

# Math 102 - Spring 2012 - Test 3

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**Instructions.** If you use graphic methods, sketch the graphs and label significant points, like intersection points or intercepts. Each exercise is worth 10 points, unless otherwise specified. This is a take home test which covers the 3/26/2012 contact time. *Always use the appropriate wording and units of measure in your answers (when applicable).*

**SHOW YOUR WORK NEATLY, PLEASE (no work, no credit).**

- Find the rational root(s) of the polynomial  $3x^3 - 17x^2 + 9x + 5$ .

From graph or table we can find  
the integral roots:  $x = 1, x = 5$

Or among the divisors of  $3 \cdot 5 = 15$

Now we can use long (or synthetic) division.

Both  $(x-1)$  and  $(x-5)$  divide  $P(x) = 3x^3 - 17x^2 + 9x + 5$

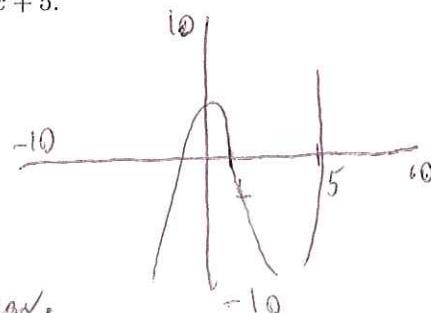
Therefore  $(x-1)(x-5) = x^2 - 6x - x + 5 = x^2 - 6x + 5$  divides  $P(x)$ .

Long division:

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^3/x^2 \quad x^2/x^2 \\ \hline 3x+1 \quad | 3x^3 - 17x^2 + 9x + 5 \\ \quad 3x^3 - 18x^2 + 15x \\ \hline \quad \quad \quad x^2 - 6x + 5 \\ \quad \quad \quad x^2 - 6x + 5 \\ \hline \quad \quad \quad 0 \end{array}$$

RATIONAL ROOTS OF  $P(x)$ :

$$x = 1, 5, -\frac{1}{3}$$



Thus

$$P(x) = (x^2 - 6x + 5)(3x + 1)$$

$$= \underbrace{(x-1)(x-5)}_{\text{WE ALREADY KNOW THESE ROOTS } x=1, 5} (3x+1)$$

WE ALREADY  
KNOW THESE  
ROOTS  $x=1, 5$

$$3x+1=0$$

$$3x = -1$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{3}$$

2. Completely factor the polynomial  $P(x) = 6x^4 + 27x^3 - 27x^2 - 54x + 30$ . You can use the fact that  $3x^2 - 6$  divides  $P(x)$ .

Long Division:

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^2 + 9x - 5 \\ \hline 3x^2 - 6 \left| \begin{array}{r} 6x^4 + 27x^3 - 27x^2 - 54x + 30 \\ 6x^4 \quad \quad \quad -18x^2 \\ \hline 27x^3 - 18x^2 - 54x + 30 \\ 27x^3 \quad \quad \quad -54x \\ \hline -18x^2 \quad \quad \quad +30 \\ -18x^2 \quad \quad \quad +30 \\ \hline 0 \quad \quad \quad \checkmark \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

FACTOR

$$\underbrace{2x^2 + 9x - 5}_{\text{product } = 2(-5) = -10} \quad \text{sum } = 9 \quad \int \rightarrow 10, -1$$

$$2x^2 + 10x - x - 5 = 2x(x+5) - (x+5) = (2x-1)(x+5)$$

$$\boxed{P(x) = 3(x-\sqrt{2})(x+\sqrt{2})(2x-1)(x+5)}$$

3. Perform the long division  $\frac{x^5 - 16x^3 + 4x + 8}{x^3 - 1}$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 16 \\ \hline x^3 - 1 \left| \begin{array}{r} x^5 - 16x^3 + 4x + 8 \\ x^5 - x^2 \\ \hline -16x^3 + x^2 + 4x + 8 \\ -16x^3 + 16 \\ \hline x^2 + 4x - 8 \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{x^5 - 16x^3 + 4x + 8}{x^3 - 1} = x^2 - 16 + \frac{x^2 + 4x - 8}{x^3 - 1}}$$

THUS:

$$P(x) = (3x^2 - 6)(2x^2 + 9x - 5)$$

WE NEED TO FACTOR THESE TWO QUADRATIC POLYNOMIALS

$$\begin{aligned} 3x^2 - 6 &= 3(x^2 - 2) = 3(x - (\sqrt{2})^2) \\ &\quad \text{difference of squares} \\ &= 3(x - \sqrt{2})(x + \sqrt{2}) \end{aligned}$$

4. The cost in thousand dollars for producing  $x$  hundred cars at a local factory can be modeled by the function  $y = x^4 - 5x^3 + 2x + 70$ .
- What is the cost for producing 500 cars?
  - Find out the level of production that minimizes the cost and such a minimum cost.

