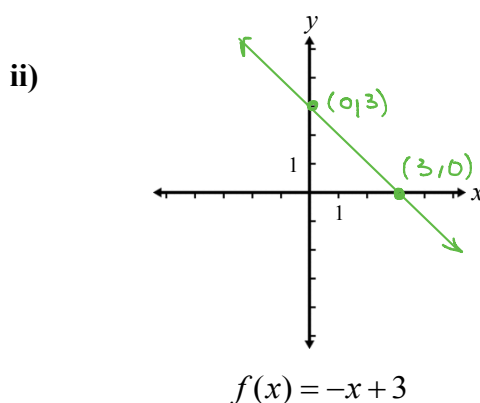
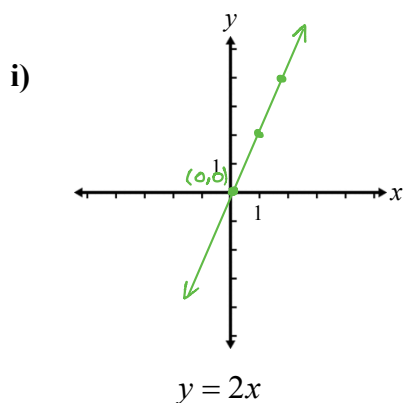


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**2.5 Graphing Factored Polynomial Functions****Linear Functions:** are *first degree* functions of the form  $y = ax + b$  or  $f(x) = ax + b$ .

$$(y = mx + b)$$

**observations: i)** x-int: 0

y-int: 0

slope: 2

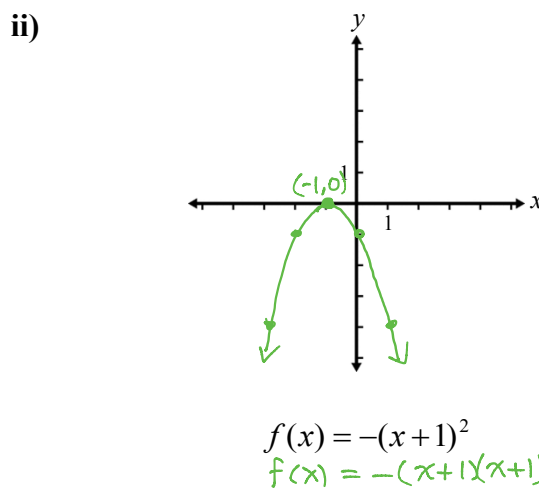
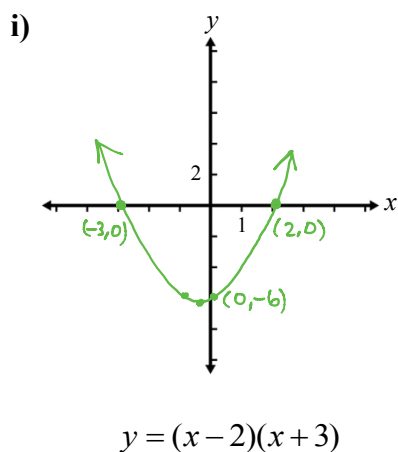
$$\left( \begin{array}{l} 2 \leftarrow \text{rise} \\ 1 \leftarrow \text{run} \end{array} \right)$$

**ii)** x-int: 3

y-int: 3

slope: -1

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} -1 \\ 1 \end{array} \right)$$

**Quadratic Functions:** are *second degree* functions of the form  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ or  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ .**observations: i)** x-int(s): 2, -3

y-int: -6

vertex:  $h = \frac{2+(-3)}{2}$

$$h = -\frac{1}{2}$$

At  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ :

$$y = \left(-\frac{1}{2} - 2\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2} + 3\right)$$

$$y = -6\frac{1}{4}$$

**ii)** x-int(s): -1 (double)

y-int: -1

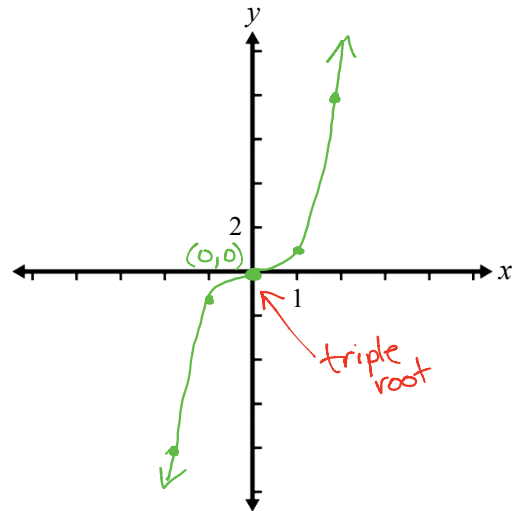
vertex:  $(-1, 0)$

**Cubic Functions:** are *third degree* functions of the form  $y = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$   
 or  $f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ .

**Ex. 1.** Graph the following cubic functions accurately. Find all  $x$ -intercepts (zeros) and identify them as single, double or triple roots.

