

## Answers:

1. A: 8                      B:  $-8$                       C:  $\left(-\frac{4}{3}, \frac{7}{3}\right]$                       D:  $-1$   
\*NOTE: The answer to Part C must be in correct interval notation!\*
2. A: 14                      B: 9                      C: 2                      D: 7
3. A:  $\infty$                       B:  $(2, 1, 1)$                       C:  $\left(-13, \frac{21}{2}\right)$                       D:  $\emptyset$   
\*NOTE: The answers to Parts A and D must be in the form  $\infty$  and  $\emptyset$ , respectively!\*
4. A:  $\frac{5}{6}$                       B:  $-3$                       C: 0                      D: DNE
5. A:  $\frac{2}{5}$                       B:  $-4$                       C: 1                      D: 36  
\*NOTE:  $x = -1$  is an extraneous solution in Part C and should not be included in the final answer!\*
6. A:  $(8, 1)$                       B:  $30\sqrt{10}$                       C:  $32\sqrt{5}$                       D:  $6\sqrt{5}$
7. A:  $[-5, 7]$                       B:  $(-\infty, -5] \cup (0, 7]$                       C:  $[1, 5]$                       D:  $\frac{5}{4}$  *or* 1.25
8. A: 9                      B: 2                      C: 3                      D:  $\left(-1, -\frac{5}{4}\right)$  *or*  $(-1, -1.25)$
9. A: 18                      B: 20                      C: 12                      D: 15
10. A: 2                      B:  $\frac{5}{4}$  *or* 1.25                      C: 2                      D: 36  
\*NOTE:  $x = 1$  is an extraneous solution in Part B and should not be included in the final answer!\*
11. A:  $5 + 2\sqrt{6}$                       B: 6                      C:  $-4 + 2i$                       D:  $-1$   
\*NOTE:  $x = 3$  is an extraneous solution in Part B and should not be included in the final answer!\*
12. A: 3                      B:  $\frac{1}{4}$                       C:  $-1$                       D:  $-1$
13. A:  $-12$                       B: 2.5 *or*  $\frac{5}{2}$                       C: II                      D: 3

**Solutions:**

**1. A: 8                      B: -8                      C:  $\left(-\frac{4}{3}, \frac{7}{3}\right]$                       D: -1**

**A:** Let  $x$  represent the number. Solve:  $x + 3 = 2x - 5 \rightarrow x = 8$ .

**B:**  $\frac{(6-10)^3 - (-4^2)}{2 + 8(2) \div 4} = \frac{(-4)^3 + 16}{2 + 16 \div 4} = \frac{-64 + 16}{2 + 4} = -\frac{48}{6} = -8$

**C:**  $\frac{1}{15} \leq \frac{8-3x}{15} < \frac{4}{5} \rightarrow 1 \leq 8 - 3x < 12 \rightarrow -7 \leq -3x < 4 \rightarrow \frac{7}{3} \geq x > -\frac{4}{3} \rightarrow -\frac{4}{3} < x \leq \frac{7}{3} \rightarrow x \in \left(-\frac{4}{3}, \frac{7}{3}\right]$ .

**D:** By Vieta's Theorem, the sum of the roots of  $f(x) = x^n - 1$  for even  $n \geq 2$  is given by the negative of the coefficient of the  $x^{n-1}$  term divided by the leading coefficient and the product of the roots of  $f(x)$  is given by the constant term divided by the leading coefficient; thus:  $s = \frac{-0}{1} = 0$  and  $p = \frac{-1}{1} = -1 \rightarrow s + p = -1$ . For those unfamiliar with Vieta's Theorem, one can note that the two real roots of  $f(x) = x^n - 1$  when  $n$  is even are  $x = \pm 1$  and that all  $n - 2$  remaining imaginary roots will appear in conjugate pairs. Thus, if one only considers the two real roots of  $f(x)$  to answer the question, they will arrive at the same result.

**2. A: 14                      B: 9                      C: 2                      D: 7**

**A:** Noting that the degree of  $f(x) = x^2(4x^2 - 9)(9x^2 + 4)(x^2 - 7)(x^2 - 9)^3 = 36x^{14} + \dots$  (when expanded) is 14, then  $f(x)$  has 14 total complex roots.

**B:** The roots of  $f(x)$  along with their multiplicities are as follows:

$x = 0$  with multiplicity 2

$x = \pm \frac{3}{2}$

$x = \pm \frac{2}{3}i$

$x = \pm\sqrt{7}$

$x = 3$  with multiplicity 3

$x = -3$  with multiplicity 3

Thus,  $f(x)$  has 9 distinct complex roots.

