

Pre-Calc 2.5b Notes

Fundamental Theorem of Algebra Part II

Recall → If $x = 4$ is a zero, then $(x - 4)$ is the factor
If $x = 1+2i$ is a zero, then $1-2i$ is also a zero

Recall Write the linear factorization for the given

zeros: $-2, 3, 2i$

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

Example 1: Find a polynomial function with real coefficients that has the given zeros.

$3, 4i, -4i$

Example 2: Write a polynomial function that has the given information.

Degree: 4 Zeros: $1, 4, \sqrt{3}i$ Solution point: $f(0) = -6$

Example 3: Use the given zero to find all the zeros of the function.

$$f(x) = 4x^3 + 23x^2 + 34x - 10$$

zero: $-3 + i$

Example 4: Use a graphing utility to find the real zeros of the function, and then use the real zeros to find the exact values of the imaginary roots.

$$f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 + 14x + 20$$

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