

## Chapter 1 Test

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For questions 1 and 2, select the best answer.

1. Which statement is true for a polynomial function? For those that are not true, provide a counterexample.

- A with degree 2 and a positive leading coefficient, the graph extends from quadrant 3 to quadrant 4
- B with degree 5 and a negative leading coefficient, the graph extends from quadrant 2 to quadrant 4
- C with degree 4 and a negative leading coefficient, the graph extends from quadrant 2 to quadrant 1
- D with degree 3 and a positive leading coefficient, the graph extends from quadrant 2 to quadrant 1

2. Which statement is true? For those that are not true, provide a counterexample.

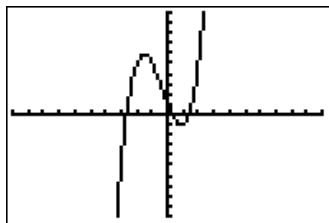
For the function  $y = -2(4x - 8)^3$ , compared to the base function  $y = x^3$ , there is

- A a reflection in the y-axis
- B a horizontal stretch by a factor of 4
- C a horizontal translation 8 units to the right
- D a vertical stretch by a factor of 2

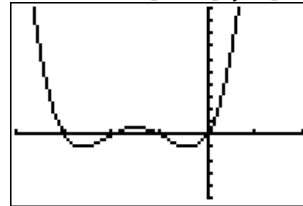
3. Match each graph of a polynomial function with the corresponding equation. Justify your choice.

- i)  $y = -x^5 - 3x^2 + 7$
- ii)  $y = x^4 + 6x^3 + 11x^2 + 6x$
- iii)  $y = x^3 + x^2 - 4x + 1$

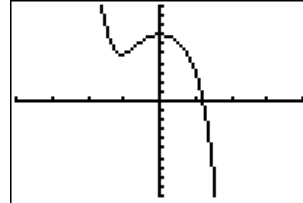
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- b) Window:  $x \in [-4, 2]$ ,  $y \in [-5, 10]$



- c) Window:  $x \in [-4, 4]$ ,  $y \in [-10, 10]$



4. For each polynomial function in question 3 determine which finite differences are constant and find the values of the constant differences.

5. A quartic function has zeros  $-4$ ,  $-2$ , and  $1$  (order 2).

- a) Write a general equation for a polynomial function that satisfies this description.
- b) Determine an equation for a function with the zeros given above that passes through the point  $(-3, 12)$ .
- c) Sketch the function found in part b). Then, determine the interval(s) where the function is positive and the interval(s) where the function is negative.

6. a) Identify the parameters  $a$ ,  $k$ ,  $d$ , and  $c$  in the polynomial function  $y = 4(3x - 12)^2 - 2$ .

- b) Describe how each parameter transforms the base function  $y = x^2$ .
- c) State the domain, range, vertex and the equation of the axis of symmetry of the transformed function.
- c) Sketch graphs of the base function and the transformed function on the same set of axes.

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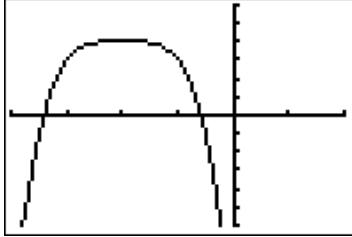
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7. Transformations are applied to  $y = x^4$  to obtain the graph shown. Determine its equation.

Window:  $x \in [-4, 2]$ ,  $y \in [-6, 6]$



8. a) The population,  $P$ , of a town  $t$  years from now can be modelled by the function  $P(t) = 6t^3 - 100t + 25\,000$ . Describe the key features of the graph representing the function, if no restrictions are considered.
- b) What is the current population of the town?
- c) What is the value of the constant finite differences for the population function?
- d) What are the restrictions that should be considered?
- e) **Use Technology** When will the town have a population of approximately 120 000 people? Round your answer to one decimal place.

9. A stone is thrown from the top of a bridge into a lake below such that its height,  $h$ , in metres, can be modelled by the function  $h(t) = 60 - 8t - 4.9t^2$ , where  $t$  is measured in seconds.
- a) Determine the average rate of change of the height of the stone in the first 2.5 s after it was dropped. Round your answer to one decimal place.
- b) Estimate the instantaneous rate of change of the height of the stone after 2.5 s.
- c) Interpret your answers from parts a) and b).