

TICKET-IN-THE-DOOR

In order to be prepared for class you must watch the module and complete the following activity. This is due first thing when you get to class.

Define a power function.

Power function is a function of the form $y = Kx^p$

Check your understanding:

1. Is $y = x^4$ a power function? Yes because it's of the form $y = K \cdot x^p$
2. Is $y - 25 = (x - 5)(x + 5)$ a power function?
 $y - 25 = x^2 - 25 \Rightarrow y = x^2 + 25 \Rightarrow y = x^2$ is a power function.
3. Write the following in $f(x) = kx^p$

a. $R(t) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{16t}} = \frac{4}{4\sqrt{t}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} = t^{-1/2} \Rightarrow$ Power function

b. $T(s) = (6s^{-2})(4s^{-3})$
 $T(s) = 24s^{-5} \Rightarrow$ Power function.

c. $K(w) = \frac{w^4}{4\sqrt{w^3}}$
 $K(w) = \frac{w^4}{4w^{3/2}} = \frac{1}{4}w^{4-3/2} = \frac{1}{4}w^{5/2} = \frac{1}{4}w^{2.5} \Rightarrow$ Power.

d. $y = 3\left(\frac{2}{5\sqrt{7x}}\right)^4$
 $y = 3\left(\frac{16}{625 \cdot 7^2 \cdot x^2}\right) = \frac{48}{36625}x^{-2} \Rightarrow$ Power

4. Suppose y is directly proportional to x . If $y = 1$ when $x = 4$, what is the value of x when y is 5?

Sol: $y = k \cdot x$
 $1 = k(4) \Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{4} \cdot x \Rightarrow 5 = \frac{1}{4} \cdot x \Rightarrow x = 20$

5. The volume occupied by a fixed quantity of gas such as oxygen is inversely proportional to its pressure, provided that its temperature is held constant. Suppose that a quantity of oxygen occupies a 60 liter volume at a pressure of 14 atmospheres. If the temperature of the oxygen does not change, how many liters will it occupy if its pressure rises to 19 atmospheres? Round to 1 decimal place.

Sol: $V = \frac{k}{P} \Rightarrow 60 = \frac{k}{14} \Rightarrow k = 840$
 $V = \frac{840}{P} = \frac{840}{19} = 44.2105 \text{ liters}$

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Define a polynomial function.

Check your understanding:

1. Thinking of the long-run behavior, state the *degree*, and the end behavior of the graph.

a. $y = 2x^2 - 3x + 7$

Sol: degree = 2



END BEHAVIOR:

graph rises to the left


graph rises to the right

i.e., as $x \rightarrow \infty$, $y \rightarrow \infty$

as $x \rightarrow -\infty$, $y \rightarrow \infty$

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

Sol: $y = x^4 + \dots$



degree = 4

END-BEHAVIOR:

as $x \rightarrow \infty$, $y \rightarrow \infty$

as $x \rightarrow -\infty$, $y \rightarrow \infty$

c. $y = x^4 - 3x^3 - 2x + 1$

Sol: degree = 4

(Same as part (b))

2. Let $f(x) = -2x^3 - 5x^2 + 8$. Which of the following statements are true?

As $x \rightarrow \infty$, $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

As $x \rightarrow \infty$, $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$

As $x \rightarrow -\infty$, $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

As $x \rightarrow -\infty$, $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$



graph rises to the left
graph falls to the right

as $x \rightarrow \infty$, y or $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

as $x \rightarrow -\infty$, y or $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$

Chapter 11 – Section 11.3 The Short-run Behavior of Polynomials

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State the **Zero Product Rule** If $a \cdot b = 0$, then $a = 0$ or $b = 0$.

Check your understanding:

1. Find the zeros of the following functions.

a. $y = x^3 + 7x^2 + 12x$

Sol $0 = x^3 + 7x^2 + 12x \Rightarrow x(x^2 + 7x + 12) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{x=0}$ or $x^2 + 7x + 12 = 0$

$(x+3)(x+4) = 0$
 $\boxed{x=-3}$ or $\boxed{x=-4}$

b. $y = (x^2 + 2x - 7)(x^3 + 4x^2 - 21x)$

Sol $0 = x^2 + 2x - 7$
 $x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(1)(-7)}}{2}$
 $x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 28}}{2}$ or $x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{32}}{2}$

$x^3 + 4x^2 - 21x = 0$

$x(x^2 + 4x - 21) = 0$

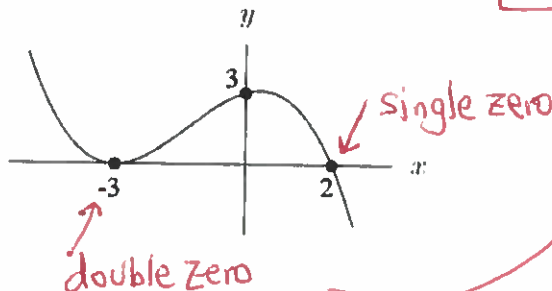
$x(x+7)(x-3) = 0$

$\boxed{x=0}$ or $\boxed{x=-7}$ or $\boxed{x=3}$

c. $y = 5(x-2)(x^2-16)(x+5)$

Sol $x-2=0$ $x^2-16=0$ $x+5=0$
 $\boxed{x=2}$ $\boxed{x=\pm 4}$ $\boxed{x=-5}$

2. What could be a formula for the graph shown below



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

$3 = a(0+3)^2(0-2)$

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

$3 = -18a$

$\boxed{a = -\frac{1}{6}}$

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

3. Find a possible formula for each polynomial with the given properties

a. F has degree ≤ 2 , $f(0) = 0$ and $f(1) = 1$

Sol $f(x) = a(x)^2 \Rightarrow 1 = a(1)^2 \Rightarrow a = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{f(x) = x^2}$

b. F has degree ≤ 2 , $f(0) = f(1) = f(2) = 1$

Sol $f(x) = a(x)^2 + b(x) + c$
 $1 = c$

$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + 1 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a+b=0 \\ 4a+2b=0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \boxed{y=1}$

$1 = a + b + 1$

$1 = 4a + 2b + 1$

$-2a - 2b = 0$

$4a + 2b = 0$

$\begin{matrix} a=0 \\ b=0 \end{matrix}$

c. F is a third degree polynomial with $f(-3) = 0$, $f(1) = 0$, $f(4) = 0$ and $f(2) = 5$

$f(x) = a(x-r_1)(x-r_2)(x-r_3)$

$f(x) = a(x+3)(x-1)(x-4)$

$5 = a(2+3)(2-1)(2-4)$

$\boxed{f(x) = -\frac{1}{2}(x+3)(x-1)(x-4)}$

$5 = a(5)(1)(-2)$

$5 = -10a$