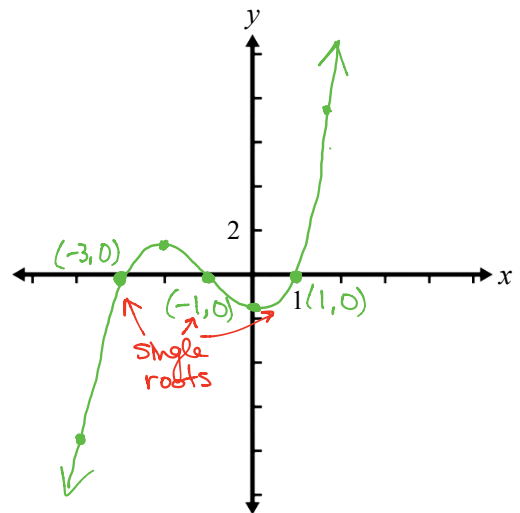
a)  $f(x) = x^3$   
 For  $x$ -int:  $0 = x^3$   
 $0 = x \cdot x \cdot x$   
 $x = 0$  or  $x = 0$  or  $x = 0$   
 $\therefore x$ -int is 0 (triple root)

| $x$ | $f(x)$ |
|-----|--------|
| -2  | -8     |
| -1  | -1     |
| 0   | 0      |
| 1   | 1      |
| 2   | 8      |



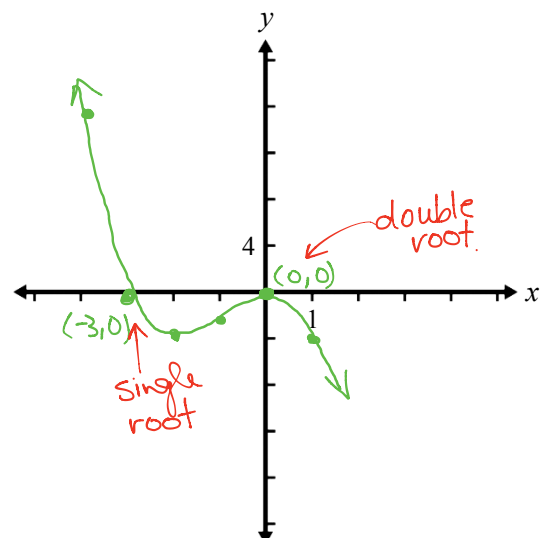
b)  $y = \frac{1}{2}(x+3)(x+1)(x-1)$   
 For  $x$ -int:  $y = 0$   
 $\therefore x$ -ints are -3, -1, 1  
 (single roots)

| $x$ | $y$  |
|-----|------|
| -4  | -7.5 |
| -3  | 0    |
| -2  | 1.5  |
| -1  | 0    |
| 0   | -1.5 |
| 1   | 0    |
| 2   | 7.5  |



c)  $f(x) = -x^2(x+3)$   
 For  $x$ -ints:  $f(x) = 0$   
 $\therefore x$ -ints are 0, -3  
 double root      single root

| $x$ | $f(x)$ |
|-----|--------|
| -4  | 16     |
| -3  | 0      |
| -2  | -4     |
| -1  | -2     |
| 0   | 0      |
| 1   | -4     |

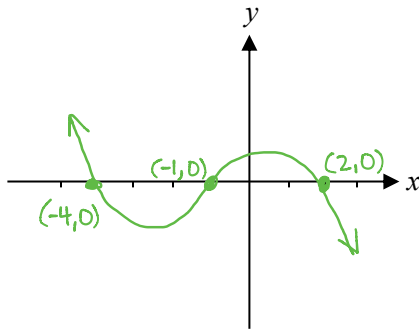


**Ex. 2.** Sketch the following cubic functions by finding all  $x$ -intercepts (zeros) and identifying them as single, double or triple roots.

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

$\therefore x$ -ints are 2, -1, -4  
(all single)

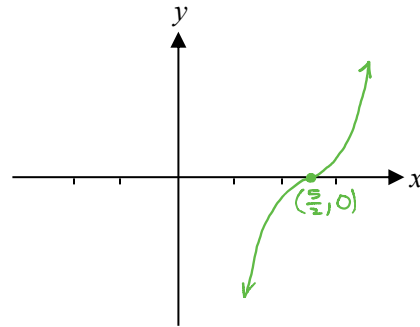
$f(-5) \Rightarrow -(-)(-)(-)$   
 $\Rightarrow +$



b)  $y = (2x-5)^3$

$x$ -ints are  $\frac{5}{2}$  (triple)

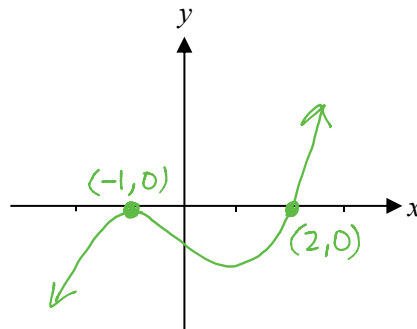
$f(2) \Rightarrow (-)^3$   
 $\Rightarrow -$



