

Math 130 Precalculus Spring 10 Midterm 1b

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- You may use a graphing calculator.
- You may use a  $3 \times 5$  index card of notes.

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(1) (10 points) Given  $u = 3 + 4i$  and  $v = 5 - 2i$ , compute  $u + v$ ,  $uv$  and  $u/v$ .

$$u+v = 8+2i$$

$$uv = (3+4i)(5-2i) = 15 - 6i + 20i - 8i^2 = 23 + 14i$$

$$\frac{u}{v} = \frac{(3+4i)(5+2i)}{(5-2i)(5+2i)} = \frac{15 + 6i + 20i + 8i^2}{25 + 4} = \frac{7}{29} + \frac{26}{29}i$$

(2) (10 points)

(a) What is the maximum number of distinct roots a cubic polynomial can have? Write down a cubic polynomial with this number of roots.

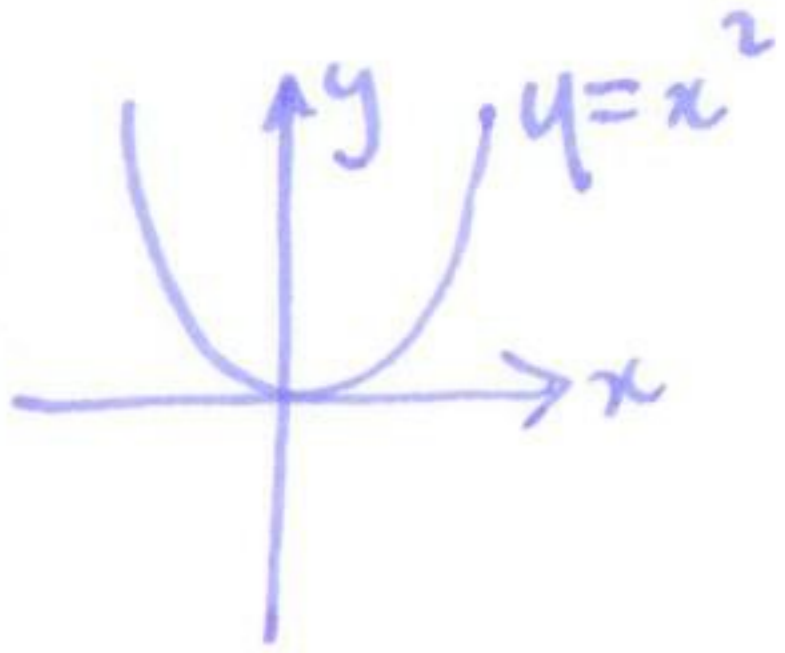
(b) What is the smallest number of distinct roots a cubic polynomial can have? Write down a cubic polynomial with this number of roots.

a) 3       $(x-1)(x-2)(x+3)$

b) 1       $x^3$



- (3) (10 points) Find the equation of the graph obtained by taking the graph of  $f(x) = x^2$  and shifting it 4 units to the right, then reflecting it across the y-axis, and finally shifting it up 6 units.



