

**Section 5.1 Cubic Functions (2 Days)**

→ I can identify the differences between the graph of a quadratic function and the graph of a cubic function

→ I can model volume with a cubic function

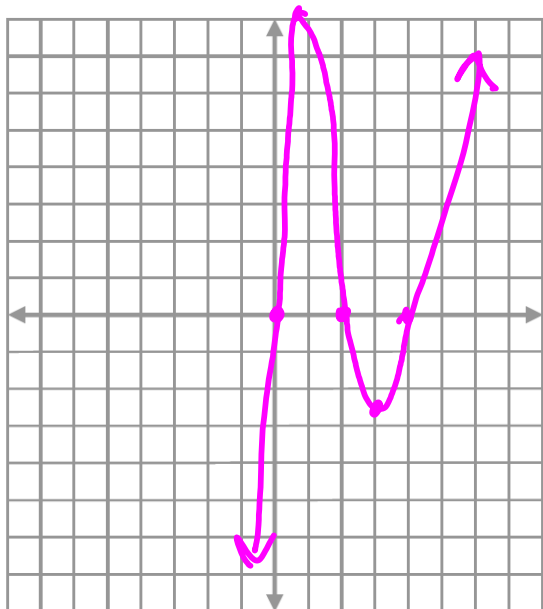
→ I can identify characteristics of the graph of a cubic function, including domain & range, relative extrema, and intercepts

1. A rectangular prism has a length of  $x$  cm, width of  $(4 - 2x)$  cm, and a height of  $(6 - 2x)$  cm. Determine the volume of the prism,  $V(x)$ , in standard form by finding the product of the linear factors.

$$V(x) = x(4 - 2x)(6 - 2x)$$

$$V(x) = 4x^3 - 20x^2 + 24x$$

2. Sketch a graph of the function  $V(x)$ . Determine all key characteristics.



Domain of the function:  $(-\infty, \infty)$

Domain in the context of the problem:  $(0, 2)$

Range of the function:  $(-\infty, \infty)$

Range in the context of the problem:  $(0, 8.45]$

X-intercepts:  $(0, 0), (2, 0), (3, 0)$

Y-intercept:  $(0, 0)$

There is a relative minimum of  $-2.53$  at  $x = 2.55$ .

There is a relative maximum of  $8.45$  at  $x = .78$ .

The graph is increasing/decreasing on the interval of  $(-\infty, .78)$  then it is increasing/decreasing on the interval of  $(.78, 2.55)$  then it is increasing/decreasing on the interval of  $(2.55, \infty)$

3. What is the maximum volume of the function? What are the dimensions of the prism at this volume?

max. vol =  $8.45 \text{ cm}^3$

at  $.78 \text{ cm} \times 2.44 \text{ cm} \times 4.44 \text{ cm}$

**Section 5.2 Power Functions (3 Days)**

→ I can look at the degree of the polynomial function and its leading coefficient and identify the end behavior of the graph (use limits to define end behavior)

→ I can identify whether a graph represents an even or odd degree polynomial function

→ I can determine if a function is even or odd depending on the symmetry of its graph

→ I can use the equation of a function to determine if it is even or odd algebraically

4. Use limits to determine end behavior of the function.

- a.  $f(x) = 3x^2$ 

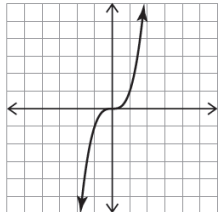
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty \qquad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$$
- b.  $g(x) = -4x^3$ 

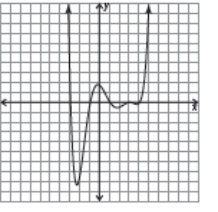
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty \qquad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$$
- c.  $h(x) = 12x^5$ 

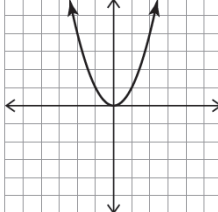
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- d.  $j(x) = -6x^8$ 

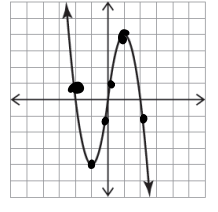
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5. Use end behavior to determine whether the polynomial function is an even or odd DEGREE function.

