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## NOTES: Section 5.7 – Apply the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

- Goals: #1 - I can identify the number of solutions or zeros in a polynomial.  
 #2 - I can find all the zeros (real, imaginary, and repeated) in a polynomial.  
 #3 - I can write a polynomial with given zeros.  
 #4 - I can determine the number and type of zeros of a polynomial given the degree and graph.

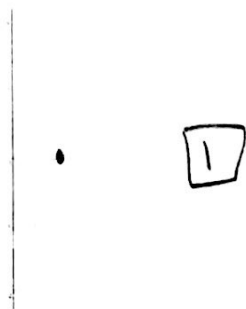


### Homework: Lesson 5.7 Worksheet

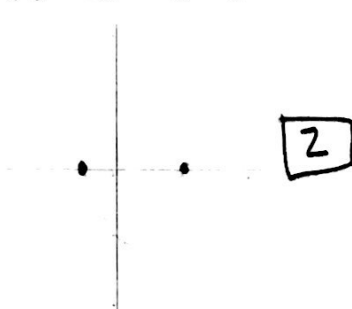
Exploration #1: Work with a partner and answer the following questions.

1. How many zeros are in the following graph?

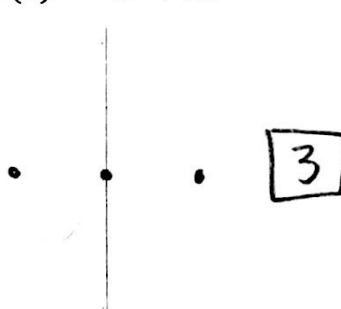
$f(x) = 3x - 2$



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



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



Notes:

• The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra:  
 If a polynomial  $f(x)$  has a degree n, then the equation  $f(x) = 0$  has exactly n solutions, given each repeat solution counts as multiple solutions

Example #1: Find the number of solutions or zeros of the following polynomial.

1.  $x^3 + 5x^2 + 4x + 20 = 0$  <sup>equation</sup> 2.  $f(x) = x^4 - 8x^3 + 18x^2 - 27$  <sup>function</sup>  
13 solutions 4 zeros

Example #2: Find all zeros of the polynomial function.

1.  $f(x) = x^5 - 4x^4 + 4x^3 + 10x^2 - 13x - 14$

$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 7, \pm 14$

①  $\left| \begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & -4 & 4 & 10 & -13 & -14 \\ \downarrow & -1 & 5 & -9 & -1 & 14 \\ \hline 1 & -5 & 9 & 1 & -14 & 0 \end{array} \right.$   
 $x^4 - 5x^3 + 9x^2 + x - 14$

①  $\left| \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -5 & 9 & 1 \\ \downarrow & -1 & 6 & -15 \\ \hline 1 & -6 & 15 & -14 \end{array} \right.$   
 $x^3 - 6x^2 + 15x - 14$

②  $\left| \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -6 & 15 \\ \downarrow & 2 & -8 \\ \hline 1 & -4 & 7 \end{array} \right.$   
 $x^2 - 4x + 7$

$0 = (x+1)^2(x-2)(x^2-4x+7)$   
 ↑  
 not factorable!

$(x+1)^2 = 0$      $x-2=0$   
 $\boxed{x=-1}$      $\boxed{x=2}$

$x = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(1)(7)}}{2(1)}$

$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{-12}}{2}$

$x = \frac{4 \pm 2i\sqrt{3}}{2}$

$\boxed{x = 2 \pm i\sqrt{3}}$

You practice: Find all zeros of the polynomial function.

1.  $f(x) = x^5 - 2x^4 + 8x^2 - 13x + 6$

$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 6$

①  $\left| \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & -2 & 0 & 8 & -13 \\ \downarrow & 1 & -1 & -1 & 7 \\ \hline 1 & -1 & -1 & 7 & -6 \end{array} \right.$   
 $x^4 - x^3 - x^2 + 7x - 6$

②  $\left| \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -1 & -1 & 7 \\ \downarrow & -2 & 6 & -10 \\ \hline 1 & -3 & 5 & -3 \end{array} \right.$   
 $x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 3$

①  $\left| \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -3 & 5 \\ \downarrow & 1 & -2 \\ \hline 1 & -2 & 3 \end{array} \right.$   
 $x^2 - 2x + 3$

$0 = (x-1)^2(x+2)(x^2-2x+3)$   
 ↑  
 not factorable

$(x-1)^2 = 0$      $x+2=0$   
 $\boxed{x=1}$      $\boxed{x=-2}$

$x = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(1)(3)}}{2(1)}$

$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-8}}{2}$

$x = \frac{2 \pm 2i\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$\boxed{x = 1 \pm i\sqrt{2}}$

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Notes:

## • Conjugates Theorem \_\_\_\_\_:

- If a polynomial  $f(x)$  has  $a+bi$  as an imaginary zero, then  $a-bi$  is also a zero of  $f$ . (complex conjugate)
- If a polynomial  $f(x)$  has  $a+\sqrt{b}$  as an imaginary zero, then  $a-\sqrt{b}$  is also a zero of  $f$ . (irrational conjugate)

**Example #3:** Write a polynomial function  $f$  of at least degree that has rational coefficients, a leading coefficient of 1, and 3 and  $2 + \sqrt{5}$  as zeros.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow \\
 & (x-3) \quad (x-(2+\sqrt{5})) \quad (x-(2-\sqrt{5})) \\
 f(x) &= (x-3) ((x-2)+\sqrt{5}) ((x-2)-\sqrt{5}) \\
 f(x) &= (x-3) ((x-2)^2-5) \quad \text{FOIL} \\
 f(x) &= (x-3) (x^2-4x+4-5) \\
 f(x) &= (x-3) (x^2-4x-1) \\
 f(x) &= x^3-4x^2-x-3x^2+12x+3 \\
 \boxed{f(x) &= x^3-7x^2+11x+3}
 \end{aligned}$$

**You practice:** Write a polynomial function  $f$  of at least degree that has rational coefficients, a leading coefficient of 1, and 2,  $2i$ , and  $4 - \sqrt{6}$  as zeros.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\
 & (x-2) \quad (x+2i) \quad (x-2i) \quad (x-(4-\sqrt{6})) \quad (x-(4+\sqrt{6})) \\
 f(x) &= (x-2)(x+2i)(x-2i)((x-4)-\sqrt{6})((x-4)+\sqrt{6}) \\
 f(x) &= (x-2)(x^2-4i^2)((x-4)^2-6) \\
 f(x) &= (x-2)(x^2+4)(x^2-8x+16-6) \\
 f(x) &= (x^3+4x-2x^2-8)(x^2-8x+10) \\
 f(x) &= (x^2-8x+10)(x^3-2x^2+4x-8) \\
 f(x) &= \underline{x^5} - \underline{2x^4} + \underline{4x^3} - \underline{8x^2} - \underline{8x^4} + \underline{10x^3} - \underline{32x^2} + \underline{64x} + \underline{10x^3} - \underline{20x^2} + \underline{40x} - \underline{80} \\
 \boxed{f(x) &= x^5 - 10x^4 + 30x^3 - 60x^2 + 104x - 80}
 \end{aligned}$$