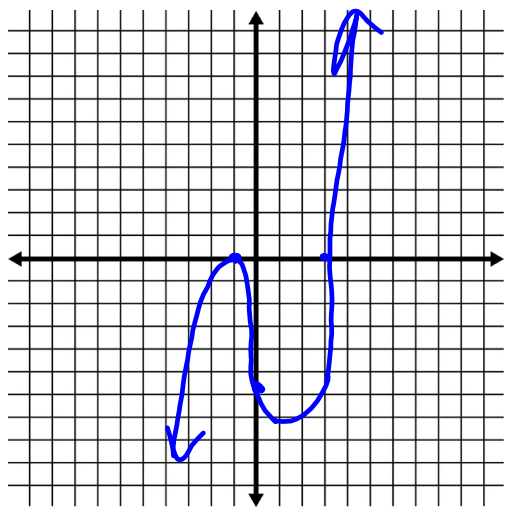
If a polynomial function $y=f(x)$ with degree n has less than n distinct zeros, but at least one zero, the function can still be expressed in factored form, but there will not be n distinct factors.

If a polynomial function $y=f(x)$ with degree n has exactly n distinct zeros, then the factored forms are:

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|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| degree 1: Linear | $f(x)=a(x-p)$ |
| degree 2: Quadratic | $f(x)=a(x-p)(x-q)$ |
| degree 3: Cubic | $f(x)=a(x-p)(x-q)(x-r)$ |
| degree 4: Quartic | $f(x)=a(x-p)(x-q)(x-r)(x-s)$ |
| degree 5: Quintic | $f(x)=a(x-p)(x-q)(x-r)(x-s)(x-t)$ |
| etc | |

Example 1:

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



$$x\text{-int} = -1 \quad (\text{order } 2)$$

$$x\text{-int} = +3$$

$$f(0) = 2(1)^2(-3)$$

$$= -6$$

$$\therefore (0, -6)$$

Example 2:

- Write the equation of the function with the x-intercepts -3 (order 2), -4, and 2 that passes through the point (-2, 32).
- A family of functions are a group of functions that have the same roots. Determine at least two other functions that belong to the same family.

$$1.) \quad f(x) = a(x+3)^2(x+4)(x-2)$$

$$32 = a(-2+3)^2(-2+4)(-2-2)$$

$$32 = a(+1)^2(2)(-4)$$

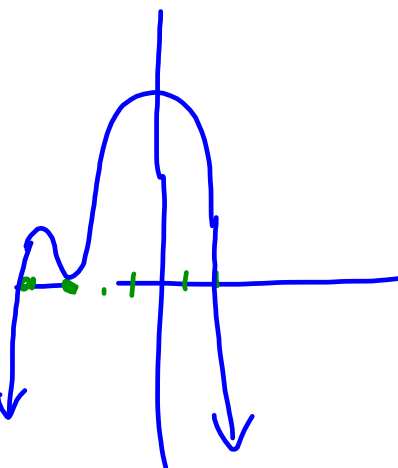
$$32 = a(1)(2)(-4)$$

$$32 = -8a$$

$$\frac{32}{-8} = a$$

$$-4 = a$$

$$\therefore f(x) = -4(x+3)^2(x+4)(x-2)$$



$$2) \quad g(x) = 3(x+3)^2(x+4)(x-2)$$

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

Homework

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*for 16b, you will need to use Desmos

