

# Graphing polynomials

## Lesson #8

### MAT 1375 Precalculus

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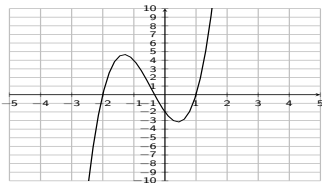
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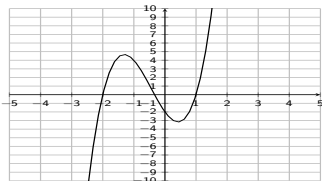
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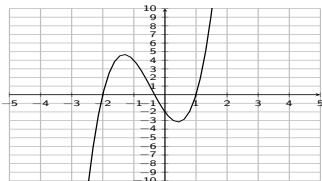


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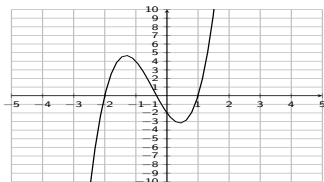
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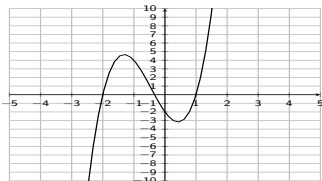
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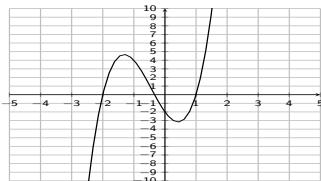
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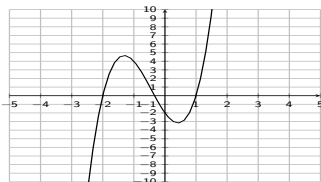
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- Solution: Factors:  $(x + \frac{1}{3})$ ,  $(x - 1)$ ,  $(x + 2)$ ,

