

## Homework 4 Solutions

Basics of Polynomials: 1-3, 6-8, 13-16, 19-23

1) Degree: 3, Leading Coefficient: 2, Leading Order Term:  $2x^3$

2) Degree: 2, Leading Coefficient: -1, Leading Order Term:  $-x^2$

3) Degree: 1, Leading Coefficient: 1, Leading Order Term:  $x$

6)  $(2x + 3) + (-x + 5)$

$$= 2x - x + 3 + 5$$

$$= \boxed{x + 8}$$

7)  $(3x^2 - x + 6) - (3x^2 + x - 6)$

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

$$= \boxed{-2x + 12}$$

8)  $(8x^2 - 5x - 2) + (4x^5 - x^2 + 3x + 7)$

$$= 4x^5 + 8x^2 - x^2 - 5x + 3x - 2 + 7$$

$$= \boxed{4x^5 + 7x^2 - 2x + 5}$$

13)  $6x^2(3x + 1)$

$$= 6x^2(3x) + 6x^2(1)$$

$$= \boxed{18x^3 + 6x^2}$$

$$14) 2x(x^3 + 4x - 6)$$

$$= 2x(x^3) + 2x(4x) + 2x(-6)$$

$$= \boxed{2x^4 + 8x^2 - 12x}$$

$$15) (x^2 + 6)(x - 5)$$

$$= x^2(x) + x^2(-5) + 6(x) + 6(-5)$$

$$= \boxed{x^3 - 5x^2 + 6x - 30}$$

$$16) (5x^3 + 8)(x^2 + 2x - 1)$$

$$= 5x^3(x^2) + 5x^3(2x) + 5x^3(-1) + 8(x^2) + 8(2x) + 8(-1)$$

$$= \boxed{5x^5 + 10x^4 - 5x^3 + 8x^2 + 16x - 8}$$

19) Leading Order Term of:

$$3(7x^4 - x^3 + 5x^2 - 13x + 3)(4x^5 - 6x^2 - 5x)$$

$$= 3(7x^4)(4x^5) = \boxed{84x^9}$$

20) Leading Order term of:

$$2(x+1)$$

$$= 2(x) = \boxed{2x}$$

21) Leading Order term of :

$$-5(x+4)(x-5)$$

$$= -5(x)(x) = \boxed{-5x^2}$$

22) Leading order term of :

$$8(x-3)(x-5)(x-6)(x-9)$$

$$= 8(x)(x)(x)(x) = \boxed{8x^4}$$

23) Leading order term of :

$$-3(x+3)(x^2 - 4x + 2)$$

$$= -3(x)(x^2) = \boxed{-3x^3}$$

Polynomial Division: 5-10

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^2 - 2x - 4 \\ \hline 4x^2 - 2 \left[ 12x^4 - 8x^3 - 22x^2 + 4x + 8 \right] \\ \underline{- (12x^4 + 0x^3 - 6x^2)} \\ -8x^3 - 16x^2 + 4x \\ \underline{- (-8x^3 + 0x^2 + 4x)} \\ -16x^2 + 0x + 8 \\ \underline{- (-16x^2 + 0x + 8)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Answer} = \boxed{3x^2 - 2x - 4}$$

$$6) \quad x-1 \overline{) -x^2 + 15x - 1 }$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -(-x^2 + x) \\ \hline 14x - 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -(14x - 14) \\ \hline 13 = \text{remainder} \end{array}$$

Answer:  $-x + 14 + \frac{13}{x-1}$

$$7) \quad x-1 \overline{) x^3 + 4x^2 + x - 6 }$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -(x^3 - x^2) \\ \hline 5x^2 + x \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -(5x^2 - 5x) \\ \hline 6x - 6 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -(6x - 6) \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

Answer:  $x^2 + 5x + 6$

$$8) \quad x^2 + 1 \overline{) x^4 - 3x^3 + 5x^2 - 2x + 9 }$$

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

$$\begin{array}{r} -(-3x^3 + 0x^2 - 3x) \\ \hline 4x^2 + x + 9 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -(4x^2 + 0x + 4) \\ \hline x + 5 = \text{remainder} \end{array}$$

Answer:  $x^2 - 3x + 4 + \frac{x+5}{x^2+1}$

$$9) \quad x+5 \overline{)4x^3 - x^2 - x - 1}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -(4x^3 + 20x^2) \\ \hline -21x^2 - x \\ -(-21x^2 - 105x) \\ \hline 104x - 1 \\ - (104x + 520) \\ \hline -521 = \text{remainder} \end{array}$$

