

$$⑤ g(x) = x^4 - 6x^3 + 11x^2 - 6x$$

$x(x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6)$  L.C. const Possible RR  
 $\text{L.C.}$   $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 6$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ | \end{array} \begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & -6 & 11 & -6 \\ + & \downarrow & 3 & -9 \\ \hline 1 & x^2 - 3x + 2 & \text{L.O.} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x^2 - 3x + 2 \\ (x-1)(x-2) \\ \hline 1 \quad 2 \end{array} \quad \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9-8}}{2} \quad \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{1}}{2} \quad \frac{3+1}{2}$$

zeros:  $0, 3, 1, 2$

$$⑥ x^4 - 5x^2 + 4 \quad \text{Possible RR}$$

L.C. const  $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ | \end{array} \begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 4 \\ + & \downarrow & 2 & 4 & -2 & -4 \\ \hline 1 & x^3 + 2x^2 - x - 2 & \text{L.O.} \end{array}$$

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

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

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

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

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ -2 & -1 & +1 \end{matrix}$

## 3-2 Graphing Polynomial Functions

(Book 5.4 pg. 293-306)

### Objectives:

- I can graph a polynomial function by hand and using technology
- I can find end behavior of a polynomial function
- I can identify zeros, x-intercepts, and factors of a polynomial function
- I can determine the multiplicity of a polynomial function

### End Behavior

Using a graphing calculator find the end behavior of the following functions. Where do the ends go?

Function	Domain	Range	End Behavior
$f(x) = x^2$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	$[0, \infty)$	$\text{R.E.}$ As $x \rightarrow +\infty$ , $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ . ↑ As $x \rightarrow -\infty$ , $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ . ↑
$f(x) = x^4$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	$[0, \infty)$	As $x \rightarrow +\infty$ , $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ . ↑ As $x \rightarrow -\infty$ , $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ . ↑
$f(x) = x^6$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	$[0, \infty)$	As $x \rightarrow +\infty$ , $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ . ↑ As $x \rightarrow -\infty$ , $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ . ↑

Even exponents

Does it change if I have a negative coefficient? How?

Negative flips both ends down

Range:  $(-\infty, 0]$

## End Behavior

Using a graphing calculator find the end behavior of the following functions. Where do the ends go?

Function	Domain	Range	End Behavior
$f(x) = x$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	As $x \rightarrow +\infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty \uparrow$ As $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty \downarrow$
$f(x) = x^3$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	As $x \rightarrow +\infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty \uparrow$ As $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty \downarrow$
$f(x) = x^5$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	As $x \rightarrow +\infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty \uparrow$ As $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty \downarrow$

Odd exponents = ends opposite  
Does it change if I have a negative coefficient? How?

Flips it upside down

## End Behavior Game!!!

$$4x^{11}$$

L.C. matches the Right End  
(+/-)

Even degree = ends match  
Odd degree = ends opposite

## Zeros, x-intercepts, and factors

Find the factors of  $f(x) = \cancel{x^2} + 4x + 3$

$$(x+3)(x+1)$$

Now find the x-intercepts of  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x + 3$   
Point

$$(-3, 0) \quad (-1, 0)$$

Lastly find the zeros of  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x + 3$

$$x = -3, -1$$

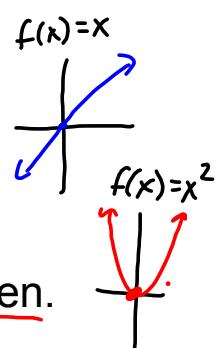
What is the same between the factors, x-intercepts, and zeros of this function?

### Multiplicity = Number

The **power** of the factor determines the nature of the intersection at the point  $x = a$ .  
(This is referred to as the **multiplicity**.)

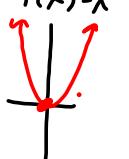
#### Straight intersection:

$(x - a)^1$  The power of the zero is 1.



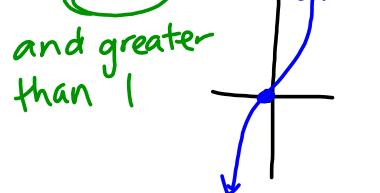
#### Tangent intersection : (bounce)

$(x - a)^{\text{even}}$  The power of the zero is even.



