

# Polynomials Study Guide

Write each polynomial function in standard form. Then determine the end behavior of each.

1.  $n = 4m^2 - m + 7m^4$

$$f(n) = 7m^4 + 4m^2 - m$$

 $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ 
 $x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ 

2.  $f(t) = 4t + 3t^3 + 2t - 7$

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 $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ 
 $x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ 

3.  $f(r) = 5r + 7 + 2r^2$

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 $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ 
 $x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ 

Divide using long division for #s 4 and 5:

4.  $(x^3 + 3x^2 - x - 3) \div (x - 1)$

$$x^2 + 4x + 3$$

5.  $(2x^3 - 6x^2 + 4x + 1) \div (x^2 + 3)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x - 6 + \frac{-2x + 19}{x^2 + 3} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Divide using synthetic division for #s 6 and 7:

6.  $(2x^3 - 3x^2 - 18x - 8) \div (x - 4)$

$$2x^2 + 5x + 2$$

7.  $(6x^3 - x^2 + 8) \div (x + 2)$

$$6x^2 - 13x + 20 + \frac{-44}{x+2}$$

Find all factors and solutions of each equation. Sketch a graph and state the end behavior.

8.  $f(x) = x^4 + 14x^2 - 32$

$$(x^4 + 16x^2)(2x^2 - 32)$$

$$x^2(x^2 + 16) - 2(x^2 + 16)$$

$$(x^2 - 2)(x + 4i)$$

$$(x - \sqrt{2})(x + \sqrt{2})(x + 4i)(x - 4i)$$

Factors:

$$(x - \sqrt{2})$$

$$(x + \sqrt{2})$$

$$(x + 4i)$$

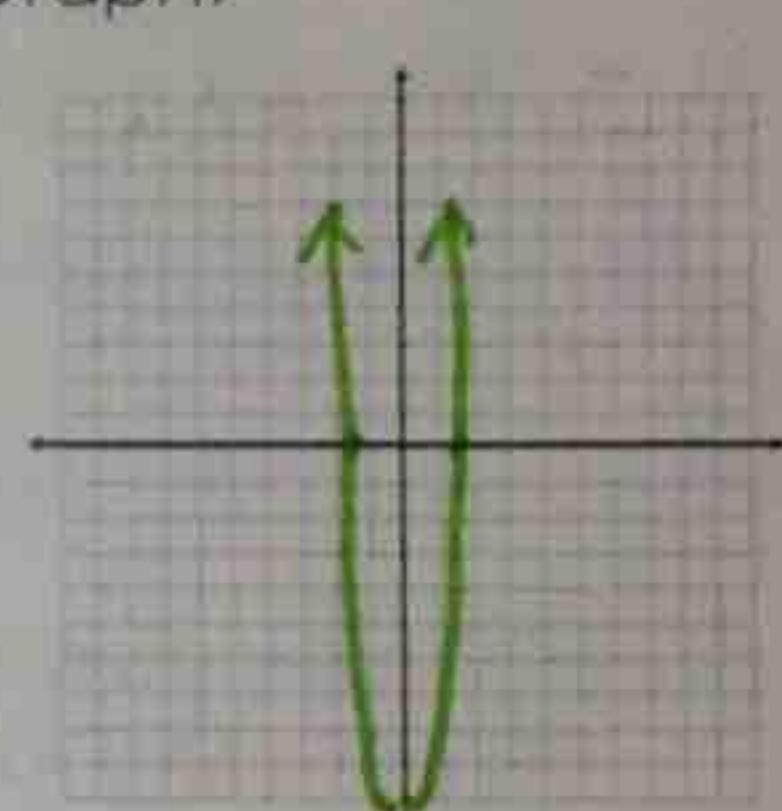
$$(x - 4i)$$

Roots:

$$\{\pm\sqrt{2}, \pm 4i\}$$

 $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ 
 $x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ 

Graph:



9.  $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 8x$

$$(x^3 - 4x^2 - 2x^2 + 8x)$$

$$x^2(x - 4) - 2x(x - 4)$$

$$(x^2 - 2x)(x - 4)$$

$$x(x - 2)(x - 4)$$

Factors:

$$x$$

$$(x - 2)$$

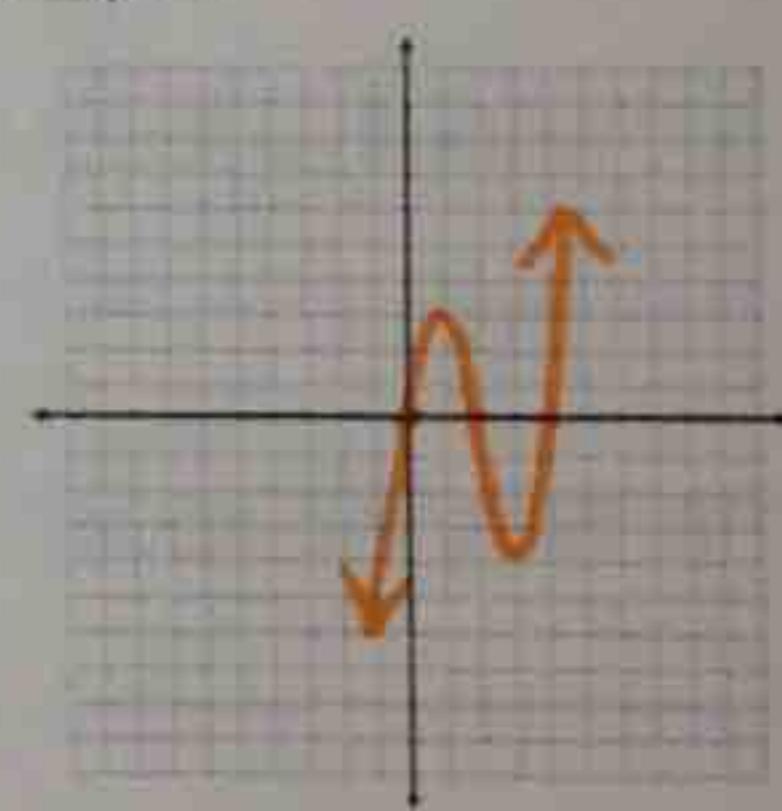
$$(x - 4)$$

Roots:

$$\{0, 2, 4\}$$

 $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ 
 $x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ 

Graph:



10.  $f(x) = 6x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x$

~~$$\begin{array}{r} -2^4 \\ -6 \quad \cancel{4} \\ \hline -2 \end{array}$$~~

Factors:

$$2x$$

$$(3x + 2)$$

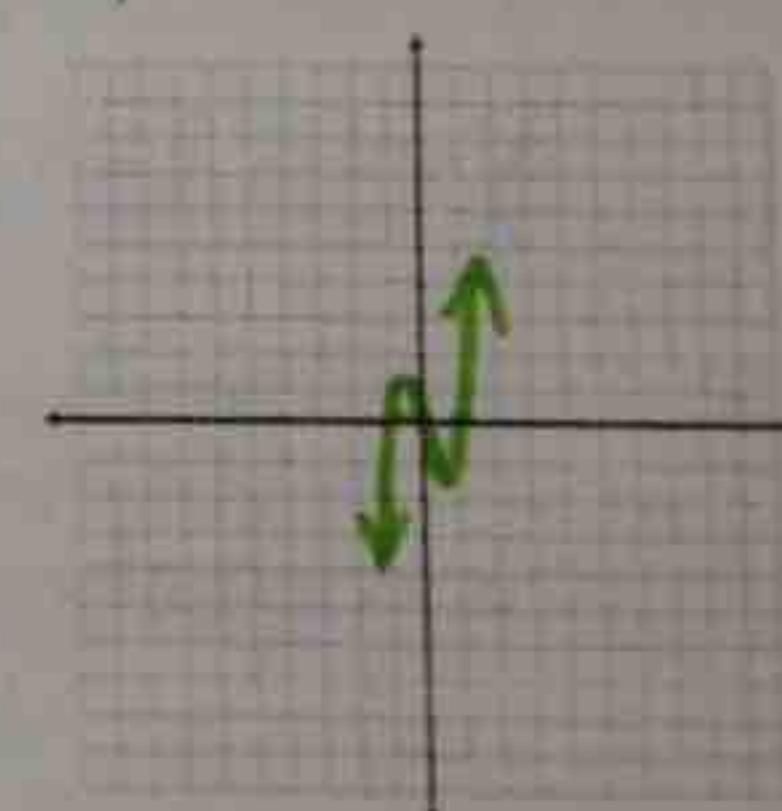
$$(x - 1)$$

Roots:

$$\{0, -\frac{2}{3}, 1\}$$

 $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ 
 $x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ 

Graph:



12.  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 12$

$$(x^3 - 3x^2)(4x - 12)$$

$$x^2(x - 3)4(x - 3)$$

$$(x^2 + 4)(x - 3)$$

$$(x + 2i)(x - 2i)(x - 3)$$

Factors:

$$(x - 3)$$

$$(x - 2i)$$

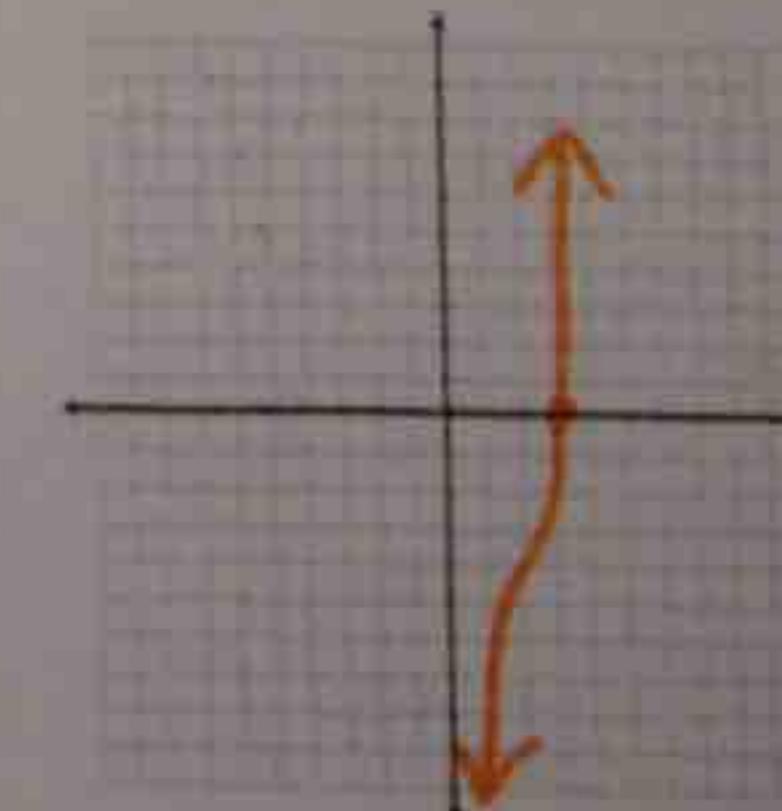
$$(x + 2i)$$

Roots:

$$\{3, \pm 2i\}$$

 $x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ 
 $x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ 

Graph:



Use the given factor to factor and find all roots of the given polynomial. Sketch a graph and state the end behavior.

