

For the following Multiple Choice and True/False problems, write the UPPERCASE letter in the space provided.

1. Given the polynomial: $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + 5x^2 - 15$, the factor theorem suggests test values for x when discovering factors should include: [2]

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- A) $\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 5, \pm 15$
- B) $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots \pm 15$
- C) $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 15$
- D) $1, -2, 5, -15$
- E) None of the above

2. A polynomial $f(x)$ is divided by $(2x + 7)$, the remainder can be determined by evaluating: [2]

D

- A) $f(-7)$
- B) $f(7)$
- C) $f(\frac{7}{2})$
- D) $f(-\frac{7}{2})$
- E) $f(-\frac{2}{7})$
- F) Not enough information

3. True/False: [2]

- a) All polynomials of degree 4 have zeroes.
- b) All polynomials of degree 5 will have at least one change in direction.
- c) Some polynomials of degree 6 may have only 1 zero.
- d) Polynomials of degree 7 can have at most 6 changes in direction.

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4. Perform the following long division: $(x^3 - 2x - 4) \div (x - 2)$ [2]

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + 2x + 2 \\
 x-2 \overline{) x^3 + 0x^2 - 2x - 4} \\
 \underline{x^3 - 2x^2} \\
 2x^2 - 2x \\
 \underline{2x^2 - 4x} \\
 2x - 4 \\
 \underline{2x - 4} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

5. Factor: [4]

a) $6x^3 + 19x^2 + 11x - 6 = f(x)$

$$f(-2) = -48 + 76 - 22 - 6 = 0$$

$\therefore x+2$ is a factor

$$\therefore (x+2)(6x^2 + 7x - 3) \quad \begin{smallmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & +3 \end{smallmatrix}$$

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

b) $(x+g)^3 + 125w^3$

$$= (x+g+5w)[(x+g)^2 - 5w(x+g) + 25w^2]$$

6. Solve: $x^4 - 4x^3 - 4x^2 + 11x + 10 = 0 = f(x)$ [3]

$$f(-1) = 0$$

$\therefore x+1$ is a factor

$$\therefore (x+1)(x^3 - 5x^2 + x + 10) = 0$$

$$f(2) = 0$$

$\therefore x-2$ is a factor

$$\therefore (x+1)(x-2)(x^2 - 3x - 5) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = -1 \text{ or } 2 \text{ or } x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9+20}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{29}}{2}$$

7. Solve: [3]

$$\frac{6x^2 - 3x + 2}{2x+1} \geq 1$$

$$\frac{6x^2 - 3x + 2 - 2x - 1}{2x+1} \geq 0$$

$$\begin{smallmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{smallmatrix} \quad \frac{6x^2 - 5x + 1}{2x+1} \geq 0$$

$$\frac{(3x-1)(2x-1)}{2x+1} \geq 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Key \#s } \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}) \quad (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}] \quad [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}] \quad [\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$$

$\frac{-}{-}$	$\frac{-}{+}$	$\frac{+}{+}$	$\frac{+}{+}$
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$$\therefore (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}], [\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$$

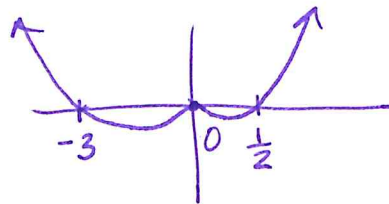
8. Solve: [3]

$$2x^4 + 5x^3 - 3x^2 < 0$$

$$x^2(2x^2 + 5x - 3) < 0$$

$$x^2(2x-1)(x+3) < 0$$

$$\therefore x = 0 \text{ or } \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } -3 \text{ (roots)}$$



$$\therefore (-3, \frac{1}{2}), x \neq 0$$

$$\text{or } (-3, 0) \cup (0, \frac{1}{2})$$

9. Determine the value of k such that when $2x^3 - 3x^2 + kx - 1$ is divided by $x + 3$, the remainder is -37 . [2]

$$f(-3) = -37$$

$$-54 - 27 - 3k - 1 = -37$$

$$-3k - 82 = -37$$

$$-3k = 45$$

$$k = -15$$

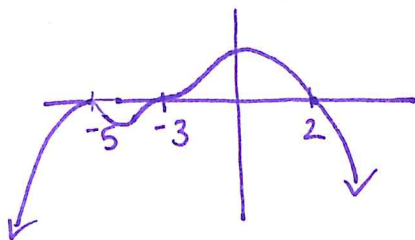
10. Determine the x -values that would satisfy both inequalities below: [4]

$$-(x+5)^2(x+3)^3(x-2) \leq 0 \quad \text{AND} \quad 2x^2 + 5x - 7 < 0$$

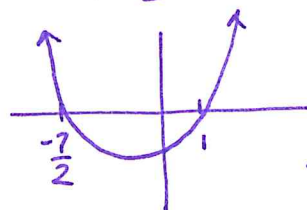
$$\therefore x = -5, -3, 2 \text{ (roots)}$$

$$(2x+7)(x-1) < 0$$

$$\therefore x = -\frac{7}{2} \text{ or } 1 \text{ (roots)}$$



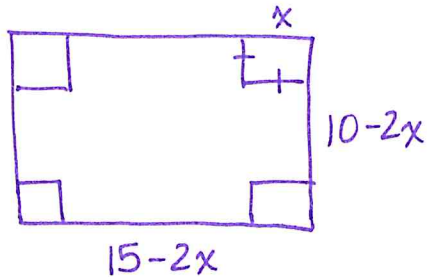
$$\therefore (-\infty, -3], [2, \infty)$$



$$\therefore (-\frac{7}{2}, 1)$$

$$\therefore (-\frac{7}{2}, -3]$$

11. A rectangular piece of cardboard measuring 15 cm by 10 cm is made into an open-topped box by cutting squares from the corners and turning up the sides. If the volume of the box is 104 cm^3 , what are the dimensions of the box? [4]



$$V = Lwh$$

$$104 = x(15-2x)(10-2x)$$

$$104 = 150x - 50x^2 + 4x^3$$

$$4x^3 - 50x^2 + 150x - 104 = 0$$

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 25x^2 + 75x - 52 = 0$$

$$f(1) = 0$$

$\therefore x-1$ is a factor

$$\therefore (x-1)(2x^2 - 23x + 52) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 1 \text{ cm} \text{ or } x = \frac{23 \pm \sqrt{529 - 416}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{23 \pm \sqrt{113}}{4}$$

$$\doteq 8.41 \text{ or } 3.09 \text{ cm}$$

inadmissible

\therefore The dimensions are

$$13 \text{ cm} \times 8 \text{ cm} \times 1 \text{ cm} \quad \underline{\underline{\text{or}}} \quad 8.82 \text{ cm} \times 3.82 \text{ cm} \times 3.09 \text{ cm}$$