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

$x$ -ints are 2, -1  
single  $\rightarrow$  2,  $\leftarrow$  double -1

$f(-2) \Rightarrow (-)(-)^2$   
 $\Rightarrow -$

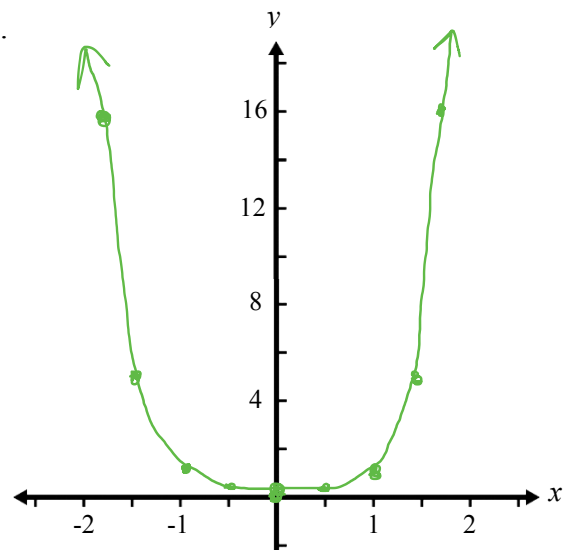


**Quartic Functions:** are *fourth degree* functions of the form  $y = ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e$ .

**Ex. 3.** Graph  $f(x) = x^4$  accurately by using a table of values.

| $x$  | $y$             |
|------|-----------------|
| -2   | 16              |
| -3/2 | $5\frac{1}{16}$ |
| -1   | 1               |
| -1/2 | $\frac{1}{16}$  |
| 0    | 0               |
| 1/2  | $\frac{1}{16}$  |
| 1    | 1               |
| 3/2  | $5\frac{1}{16}$ |
| 2    | 16              |

$x$ -int  $\rightarrow$  0

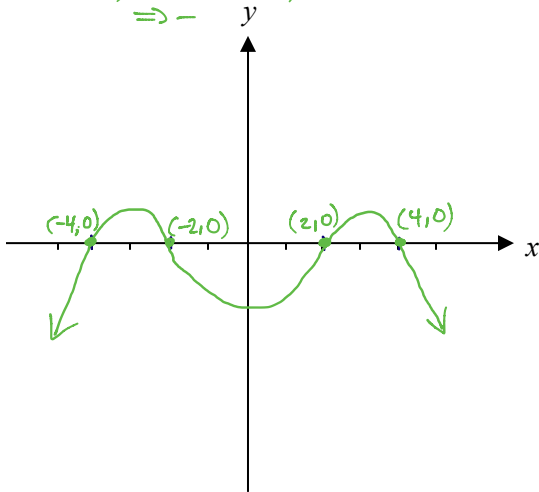


Ex. 4. Sketch the following quartic functions.

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

$x$ -ints are  $2, -2, 4, -4$   
*all single*

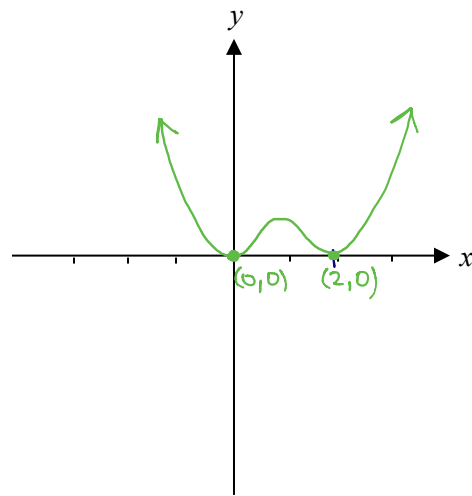
Test:  $f(-5) \Rightarrow (+)(-)(-)(-)$   
 $\Rightarrow -$



b)  $y = \frac{1}{2}x^2(x-2)^2$

$x$ -ints are  $0, 2$   
*double*      *double*

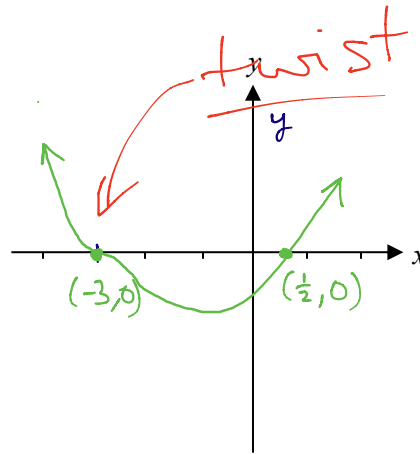
Test:  $x = -1$   
 $y \rightarrow (-)^2(-)^2$   
 $\Rightarrow +$