13.  $f(x) = 3x^4 - x^3 - 22x^2 + 24x$

$$x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$$

$$x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$$

Factor:  $(x - 2)$

$\times$

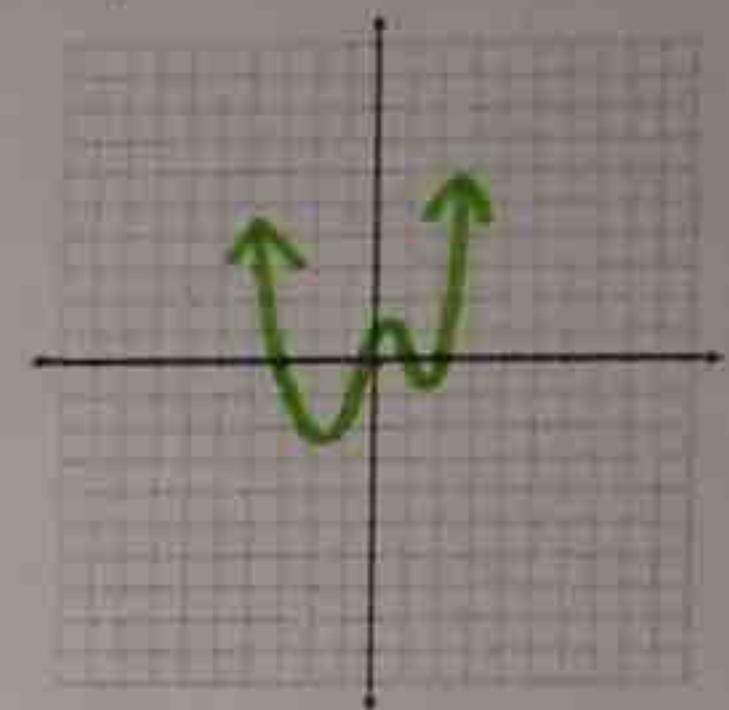
$$(3x - 4)$$

$$(x + 3)$$

Roots:

$$\{-3, 0, 4/3, 2\}$$

Graph:



14.  $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 + 13x^2 - 36x + 36$

$$x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$$

$$x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$$

Factor:  $(x - 2)$

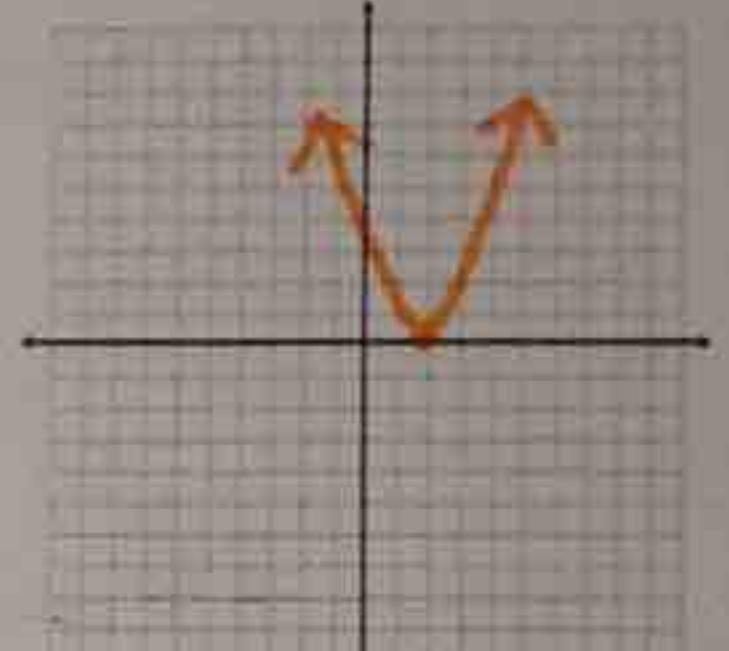
$$(x + 3i)$$

$$(x - 3i)$$

Roots:

$$\{2, \pm 3i\}$$

Graph:



15.  $f(x) = x^3 + 9x^2 + 23x + 15$

$$x \rightarrow -\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$x \rightarrow \infty, f(x) \rightarrow \infty$$

