

Seminar Test Practice

① (a) $\mathbb{R} - \{2\}$

(b) $x^2 - 4 = 0$
 $(x+2)(x-2) = 0$
 $x = \pm 2$

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(c) $x^2 - x - 6 = 0$
 $(x-3)(x+2) = 0$
 $x = 3$ or -2

$\mathbb{R} - \{-2, 3\}$

(d) $\begin{array}{r|rrrr} \Downarrow & 1 & -3 & -6 & 8 \\ & & 1 & -2 & -8 \\ \hline & 1 & -2 & -8 & 0 \end{array}$

$(x-1)(x^2 - 2x - 8) = 0$
 $(x-1)(x-4)(x+2) = 0$
 $x = -2, 1, \text{ or } 4$

$\mathbb{R} - \{-2, 1, 4\}$

(e) $\begin{array}{r|rrrr} \Downarrow & 1 & 1 & -8 & -12 \\ & & 1 & 2 & -6 \\ \hline & 1 & 2 & -6 & -18 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} \Downarrow & 1 & 1 & -8 & -12 \\ & & -1 & 0 & 8 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & -8 & -4 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & 1 & -8 & -12 \\ & & 2 & 6 & -4 \\ \hline & 1 & 3 & -2 & -16 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -2 & 1 & 1 & -8 & -12 \\ & & -2 & 2 & 12 \\ \hline & 1 & -1 & -6 & 0 \end{array}$

$(x+2)(x^2 - x - 6) = 0$
 $(x+2)(x-3)(x+2) = 0$
 $x = -2, 3$

$\mathbb{R} - \{-2, 3\}$

(f) $\begin{array}{r|rrrr} \Downarrow & 1 & 12 & 47 & 60 \\ & & -1 & 7 & -36 \\ \hline & 1 & 11 & 36 & 24 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -2 & 1 & 12 & 47 & 60 \\ & & -2 & -20 & -54 \\ \hline & 1 & 10 & 27 & 6 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -3 & 1 & 12 & 47 & 60 \\ & & -3 & -27 & -60 \\ \hline & 1 & 9 & 20 & 0 \end{array}$

$(x+3)(x^2 + 9x + 20) = 0$
 $(x+3)(x+4)(x+5) = 0$
 $x = -5, -4, -3$

$\mathbb{R} - \{-5, -4, -3\}$

$$(2) (a) \boxed{-2}$$

$$(b) f(x) = \frac{x-2}{(x-2)(x+2)} = \frac{1}{x+2}, x \neq 2$$

$\boxed{\text{no } x\text{-intercept}}$

$$(c) f(x) = \frac{(x+3)\cancel{(x-3)}}{\cancel{(x-3)}(x+2)} = \frac{x+3}{x+2}, x \neq 3$$

$$\boxed{-3}$$

$$(d) f(x) = \frac{\cancel{(x+2)}(x-2)}{(x-1)(x-4)\cancel{(x+2)}} = \frac{x-2}{(x-1)(x-4)}, x \neq -2$$

see 1d

$$\boxed{2}$$

$$(3) (a) \boxed{x=2}$$

$$(b) f(x) = \frac{x-2}{(x-2)(x+2)} = \frac{1}{x+2}, x \neq 2$$

$$\boxed{x=-2}$$

$$(c) f(x) = \frac{(x+3)\cancel{(x-3)}}{\cancel{(x-3)}(x+2)} = \frac{x+3}{x+2}, x \neq 3$$

$$\boxed{x=-2}$$

$$(d) f(x) = \frac{(x-2)\cancel{(x+2)}}{(x-1)(x-4)\cancel{(x+2)}} = \frac{x-2}{(x-1)(x-4)}, x \neq -2$$

$$\boxed{x=1, x=4}$$