#### Inflection intersection: (like a slide through)

$(x - a)^{\text{odd}}$  The power of the zero is odd.



- (A) Use a graphing calculator to graph the cubic functions  $f(x) = x^3$ ,  $f(x) = x^2(x - 2)$ , and  $f(x) = x(x - 2)(x + 2)$ . Then use the graph of each function to answer the questions in the table.

Function	$f(x) = x^3$	$f(x) = x^2(x - 2)$	$f(x) = x(x - 2)(x + 2)$
How many distinct factors does $f(x)$ have?			
What are the graph's $x$ -intercepts?			
Is the graph tangent to the $x$ -axis or does it cross the $x$ -axis at each $x$ -intercept?			
How many turning points does the graph have?			
How many global maximum values? How many local?			
How many global minimum values? How many local?			

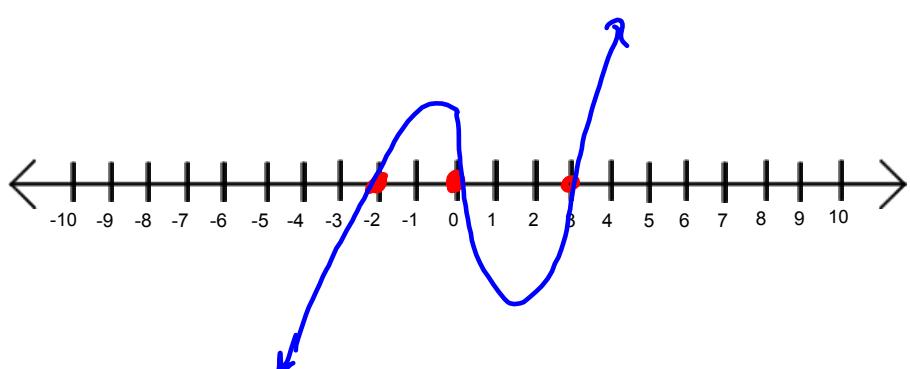
Sign Chart

Degree: 3

F.B.:  $\downarrow \uparrow$

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

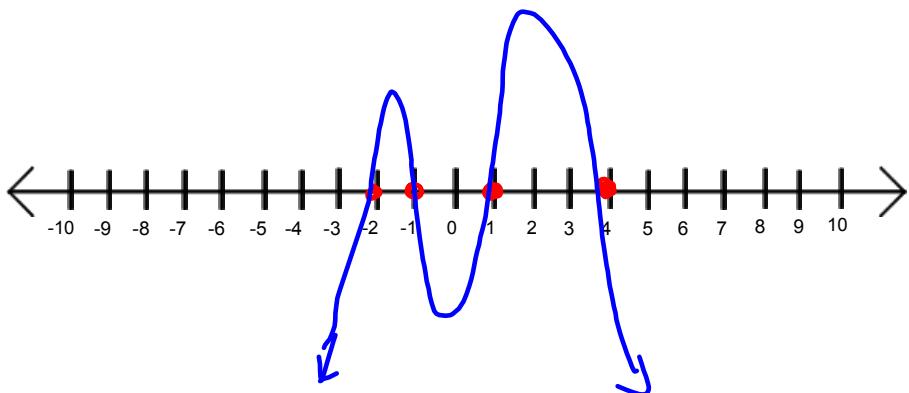
Zeros:  $x = 0, -2, +3$



Sign Chart Degree: 4 L.C. - EB. ↓↓

$$f(x) = -(x-4)(x-1)(x+1)(x+2)$$

zeros:  $x = 4, 1, -1, -2$



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### Graphing a Polynomial from factors

(B)  $f(x) = -(x-4)(x-1)(x+1)(x+2)$

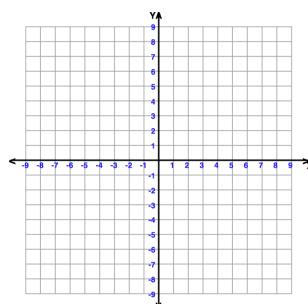
Identify the end behavior.

