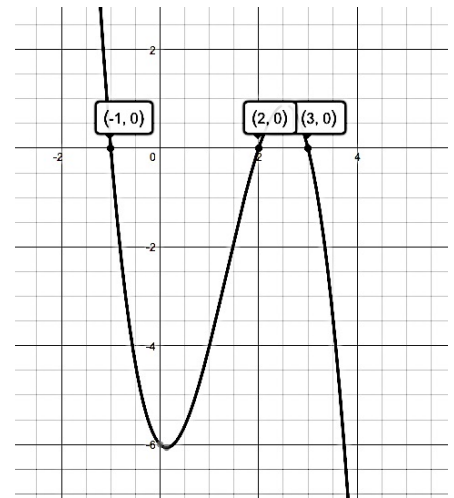


Objective: Graph simple polynomial equations by finding zeros and end behavior.

Warm Up:

On the right is a graph of a polynomial. Identify the following:

- Degree of the polynomial: _____
- Sign of the leading coefficient: _____
- X-intercepts/Zeros: _____



Extending Ideas:

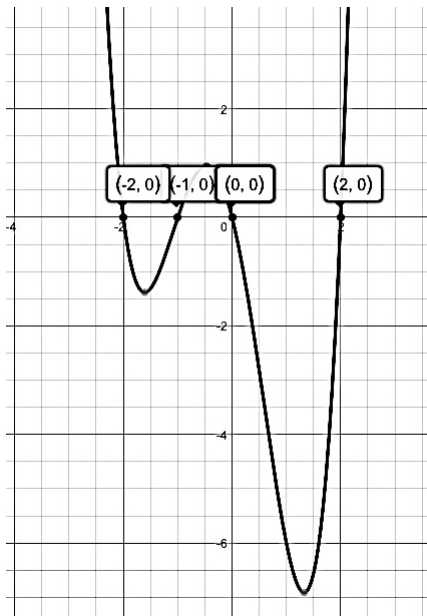
- Above you listed all x-intercepts of the polynomial. How could we write those x-intercepts as factors?

- How could we translate those factors into factored form?

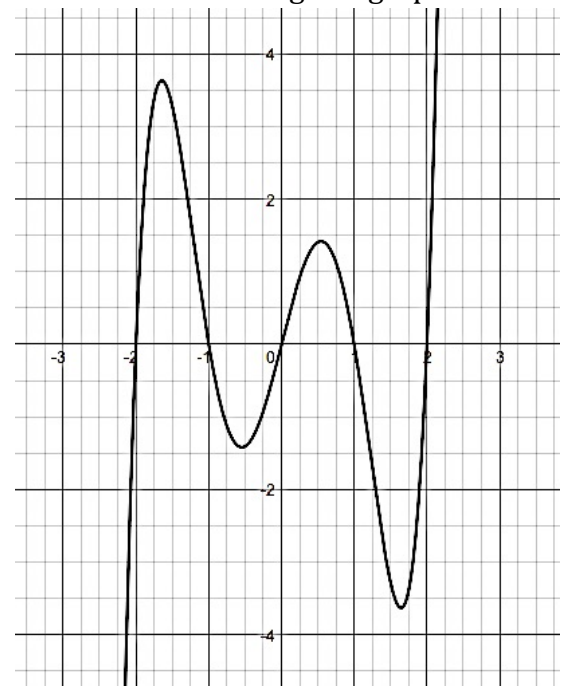
- Once the equation is in factored form, we are able to write it in standard form by multiplying the factors together!

Example 1: Write a possible equation of a polynomial in factored form from looking at a graph.

A.)



B.)



Example 2: Write a possible equation of a polynomial in factored form from written information.

A.) Write an equation of a quadratic polynomial with a positive leading coefficient that has x -intercepts at $x = 4, 6$. Sketch an image of this polynomial.

B.) Write an equation of a cubic polynomial with a negative leading coefficient that has x -intercepts at $x = 0, 3, -1$. Sketch an image of this polynomial.

Example 3: Given $h(x) = x(2x + 5)(x - 4)^2$

a. Factor $h(x)$ completely

e. Identify the end behavior of $h(x)$

As $x \rightarrow \infty$, $h(x) \rightarrow$

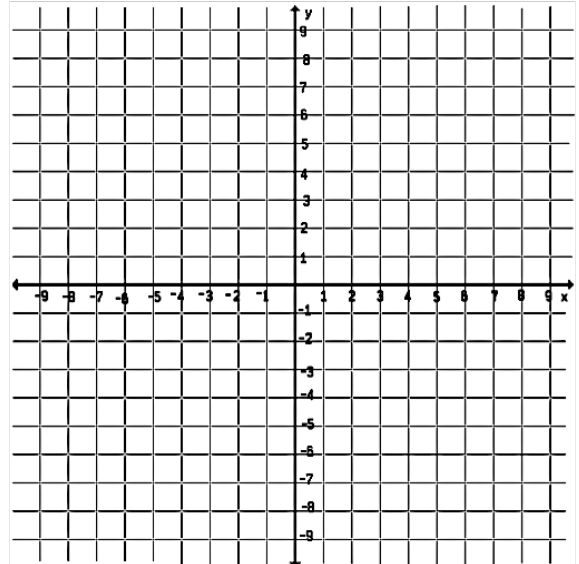
As $x \rightarrow -\infty$, $h(x) \rightarrow$

b. Find the zeros of $h(x)$

c. Highest Degree _____ (even or odd)

d. Leading Coefficient _____ (+ or -)

f. Draw a rough sketch of $h(x)$



Example 4: Given $m(x) = (-x + 3)(x^2 - 2x + 1)$

a. Factor $m(x)$ completely

e. Identify the end behavior of $m(x)$

As $x \rightarrow \infty$, $m(x) \rightarrow$

As $x \rightarrow -\infty$, $m(x) \rightarrow$

b. Find the zeros of $m(x)$

c. Highest Degree _____ (even or odd)

d. Leading Coefficient _____ (+ or -)

f. Draw a rough sketch of $m(x)$