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

$x$ -ints are  $\frac{1}{2}, -3$   
*single*      *triple*

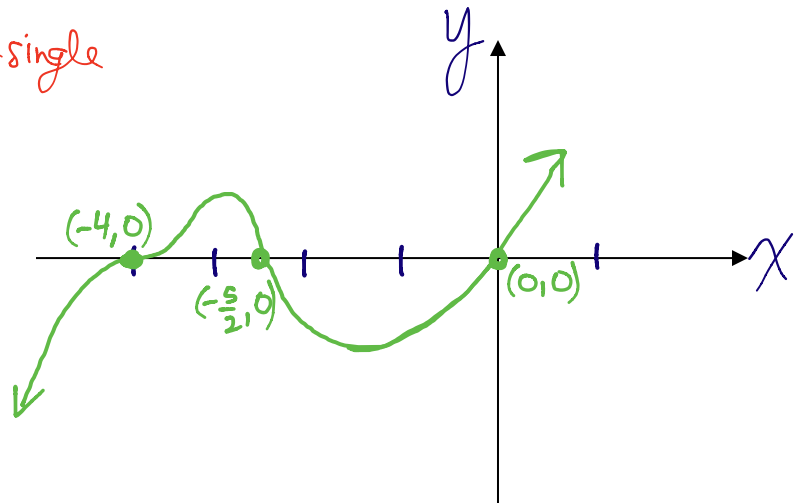
Test:  $f(-4) \Rightarrow (-)(-)^3$   
 $\Rightarrow +$



Ex. 5. Sketch the quintic function  $y = x(x+4)^3(2x+5)$ .

$x$ -ints are  $0, -4, -\frac{5}{2}$   
*single*      *triple*      *single*

Test:  $x = -5$   
 $y \Rightarrow (-)(-)^3(-)$   
 $\Rightarrow -$



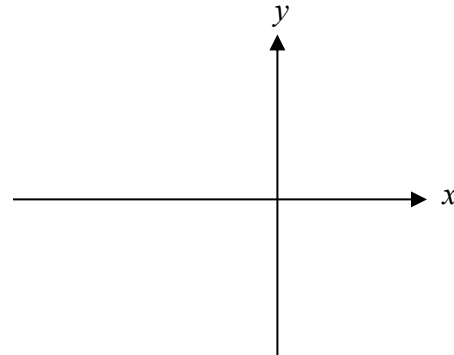
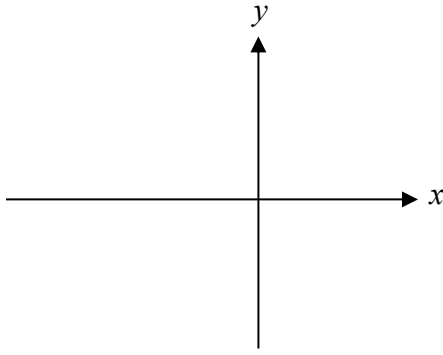
- HW. 1. Complete the "Summary of Graphs of Polynomial Functions" lesson in your bound notes by following Ex. 2, 3, 4 & 5 from the note done in class.  
 2. Complete Exercise 2.5

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**2.5 Summary of Graphs of Polynomial Functions****I Odd Degree Functions (Linear, Cubic, Quintic)**

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

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

\*\*\* As  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $y \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_ and as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $y \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

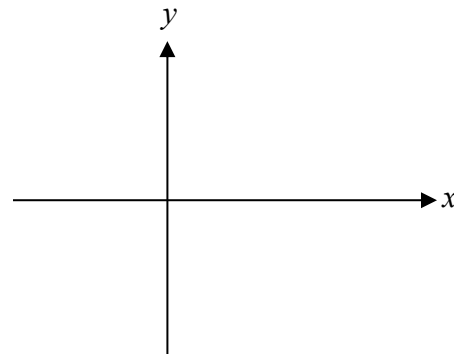
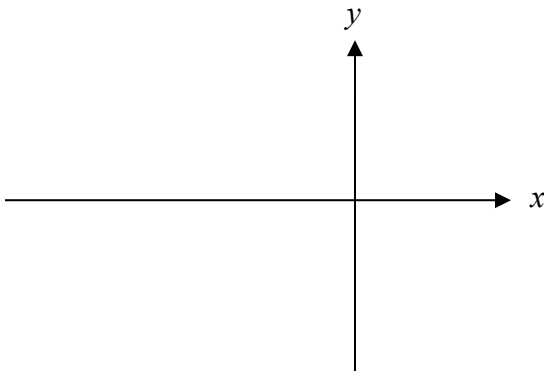
**Positive odd degree functions** have equations (standard form) with positive odd degree leading terms and graphs that begin with  $y$  increasing concave down & end with  $y$  increasing concave up.

Note: Concave up/down does not apply to linear functions.

Compare end behaviour to the simplest positive odd degree function:  $y = x$

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

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

\*\*\* As  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $y \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_ and as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $y \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

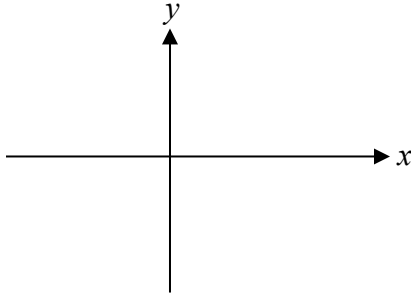
**Negative odd degree functions** have equations with negative odd degree leading terms and graphs that begin with  $y$  decreasing concave up & end with  $y$  decreasing concave down.

