

**Grade 12 Advanced Functions (University Preparation)**  
**Unit 3 – Essential Features of Polynomial Functions**

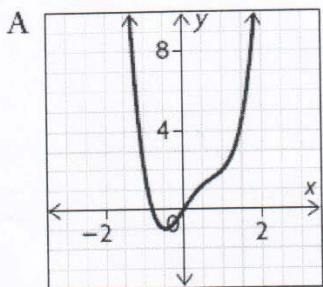
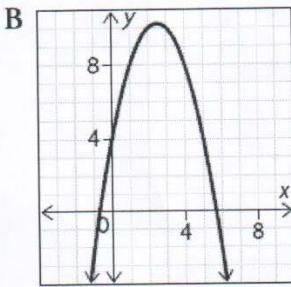
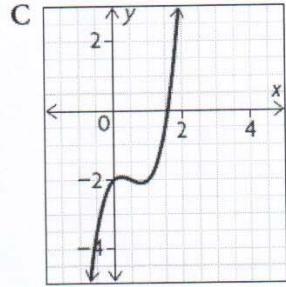
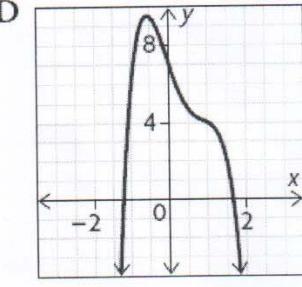
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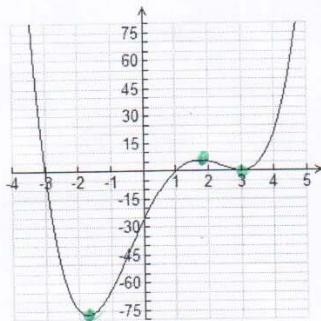
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1. Use end behaviours, turning points and zeros to match each graph to the most likely polynomial equation. (4 KU)

- a)  $y = -x^2 + 5x + 4$    b)  $y = 2x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 2$    c)  $y = -3x^4 + 5x^3 + x^2 - 6x + 7$    d)  $y = 2x^4 - 3x^3 + 3x$   
e)  $y = x^2 + 5x + 4$    f)  $y = 2/9(x-3)(x^2+3)$    g)  $y = -7/16(5x+4)(7x-4)(x^2+1)$

Equation: dEquation: aEquation: bEquation: c

2. Given below is the graph of the polynomial function  $p(x)$ . Determine each of the following. (6 KU)



(a) End Behaviours As $x \rightarrow \infty$ , $y \rightarrow \infty$ As $x \rightarrow -\infty$ , $y \rightarrow \infty$	(b) Number of Turning Points (Mark the turning points on the graph)  3	(c) Possible Equation of $p(x)$ Zeros of $p(x)$ are approximately -3, 1 and 3. Therefore, a possible equation of $p(x)$ is $p(x) = a(x+3)(x-1)(x-3)^2$ , where $a$ is some positive real number.
(d) Intervals of Increase (Approximate) $(-1.8, 1.8)$ , $(3, \infty)$	(e) Intervals of Decrease (Approximate) $(-\infty, -1.8)$ , $(1.8, 3)$	

3. Given the polynomial function  $q(x) = -3x^6 - 9x^4 + 4x^2 + 7x - 3$ , determine each of the following. (5 KU)

(a) End Behaviours As $x \rightarrow \infty$ , $y \rightarrow -\infty$  As $x \rightarrow -\infty$ , $y \rightarrow -\infty$	(b) Number of Possible... Zeros: <u>0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6</u>  Turning Points: <u>1, 3, 5</u>	(c) Absolute Max, Min or Neither? Why? This function must have an absolute maximum point because it is an even degree polynomial with	(d) Possible Graph  						
	(e) The y-intercept of $q(x)$ $q(0) = -3$ The y-intercept is -3		<table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td>KU</td><td>APP</td><td>COM</td></tr> <tr> <td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td></tr> </table>	KU	APP	COM	-	-	-
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$y \rightarrow -\infty$  as  
 $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$