Factor:  $(x + 5)$

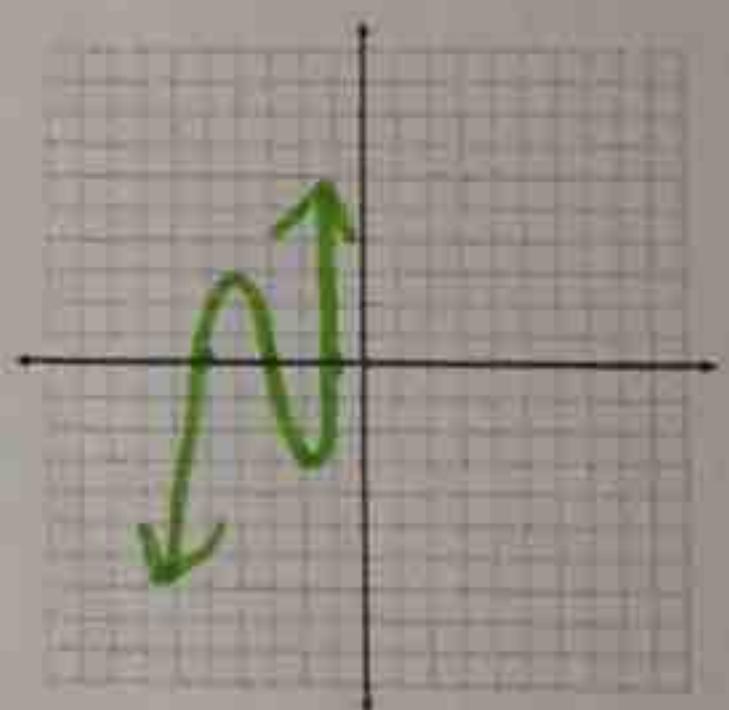
$$(x + 3)$$

$$(x + 1)$$

Roots:

$$\{-5, -3, -1\}$$

Graph:



16. When you divide  $P(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 2x + k$  by  $(x - 2)$ , the remainder is 4. What is the remainder of  $P(x)$  when you divide by  $(x + 2)$ ?

$$K = -16 \quad \text{Remainder} = -4$$

17. Write the equation of a polynomial function that has zeros at  $-3$  and  $2 \pm i$ .

$$f(x) = x^3 - 1x^2 - 7x + 15$$

18. Write the equation of a polynomial function that has zeros at  $1/4$  and  $\pm 5i$ .

$$f(x) = 4x^3 - 1x^2 + 100x - 25$$

19. The volume of a box is  $x^3 + 4x^2 + 4x$ . Explain how you know the box is not a cube.

$V = x(x+2)(x+2)$  In a cube, all the sides are the same length.  
One of these sides ( $x$ ) doesn't match the others ( $x+2$ )

20. You are drawing a rectangle with side lengths of  $(3 - x)$  inches and  $(x - 7)$  inches. What is the maximum area that can be obtained from this drawing? What is the value of  $x$  that will maximize this drawing? What is the reasonable domain for the area of this rectangle?

$$x = 5$$

$$\text{max area} = 4 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\text{Reasonable Domain} = (3, 7)$$

Expand and simplify each binomial.

21.  $(x - 1)^3$

22.  $(3x + 2)^4$

23.  $(4x + 10)^3$

$$x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x - 1$$

$$81x^4 + 216x^3 + 216x^2 + 96x + 16$$



$$64x^3 + 480x^2 + 1200x + 1000$$

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$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + 4x^2 + 3 \\
 \underline{-} (x-1) \quad | \\
 x^3 + 3x^2 - x - 3 \\
 \underline{-} x^3 + 1x^2 \quad | \\
 5x^2 - x \\
 \underline{-} 5x^2 + 4x \quad | \\
 3x - \\
 \underline{-} 3x + \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x - 6 \\
 \hline
 x^2 + 0x + 3 \left) \begin{array}{r} 2x^3 - 6x^2 + 4x + 1 \\ - 2x^3 + 0x^2 - 6x \\ \hline - 6x^2 - 2x + 1 \\ + 6x^2 + 0x + 18 \\ \hline - 2x + 19 \end{array} \right. \\
 \end{array}$$

$$6. \quad \begin{array}{r} 4 \\ \hline 2 & -3 & -18 & -8 \\ \downarrow & & 8 & 20 & 8 \\ \hline 2 & 5 & 2 & \boxed{0} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \underline{7} - 2 \\ 6 - 1 \\ \hline 0 8 \end{array}$$