Answer: 
$$4x^2 - 21x + 104 - \frac{521}{x+5}$$

$$10) \quad x-3 \overline{)6x^5 + 23x^3 + 69x^2 + 205x + 665}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6x^5 + 5x^4 - 2x^2 + 50x - 13 \\ -(6x^5 - 18x^4) \\ \hline 23x^4 + 0x^3 \\ -(23x^4 - 69x^3) \\ \hline 69x^3 - 2x^2 \\ -(69x^3 - 207x^2) \\ \hline 205x^2 + 50x \\ -(205x^2 - 615x) \\ \hline 665x - 13 \\ -(665x - 1995) \\ \hline -1982 = \text{remainder} \end{array}$$

Answer: 
$$6x^4 + 23x^3 + 69x^2 + 205x + 665 + \frac{-1982}{x-3}$$

Roots and Factors : 1-6, 8-14

1)  $(x-1)(x-2)$

Roots = 1, 2

2)  $-(x+7)(x-3)(x^4+x^3+2x^2+x+1)$

Roots = -7, 3

3)  $-\frac{2}{5} (x + \frac{7}{3})(x + \frac{1}{2})(x - \frac{4}{3})(x - \frac{9}{2})(x^2 + 1)$

Roots =  $-\frac{7}{3}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{9}{2}$

4)  $x^3 + 4x - 5$  has root  $x = 1$

$$(1)^3 + 4(1) - 5 = 1 + 4 - 5 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  factor =  $(x-1)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + x + 5 \\ \hline x-1 \overline{) x^3 + 4x - 5} \\ - (x^3 - x^2) \end{array}$$

$$x^3 + 4x - 5 = \boxed{(x-1)(x^2 + x + 5)}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 4x \\ - (x^2 - x) \\ \hline 5x - 5 \\ - (5x - 5) \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$5) x^3 + x \quad \text{has root } x = 0$$

$$(0)^3 + (0) = 0 \quad \text{thus } (x - 0) = x \text{ is a factor}$$

$$x^3 + x = \boxed{x(x^2 + 1)}$$

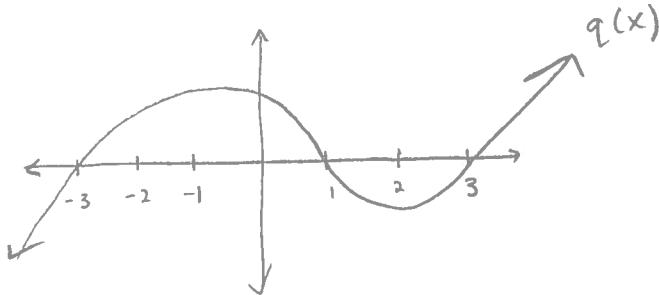
$$6) x^5 + 3x^4 + x^3 - x^2 - x - 1 \quad \text{has root } x = -1$$

$$(-1)^5 + 3(-1)^4 + (-1)^3 - (-1)^2 - (-1) - 1 = 0 \quad \text{thus } (x+1) \text{ is a factor}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^4 + 2x^3 - x^2 - 1 \\ x+1 \overline{)x^5 + 3x^4 + x^3 - x^2 - x - 1} \\ - (x^5 + x^4) \\ \hline 2x^4 + x^3 \\ - (2x^4 + 2x^3) \\ \hline - x^3 - x^2 \\ - (-x^3 - x^2) \\ \hline 0 - x - 1 \\ - (-x - 1) \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

Thus  $x^5 + 3x^4 + x^3 - x^2 - x - 1 = \boxed{(x+1)(x^4 + 2x^3 - x^2 - 1)}$

8)



$$\text{roots} = x\text{-intercepts} = -3, 1, 2$$

$$\text{factors} = (x+3), (x-1), (x-2)$$

$$9) (x+3)(x-1)(x-2)$$

$$\text{Leading Order term} = (x)(x) = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Degree} = 2$$

$$10) (3x+5)(4x^2+2x-3)$$

$$\text{Leading order term} = (3x)(4x^2) = 12x^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Degree} = 3$$

$$11) -17(3x^2+20x-4)$$

$$\text{Leading order term} = (-17)(3x^2) = -51x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Degree} = 2$$