**C:** Inspecting the list in the solution to Part B above, we can see  $f(x)$  has 2 distinct non-real complex roots.

**D:** Inspecting the list in the solution to Part B above, we can see  $f(x)$  has 7 distinct real roots.

**3. A:  $\infty$                       B: (2, 1, 1)                      C:  $\left(-13, \frac{21}{2}\right)$                       D:  $\emptyset$**

**A:**  $\begin{cases} 2x + 6y = 8 \\ 3x + 9y = 12 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 3(2x + 6y) = 3(8) \\ -2(3x + 9y) = -2(12) \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 6x + 18y = 24 \\ -6x - 18y = -24 \end{cases} \rightarrow \infty$  because there are infinitely many solutions.

**B:**  $\begin{cases} x - y + 2z = 3 \\ 4x + y - z = 8 \\ 3x - y + z = 6 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 5x + z = 11 \\ 7x = 14 \end{cases}$  after using the 2<sup>nd</sup> equation to eliminate  $y$  from both the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

equations. Solving  $\begin{cases} 5x + z = 11 \\ 7x = 14 \end{cases} \rightarrow x = 2$  and  $5(2) + z = 11 \rightarrow z = 1$ ; and then,  $2 - y + 2(1) = 3 \rightarrow y = 1$ .

Thus, the unique ordered triple solution is (2, 1, 1).

$$\mathbf{C:} \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{3}y = 3 \\ 0.125x + 0.25y = 1 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 6\left(-\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{3}y\right) = 6(3) \\ 8\left(\frac{1}{8}x + \frac{1}{4}y\right) = 8(1) \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} -3x - 2y = 18 \\ x + 2y = 8 \end{cases} \rightarrow -2x = 26 \rightarrow x = -13.$$

Substituting  $x = -13$  back in gives us  $-13 + 2y = 8 \rightarrow 2y = 21 \rightarrow y = \frac{21}{2} \rightarrow (-13, \frac{21}{2})$  is the solution.

**D:** This system of equations is nowhere near as bad as it first appears if one notices that when the 1<sup>st</sup> equation is multiplied through by  $\sqrt{3}$  and the 2<sup>nd</sup> equation is multiplied through by  $\sqrt{2}$ , we get the following:

$$\begin{cases} \sqrt{3}(2\sqrt{3}x + 3\sqrt{2}y = \pi\sqrt{3}) \\ \sqrt{2}(3\sqrt{2}x + 3\sqrt{3}y = \pi\sqrt{2}) \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 6x + 3\sqrt{6}y = 3\pi \\ 6x + 3\sqrt{6}y = 2\pi \end{cases}$$

Now, subtracting the 2<sup>nd</sup> equation from the 1<sup>st</sup> equation yields the contradiction  $0 = \pi$ , which indicates that there is no solution to the system:  $\emptyset$ .

**4.    A:  $\frac{5}{6}$                                     B:  $-3$                                     C:  $0$                                     D: DNE**

$$\mathbf{A:} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & \frac{3}{4} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{5}{3} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{5}{3} - \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$\mathbf{B:} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 2(2 - 3) - (-2)(8 - 9) + 1(4 - 3) = -3$$

**C:** Since 4<sup>th</sup> row of the given  $6 \times 6$  matrix consists of all 0's, the determinant of the matrix is 0.

**D:** Since the given matrix is of the order  $3 \times 4$ , the determinant is not defined; therefore: DNE.

**5.    A:  $\frac{2}{5}$                                     B:  $-4$                                     C:  $1$                                     D:  $36$**

$$\mathbf{A:} \log_5(\log_2 32 + \log_{32} 4 - \log_5 \sqrt[5]{25})^{2/5} = \log_5(\log_2 2^5 + \log_{2^5} 2^2 - \log_5 5^{2/5})^{2/5} = \log_5\left(5 + \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{5}\right)^{2/5} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\mathbf{B:} 4^{3x-12} = \left(\frac{1}{64}\right)^{-2x} \rightarrow 4^{3x-12} = (4^3)^{2x} \rightarrow 4^{3x-12} = 4^{6x} \rightarrow 3x - 12 = 6x \rightarrow -3x = 12 \rightarrow x = -4.$$

**C:**  $\ln(x^3 + 1) - \ln(x + 1) = \ln(-x + 2) \rightarrow \frac{x^3 + 1}{x + 1} = -x + 2 \rightarrow \frac{(x + 1)(x^2 - x + 1)}{x + 1} = -x + 2 \rightarrow x^2 - x + 1 = -x + 2 \rightarrow x^2 - 1 = 0 \rightarrow x = \pm 1$ . However, when we check each potential solution in the original logarithmic equation, we will find that  $x = -1$  is an extraneous solution. So,  $x = 1$  is the only real solution.