Note: Concave up/down does not apply to linear functions.

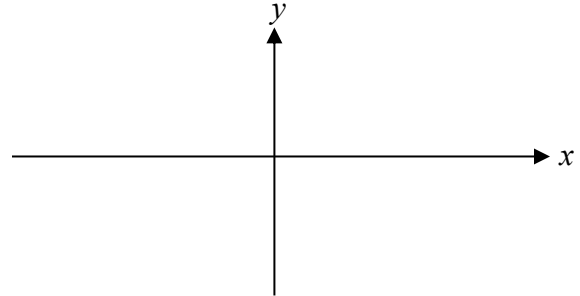
Compare end behaviour to the simplest negative odd degree function:  $y = -x$

## II Even Degree Functions (Quadratic, Quartic)

5.  $y = (x+1)(x-2)$



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

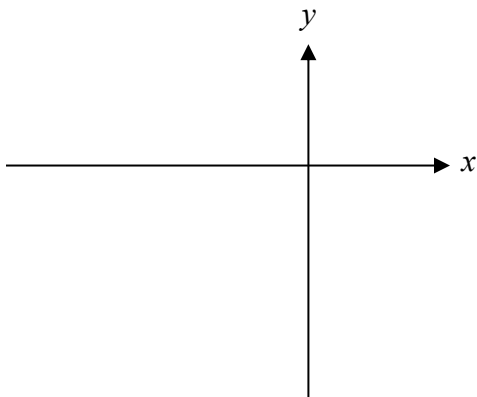


\*\*\* As  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $y \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_ and as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $y \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

**Positive even degree functions** have equations with positive even degree leading terms and graphs that begin with  $y$  decreasing concave up & end with  $y$  increasing concave up.

*Compare end behaviour to the simplest positive even degree function:  $y = x^2$*

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



\*\*\* As  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $y \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_ and as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $y \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

**Negative even degree functions** have equations with negative even degree leading terms and graphs that begin with  $y$  increasing concave down & end with  $y$  decreasing concave down.

*Compare end behaviour to the simplest negative even degree function:  $y = -x^2$*

| Type of Function & Comparison Function | End Behaviour of $f(x)$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$ | End Behaviour of $f(x)$ as $x \rightarrow +\infty$ |
|--|--|--|
| positive odd degree: $y = x$           | $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$                         | $f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$                         |
| negative odd degree: $y = -x$          | $f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$                         | $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$                         |
| positive even degree: $y = x^2$        | $f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$                         | $f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$                         |
| negative even degree: $y = -x^2$       | $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$                         | $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$                         |

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## 2.6 Graphing Expanded Polynomial Functions

1. Draw a sketch of the following functions, clearly labeling all  $x$ -intercepts.

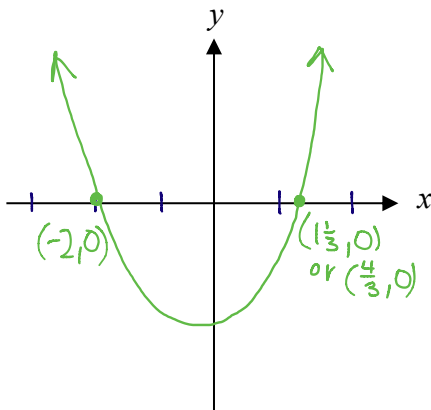
a)  $y = 6x^2 + 4x - 16$

$$y = 2(3x^2 + 2x - 8)$$

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

$\therefore$   $x$ -ints are  $\frac{4}{3}, -2$   
(both single)

Compare to  $y = x^2$



b)  $f(x) = -x^3 - x^2 + 9x + 9$

$$f(x) = -x^2(x+1) + 9(x+1)$$

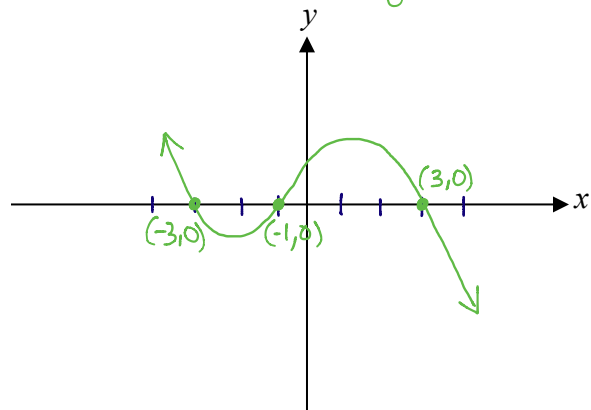
$$f(x) = (x+1)(-x^2+9)$$

$$f(x) = -(x+1)(x^2-9)$$

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

$\therefore$   $x$ -ints are  $-3, -1, 3$   
(all single)

