

# Bell Work

*Tell me anything that you know about  $P(x)$ .*

$$P(x) = x^5 - x^4 - 3x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0$$

# From Last Time...

- Pg 157 #55, 59, 61, 67, 69, 75
- Pg 146 #48, 51


More so for discussion next time...

- Pg 164 #21, 31, 51, 69, 97



# PRE-CALC TRIG

Day 16



## 2.5 Zeros of Polynomial Functions

- **Objective:** Use Fundamental Theorem of Algebra to determine number of solutions and then find the zeros.

HLQ: How does the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra apply to solving 2 step equations?

# The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

- If  $f(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$  where  $n \geq 0$ , then the equation  $f(x) = 0$  has exactly  $n$  roots, including multiple and complex roots.
- In other words: Any  $n^{\text{th}}$  degree polynomial function has exactly  $n$  zeros

# Bell Work Explained:

- What are the roots for the following equation?

$$P(x) = x^5 - x^4 - 3x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0$$

There are 5 zeros (solutions) because the degree is 5.

Graph to find the real ones: 1, 2, -2 (so 2 must be imaginary...)

# How to find the imaginary:

- Step2: Since  $P(1)=0$  we know it is a root (Remainder Thm) and therefore  $x-1$  is a factor. Use synthetic division to factor out  $x-1$ .

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^5 - x^4 - 3x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + 4 \\
 \underline{1 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -3 \quad 0 \quad -4} \\
 1 \quad 0 \quad -3 \quad 0 \quad -4 \quad 0 \\
 \underline{2 \quad 2 \quad 4 \quad 2 \quad 4} \\
 1 \quad 2 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 0 \\
 \underline{-2 \quad -2 \quad 0 \quad -2} \\
 1 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 0
 \end{array}$$

Therefore,  $(x-1)(x-2)(x+2)(x^2 + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow (x-1)(x+2)(x-2)(x+i)(x-i) = 0$

*The roots are 1, -2, 2, -i and i*

# Find all Zeros

- $x^5 - x^4 - 7x^3 + 7x^2 - 18x + 18 = 0$

- $x^4 + 2x^3 - 4x^2 - 7x - 2 = 0$



# For next time...

- Pg 176 #9, 19, 27, 31, 44, 71, 77, 113, 118

# Additional Information

## **The Rational Zero Theorem;**

If  $f(x) = a_nx^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1x + a_0$  has integer coefficients, then every rational zero of  $f(x)$  has the following form:

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{\text{factor of constant term } a_0}{\text{factor of leading coefficient } a_n}$$

## **Conjugate Pairs**

Let  $f(x)$  be a polynomial function that has real coefficients. If  $a+bi$ , where  $b$  isn't 0, is a zero of the function, the conjugate  $a-bi$  is also a zero of the function.