shift 4 units to the right :  $(x-4)^2$

reflect across y-axis :  $(-x-4)^2$

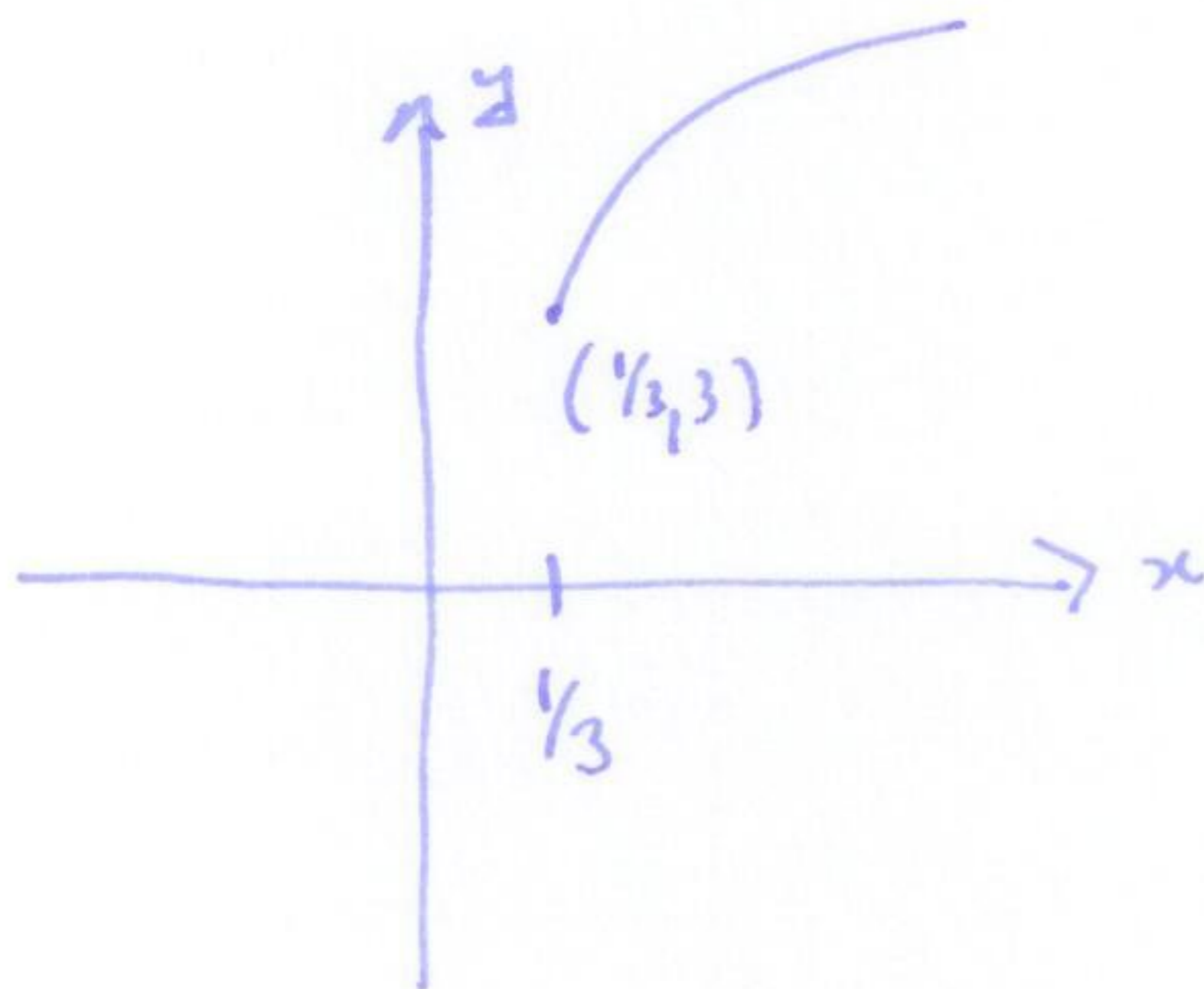
shift up 6 units :  $(-x-4)^2 + 6$

- (4) (10 points) Find the domain and the range of the following function and sketch its graph.