**D:** To solve the equation  $(x^2 - 8)^{x^2 - 4} = 1$  for all real values of  $x$ , we must first realize that any solution must do one of two things: either make the base of  $x^2 - 8 = 1$  (while at the same time making the exponent of  $x^2 - 4 \neq 0$ ); or, make the exponent of  $x^2 - 4 = 0$  (while at the same time making the base of  $x^2 - 8 = 0$ ). Thus, solving both  $x^2 - 4 = 0$  and  $x^2 - 8 = 1$  give us a solution set for  $x$  of  $\{-2, 2, -3, 3\}$  and the product of these four values is 36 since all four values meet one of the aforementioned criteria.

6.    **A:** (8, 1)                    **B:**  $30\sqrt{10}$                     **C:**  $32\sqrt{5}$                     **D:**  $6\sqrt{5}$

**A:** Since the graph of the given equation of  $x = -2y^2 + 4y + 6$  is that of a parabola which opens sideways and to the left, the  $y$ -coordinate of the vertex is given by  $y = -\frac{4}{2(-2)} = 1$  and so the  $x$ -coordinate is given by  $x = -2(1)^2 + 4(1) + 6 = 8$ . Thus, the vertex is (8, 1) as an ordered pair.

**B:** Completing the square for both the  $x$ -terms and the  $y$ -terms and converting into standard form we get:  $x^2 + y^2 + 10y + 6x - 6 = 0 \rightarrow (x^2 + 6x + 9) + (y^2 + 10y + 25) = 6 + 9 + 25 \rightarrow (x + 3)^2 + (y + 5)^2 = 40$ . Thus, the center is  $(-3, -5)$  and the radius is  $r = 2\sqrt{10}$ . Thus,  $abr = (-3)(-5)(2\sqrt{10}) = 30\sqrt{10}$ .

**C:**  $5x^2 + 4y^2 = 80 \rightarrow \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{20} = 1$  and so the length of the minor axis is  $2a = 2\sqrt{16} = 8$  and the length of the major axis is  $2b = 2\sqrt{20} = 4\sqrt{5}$ . The product of these two values is  $8(4\sqrt{5}) = 32\sqrt{5}$ .

**D:**  $5x^2 - 4y^2 = 100 \rightarrow \frac{x^2}{20} - \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$  and so the distance between the two foci is  $2\sqrt{20 + 25} = 2\sqrt{45} = 6\sqrt{5}$ .

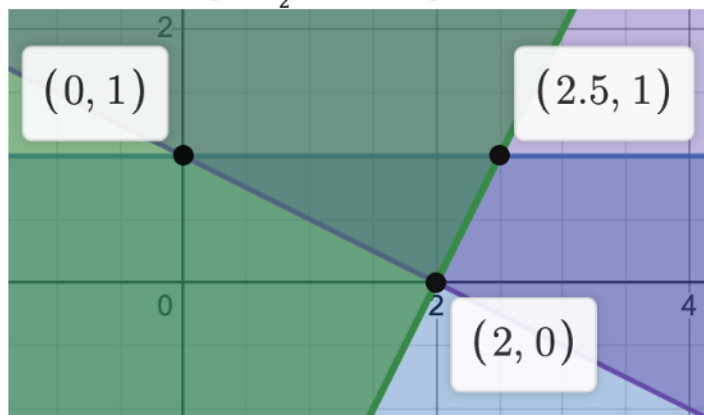
7.    **A:**  $[-5, 7]$                     **B:**  $(-\infty, -5] \cup (0, 7]$                     **C:**  $[1, 5]$                     **D:**  $\frac{5}{4}$  or 1.25

**A:**  $2x + 35 \geq x^2 \rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 35 \leq 0 \rightarrow (x + 5)(x - 7) \rightarrow x = -5, x = 7$  are the critical values. Testing values in each of the three subintervals of the real number line formed by these two critical values results in  $[-5, 7]$  as the solution set. Likewise, since the graph of  $y = x^2 - 2x - 35$  is that of a parabola opening up with  $x$ -intercepts located at  $x = -5$  and  $x = 7$ , the graph of the parabola is less than or equal to 0 (i.e., below or equal to the  $x$ -axis) between the  $x$ -intercepts of  $x = -5$  and  $x = 7$ .