$$13, \quad \underline{2} \mid \begin{array}{cccc} 3 & -1 & -22 & +24 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 14 \\ 2 ) 1 \quad -4 \quad 13 \quad -310 \quad 340 \\ \downarrow \quad 2 \quad -4 \quad 18 \quad -310 \\ 1 \quad -2 \quad 9 \quad -18 \quad | \quad 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \cancel{3x^3 + 5x^2 - 12x} \\ & \cancel{(3x^3 + 9x^2)(-4x - 12x)} \\ & \cancel{3x^2(x+3) - 9x(x+3)} \\ & (3x^2 - 4x)(x+3) \\ & x(3x-4)(x+3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{(x^3 - 2x^2 + 9x - 18)} \\ x^2(x-2) \cancel{9(x-2)} \\ (x^2 + 9)(x-2) \\ (x+3)(x-3)(x-2) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 15. \quad -5 \longdiv{1 \quad 9 \quad 23 \quad 15} \\ \hline \qquad \downarrow \quad -5 \quad -20 \quad -15 \\ \hline \qquad \quad 1 \quad 4 \quad 3 \quad 10 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Ans. } \begin{array}{r} 2 \\ \downarrow \\ 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 2 \\ 12 \\ \hline 16 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 4 \\ -2 \\ \hline 6 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} K \\ 20 \\ \hline 10 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} K+20=4 \\ K=-16 \end{array}$$

$$x^2 + 4x + 3$$

$$(x+3)(x+1)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2 \\ \hline 1 & 4 & -2 - 16 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \downarrow -2 -4 \underline{+12} \\ 1 \quad 2 \quad -6 \quad -4 \end{array} \qquad R = -4$$

17.  $x = -3 \quad x = 2+i \quad x = 2-i$

 $x+3=0 \quad x-2-i=0 \quad x-2+i=0$ 
 $(x+3)(x-2-i)(x-2+i)$ 
 $(x+3)(x^2 - 4x + 5)$ 
 $x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x^2 - 12x + 5x + 15$ 
 $x^3 - 1x^2 - 7x + 15$ 

$x$	$x^2$	$-2x$	$-x^2$
-3	<del>-9</del>	<del>+18</del>	<del>-9</del>
-2	<del>-4</del>	<del>+8</del>	<del>-4</del>
$i$	<del>-1</del>	<del>-2i</del>	<del>+1</del>

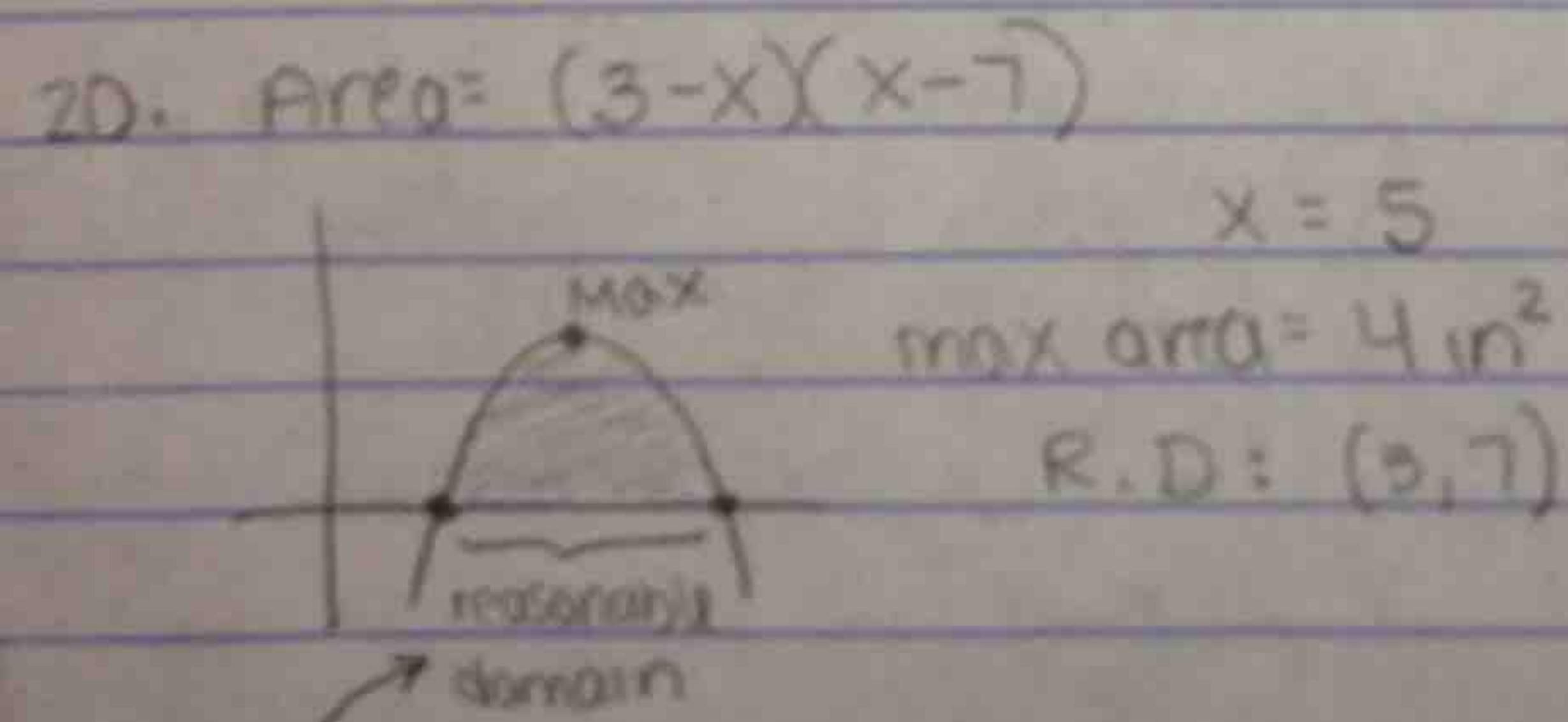
18.  $x = \frac{1}{4} \quad x = 5i \quad x = -5i$