$$f(x) = 3 + \sqrt{3x - 1}$$

domain :  $x \geq \frac{1}{3}$  or  $[\frac{1}{3}, \infty)$

range :  $y \geq 3$  or  $[3, \infty)$

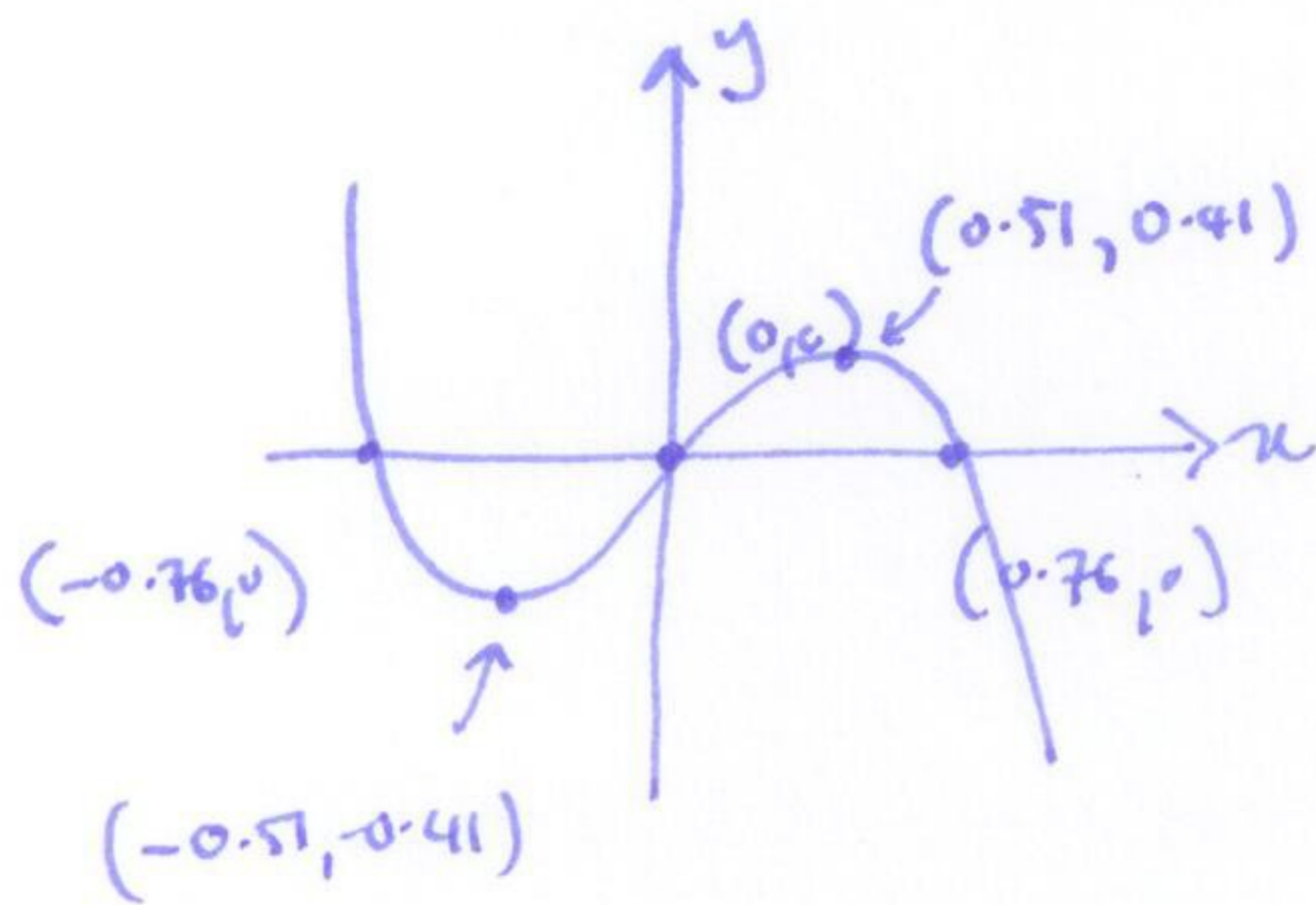




- (5) (10 points) Consider  $f(x) = x - 3x^5$ . Check  $f$  algebraically for symmetries. Graph  $f$  using the calculator and find (using the calculator) all zeros, local maxima and local minima, if any.

$$f(-x) = (-x) - 3(-x)^5 = -x + 3x^5 \neq f(x) \quad \text{not even}$$

$$f(-x) = -f(x) \quad f \text{ is } \underline{\text{odd}}$$





(6) (20 points) Let  $p(x) = 3x^3 + 7x^2 - 22x - 8$ .

- Give a complete list of all possible rational zeros.
- Check, using either long division or synthetic division, that  $x = 2$  is a rational zero.
- Find all remaining zeros.
- Write  $p$  as a product of linear factors.
- Sketch the graph of  $p$ .

$$a) \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{2}{3}, \pm \frac{4}{3}, \pm \frac{8}{3}.$$

$$b) \begin{array}{r} 3x^2 + 13x + 4 \\ x-2 \overline{) 3x^3 + 7x^2 - 22x - 8} \\ \underline{3x^3 - 6x^2} \phantom{- 8} \\ 13x^2 - 22x - 8 \\ \underline{13x^2 - 26x} \phantom{- 8} \\ 4x - 8 \\ \underline{4x - 8} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

