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Learning Goal 3.3	Solving equations algebraically and graphically.
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Example Consider the function $f(x) = -x^3 - 5x^2 - 3x + 9$ and without the use of technology, determine the following attributes.

$$= -(x^3 + 5x^2 + 3x - 9)$$

Degree	Leading Coefficient	y – intercept value	x – intercept value(s)
three	-1	$y = 9$ $(0, 9)$	btwn -3, 1 $x = -3, 1$ $(-3, 0), (1, 0)$
Interval(s) where the function is positive		Interval(s) where the function is negative	
$\{x \mid x < -3, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$		$\{x \mid x > 1, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$	

Factor: $\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9$

$$f(3) = -(3)^3 - 5(3)^2 - 3(3) + 9$$

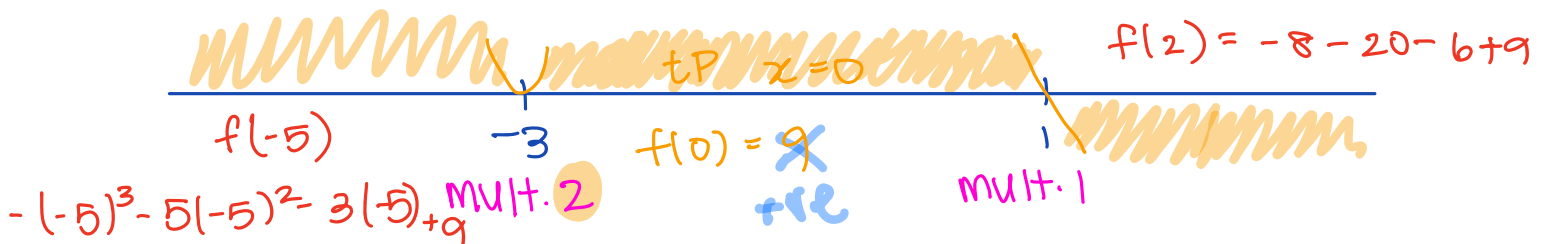
$$= -27 - 45 - 9 + 9$$

$$f(-3) = -(-3)^3 - 5(-3)^2 - 3(-3) + 9$$

$$= 27 - 45 + 9 + 9 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr}
 -3 & -1 & -5 & -3 & 9 \\
 & & 3 & 6 & -9 \\
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 & -1 & -2 & 3 & 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 -x^3 - 5x^2 - 3x + 9 &= (x+3)(-x^2 - 2x + 3) \\
 &= -(x+3)(x^2 + 2x - 3) \\
 &= -(x+3)(x+3)(x-1) \\
 &= -(x+3)^2(x-1)
 \end{aligned}$$