Compare to  $y = -x$



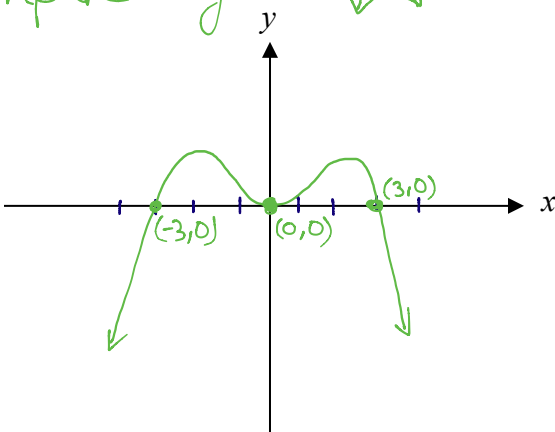
c)  $y = -x^4 + 9x^2$

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

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

$\therefore$   $x$ -ints are  $0, -3, 3$   
double, single

Compare to  $y = -x^2$



d)  $f(x) = 16x^5 + 48x^4 + 36x^3$

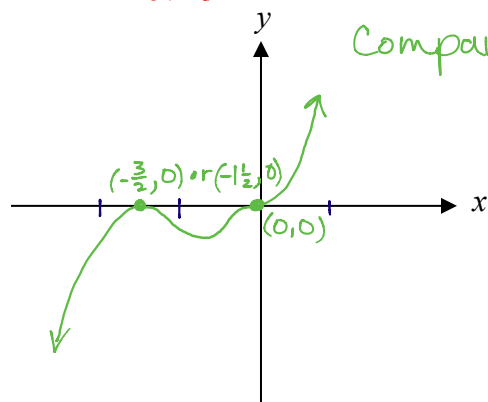
$$f(x) = 4x^3(4x^2+12x+9)$$

$$f(x) = 4x^3(2x+3)(2x+3)$$

$$f(x) = 4x^3(2x+3)^2$$

$\therefore$   $x$ -ints are  $-\frac{3}{2}, 0$   
double, triple

Compare to  $y = x$



e)  $g(x) = x^3 - 9x^2 + 27x - 27$

$g(x) = (x-3)(x^2 - 6x + 9)$

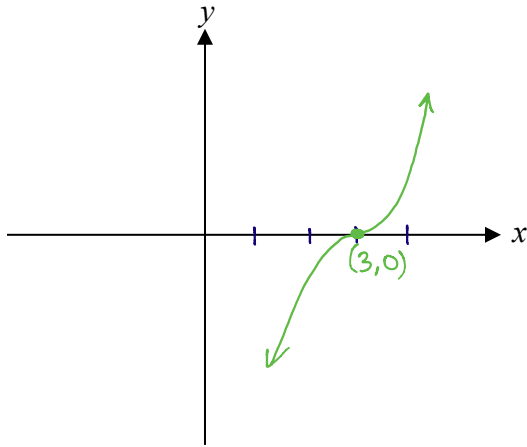
$g(x) = (x-3)(x-3)(x-3)$

$g(x) = (x-3)^3$

∴ x-int is 3  
(triple)

Compare to  $y=x$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 6x + 9 \\ x-3 \overline{) x^3 - 9x^2 + 27x - 27} \\ \underline{x^3 - 3x^2} \phantom{- 27} \\ -6x^2 + 27x \phantom{- 27} \\ \underline{-6x^2 + 18x} \phantom{- 27} \\ 9x - 27 \\ \underline{9x - 27} \\ 0 \end{array}$$



f)  $y = -2x^3 - 7x^2 - 2x + 3$

$y = -(2x^3 + 7x^2 + 2x - 3)$

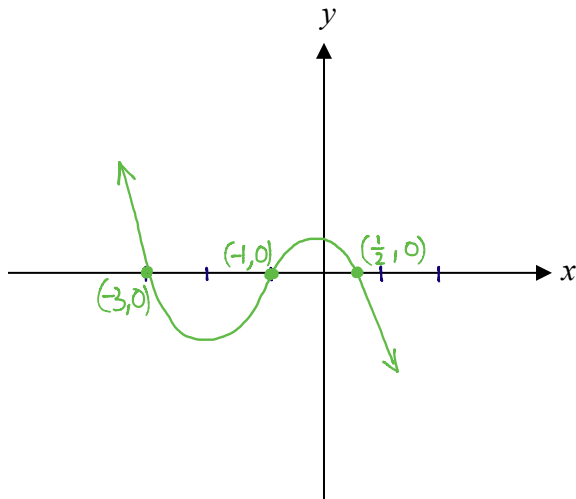
$y = -(x+1)(2x^2 + 5x - 3)$

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

∴ x-ints are -3, -1,  $\frac{1}{2}$   
(all single)

Compare to  $y=-x$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^2 + 5x - 3 \\ x+1 \overline{) 2x^3 + 7x^2 + 2x - 3} \\ \underline{2x^3 + 2x^2} \phantom{- 3} \\ 5x^2 + 2x \phantom{- 3} \\ \underline{5x^2 + 5x} \phantom{- 3} \\ -3x - 3 \\ \underline{-3x - 3} \\ 0 \end{array}$$