4. Solve the equation  $2x^4 - 9x^2 + 4 = 0$ . (6 APP)

$$\therefore 2x^4 - 9x^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-2)(2x^3 + 4x^2 - x - 2) = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-2)(x+2)(2x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore x-2=0, x+2=0 \text{ or } 2x^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore x=2, x=-2 \text{ or } x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Alternate Method Let  $y = x^2$ . Then, the original equation can be written  $2y^2 - 9y + 4 = 0$ .

$$\therefore (2y-1)(y-4) = 0$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } y = 4$$

Let  
 $g(x) = 2x^3 + 4x^2 - x - 2$   
 Since  $g(-2) = 0$ , by the factor theorem,  $x+2$  is a factor of  $g(x)$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} x-2 ) 2x^4 + 0x^3 - 9x^2 + 0x + 4 \\ \underline{2x^4 - 4x^3} \\ 4x^3 - 9x^2 \\ \underline{4x^3 - 8x^2} \\ -x^2 + 0x \\ \underline{-x^2 + 2x} \\ -2x + 4 \\ \underline{-2x + 4} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

Let  $f(x) = 2x^4 - 9x^2 + 40$   
 Since  $f(2) = 0$ , by the factor theorem,  $x-2$  is a factor.

$$\begin{array}{r} x-2 ) 2x^4 + 0x^3 - 9x^2 + 0x + 4 \\ \underline{2x^4 - 4x^3} \\ 4x^3 - 9x^2 \\ \underline{4x^3 - 8x^2} \\ -x^2 + 0x \\ \underline{-x^2 + 2x} \\ -2x + 4 \\ \underline{-2x + 4} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore x^2 = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x^2 = 4$$

$$\therefore x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } x = \pm 2$$

5. Sketch the graph of  $g(x) = -\frac{1}{8}(-3(x+2))^3 + 1$  by applying transformations to the parent function  $f(x) = x^3$ . (9 APP)

- (a) State the transformations required to obtain  $g$  from the base/parent/mother function  $f(x) = x^3$ .

Horizontal	Vertical
1. Compression by a factor of $\frac{1}{3}$ , reflection in $y$ -axis	1. Compression by a factor of $\frac{1}{8}$ , reflection in $x$ -axis.
2. Translation 2 units to the left	2. Translation up one unit

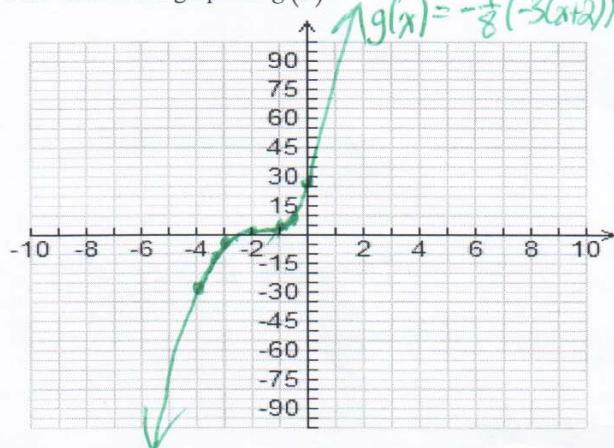
- (b) Express the transformation in mapping notation.

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (-\frac{1}{3}x - 2, -\frac{1}{8}y + 1)$$

- (c) Apply the transformation to a few key points on the graph of the base function  $f(x) = x^3$

Pre-image Point on $y = f(x)$	Image Point on $y = g(x)$
(4, 64)	( $-\frac{10}{3}$ , -7)
(3, 27)	(-3, $-\frac{19}{8}$ )
(0, 0)	(-2, 1)
(-3, -27)	(-1, $\frac{35}{8}$ )
(-4, -64)	( $-\frac{2}{3}$ , 9)

- (d) Now sketch the graph of  $g(x)$ .



Rough Work  
 $g(x) = -\frac{1}{8}(-3(x+2))^3 + 1$

$$(6, 216)$$

$$(-6, -216)$$

$$(-4, -26)$$

$$(0, 29)$$

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