MHF4U: Grade 12 Advanced Functions (Catholic) Unit 1: Introduction to Polynomial Functions

Activity 5: Finding the roots of polynomial functions

Homework Assignment: Getting to the root of the problem

Determine the roots for each polynomial equation:

1.
$$x^{3} - 3x^{2} - 4x + 12 = 0$$

2. $x^{3} - 4x^{2} + x + 6 = 0$
3. $x^{3} - x^{2} = 16x + 20$
4. $3x^{3} + x^{2} - 3x - 1 = 0$
5. $2x^{3} - x^{2} - 15x + 18 = 0$
6. $4x^{3} - 7x^{2} = 21x - 18$
7. $x^{4} - x^{3} - 11x^{2} + 9x + 18 = 0$
8. $x^{4} + x + 12 = x^{3} + 13x^{2}$
9. $x^{4} - 1 = 0$
10. $6x^{3} + 7x^{2} = 43x + 30$

Assignment: Getting to the root of the problem – ANSWERS

- 1. x = -2, x = 2, x = 3
- 2. x = -1, x = 2, x = 3
- 3. x = -2, x = 5
- 4. $x = -1, x = -\frac{1}{3}, x = 1$
- 5. $x = -3, x = \frac{3}{2}, x = 2$
- 6. $x = -2, x = \frac{3}{4}, x = 3$
- 7. x = -3, x = -1, x = 2, x = 3
- 8. x = -3, x = -1, x = 1, x = 4
- 9. x = -1, x = 1
- 10. $x = -3, x = \frac{-2}{3}, x = \frac{5}{2}$