Ex. 2. Use the graph of each polynomial function to:

i) identify the polynomial as **quadratic**, **cubic**, **quartic** or **quintic**

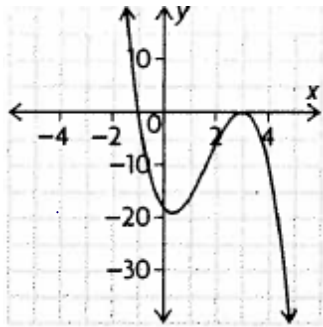
ii) state the sign of the leading coefficient of its function

iii) state the number & nature of roots to the corresponding equation used to determine the zeros

iv) determine the number of turning points

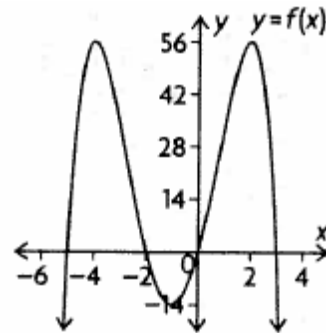
v) describe the end behavior

a)



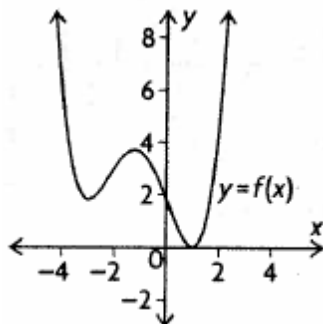
- i) cubic
- ii) negative
- iii) 3 real roots
- iv) As  $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$   
As  $x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$
- v) 2 turning pts

b)



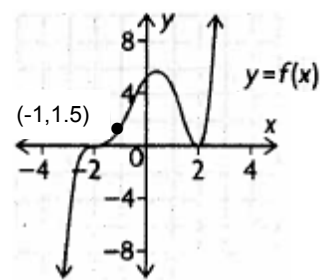
- i) quartic
- ii) negative
- iii) 4 real roots
- iv) As  $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$   
As  $x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$
- v) 3 turning pts.

c)



- i) quartic
- ii) positive
- iii) 2 real roots  
(2 imaginary)
- iv) As  $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$   
As  $x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$
- v) 3 turning points

d)



- i) quintic
- ii) positive
- iii) 5 real root
- iv) As  $x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$   
As  $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$
- v) 2 turning points

Day 7: Let  $f(x) = a(x+2)^3(x-2)^2$

Find  $a$  if  $f(-1) = \frac{3}{2}$

$$\frac{3}{2} = a(-1+2)^3(-1-2)^2$$

$$\frac{3}{2} = a(1)^3(-3)^2$$

$$\frac{1}{9} \left( \frac{3}{2} \right) = (1a) \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{1}{6}$$

$\therefore$  the equation is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{6}(x+2)^3(x-2)^2$$



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## 2.7 Determining the Equations of Polynomial Functions

**Ex. 1. a)** Determine an equation for the family of cubic functions whose x-intercepts are -2, 1 and 3.

Let  $f(x) = a(x+2)(x-1)(x-3)$  represent the family of cubic functions.

**b)** Determine an equation for the particular member of this family, in **factored** form, whose y-intercept is 9. Find  $a$  if  $f(0) = 9$

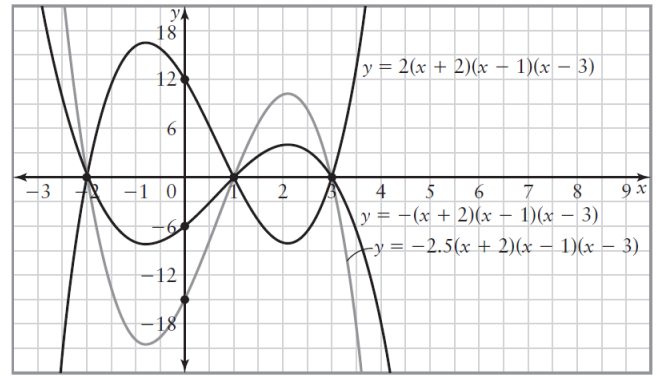
$$9 = a(0+2)(0-1)(0-3)$$

$$9 = a(2)(-1)(-3)$$

$$9 = 6a$$

$$\frac{3}{2} = a$$

$\therefore$  the required equation is  $f(x) = \frac{3}{2}(x+2)(x-1)(x-3)$



**Ex. 2.** Determine the equation of the quartic function, in **standard** form, with zeros  $\frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1+\sqrt{3}}{2}$  and 0 (order 2) passing through the point  $(-1, -18)$ .

