

GRAPHS AND GRAPHING CALCULATOR

OBJECTIVES: 1) Use your graphing calculator to estimate x intercepts.

STANDARD VIEWING WINDOW:

$$\left[X_{\min}, X_{\max}, X_{\text{scl}} \right] \text{ by } \left[Y_{\min}, Y_{\max}, Y_{\text{scl}} \right]$$

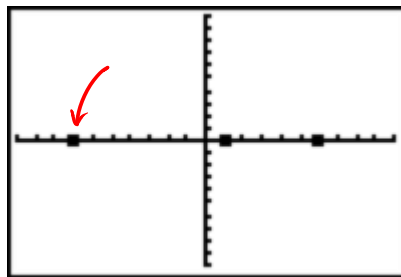
$$[-10, 10, 1] \text{ by } [-10, 10, 1]$$



INTERCEPTS: EXACT (ALGEBRAIC) AND APPROXIMATE (CALCULATOR)

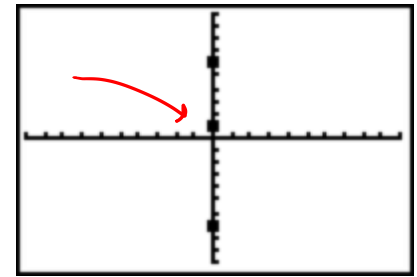
x-intercept

(#,0)
Root
Zero



y-intercept

(0,#)
Initial Value



1. Plot the function $y = 3x^3 - 2x^2$ in the given windows:

- standard. How many roots? *?!Hard to tell!*
- $[-1, 1, .1]$ by $[-1, 1, .1]$. How many roots? *3 → verify algebraically:*

$$y = x^2(3x - 2) \rightarrow \text{or } x \cdot x(3x - 2) = 0$$

$$x^2 = 0 \quad 3x - 2 = 0 \quad x = 0 \quad x = 0 \quad 3x - 2 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad x = \frac{2}{3}$$

Double root
roots: 0, 0, 2/3

2. Find approximate and exact roots for $y = -2x^3 + 4x^2 + 4x$.

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let $y = 0$ \Rightarrow factor out GCF

$$0 = -2x(x^2 - 2x - 2)$$

$x = 0$ *not factorable → use quad. form.*

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 - 4(1)(-2)}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{12}}{2}$$

$$= 1 \pm \sqrt{3}$$

Roots:

<u>exact</u>	<u>approx.</u>
$0, 1 \pm \sqrt{3}$	$0, 2.73, -.73$

3. Estimate (from graph) and find intercepts for $xy - x^2y + x^3 = 4$.

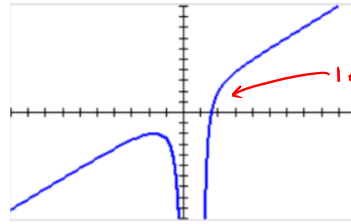
Solve for y to graph:

$$xy - x^2y = -x^3 + 4$$

$$xy(1-x) = -x^3 + 4$$

$$y = \frac{-x^3 + 4}{x(1-x)}$$

From graph:



y intercept? check algebraically

Algebraically:

Find y int: let $x=0$

$$y = \frac{-0^3 + 4}{0(1-0)}$$

$$y = \frac{4}{0} \leftarrow \text{undefined!}$$

\therefore y int doesn't exist,
graph never crosses y-axis

Find x int: let $y=0$, solve for x

$$0 = \frac{-x^3 + 4}{x(1-x)} \Rightarrow 0 = -x^3 + 4$$

$$x^3 = 4$$

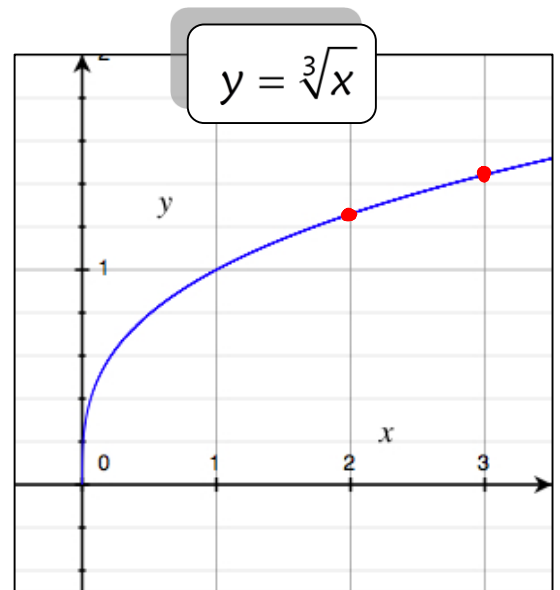
$$x = \sqrt[3]{4}$$

4. Use the graph to estimate each:

a. $\sqrt[3]{2} \approx 1.259$

b. $\sqrt[3]{3} \approx 1.442$

c. $\sqrt[3]{6} \approx 1.817$



even though it's not on the graph we know $\sqrt[3]{2} \approx \sqrt[3]{3}$!

$$\sqrt[3]{2} \cdot \sqrt[3]{3} = \sqrt[3]{6}$$

$$(1.259)(1.442) \approx \boxed{1.81}$$