 $4x-1=0 \quad x-5i=0 \quad x+5i=0$ 
 $(4x-1)(x-5i)(x+5i)$ 
 $(4x-1)(x^2 + 25)$ 
 $4x^3 - 1x^2 + 100x - 25$ 

$x$	$x^2$	$-25x$	$+25$
$\frac{1}{4}$	<del>-1</del>	<del>+25/16</del>	<del>+25</del>
$5i$	<del>-25i^2</del>	<del>+125i</del>	<del>+25</del>
$-5i$	<del>-25i^2</del>	<del>-125i</del>	<del>+25</del>

19.  $V = x^3 + 4x^2 + 4x$

 $V = (x^3 + 2x^2) + (2x^2 + 4x)$ 
 $V = x^2(x+2) + 2x(x+2)$ 
 $V = (x^2 + 2x)(x+2)$ 
 $V = x(x+2)(x+2)$



The interval in which  $x$  makes the area positive.

$$21. (x-1)^3 = (x-1)(x-1)(x-1)$$

$$1x^3(-1)^0 + 3x^2(-1)^1 + 3x(-1)^2 + 1x^0(-1)^3$$

$$1x^3 + 3x^2(-1) + 3x(1) + 1(-1)$$

$$x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x - 1$$

$$22. (3x+2)^4 = (3x+2)(3x+2)(3x+2)(3x+2)$$

$$1(3x)^4(2)^0 + 4(3x)^3(2)^1 + 6(3x)^2(2)^2 + 4(3x)^1(2)^3 + 1(3x)^0(2)^4$$

$$1(81x^4) + 4(27x^3)(2) + 6(9x^2)(4) + 4(3x)(8) + 1(16)$$

$$81x^4 + 216x^3 + 216x^2 + 96x + 16$$

$$23. (4x+10)^3 = (4x+10)(4x+10)(4x+10)$$

$$1(4x)^3(10)^0 + 3(4x)^2(10)^1 + 3(4x)^1(10)^2 + 1(4x)^0(10)^3$$

$$1(64x^3) + 3(16x^2)(10) + 3(4x)(100) + 1(1000)$$

$$64x^3 + 480x^2 + 1200x + 1000$$