Roots:  $-\frac{1}{3}$ , 1,  $-2$

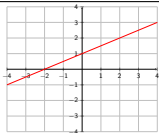
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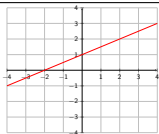
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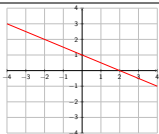
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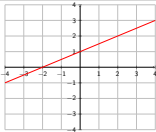
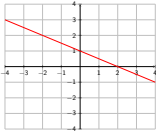
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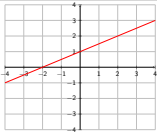
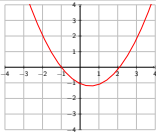
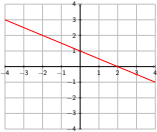
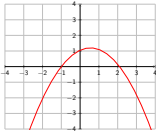
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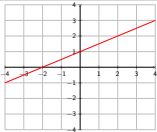
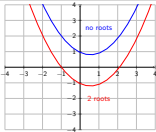
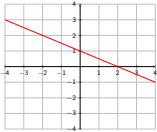
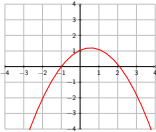
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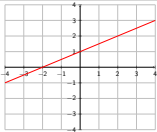
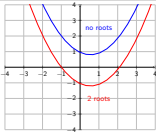
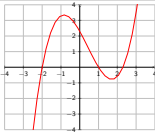
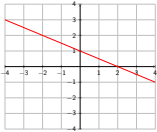
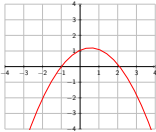
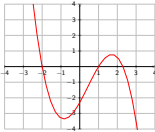
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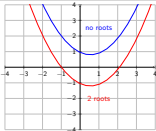
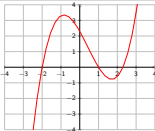
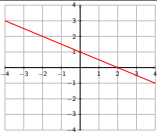
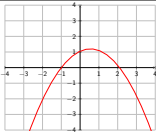
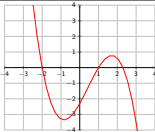
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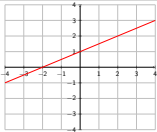
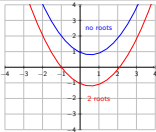
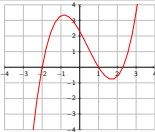
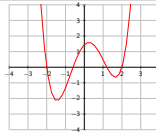
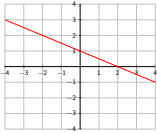
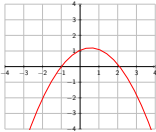
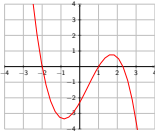
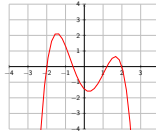
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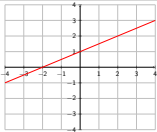
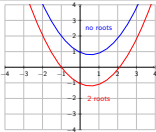
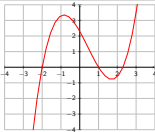
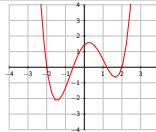
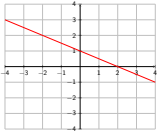
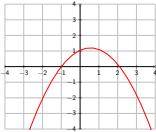
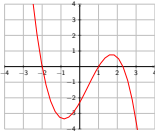
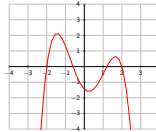
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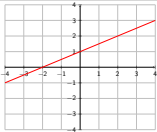
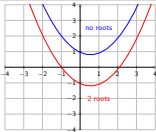
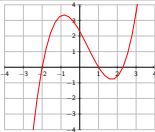
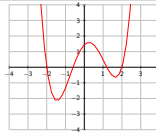
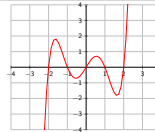
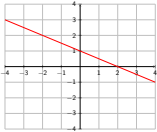
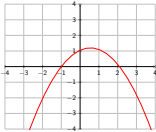
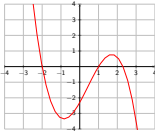
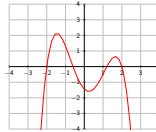
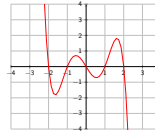
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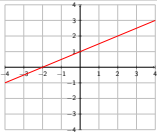
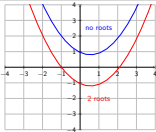
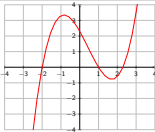
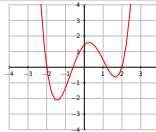
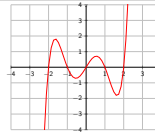
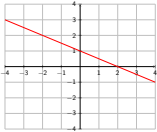
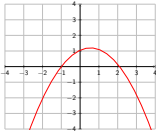
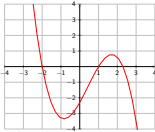
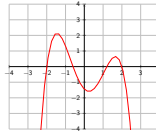
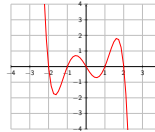
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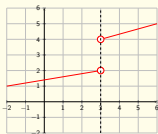
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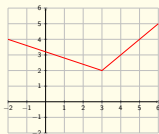
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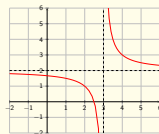
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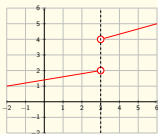


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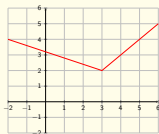


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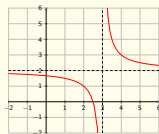
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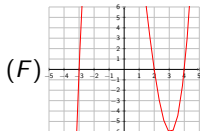
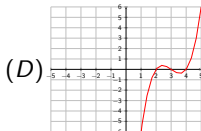
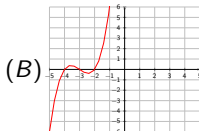
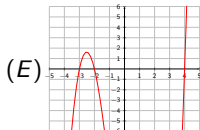
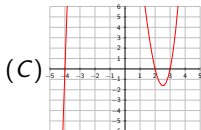
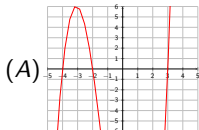
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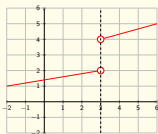
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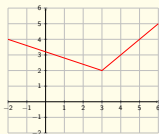