- a. 

odd degree  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty$
- b. 

even degree  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$
- c. 

even degree  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$
- d. 

odd degree  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$

6. Determine whether each function from question 5 is even or odd based on symmetry of the graph.

- a. Even/Odd/Neither Odd  
 Explain: Graph is symmetric about the origin
- b. Even/Odd/Neither Neither  
 Explain: \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Even/Odd/Neither Even  
 Explain: Graph is symmetric about the y-axis
- d. Even/Odd/Neither Odd  
 Explain: Graph is symmetric about the origin.

7. Determine whether the function is odd, even, or neither algebraically.

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

b.  $g(x) = -5x^5 + 2x^4 - 3x^2 + x - 3$   
 $g(-x) = 5x^5 + 2x^4 - 3x^2 - x - 3$  neither

c.  $h(x) = -3x^5 + 3x^3 - 7x$   
 $h(-x) = 3x^5 - 3x^3 + 7x$  odd

**Section 5.3 Transformation and Symmetry of Polynomial Functions (1 Day)**

→ I can use my knowledge of translation, reflection, and dilation to graph transformations of polynomial functions

→ I can use the symmetry of a graph to determine if the function is even or odd

8. Describe all transformations from the parent graph  $f(x) = x^3$  to the function

a.  $g(x) = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 2)^3 + 6$   
 vertical shrink by factor of  $\frac{1}{2}$   
 reflection over x-axis  
 horizontal shift 2 units to the right

vertical shift 6 units up

b.  $h(x) = 5(x + 3)^3 - 2$   
 vertical stretch by a factor of 5  
 horizontal shift 3 units left  
 vertical shift 2 units down

**Section 5.4 Key Characteristics of Polynomial Functions (2 Days)**

→ I can determine the possible number of extrema of a polynomial function depending on its degree

→ I can use the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra along with knowledge of multiple and imaginary roots to sketch graphs of polynomial functions of a given degree with a given number of zeros.

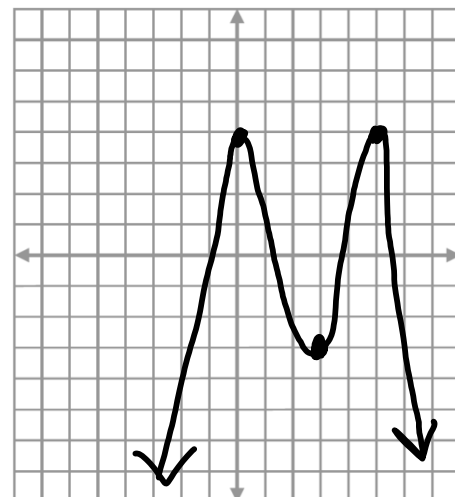
9. Determine the possible number of extrema for each polynomial.

a. 7<sup>th</sup> degree polynomial  
 0, 2, 4, 6

b. 10<sup>th</sup> degree polynomial  
 1, 3, 5, 7, 9

10. Sketch a graph with the following characteristics.

- a. Even degree
- b. Increases to  $x = 0$ , then decreases to  $x = 3$ , then increases to  $x = 5$ , then decreases
- c. Relative minimum of -3
- d. Two absolute maximums of 4



**Section 5.5 Building Cubic and Quartic Functions (1 Day)**

→I can identify the number of real, imaginary, and multiple roots of a simple polynomial function

→I can identify the type of polynomial function given a table of values (using first, second, third differences)

→I know that multiplying polynomials yields a new polynomial function (e.g. multiplying a linear function by a cubic function yields a quartic function)

11. Determine the type of function based on common differences.

$x$	$f(x)$	First Differences	Second Differences
-2	12		
-1	3	-9	6
0	0	-3	6
1	3	3	6
2	12	9	

Type of function: quadratic

$x$	$g(x)$	First Differences	Second Differences
-2	-6		
-1	-3	3	0
0	0	3	0
1	3	3	0
2	6	3	

Type of function: linear

12. If  $h(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$ , what type of function is  $h(x)$ ? How many real and imaginary zeros does  $h(x)$  have?

$h(x)$  is a cubic function with 3 real zeros (all at  $x=0$ ) because of multiplicity.