## Math 4050

Practice Problem Set #2

Problem 2.1 Find the partial fraction decomposition of

$$g(x) = \frac{2x+7}{(x-1)(x+2)(x-4)}$$

**Problem 2.2** Let  $f(x) = 2x^4 - 15x^2 - 11x + 6$ . Find all of the *x*-intercepts of the graph of *f*. **Problem 2.3** Let

$$g(x) = \frac{2x^3 - x^2}{x^3 + 4x^2 + 4x}$$

Sketch the graph of g(x). Be sure to label the intercepts and asymptotes.

**Problem 2.4** Factor  $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 + 9x + 10$  over the complex numbers.

Problem 2.5 Sketch the graph of

$$f(x) = -\frac{1}{20}(x+2)^2(x+1)^3(x-5)^2$$

Be sure to label all intercepts.

**Problem 2.6** Find a function Q(x) and a number R so that

$$2x^4 - 13x^3 + 10x^2 + 21x + 14 = (x - 5)Q(x) + R$$

Problem 2.7 Let

$$g(x) = \frac{x+2}{x^2 - 6x + 8}$$

Sketch the graph of g(x). Be sure to label the intercepts and asymptotes.

**Problem 2.8** The polynomial f(x) has degree 4, real coefficients, leading coefficient 3, and roots 1/4 (with multiplicity 2) and 3 - 2i. Find f(x), factored over the real numbers.

Problem 2.9 Find all roots of the polynomial

$$f(x) = 3x^4 - 23x^3 - 34x^2 - 17x - 9$$

Problem 2.10 Find the partial fraction decomposition of

$$g(x) = \frac{x^2 + x - 20}{(x+2)^2(x-1)}$$

**Problem 2.11** Let  $P(x) = x^7 - 9x^6 + 18x^5 - 29x^4 + 10x^3 - 11x^2 + 30x + 146$ . Without using a calculator, compute P(7). *Hint:* Yes, there is a trick for this one.