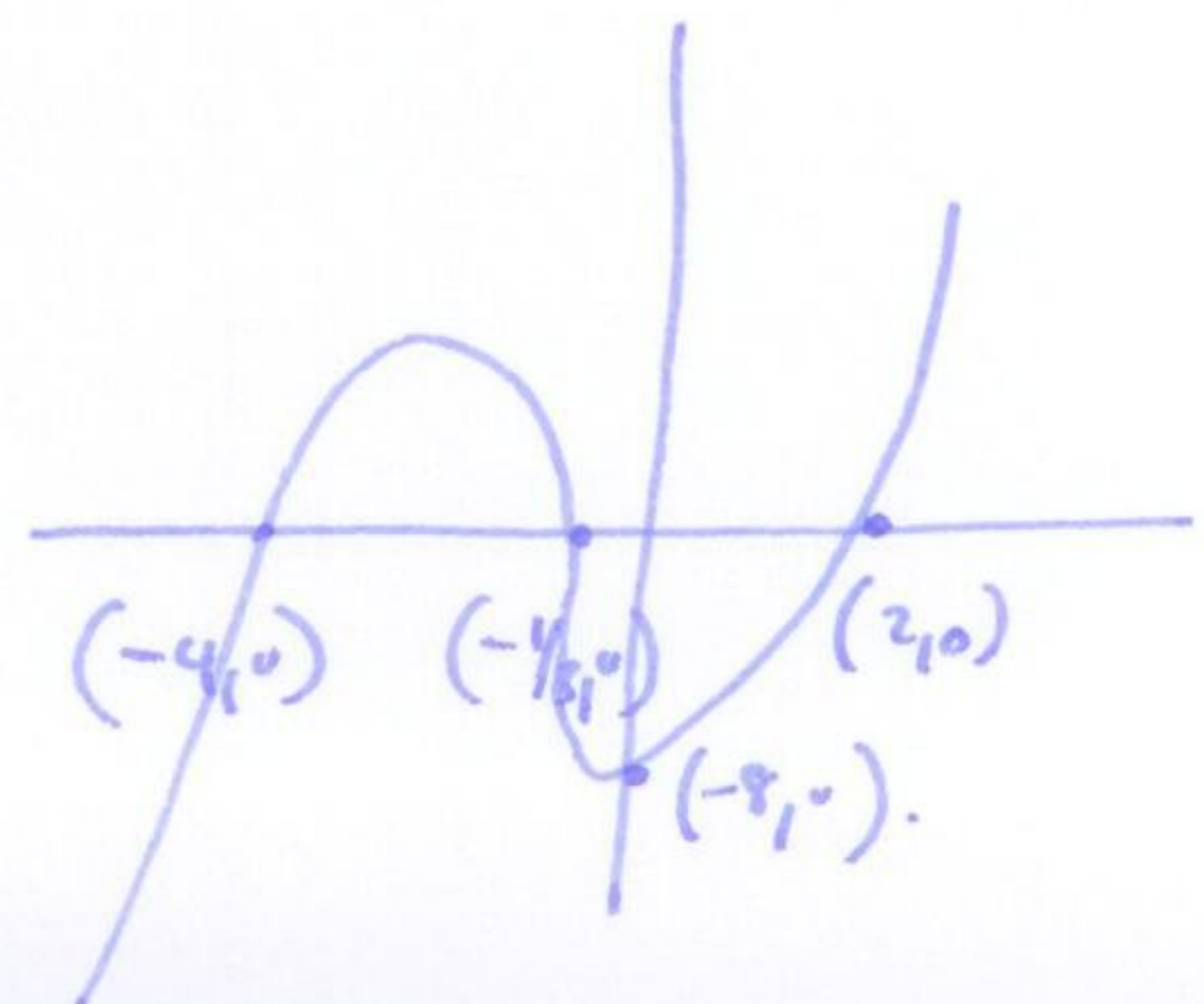
$x = 2$  is a zero.

$$c) 3x^2 + 13x + 4 = (3x + 1)(x + 4)$$

zeros are  $2, -4, -1/3$ .

$$d) p(x) = (x - 2)(3x + 1)(x + 4)$$

$$e) p(0) = -8$$





(7) (20 points) Consider the function

$$f(x) = \frac{x+2}{3x^2-9x+6}$$

- Find the domain of  $f$  and the vertical asymptotes.
- Find the horizontal asymptote of  $f$ , if it has one.
- Find the zeros of  $f$  and the value of  $f(0)$ .
- Sketch the graph of  $f$ .