As  $x \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $f(x) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}}$ .

As  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $f(x) \rightarrow \boxed{\phantom{0}}$ .

Identify the graph's x-intercepts, and then use the sign of  $f(x)$  on intervals determined by the x-intercepts to find where the graph is above the x-axis and where it's below the x-axis.

The x-intercepts are  $x = \boxed{\phantom{0}}, x = \boxed{\phantom{0}}, x = \boxed{\phantom{0}}, x = \boxed{\phantom{0}}$ .



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**Ex. 8** Find the zeros, the multiplicity, end behavior and graph the following:

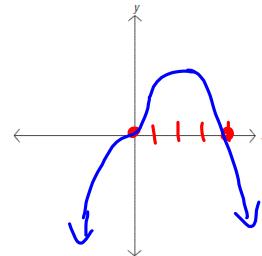
a.  $f(x) = -x^3(x-4)$

$$-x^3(x-4) = -x \cdot x \cdot x(x-4)$$

zeros: 0, 4

multiplicity: 3 + 1

E.B.: ↓↓ Degree = 4



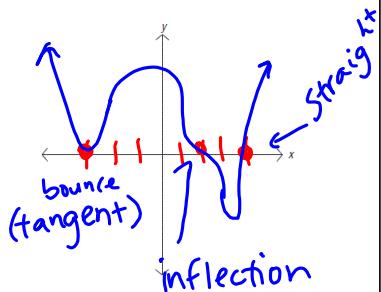
b.  $f(x) = (x+3)^2(x-2)^3(x-4)$

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

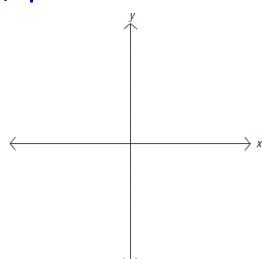
zeros: -3, 2, 4

multiplicity: 2, 3, 1

Degree: 6 E.B.: ↑↑

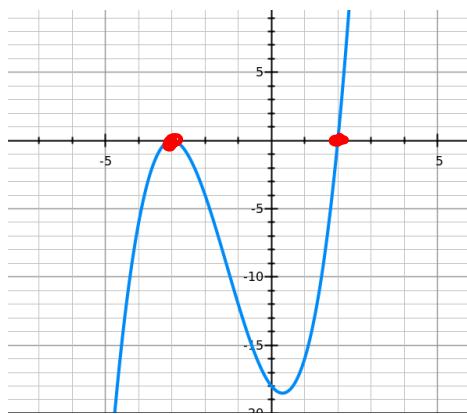


c.  $f(x) = (x+2)^3(x-1)^2$

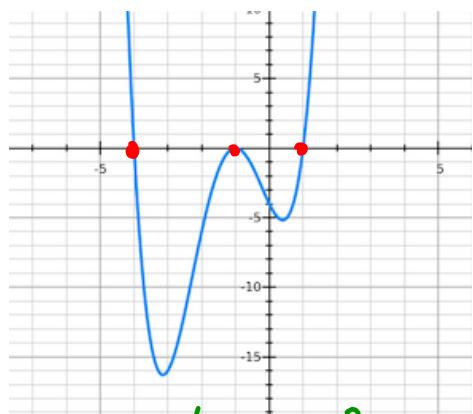


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Write a function in intercept form for the given graphs whose intercepts are integers. Assume the constant factor of a is either 1 or -1.



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



$$f(x) = (x+4)^1(x+1)^2(x-1)^1$$

$$S. \quad f(x) = (x-5)(x-4)(x+1)$$

$$x = 5, 4, -1$$

multiplicity: 1, +1, +1

multiplicity = exponent of factor

Degree = 3      E.B.:  $\downarrow \uparrow$   
odd = opp

End Behavior:

$$\begin{aligned} L.E. \quad & \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty \quad \downarrow \\ & \text{circled} \end{aligned}$$
  

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty \quad \uparrow \\ & \text{circled} \end{aligned}$$