$X = \text{"Hundred Cars"} \rightarrow a) X = 5, Y(5) = 80 \rightarrow$

$\rightarrow$  PRODUCING 500 CARS WILL COST \$80,000.

b) USE THE GRAPH, THEN

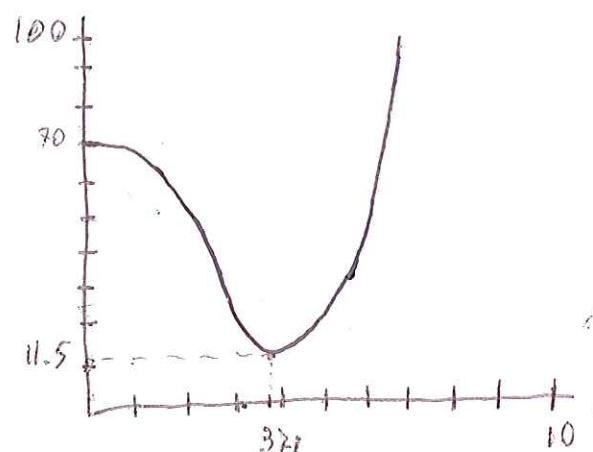
$$\boxed{2^{nd}} + \boxed{\text{TAKE}} + \boxed{3}$$

TO FIND  $X = 3.71, Y = 11.546$

WE NEED TO ACTUALIZE THIS; USING  
THE FACT THAT  $X$  IS HUNDRED CARS:

$$X = 3.71 \rightarrow Y = 11.546$$

$$X = 3.72 \rightarrow Y = 11.547$$



THEFORE THE ACTUAL MINIMUM IS  $(3.71, 11.546)$ , THAT IS A  
MINIMUM COST OF \$11,546 WHEN 371 CARS ARE PRODUCED.

5. The effectiveness (on a 0 to 10 scale) of a medication  $x$  hours after its administration is given by

$$E(x) = \frac{113 + 201x - 12x^2}{3x^2 + 6x + 28}.$$

- (a) How long does it take the medication to be most effective?  
(b) How long after its administration is the medication ineffective?

a) Asking for the maximum of  $E(x) = (113 + 201x - 12x^2)/(3x^2 + 6x + 28)$

b) Asking for the  $x$ -intercept, that is  $x$  for which  $E(x) = 0$ .

USE THE GRAPH

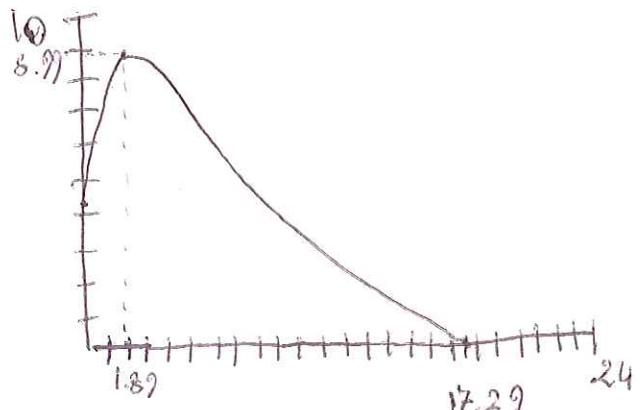
a)  $\boxed{2^{nd}} + \boxed{\text{TRACE}} + \boxed{4}$

$$x = 1.89, y = 8.99$$

ACTUALIZE:

$$x = 1 \rightarrow y = 8.16$$

$$x = 2 \rightarrow y = 8.98$$



AFTER ABOUT 2 HOURS THE MEDICATION IS MOST EFFECTIVE.

b)  $\boxed{2^{nd}} + \boxed{\text{TRACE}} + \boxed{2}$  GIVES  $x = 17.29$ , THEREFORE

AFTER ABOUT 17 HOURS THE MEDICATION HAS LOST ITS  
EFFECTIVENESS.

6. For the following rational functions, use algebra to find the domain, then use algebra or technology to find (if any) the asymptotes (vertical, horizontal, or slant). (Each part is worth 10 points)

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

Domain:  $3x^2 - 3 \neq 0$

$$3x^2 - 3 = 0 \rightarrow 3(x^2 - 1) = 0$$

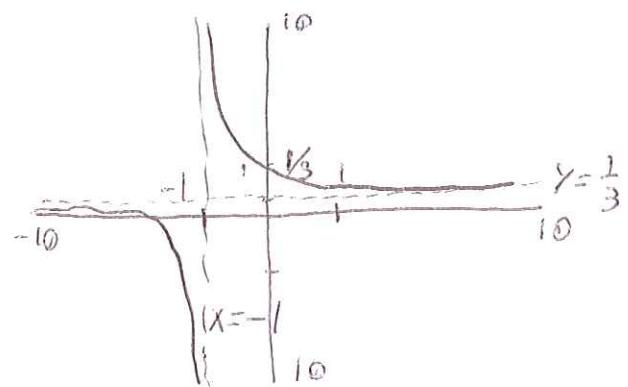
$$\rightarrow x^2 - 1 = 0 \rightarrow x^2 = 1 \rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

