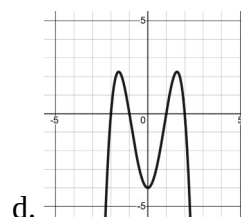
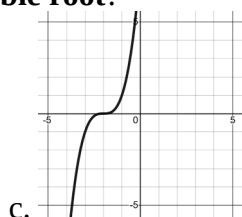
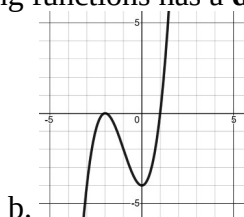
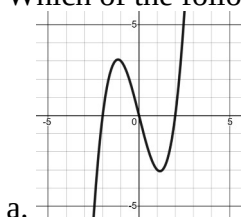


Practice Test – Polynomial Functions

Part A: Multiple Choice [K/U, 10 marks]

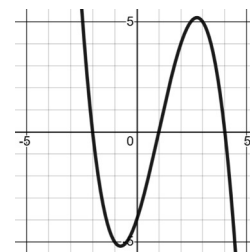
- Which of the following functions has a degree of 4?
 a. $y = 4x^2 - 3x + 1$ b. $y = 4x^3 - 2x + 5$ c. $y = 3x^3 + x^2 - 6x + 5$ d. $y = 2x^4 + x^3 - 4x + 1$
- What is the end behaviour of the function $y = -2x^3$?
 a. Q3 to Q1 b. Q2 to Q1 c. Q2 to Q4 d. Q3 to Q4

- Which of the following functions has a **double root**?



- From a table of values, the 3rd differences of a polynomial are 12. What is the **degree** of the function?
 a. 2 b. 3 c. 6 d. 12
- From a table of values, the 3rd differences of a polynomial are 12. What is the **leading coefficient** of the function?
 a. 2 b. 3 c. 6 d. 12

- What is the equation of the cubic function, shown right?
 a. $y = \frac{1}{2}(x-2)(x+1)(x+4)$ b. $y = -\frac{1}{2}(x-2)(x+1)(x+4)$
 c. $y = \frac{1}{2}(x+2)(x-1)(x-4)$ d. $y = -\frac{1}{2}(x+2)(x-1)(x-4)$



- What is the factored form of $x^2 + 8x + 12$?
 a. $(x+1)(x+12)$ b. $(x+2)(x+6)$ c. $(x+3)(x+4)$ d. $(x+3)(x+5)$
- What is the factored form of $4x^2 - 9y^2$?
 a. $(2x-3y)(2x-3y)$ b. $(2x+3y)(2x+3y)$
 c. $(2x-3y)(2x+3y)$ d. $(2x^2-3y)(2x+3y^2)$
- What is the factored form of $x^3 - 7x^2 - 5x + 35$?
 a. $(x-7)(x^2-5)$ b. $(x+7)(x^2-5)$ c. $(x-7)(x^2+5)$ d. $(x+7)(x^2+5)$
- What type of factoring should you always try first?
 a. Common b. Grouping c. Trinomial d. Fear

Part B: Definition / Short Answer

1. Given the **degree** and the **leading coefficient** of a polynomial function, describe how you determine the end behaviour of the function. [2]
2. Explain the connection between the **degree, leading coefficient**, and the **constant finite differences** and a polynomial function. [2]
3. Explain how to identify a **double root** and a **triple root** on a graph. [2]
4. Describe how to determine the **equation** of a polynomial function from its graph. [2]
5. List the sequence of factoring we learned in this unit. [2]

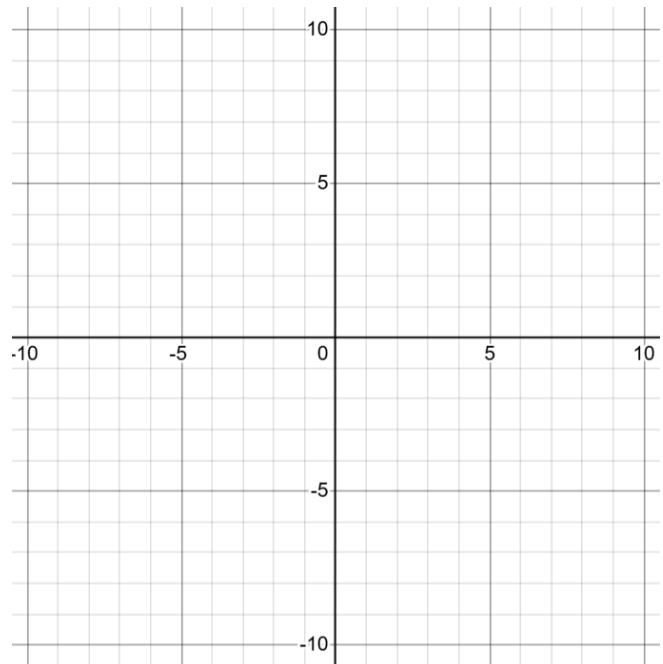
Part C: Problem Solving [ATIPS, 20 marks]

Complete any 5 of 6 problems.

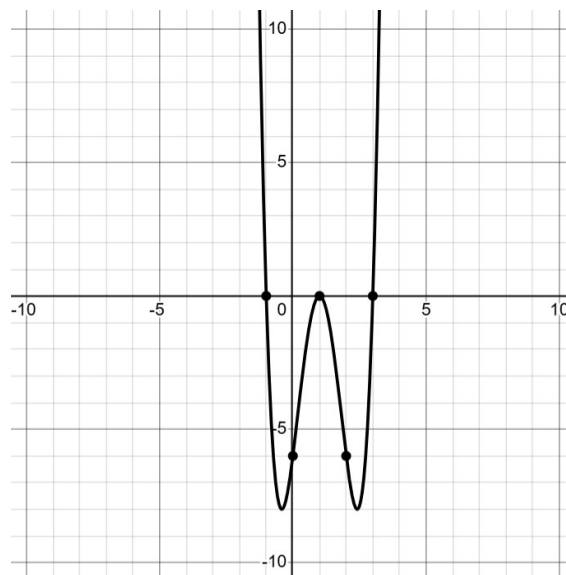
1. Determine the degree and leading coefficient of the following function. [4]

x	y
0	300
1	301
2	290
3	255
4	184
5	65
6	-114

2. Sketch the graph of $y = \frac{1}{2}(x-4)(x+2)(x-2)$. [4]



3. Determine the equation of the graph shown. [4]



4. Factor. [4]

a. $2x^2 - 30x + 100$

b. $4x^3 - 8x^2 - 9x + 18$