Let  $f(x) = a(x)^2(2x-1+\sqrt{3})(2x-1-\sqrt{3})$

$$f(-1) = -18$$

$$-18 = a(-1)^2(-2-1+\sqrt{3})(-2-1-\sqrt{3})$$

$$-18 = a(1)(-3+\sqrt{3})(-3-\sqrt{3})$$

$(a+b)(a-b) = a^2 - b^2$

$$-18 = a[(-3)^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2]$$

$$-18 = 6a$$

$$\therefore a = -3$$

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

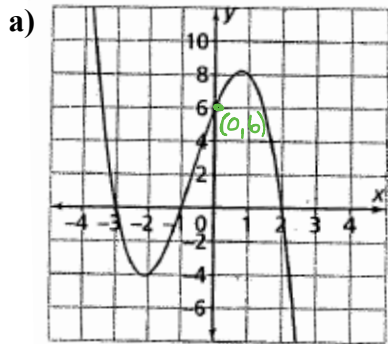
$$f(x) = -3x^2[(2x-1)^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2]$$

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

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

$\therefore f(x) = -12x^4 + 12x^3 + 6x^2$  is the equation in standard form.

**Ex. 3.** Determine the equation of each polynomial function in **factored** form, from its graph.



x-ints are -3, -1, 2  
(all single)

Let  $f(x) = a(x+3)(x+1)(x-2)$

Find  $a$  if  $f(0) = 6$

$$a(0+3)(0+1)(0-2) = 6$$

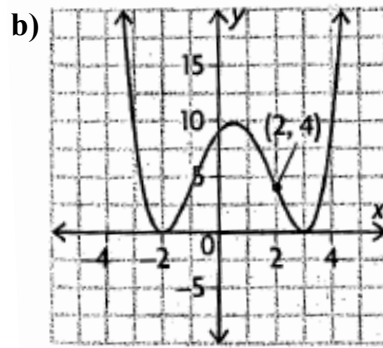
$$-6a = 6$$

$$a = -1$$

$$\therefore f(x) = -(x+3)(x+1)(x-2)$$

is the required equation.

c) Ex. 2. d) from Unit 2: Day 6



x-int are -2, 3  
(both double)

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

Find  $a$  if  $f(2) = 4$

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

$$16a = 4$$

$$a = \frac{4}{16}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{4}$$

$\therefore f(x) = \frac{1}{4}(x+2)^2(x-3)^2$  is the required equation.

Ex. 4. The points (1,1), (2,-3), (3,5), (4,37), (5,105) and (6,221) lie on the graph of a function. Determine the equation of the polynomial function.

**Solution:**

Determine if the polynomial function  $f(x)$  is **linear**, **quadratic**, **cubic**, **quartic**, or **quintic** by calculating the *first differences*, *second differences*, *third differences*, and so on.

| $x$ | $f(x)$ | $\Delta f(x)$     | $\Delta^2 f(x)$ | $\Delta^3 f(x)$ |
|-----|--------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1   | 1      | $-3 - 1 = -4$     | $8 - (-4) = 12$ | $24 - 12 = 12$  |
| 2   | -3     | $5 - (-3) = 8$    | $32 - 8 = 24$   | $36 - 24 = 12$  |
| 3   | 5      | $37 - 5 = 32$     | $68 - 32 = 36$  | $48 - 36 = 12$  |
| 4   | 37     | $105 - 37 = 68$   | $116 - 68 = 48$ |                 |
| 5   | 105    | $221 - 105 = 116$ |                 |                 |
| 6   | 221    |                   |                 |                 |

$\therefore \Delta f(x)$  is not constant  
 $\therefore f(x)$  is not linear  
 $\therefore \Delta^2 f(x)$  is not constant  
 $\therefore f(x)$  is not quadratic  
 $\therefore \Delta^3 f(x)$  is constant  
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$$f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} f(1)=1 & a+b+c+d=1 \quad (1) \\ f(2)=-3 & 8a+4b+2c+d=-3 \quad (2) \\ f(3)=5 & 27a+9b+3c+d=5 \quad (3) \\ f(4)=37 & 64a+16b+4c+d=37 \quad (4) \end{array}$$

Eliminate  $d$ :

$$\begin{array}{l|l} (2)-(1) & 7a+3b+c=-4 \quad (5) \\ (3)-(2) & 19a+5b+c=8 \quad (6) \\ (4)-(3) & 37a+7b+c=32 \quad (7) \end{array}$$

Eliminate  $c$ :

$$\begin{array}{l|l} (6)-(5) & 12a+2b=12 \quad (8) \\ (7)-(6) & 18a+2b=24 \quad (9) \end{array}$$

Eliminate  $b$ :

$$(9)-(8) \quad | \quad 6a=12$$

$$\boxed{\therefore a=2}$$

Sub  $a=2$  into (8):

$$\begin{array}{l} 12(2) + 2b = 12 \\ 24 + 2b = 12 \\ 2b = -12 \\ \boxed{\therefore b = -6} \end{array}$$

Sub  $a=2, b=-6$  into (5)

$$\begin{array}{l} 7(2) + 3(-6) + c = -4 \\ 14 - 18 + c = -4 \\ -4 + c = -4 \\ \boxed{\therefore c = 0} \end{array}$$

Sub  $a=2, b=-6, c=0$  into (1)

$$\begin{array}{l} (2) + (-6) + (0) + d = 1 \\ -4 + d = 1 \\ \boxed{\therefore d = 5} \end{array}$$

$\therefore f(x) = 2x^3 - 6x^2 + 5$  is the required equation.