

# Answer Key

Quiz Tomorrow 12/7

## Quiz Review

① State in your own words "The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra"  
The degree of the polynomial tells us how many solutions there will be for that polynomial within the complex # system  
(roots) (zeros)

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② State in your own words "Complex Conjugate Root Theorem"  
If a complex number is a root then the conjugate is also a root  
Ex: If  $3+2i$  is a root  $3-2i$  is also a root

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③ Why do we need the "rational root theorem"  
allows us to generate a list of possible rational zeros to begin the guess and check process.

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④ Find The Roots / Zeros

\* Set  $f(x)=0$  \* the solve each Factor \*

a)  $f(x) = (x-4)(x+2)(x-7)$

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c} x-4=0 & x+2=0 & x-7=0 \\ \hline x=4 & x=-2 & x=7 \end{array}$$

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

$$\begin{array}{c|c} x^2-4=0 & x^2+4=0 \\ \hline \sqrt{x^2}=\sqrt{4} & \sqrt{x^2}=\sqrt{-4} \\ x=\pm 2 & x=\pm 2i \end{array}$$

Remember  $\sqrt{-1}=i$

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

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c} x^2+8=0 & x-4=0 & x+7=0 \\ \hline \sqrt{x^2}=\sqrt{-8} & x=4 & x=-7 \\ x=\sqrt{8}\sqrt{-1} & & \\ =\pm 2i\sqrt{2} & & \end{array}$$

d)  $f(x) = (7x-4)(8x+2)$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} 7x-4=0 & 8x+2=0 \\ \hline 7x=4 & 8x=-2 \\ x=\frac{4}{7} & x=-\frac{1}{4} \end{array}$$

⑤ State if the following given ~~factor~~<sup>binomial</sup> is a factor.

a)  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 9x^2 + 19x + 15$  ;  $(x + \frac{3}{2})$

$$-\frac{3}{2} \begin{array}{r|rrrr} & 2 & 9 & 19 & 15 \\ & \downarrow & -3 & -9 & -15 \\ \hline & 2 & 6 & 10 & 0 \end{array}$$

Since the remainder = 0  
 $(x + \frac{3}{2})$  is a factor.

the zero of the polynomial is  $x = -\frac{3}{2}$

b)  $f(x) = 3x^3 + 9x^2 + 4x + 14$  ;  $(x - 3)$

$$3 \begin{array}{r|rrrr} & 3 & 9 & 4 & 14 \\ & \downarrow & 9 & 54 & 174 \\ \hline & 3 & 18 & 58 & 188 \end{array}$$

Since the remainder is  $\neq 0$   
 $(x - 3)$  is NOT a factor

c)  $f(x) = 3x^4 - 10x^3 - 24x^2 - 6x + 5$  ;  $(x - 5)$

$$5 \begin{array}{r|rrrrr} & 3 & -10 & -24 & -6 & 5 \\ & \downarrow & 15 & 25 & 5 & -5 \\ \hline & 3 & 5 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array}$$

since the remainder is 0  
 $(x - 5)$  is a factor.

⑥ Find the zeros given a factor or zero.

a)  $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + x$  ;  $(x - 1)$

$$1 \begin{array}{r|rrr} & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ & \downarrow & 1 & -1 \\ \hline & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array}$$

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

$x = 0$     $x - 1 = 0$     $x - 1 = 0$   
 $x = 0$     $x = 1$     $x = 1$

b)  $3x^3 - 5x^2 - 47x - 15 = f(x)$  ;  $(x + 3)$

$$-3 \begin{array}{r|rrrr} & 3 & -5 & -47 & -15 \\ & \downarrow & -9 & 42 & 15 \\ \hline & 3 & -14 & -5 & 0 \end{array}$$

$(x^2 - 14x - 15)(x + 3) = 0$   
 $(x - 15)(x + 1)(x + 3) = 0$

$(x - 5)(3x + 1)(x + 3) = 0$   
 set = 0 and solve

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

solve by  
 Factoring "Bottoms  
 up"

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

c)  $f(x) = 3x^3 - 5x^2 - 3x + 5$  ;  $x=1$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 3 & -5 & -3 & 5 \\ & \downarrow & & & \\ & 3 & -2 & -5 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$(3x^2 - 2x - 5)(x-1) = 0$$

$$(x^2 - 2x - 15)(x-1) = 0$$

$$(x-\frac{5}{3})(x+\frac{3}{3})(x-1) = 0$$

$$(3x-5)(x+1)(x-1) = 0$$

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

List the Possible Rational Zeros of the polynomial

a)  $f(x) = 3x^3 + 27$

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9, \pm 27}{\pm 1, \pm 3} = \boxed{\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9, \pm 27, \pm \frac{1}{3}}$$

b)  $f(x) = 7x^2 + 8x + 56$

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 7, \pm 8, \pm 14, \pm 28, \pm 56}{\pm 1, \pm 7}$$

$$\text{list} \Rightarrow \pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{7}, \pm 2, \pm \frac{2}{7}, \pm 4, \pm \frac{4}{7}, \pm 7, \pm 8, \pm \frac{8}{7}, \pm 14, \pm 28, \pm 56$$

c)  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 16$

Factors of Constant  
Factors of L.C.

