

Analyzing & Sketching Polynomial Functions including Factoring

1. Which describes the end behavior of $f(x) = -4x^2 + 1$?

A) as $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ and as $x \rightarrow +\infty, f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$

B) as $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$ and as $x \rightarrow +\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

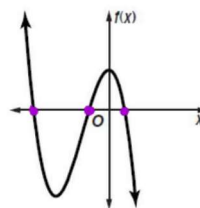
C) as $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$ and as $x \rightarrow +\infty, f(x) \rightarrow +\infty$

D) as $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ and as $x \rightarrow +\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$

⊖ Even
↓ ↓

2. State the number of real zeros for the function whose graph is shown at the right.

- A. 0 B. 2
C. 3 D. 1



3. State the number of turning points. What is the degree of the function?

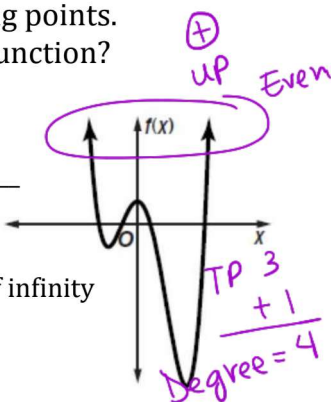
MAX of 3 Turning Points

Sign on LC (a) ⊕ Degree 4

Write the End Behavior in terms of infinity

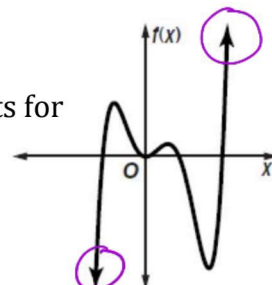
$x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$

$x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$



4. Complete the statements for the graph provided.

⊕ odd
↓ ↑



Number of MAX Turning Points 4
+1

Sign on LC (a) ⊕ Degree 5

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

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

5. FACTOR the following expressions.

a) $x^5 - 81x$

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

$x(x^4 - 81)$ DOS
 $x^2 \quad 9$

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

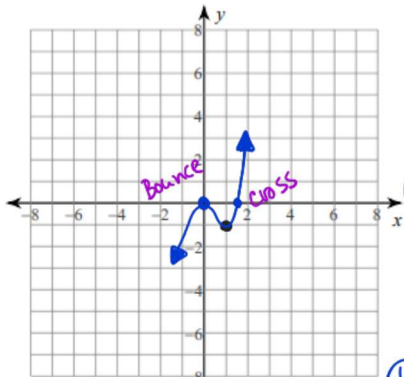
$x(x^2+9)(x^2-9)$ DOS

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

6. GRAPH each of the following functions with the basic shape of each graph. Show all work used to find the end behavior, the y-intercept, ALL the zeros (x-intercepts), their multiplicity and behavior at the x-axis (bounce or cross).

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

$0 = x^2(2x-3)$



$x^2 = 0$ $2x - 3 = 0$
 $x = 0$ $2x = 3$
mult. 2 $x = \frac{3}{2} = 1\frac{1}{2}$
Even mult. 1
Bounce odd
Cross

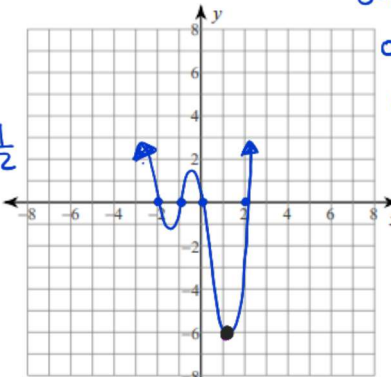
⊕ odd
↓ ↑
top

$f(0) = 0$

$x = 1$
 $f(1) = 2(1)^3 - 3(1)^2$
 $= 2 - 3$
 $f(1) = -1$

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

$0 = (x^3 - 4x)(x+1)$ GCF



$0 = x(x^2 - 4)(x+1)$
 $0 = x(x+2)(x-2)(x+1)$
 $x = 0, -2, 2, -1$
Each mult. 1
• odd
• Cross at each zero

