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SECTION:

OBJECTIVE:

**Rational Zero Theorem:** 

Steps:

## EXAMPLE:

Use the Rational Zeros Theorem to write a list of all potential rational zeros.

- 1.  $f(x) = x^2 + 7x + 12$
- 2.  $f(x) = 3x^4 8x^3 37x^2 + 2x + 40$

Use the Rational Zeros Theorem to write a list of all potential rational zeros. Then determine which ones, if any, are zeros. Show your work on a separate piece of paper.

1. 
$$f(x) = x^2 + 7x + 12$$

2. 
$$f(x) = 3x^4 - 8x^3 - 37x^2 + 2x + 40$$

Upper Bounds:

Lower Bounds:

Steps:

EXAMPLE:

Prove the real zeros lie in the interval [-2, 5].

1.  $f(x) = 2x^4 - 7x^3 - 8x^2 + 14x + 8$ 

******Complex zeros ALWAYS come in	called conjugates!
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If you have x = 3 + i, then you must have \_\_\_\_\_.

EXAMPLE using everything from this lesson to make finding the zeros easier and less work.

Find all of the real zeros of the function, finding exact values whenever possible. Identify each zero as <u>rational</u> or <u>irrational</u>.

1.  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x + 6$