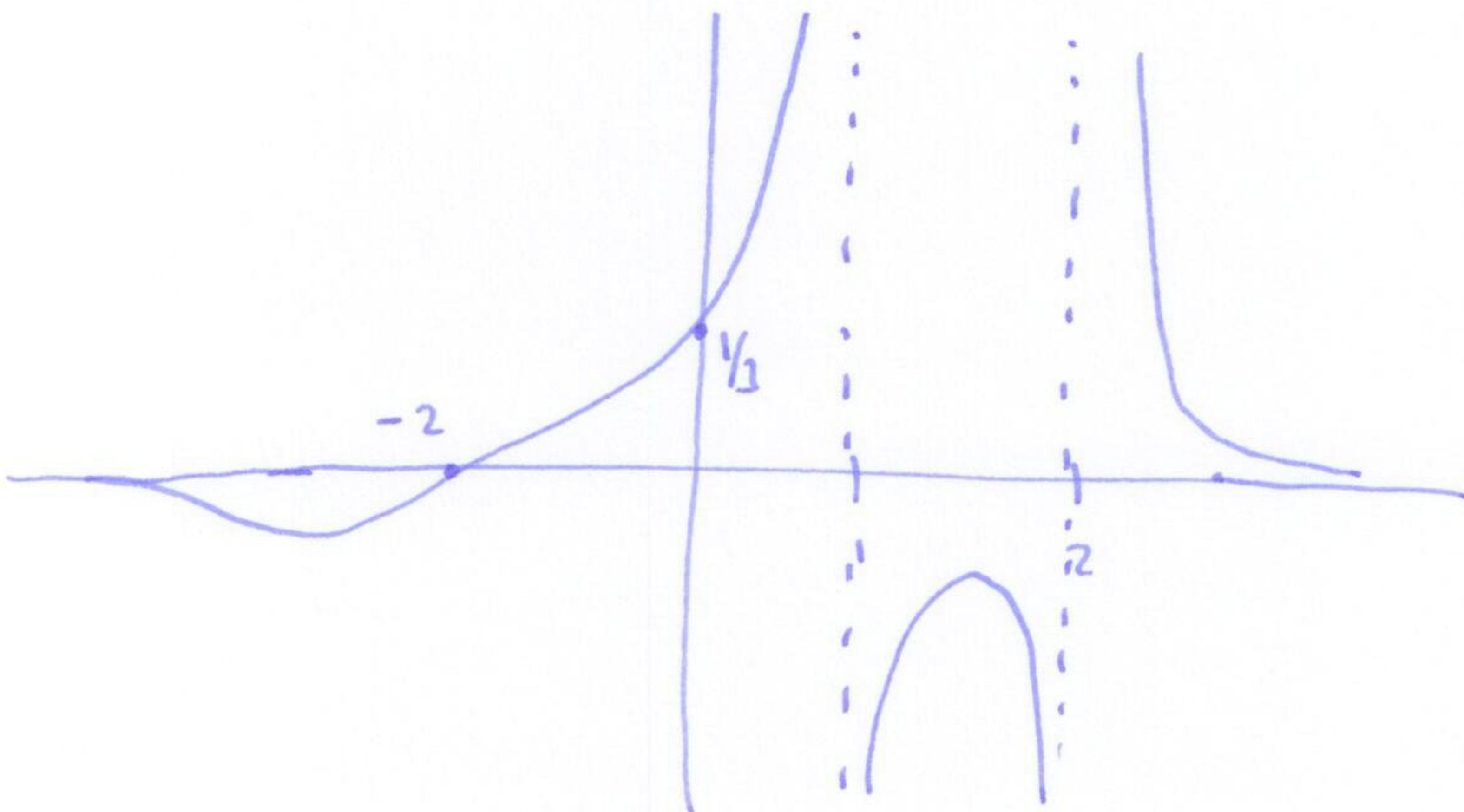
$$a) \quad 3x^2 - 9x + 6 = 3(x^2 - 3x + 2) = 3(x-2)(x-1)$$

$$\text{domain: } \mathbb{R} \setminus \{1, 2\} \text{ or } (-\infty, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$b) \quad f(x) = \frac{p}{q} \text{ with } \deg p < \deg q \Rightarrow y=0 \text{ is horizontal asymptote.}$$

$$c) \quad f(x) = 0 \text{ at } x = -2 \quad f(0) = \frac{1}{3}$$

d)





(8) (15 points) Consider the polynomials  $p$  and  $q$  given by

$$p(x) = 2x^4 + 3x^3 + 6x^2 + 12x - 8, \quad q(x) = x^2 + 4$$

- (a) Calculate  $\frac{p}{q}$  using long division.  
 (b) Find all real and complex zeros of  $p$ .

a)

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x^2 + 3x - 2 \\
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 x^2 + 4 \overline{) 2x^4 + 3x^3 + 6x^2 + 12x - 8} \\
 \underline{2x^4} \phantom{+ 3x^3} + 8x^2 \\
 3x^3 - 2x^2 + 12x - 8 \\
 \underline{3x^3} \phantom{- 2x^2} + 12x \\
 -2x^2 - 8 \\
 \underline{-2x^2} - 8 \\
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 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{p}{q} = 2x^2 + 3x - 2$$

b) roots:  $+2i, -2i, -2, \frac{1}{2}$

$$2x^2 + 3x - 2 = (x + 2)(2x - 1)$$