Domain:  $x \neq \pm 1$

$$\text{V.A. I) PLUG } x=1 \rightarrow \frac{1+2-3}{3-3} = \frac{0}{0} \rightarrow \text{MIGHT NOT BE A V.A. } \text{ II) THEN}$$

FROM GRAPH AND FACTORIZATION WE SEE THAT THIS IS NOT A V.A.

$$\text{II) PLUG } x=-1 \rightarrow \frac{1-2-3}{3-3} = \frac{-4}{0} \rightarrow \text{V.A.}$$



$$\text{"DEGREE NUMATOR" = "DEG. DEN."} \rightarrow \text{H.A. } Y = \frac{1x^2}{3x^2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

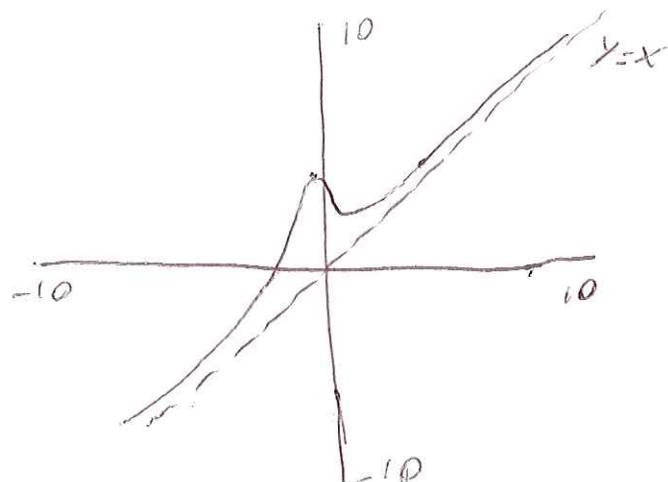
$$(b) f(x) = \frac{x^3 - x + 5}{x^2 + 1}$$

Domain:  $x^2 + 1 \neq 0$

$$\text{Solve } x^2 + 1 = 0 \rightarrow x^2 = -1 \rightarrow x = \pm i$$

NOT REAL  $\rightarrow$  Domain: All Real Numbers

$\rightarrow$  None V.A.



"DEGREE NUM" = "DEG. DEN" + 1  $\rightarrow$  SLANT ASYMPTOTE.

USE LONG DIVISION TO FIND SLANT ASYMPTOTES

$$\begin{array}{r}
 X \\
 \overline{)X^2 + 1 \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} X \\ X^3 - X + 5 \\ \hline X^3 + X \\ \hline -2X + 5 \end{array} \right) \quad Y = X \text{ IS THE SLANT ASYMPOTYE}}
 \end{array}$$

REMAINDER

7. Let  $f(x) = 4x - x^3$  and  $g(x) = 3x + 7$ . Compute  $(g - f)(x)$  and  $(f \cdot g)(-1)$ .

$$(g - f)(x) = g(x) - f(x) = (3x + 7) - (4x - x^3) = 3x + 7 - 4x + x^3 \\ = x^3 - x + 7$$

$$(f \cdot g)(-1) = f(-1) \cdot g(-1) = (4(-1) - (-1)^3)(3(-1) + 7) = -3(4) = -12$$

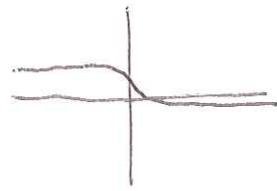
8. Let  $g(x) = 5x - 1$  and  $f(x) = x^2 + 3$ . Compute  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and  $g(f(-1))$ .

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = (5x - 1)^2 + 3 = (5x)^2 + 2(-1)(5x) + (-1)^2 + 3 \\ = 25x^2 - 10x + 4$$

$$g(f(-1)) = 5((-1)^2 + 3) - 1 = 5(4) - 1 = 19$$

9. Find the inverse of the function  $f(x) = 1 - \sqrt[5]{2x}$  and check your result.

$f(x)$  is 1-to-1 because it passes the HORIZONTAL LINE TEST.



1) Solve for x:  $y = 1 - \sqrt[5]{2x}$

$$y - 1 = -\sqrt[5]{2x} \rightarrow (-y + 1) = (\sqrt[5]{2x})^5$$

$$\rightarrow (1-y)^5 = 2x \rightarrow x = \frac{(1-y)^5}{2}$$

2) SWAP X AND Y:  $y = \frac{(1-x)^5}{2}$

THE INVERSE FUNCTION IS  $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{(1-x)^5}{2}$

CHECK: I)  $f(f^{-1}(x)) = 1 - \sqrt[5]{2 \left( \frac{(1-x)^5}{2} \right)}$

$$= 1 - \sqrt[5]{(1-x)^5} = 1 - (1-x) = 1 - 1 + x$$

$$= x \quad \checkmark$$

II)  $f^{-1}(f(x)) = \frac{\left(1 - \left(1 - \sqrt[5]{2x}\right)\right)^5}{2} = \frac{\left(1 - 1 + \sqrt[5]{2x}\right)^5}{2}$

$$= \frac{(\sqrt[5]{2x})^5}{2} = \frac{2x}{2} = x \quad \checkmark$$