$$12) 4(x-1)(x-1)(x-1)(x-2)(x^2+7)(x^2+3x-4)$$

$$\text{Leading order term} = 4(x)(x)(x)(x)(x^2)(x^2)$$

$$= 4x^8 \Rightarrow \text{Degree} = 8$$

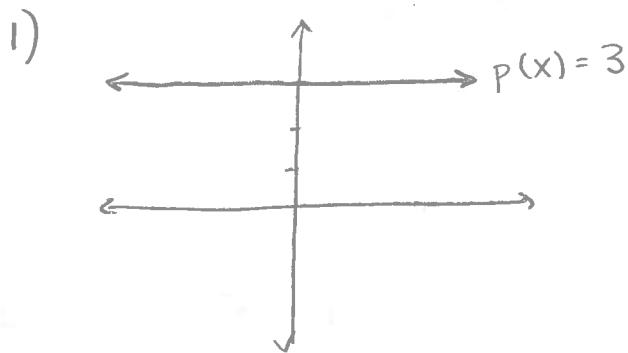
$$13) 5(x-3)(x^2+1)$$

$$\text{Leading order term} = 5(x)(x^2) = 5x^3$$

$$\text{Degree} = 3$$

14) False,  $7x^5 + 13x^4 - 3x^3 - 7x^2 + 2x - 1$  is  
 degree 5, # roots  $\leq$  degree  
 $\Rightarrow$  # roots  $\leq 5$   
 but  $8 \neq 5$

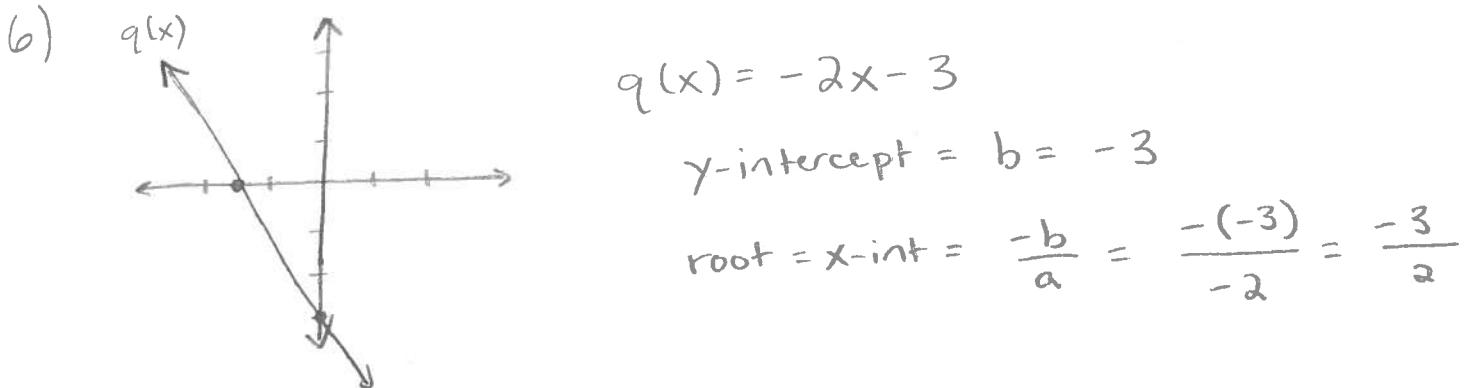
### Constant and Linear Polynomials: 1, 4, 6, 7



4)  $q(x) = \frac{2}{9}x - \frac{8}{5} = 0$

$$\frac{2}{9}x = \frac{8}{5}$$

$$x = \frac{8 \cdot 9}{2 \cdot 5} = \frac{4 \cdot 9}{5} = \boxed{\frac{36}{5}}$$



7)  $p(x) = 3(x) - 200$

earnings per coconut      number of coconuts      initial loss from license cost

# Quadratic Polynomials: 1-3

1)  $-2x^2 - 2x + 12$

a)  $a(x + \frac{b}{2a})^2 + c - \frac{b^2}{4a} = -2(x + \frac{-2}{2(-2)})^2 + 12 - \frac{(-2)^2}{(4)(-2)}$