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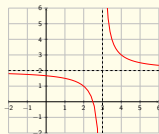
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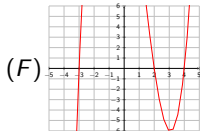
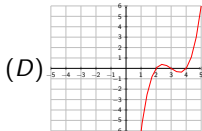
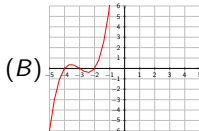
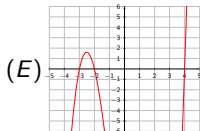
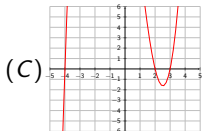
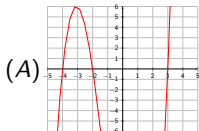
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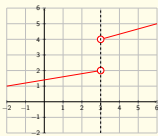
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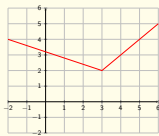


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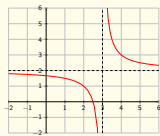
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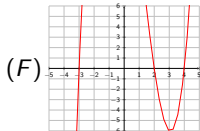
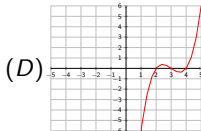
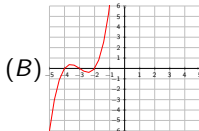
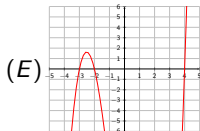
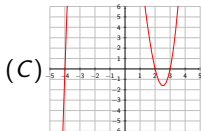
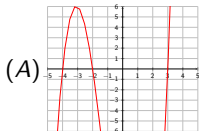
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Notation:  $f(x) = (x - 2)(x - 3)(x + 4)$  has **factors**:  $(x - 2)$  and  $(x - 3)$  and  $(x + 4)$   
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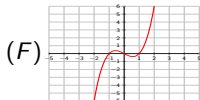
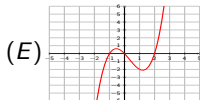
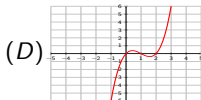
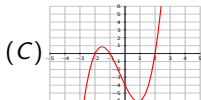
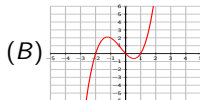
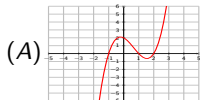
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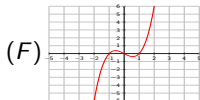
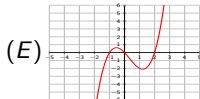
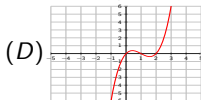
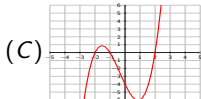
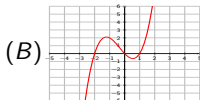
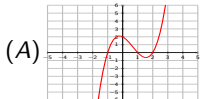
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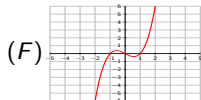
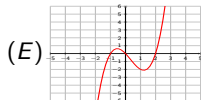
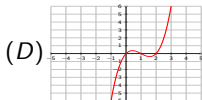
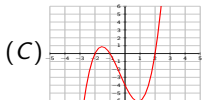
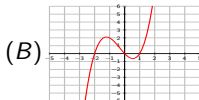
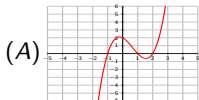
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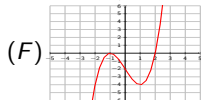
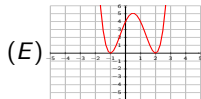
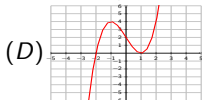
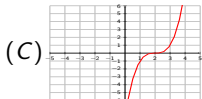
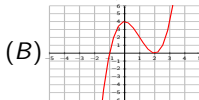
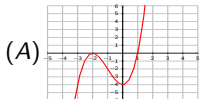


