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52. $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 7x + 4$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 4 & 1 & -6 & 7 & 4 \\ & & 4 & -8 & -4 \\ \hline & 1 & -2 & -1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x = 4$ Rational

$x = 1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{8}}{2} \rightarrow$ Irrational

$x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$

$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

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

$1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{4+4}}{2}$

$1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{8}}{2}$

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$f(x) = 2x^4 - 7x^3 - 8x^2 + 14x + 8$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 4 & 2 & -7 & -8 & 14 & 8 \\ & & 8 & 4 & -16 & -8 \\ \hline -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 1 & -4 & -2 & 0 \\ & & -1 & 0 & 2 & \\ \hline & 2 & 0 & -4 & 0 & \end{array}$$

$x = -\frac{1}{2}, 4$ Rational

$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$ Irrational

$p(x) \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8$

$q(x) \pm 1, \pm 2$

$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm \frac{1}{2}$

$2x^2 - 4 = 0$
 $+4 \quad +4$

$\frac{2x^2}{2} = \frac{4}{2}$

$x^2 = 2$

$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$

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a good lead in to
section 2.5

$$f(x) = 2x^4 - 7x^3 - 2x^2 - 7x - 4$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 4 & 2 & -7 & -2 & -7 & -4 \\ & & 8 & 4 & 8 & 4 \\ \hline & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & & -1 & 0 & -1 & \\ \hline & 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & \end{array}$$

$$2x^2 + 2 = 0$$

$$2x^2 = -2$$

$$x^2 = -1$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{-1}$$

$$x = 4, -\frac{1}{2} \text{ Rational}$$

$$\sqrt{-1} = i$$

What you'll Learn About

$$i = \sqrt{-1}$$

$$i^2 = -1$$

Write the polynomial in standard form, and identify the zeros of the function and the x-intercepts.

a) $(x - 4i)(x + 4i)$

$$x^2 + 4ix - 4ix - 16i^2$$

$$x^2 - 16(-1)$$

$$x^2 + 16$$

$$x - 4i = 0$$

$$+4i \quad +4i$$

$$x + 4i = 0$$

$$-4i \quad -4i$$

Zeros $x = \pm 4i$

x-intercepts

None

b) $(x - 3)(x - \sqrt{4}i)(x + \sqrt{4}i)$

$$(x - 3)(x - 2i)(x + 2i)$$

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

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

$$x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 12$$

$$x - 3 = 0$$

$$x = 3$$

$$x - \sqrt{4}i = 0$$

$$x = \sqrt{4}i = 2i$$

$$x + \sqrt{4}i = 0$$

$$x = -\sqrt{4}i = -2i$$

Zeros $3, \pm 2i$

x-intercept 3

c) $x(x - 3)(x - 2 - i)(x - 2 + i)$

$$x = 0 \quad x - 3 = 0 \quad x - 2 - i = 0 \quad x - 2 + i = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad x = 3 \quad x = 2 + i \quad x = 2 - i$$

Zeros $x = 0, 3, 2 \pm i$

x-intercepts $0, 3$

Conjugate

Write a polynomial function of minimum degree in standard form with real coefficients whose zeros include those listed.

$$i^2 = -1$$

a) 2, 5i, and -6i

$$2, 5i, -5i, 6i, -6i$$

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

$$(x-2)(x^2+25)(x^2+36)$$

$$(x-2)(x^4+61x^2+900)$$

$$x^5 + 61x^3 + 900x$$

$$-2x^4 \quad -122x^2 \quad -180$$

$$x^5 - 2x^4 + 61x^3 - 122x^2 + 900x$$

$$-1800$$

b) -2, 3, and 2 - i

c) -4, 2 + 3i

Write a polynomial function of minimum degree in standard form with real coefficients whose zeros and their multiplicities include those listed. Then sketch a graph and discuss what you notice.

a) 3 (multiplicity 2), -4 (multiplicity 3)

b) 3 (multiplicity 3), -4 (multiplicity 1)

c) 5 (multiplicity 2), $2 + i$ (multiplicity 1)

Find all of the zeros and write a linear factorization of the function

28) $f(x) = x^3 - 10x^2 + 44x - 69$

A) $f(x) = x^5 - 3x^4 - 5x^3 + 5x^2 - 6x + 8$