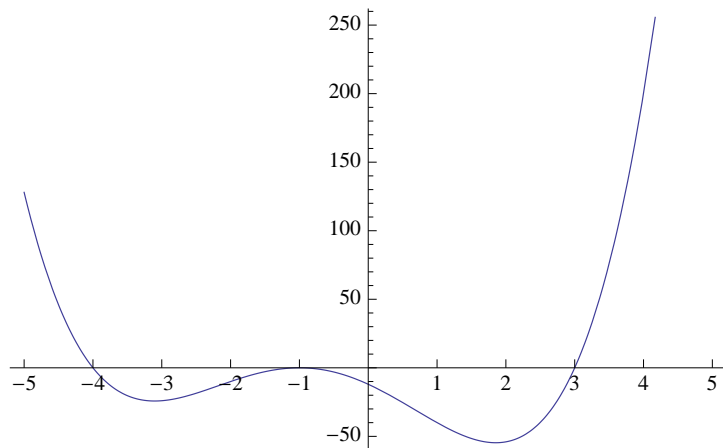
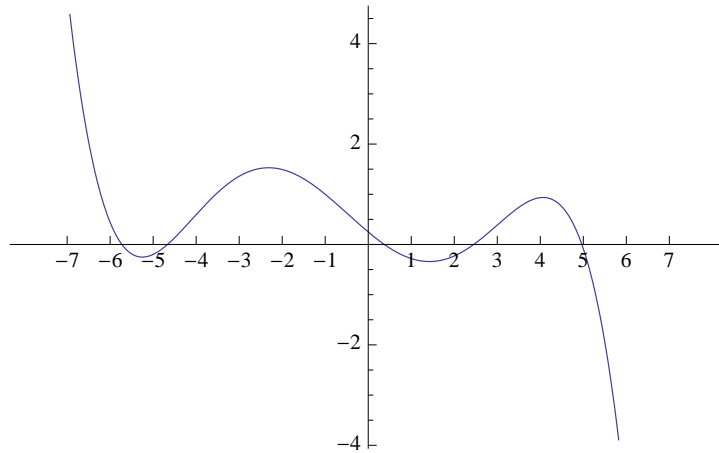


Math 29
PAL Worksheet 8

1. If possible, write the function $f(x) = 2x^2 - x - 2$ in the form $f(x) = a(x - r_1)(x - r_2)$ where a , r_1 and r_2 are real numbers. If it is not possible to write f in this form, explain how you know.
2. Let $f(x) = -27(x + 4)^5(x + 2)^2(x - 1)(x - 3)^3(x^2 + 3x + 5)$.
 - a. What is the degree of f ?
 - b. Is $f(2)$ positive, negative, or zero?
 - c. Write a power function (in the form $g(x) = ax^n$) where the graph of f and the graph of g have the same end behavior.
3. The following graph is that of the function $f(x) = x^4 + 3x^3 - 9x^2 - 23x - 12$. Using the graph, guess the factorization of f . Check your answer by multiplying out your guess.



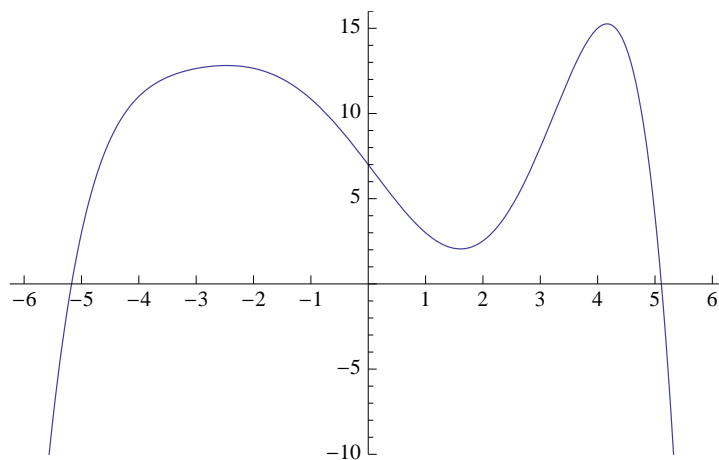
4. The graph of a polynomial function $y = f(x)$ is shown.



Answer each question.

- Is the degree of f even or odd?
- Is the leading coefficient positive or negative?
- What is the smallest possible degree of f ?

5. The graph of a polynomial function $y = g(x)$ is shown.



Answer each question.

- Is the degree of g even or odd?
- Is the leading coefficient positive or negative?
- What is the smallest possible degree of g ?