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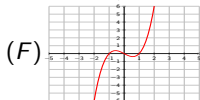
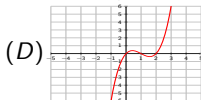
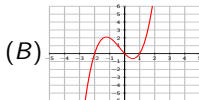
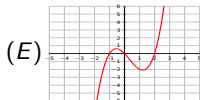
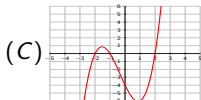
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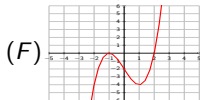
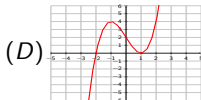
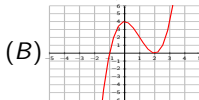
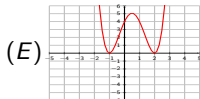
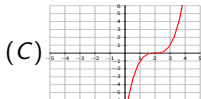
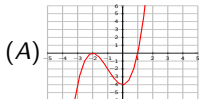


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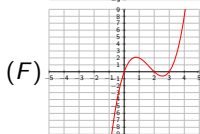
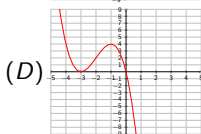
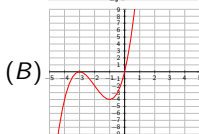
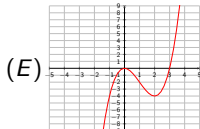
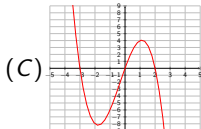
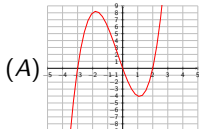
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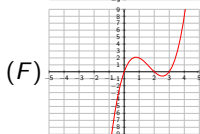
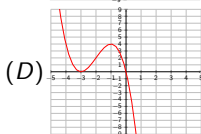
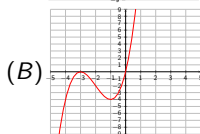
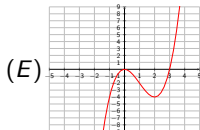
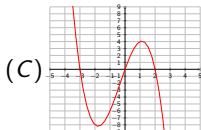
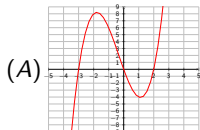
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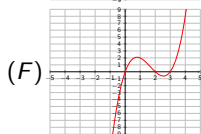
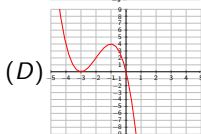
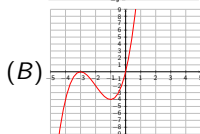
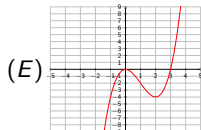
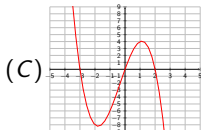
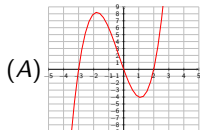
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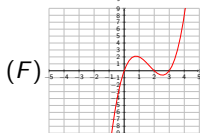
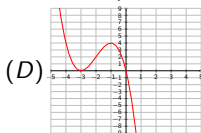
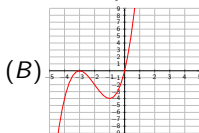
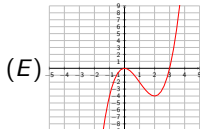
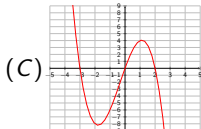
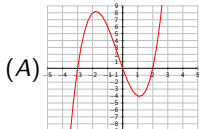
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