

Precalculus ACC '18-19
 PreCalc Basics Test
 Round to 3 decimal places.
 Show all work.

Name: SOLUTION KEY

score 100

1. Find the equation of the line thru $(-3, 6)$ and $(-7, -1)$.

$$m = \frac{6 - (-1)}{-3 - (-7)} = \frac{7}{4} \quad y - 6 = \frac{7}{4}(x + 3)$$

2. Show the sign patterns for

$$y = -4x(2x - 5)^6(x - 5)^3$$

$$y = (x - 4)(x + 3)^2(x + 1)$$

3. Find the zeros of $y = -3x^4 - 11x^3 + 32x^2 + 44x - 80$ by calculator and prove it by synthetic division.

$$\begin{array}{r} -2 \mid -3 \quad -11 \quad 32 \quad 44 \quad -80 \\ \quad \quad 6 \quad 10 \quad -84 \quad 80 \\ \hline -3 \quad -5 \quad 42 \quad -40 \end{array}$$

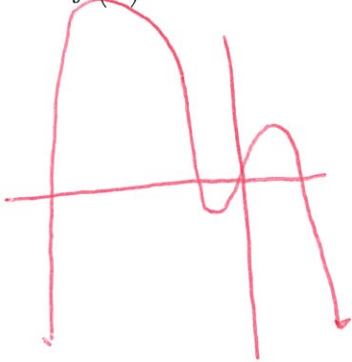
$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \mid -3 \quad -5 \quad 42 \quad -40 \\ \quad \quad -6 \quad -22 \quad 40 \\ \hline -3 \quad -11 \quad 20 \quad 0 \end{array}$$

$$(x - 2)(x + 2)(-3x^2 - 11x + 20)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} &(-2, 0) \\ &(2, 0) \\ &(-5, 0) \\ &(4/3, 0) \end{aligned}$$

4. Use your graphing calculator to find **and sketch** a complete graph of $f(x) = -x^4 - 10x^3 + 5x^2 + 12x + 1$, draw it, and state the window used.



$$x \in [-15, 4.7]$$

$$y \in [-100, 1300]$$

$$\text{ZEROS: } (-10.371, 0) \quad (1.306, 0) \\ (-.848, 0) \\ (-.087, 0)$$

$$\text{EXTREMES: } (-7.772, 1255.712) \\ (-.5, -2.583) \\ (.772, 8.288)$$

5. Use your graphing calculator to find the zeros and the extremes of $f(x) = -x^4 - 10x^3 + 5x^2 + 12x + 1$.

6. Find an inequality that has this sign pattern and solution:

$$f(x) \begin{array}{cccccc} + & 0 & - & 0 & + & 0 & - \\ \leftarrow & -4 & & -1.5 & & 3 & \rightarrow \end{array} \text{ and } x \in [-4, -1.5] \cup [3, \infty)$$

$$-(x+4)(x+1.5)(x-3) \leq 0$$

7. Given this sign pattern $f(x) \begin{array}{cccccc} + & 0 & - & 0 & - & 0 & + \\ \leftarrow & -6 & & -1 & & 2 & \rightarrow \end{array}$, what **might** be the equation of $f(x)$?

$$f(x) = + (x+6)(x+1)^2(x-2)$$

8. Show the sign pattern and solve $-3x^4 - 11x^3 + 32x^2 + 44x - 80 < 0$. (Note: This is the polynomial from #7 above)

$$(x-2)(x+2)(-3x+4)(x+5) \leq 0$$

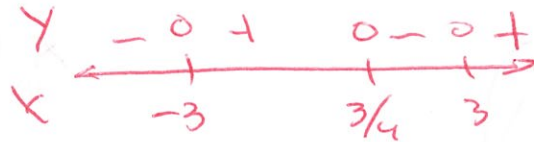
$$\begin{array}{cccccc} y & - & 0 & + & 0 & - & 0 & + & 0 & - \\ \leftarrow & & & & & & & & & \rightarrow \\ x & -5 & & -2 & & \frac{4}{3} & & 2 & & \end{array}$$

$$x \in (-\infty, -5) \cup (-2, \frac{4}{3}) \cup (2, \infty)$$

9. Show the sign pattern and solve $4x^3 - 3x^2 - 36x + 27 \geq 0$

$$x^2(4x-3) - 9(4x-3) \geq 0$$

$$(x^2-9)(4x-3) \geq 0$$



$$x \in [-3, 3/4] \cup [3, \infty)$$

10. Factor:

a) $y = x^4 - 2x^2 - 8$

$$y = (x^2 - 4)(x^2 + 2)$$

$$y = (x-2)(x+2)(x^2+2)$$

b) $y = 3x^3 - 9x^2 - 4x + 12$

$$y = 3x^2(x-3) - 4(x-3)$$

$$y = (3x^2 - 4)(x-3)$$

$$y = (\sqrt{3}x - 2)(\sqrt{3}x + 2)(x-3)$$