$$a = -2, b = -2, c = 12 \quad = -2(x + \frac{1}{2})^2 + \frac{25}{2}$$

b) Vertex =  $(-\frac{b}{2a}, c - \frac{b^2}{4a})$

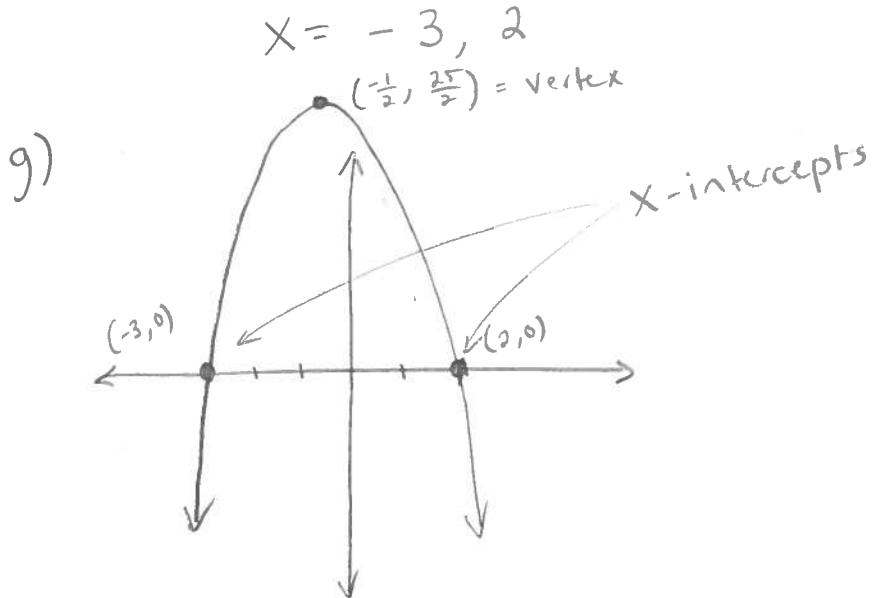
$$= \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{25}{2}\right)$$

c) leading order coefficient is  $-2 \Rightarrow$  parabola opens down

d) Discriminant =  $b^2 - 4ac = (-2)^2 - (4)(-2)(12)$   
 $= 4 + 96 = 100$

e) Discriminant  $> 0 \Rightarrow$  2 roots

f)  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{100}}{2(-2)} = \frac{2 \pm 10}{-4}$



2)  $x^2 + 2x + 1$

a)  $a(x + \frac{b}{2a})^2 + c - \frac{b^2}{4a} = 1(x + 1)^2 + 1 - \frac{4}{4(1)}$   
 $a=1, b=2, c=1$   
 $= (x+1)^2$

b) vertex =  $(\frac{-b}{2a}, c - \frac{b^2}{4a})$   
 $= (-1, 0)$

c) Leading order coefficient = 1 > 0

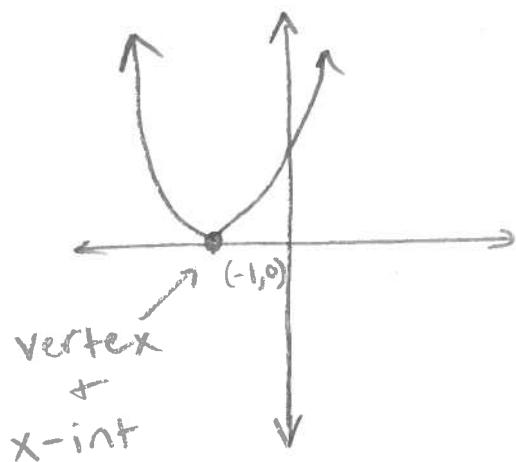
$\Rightarrow$  parabola opens up

d) Discriminant =  $b^2 - 4ac = (2)^2 - (4)(1)(1) = 0$

e) Discriminant = 0  $\Rightarrow$  1 double root

f)  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(2) \pm \sqrt{0}}{2(1)} = -1$

g)



$$3) 3x^2 - 9x + 6$$

$$a) a\left(x + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^2 + c - \frac{b^2}{4a} = 3\left(x + \frac{-9}{2(3)}\right)^2 + 6 - \frac{(-9)^2}{4(3)}$$

$$a=3, b=-9, c=6 \quad = 3\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + 6 - \frac{27}{4}$$

$$= 3\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{3}{4}$$

$$b) \text{ Vertex} = \left(\frac{-b}{2a}, c - \frac{b^2}{4a}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{4}\right) \quad \text{opening}$$

c) Leading order coefficient =  $3 > 0 \Rightarrow \text{up}$

$$d) \text{ Discriminant} = b^2 - 4ac = (-9)^2 - 4(3)(6) \\ = 81 - 72 = 9$$

e) Discriminant =  $9 > 0 \Rightarrow 2 \text{ roots}$

$$f) x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-9) \pm \sqrt{9}}{2(3)} = \frac{9 \pm 3}{6}$$

$$x = 1, 2$$

g)

