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614 D – Sections 2.1-2.2

Equivalent Statements about Roots and Zeros

The following statements are equivalent for a polynomial $f(x)$ and a real number c :

- c is a solution to the equation $f(x) = 0$.
- c is a zero of $f(x)$.
- c is a root of $f(x)$.
- $x - c$ is a factor of $f(x)$.
- When $f(x)$ is divided by $x - c$, the remainder is 0.
- c is an x -intercept of the graph of $y = f(x)$.

1. State whether the function is a polynomial function. Give the zeroes of each function, if they exist.

$g(x) = x^2 - 6x + 8$

yes $0 = (x-4)(x-2)$
 zeros at 4 & 2

2. For what values of x is $\frac{x^2 + 5x + 6}{x + 4}$ undefined?

$x \neq -4$

3. Find the value(s) of the function $h(x) = 9x - 3x^2$.

a) $h(-1)$ b) $h(2+i)$ c) $h(0) = 0$

$-9 - 3 = -12$ $9(2+i) - 3(2+i)^2$
 $18 + 9i - 3(4 + 4i - 1)$
 $18 + 9i - 3(3 + 4i) = 18 + 9i - 9 - 12i = 9 - 3i$

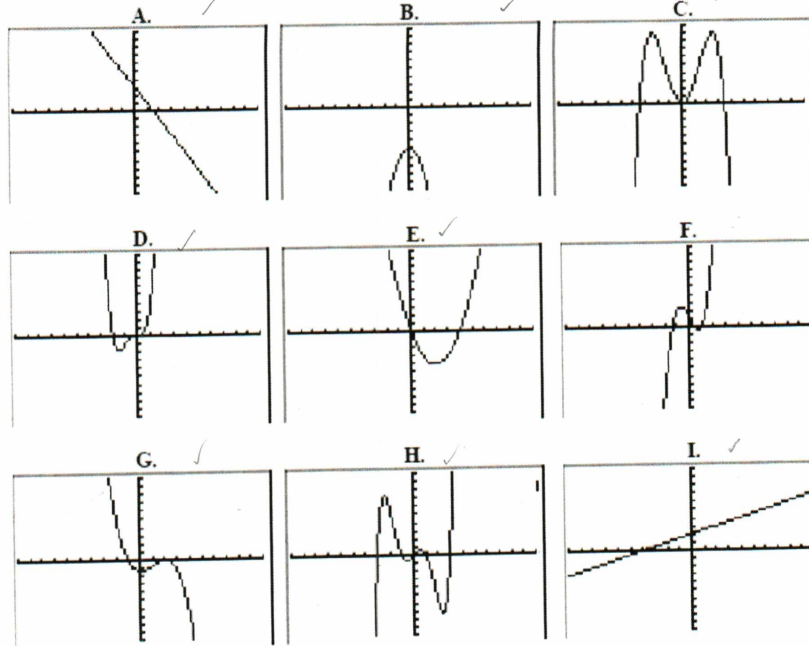
4. If $P(x) = x^3 - 2x + 6$, use synthetic substitution to find $P(4)$.

4)
$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 6 \\ & & 4 & 16 & 56 \\ \hline & 1 & 4 & 14 & 62 \end{array}$$

5. If 3 is a zero of $f(x) = 3x^3 + kx + 1$, then find the value of k .

$0 = 3(3)^3 + 3k + 1$
 $0 = 81 + 3k + 1$
 $-82 = 3k$
 $-82/3 = k$

Match the polynomial function with its graph WITHOUT using a graphing calculator.



E 12. $f(x) = x^2 - 4x$ $x(x-4)$

D 17. $f(x) = x^4 + 2x^2$ $x^2(x^2+2)$

I 13. $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + 2$

G 18. $f(x) = -\frac{1}{3}x^3 + x^2 - \frac{4}{3}$

A 14. $f(x) = -2x + 3$

C 19. $f(x) = -\frac{1}{4}x^4 + 3x^2$ $x^2(-\frac{1}{4}x^2 + 3)$
 $x > 3.16$

F 15. $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x + 1$

H 20. $f(x) = \frac{1}{5}x^5 - 2x^2 + \frac{9}{5}x$

B 16. $f(x) = -2x^2 - 5$