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm 16}{\pm 1, \pm 2} \Rightarrow \pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm 16$$

Find the zeros of the polynomial given nothing

a)  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x + 12$

$$\text{list of possible zeros: } \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 12$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & -3 & -4 & 12 \\ & \downarrow & & & \\ & 1 & -1 & -6 & 0 \end{array}$$

Found a zero

$$(x^2 - x - 6)(x-2) = 0$$

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

$$x = 3 \quad x = -2 \quad x = 2$$

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

list of possible zeros:  $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 6$

Guess & check from list  $\rightarrow$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -3 & 1 & 3 & -2 & -6 \\ & \downarrow & -3 & 0 & 6 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{array}$$

yes a zero!

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

$x^2 - 2 = 0 \quad | \quad x + 3 = 0$

$x^2 = 2$

$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$

$x = -3$

d)  $g(x) = x^4 + 4x^3 - x^2 + 16x - 20$

list of possible zeros:  $\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 5, \pm 10, \pm 20$

guess & check  $\rightarrow$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 1 & 1 & 4 & -1 & 16 & -20 \\ & \downarrow & 1 & 5 & 4 & 20 \\ \hline & 1 & 5 & 4 & 20 & 0 \end{array}$$

$0 = (x^3 + 5x^2 + 4x + 20)(x - 1)$

Factor by grouping (4 terms)

$$x^2(x+5) + 4(x+5)(x-1) = 0$$

$$(x^2+4)(x+5)(x-1) = 0$$

$x^2+4=0$   
 $x^2=-4$   
 $x = \pm 2i$

$x = -5$

$x = 1$

Zeros:  $x = 1, -5, \pm 2i$

c)  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 5$

list:  $\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 5$

$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 1 & -3 & 1 & 5 \\ & \downarrow & -1 & 4 & -5 \\ \hline & 1 & -4 & 5 & 0 \end{array}$

$(x^2 - 4x + 5)(x + 1) = 0$

$4 \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(1)(5)}$

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

$= \frac{4 \pm 2i}{2}$

$= 2 \pm i$

3 solutions

$x + 1 = 0$   
 $x = -1$

Zeros:  $x = -1$

$= 2 + i$

$= 2 - i$

e)  $f(x) = 2x^3 - x^2 - 22x + 21$

list:  $\pm \frac{1, 3, 7, 21}{1, 2}$

$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 1 & 2 & -1 & -22 & 21 \\ & \downarrow & 2 & 1 & -21 \\ \hline & 2 & 1 & -21 & 0 \end{array}$

$(2x^2 + x - 21)(x - 1) = 0$

$(x^2 + x - 42)(x - 1) = 0$

$(x + 7)(x + 6)(x - 1) = 0$

$(2x + 7)(x + 3)(x - 1) = 0$

$x = -\frac{7}{2}, x = -3, x = 1$

f)  $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 - 7x^2 + 34x - 24$

list  $\frac{p}{q} = \pm (1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24)$

$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 1 & 1 & -4 & -7 & 34 & -24 \\ & \downarrow & 1 & -3 & -10 & 24 \\ \hline & 1 & -3 & -10 & 24 & 0 \end{array}$

$0 = (x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x + 24)(x - 1)$

\* Use Rational Root Theorem again & synthetic Division again

$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 8, \pm 12, \pm 24$

$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & -3 & -10 & 24 \\ & \downarrow & 2 & -2 & 24 \\ \hline & 1 & -1 & -12 & 0 \end{array}$

Factor  $x \rightarrow (x^2 - x - 12)(x - 2)(x - 1) = 0$

$(x - 4)(x + 3)(x - 2)(x - 1) = 0$

$x = 4, x = -3, x = 2, x = 1$

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

list:  $\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 3 = \pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm 3$

$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 3 & -4 & -2 & 3 \\ & \downarrow & 3 & -1 & -3 \\ \hline & 3 & -1 & -3 & 0 \end{array}$

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

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

$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{37}}{6}$

$x - 1 = 0$

$x = 1$

Zeros:  $x = \frac{1 + \sqrt{37}}{6}, x = \frac{1 - \sqrt{37}}{6}, x = 1$