⑧

$$f(x) = \underset{1}{-} x \underset{2}{(x+2)} \underset{3}{(x-2)^3}$$

$$x = \underset{1}{0}, \underset{2}{-2}, \underset{3}{2}$$

$$\underset{1+2}{-} x \underset{+}{(x+2)} \underset{3}{(x+2)} \underset{+}{(x-2)} \underset{3}{(x-2)} \underset{3}{(x-2)}$$

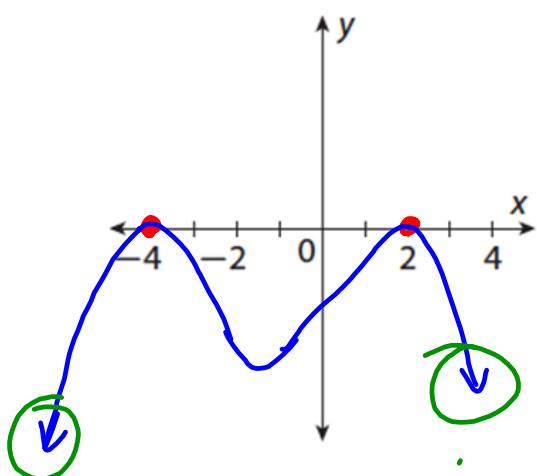
Degree = 6      L.C. = -      E.B.:  $\downarrow \downarrow$

End Behavior:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty \quad \downarrow$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty \quad \downarrow$$

10.  $f(x) = \underline{0}(x-2)^2(x+4)^2$



*zeros:*

$$x = 2, -4$$

↑  
2

tangent

↑  
2

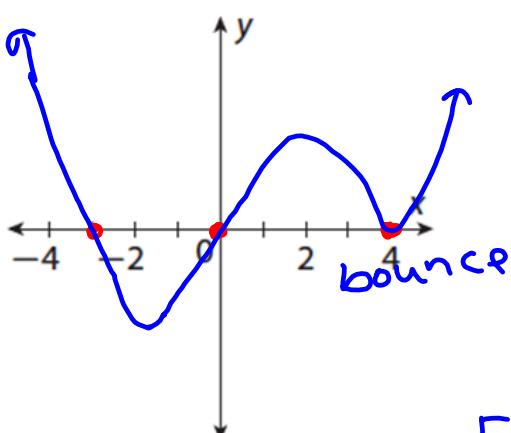
tangent

$$\text{Deg: } 4$$

$$\text{L.C.: } -$$

$$\text{E.B.: } \textcircled{1} \downarrow$$

11.  ~~$f(x)$~~   $f(x) = x(x-4)^2(x+3)$



$$x = 0, 4, -3$$

↑  
1  
↑  
2

Straight  
tangent

↑  
1

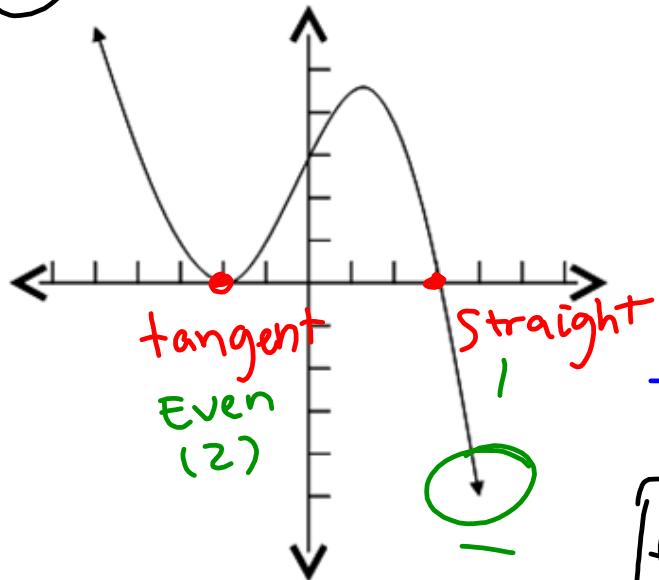
Straight

tangent  
(bounce)

$$\text{E.B. } \uparrow \uparrow$$

$$\text{Deg} = 4$$

(13) Write polynomial



$$x = -2, 3$$

↑      ↑  
2      1

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

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