

DEGREE, ZEROS, MULTIPLICITIES

I. Identify the lead term, lead coefficient, and degree of each polynomial.

1. $y = 4x^5 + 11x^4 - x^2 - 2$ lead term _____ lead coefficient _____ degree _____

2. $y = -7x^8 + 12x^{10} - 24x^{13} - 2x$ lead term _____ lead coefficient _____ degree _____

3. $y = x^3 - x^4 - 2x$ lead term _____ lead coefficient _____ degree _____

II. Identify the lead coefficient and degree of each factored polynomial [hint for degree: add up the multiplicities]

4. $y = (x - 3)^2(x + 1)^2(x - 2)$ lead coefficient _____ degree _____

5. $y = 5x(x + 7)(x - 6)(x + 3)$ lead coefficient _____ degree _____

6. $y = -9x^3(x + 4)^5(x - 5)^2(x - 1)$ lead coefficient _____ degree _____

III. Identify the zeros and their corresponding multiplicity for each factored polynomial. Circle whether the graph will cross or bounce at each zero.

7. $y = (x - 1)^2(x - 3)^3(x + 12)$ zeros: _____ => multip _____ => cross / bounce

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8. $y = x^2(x + 19)(x + 4)^3(x - 14)$ zeros: _____ => multip _____ => cross / bounce

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IV. Determine the end behavior of the graph by first identifying the lead coefficient and degree.

9. $y = -2(x + 1)^2(x - 2)^3(x + 2)$ lead coefficient _____ degree _____ => end behavior _____

10. $y = 6x(x - 5)(x + 9)^2(x + 1)$ lead coefficient _____ degree _____ => end behavior _____

11. $y = (x - 1)^2(x - 3)^7(x + 12)$ lead coefficient _____ degree _____ => end behavior _____

12. $y = -8x(x + 4)^{11}(x - 5)^2(x - 1)$ lead coefficient _____ degree _____ => end behavior _____

V. Put it all together and graph it.

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

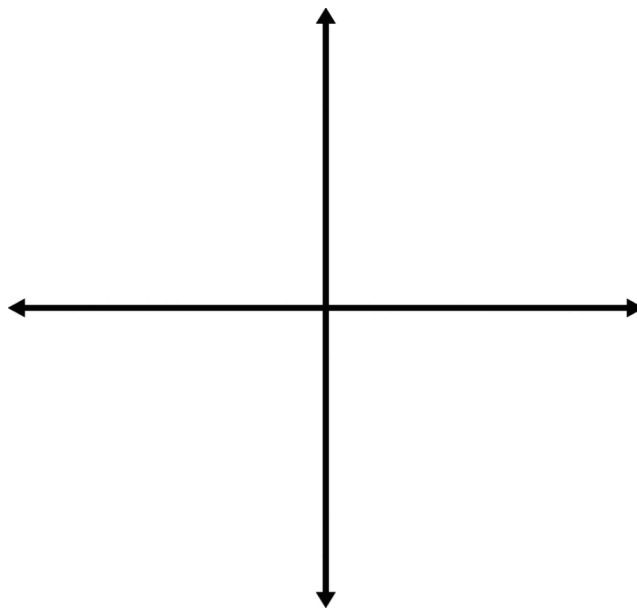
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zeros & multipl. _____ with multip _____ => bounce / cross

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y - intercept [set $x = 0$] _____



14. $y = -3x^2(x + 1)(x - 1)^3(x - 3)$

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zeros & multipl. _____ with multip _____ => bounce / cross

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