$f(0) = 0$
⊕ Even
↑ ↑

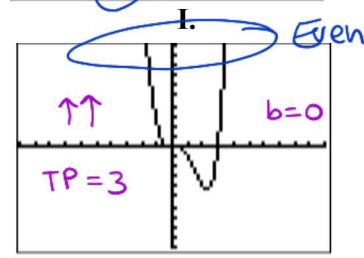
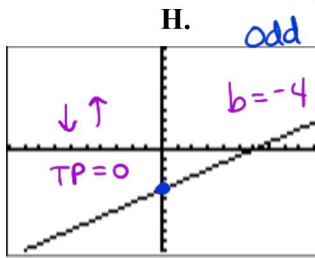
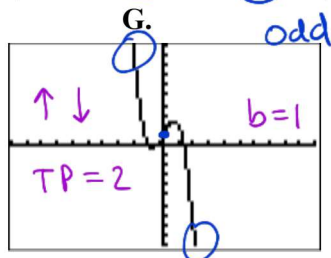
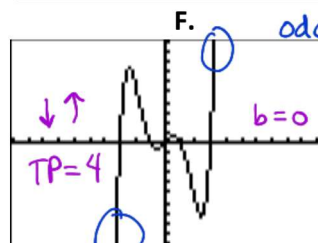
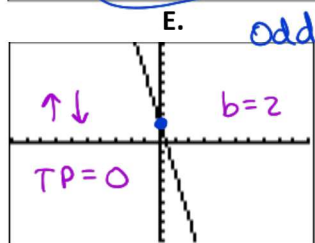
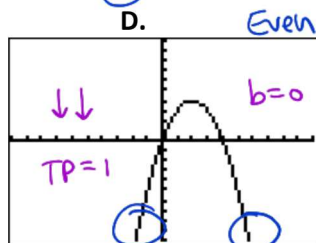
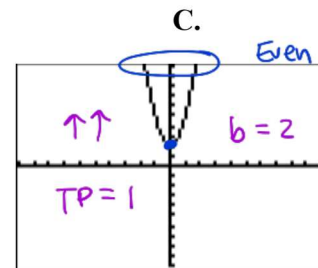
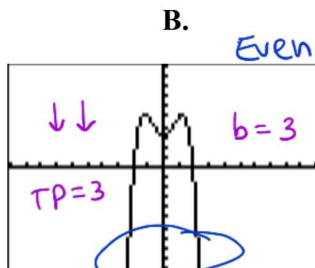
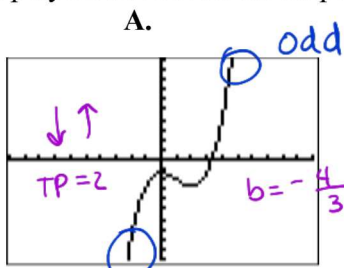
$x = 1$
 $f(1) = (1)^4 + (1)^3 - 4(1)^2 - 4(1)$
 $= 1 + 1 - 4 - 4$
 $= 2 - 8$
 $f(1) = -6$

Practice Worksheet: End Behavior & Graphing Polynomials

WITHOUT graphing, identify the end behavior of the polynomial function. (HINT: Check for Standard Form)

<p>7] $y = 2x^5 + 7x^2 + 4x$ $\frac{-5}{4}$</p> <p>MAX # of Turning Points (curves): <u>4</u></p> <p>Sign of LC (a): <u>+</u> Degree: <u>5</u> odd</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$ ↓ ↑</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$ ↓ ↑</p>	<p>8] $y = 5x^1$ $\frac{-1}{0}$</p> <p>MAX # of Turning Points (curves): <u>0</u></p> <p>Sign of LC (a): <u>-</u> Degree: <u>1</u> odd</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$ ↑ ↓</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$</p>	<p>9] $y = 12x^4 - 2x + 5$ $\frac{-4}{3}$</p> <p>MAX # of Turning Points (curves): <u>3</u></p> <p>Sign of LC (a): <u>+</u> Degree: <u>4</u> Even</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$ ↑ ↑</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$</p>
<p>10] $y = 6 - 2x - 4x^2 + 5x^3$</p> <p>Standard Form: $y = 5x^3 - 4x^2 - 2x + 6$</p> <p>MAX # of Turning Points (curves): <u>2</u></p> <p>Sign of LC (a): <u>+</u> Degree: <u>3</u> odd</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$ ↓ ↑</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow +\infty$</p>	<p>11] $y = 1 + 2x^6 - 4x^2 - 2x^6$</p> <p>Standard Form: $y = -4x^2 + 1$</p> <p>MAX # of Turning Points (curves): <u>1</u></p> <p>Sign of LC (a): <u>-</u> Degree: <u>2</u> Even</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$ ↓ ↓</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$</p>	<p>12] $y = 4x + 2 - 5x^6$</p> <p>Standard Form: $y = -5x^6 + 4x + 2$</p> <p>MAX # of Turning Points (curves): <u>5</u></p> <p>Sign of LC (a): <u>-</u> Degree: <u>6</u> Even</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow -\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$ ↓ ↓</p> <p>as $x \rightarrow +\infty, y \rightarrow -\infty$</p>

Match the polynomial function with its graph WITHOUT using a graphing calculator. Think about how the degree of the polynomial affects the shape of the graph.



D 13] $y = -x^2 + 4x$ ↓↓ TP=1

G 16] $y = 2x^3 + 3x + 1$ ↑↑ TP=2

A 19] $y = \frac{1}{3}x^3 - x^2 - \frac{4}{3}$ ↓↑ TP=2

B 14] $y = -x^4 + 3x^2 + 3$ ↓↓ TP=3

C 17] $y = 3x^2 + 2$ ↑↑ TP=1

H 20] $y = \frac{2}{3}x^1 - 4$ ⊕ odd ↓↑

I 15] $y = \frac{1}{2}x^4 - \frac{3}{2}x^3$ ↑↑ TP=3

F 18] $y = \frac{1}{5}x^5 - 2x^3 + \frac{9}{5}x$ ↓↑ TP=4

E 21] $y = -5x^1 + 2$ ⊖ odd ↓↓

Linear
Degree 1