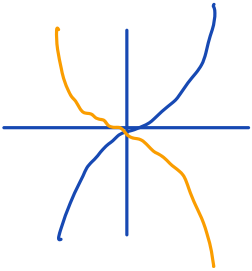


Assignment

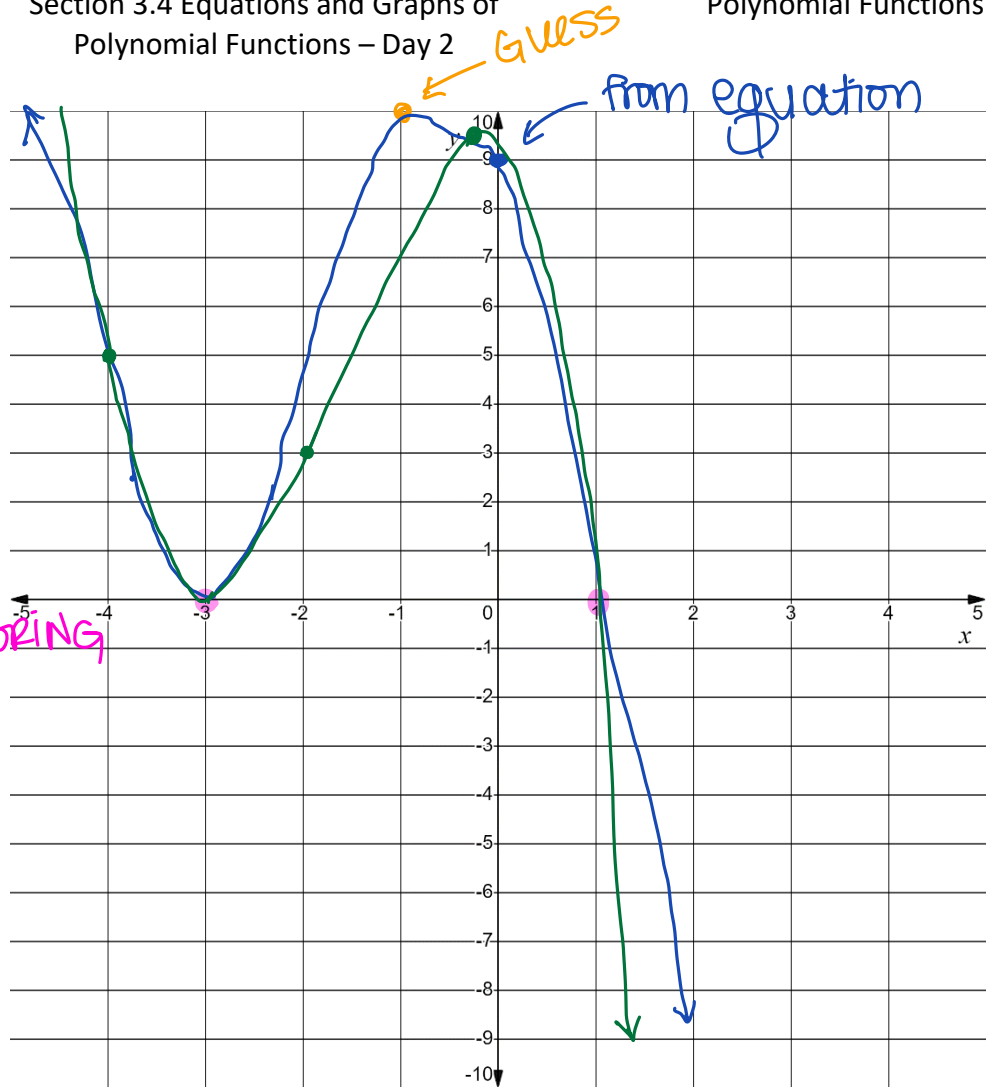
$$f(-5) = -(-5)^3 - 5(-5)^2 - 3(-5) + 9$$

$$= 125 - 125 + 15 + 9$$

Use the information from the previous page to **sketch** the graph.

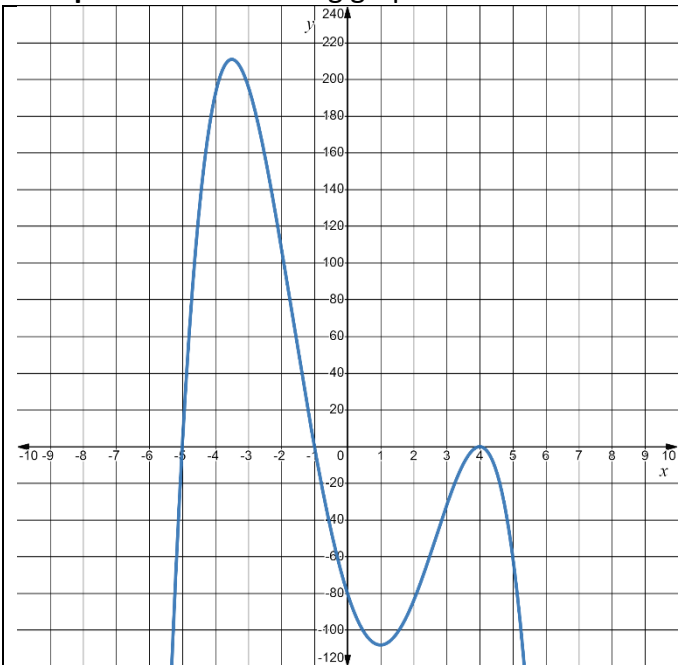


from factoring



Use technology to draw the graph.

Example For the following graph fill out the tables.



Least possible degree four - could be more - count the zeros - count the bumps
Sign of the leading coefficient -ve
x - intercepts and the factors of the function $x = -5, -1, 4$ $(x+5)(x+1)(x-4)$ odd mult ← even multiplicity
Intervals where positive and negative +ve: $\{x -5 < x < -1, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ -ve: $\{x x < -5, x > 1, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