**B:**  $x - 2 \leq \frac{35}{x} \rightarrow x = 0$  is a critical value and since  $x - 2 \leq \frac{35}{x} \rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 35 \leq 0 \rightarrow (x + 5)(x - 7) \rightarrow x = -5$  and  $x = 7$  are critical values as well. Testing points within each of the four subintervals of the real number line formed by these three critical values yields the solution set of  $(-\infty, -5] \cup (0, 7]$ .

**C:**  $\left| \frac{3x-5}{x} \right| \leq 2 \rightarrow \frac{3x-5}{x} \leq 2$  and  $\frac{3x-5}{x} \geq -2 \rightarrow 3x - 4 \leq 2x$  and  $3x - 4 \geq -2 \rightarrow x \leq 5$  and  $x \geq 1$  which makes the solution set  $[1, 5]$ .

**D:** The solution region defined in the question forms a triangle with vertices located at  $(0, 1)$ ,  $(2, 0)$ , and  $(\frac{5}{2}, 1)$ . The length of the base of this triangle is  $\frac{5}{2}$  and its height is 1; so, the area of it is  $\frac{1}{2}(5)(1) = \frac{5}{4}$ .



**8. A: 9 B: 2 C: 3 D:  $(-1, -\frac{5}{4})$  or  $(-1, -1.25)$**

**A:** We are given  $x + y = 10$ ; so,  $(x + y)^2 = x^2 + 2xy + y^2 = 100$ . Also,  $(x - y)^2 = x^2 - 2xy + y^2 = 64$ . Subtracting the two equations gives:  $4xy = 36$ . So,  $xy = 9$ .

**B:**  $x = -\frac{x}{1-\frac{1}{x}} \rightarrow -1 = 1 - \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{x}} \rightarrow 2 = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{x}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = 1 - \frac{1}{x} \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow x = 2$ .

**C:**  $f(x) = \frac{x+5}{x^2-2x-3} + \frac{x}{x-3} - \frac{x}{x+1} = \frac{x+5+x(x+1)-x(x-3)}{(x-3)(x+1)} = \frac{5x+5}{(x-3)(x+1)} = \frac{5(x+1)}{(x-3)(x+1)} = \frac{5}{x-3}$ . Therefore,  $f(x)$  has a vertical asymptote located at  $x = 3$  and a horizontal asymptote at the x-axis, or  $y = 0$ , because the degree of the denominator of  $f(x)$  is greater than the degree of the numerator. Thus,  $3 + 0 = 3$ .

**D:** Since the factor of  $x + 1$  cancels between the numerator and the denominator of  $f(x)$  as noted in the algebraic simplification in Part C above,  $f(x)$  has a hole in the graph located at  $x = -1$  and  $y = \frac{5}{-1-3} = -\frac{5}{4}$ .

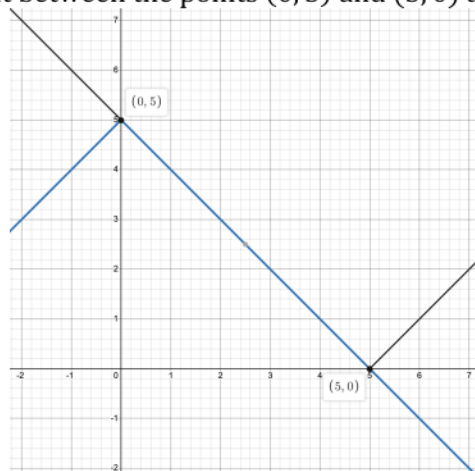
**9. A: 18 B: 20 C: 12 D: 15**

**A:**  $|x - 2| < 5 \rightarrow x - 2 < 5$  or  $x - 2 > -5 \rightarrow x > -3$  or  $x < 7$ . Thus, the sum of the integral solutions is  $-2 - 1 + 0 + 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 = 18$ .

**B:**  $|x^2 - 25| < 24 \rightarrow x^2 - 25 < 24$  or  $x^2 - 25 > -24$ . Now, with  $x$  being restricted to positive integral values, we have  $x^2 - 25 < 24 \rightarrow x^2 < 49$  and  $x^2 > 1 \rightarrow x > 1$  and  $x < 7 \rightarrow x = 2, 3, 4, 5, \text{ or } 6$ . The sum of these positive integral solutions is  $2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 = 20$ .

**C:**  $0 < |x^2 - 25| < 25 \rightarrow |x^2 - 25| < 25 \rightarrow x^2 < 50 \rightarrow |x| < \sqrt{50} \leq 7$  which gives us an integral solution set for  $x$  of  $\{-7, -6, -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$ . However, noting that letting  $x = \pm 5$  makes the given expression of  $|x^2 - 25| = 0$  and  $x = 0$  makes the given expression of  $|x^2 - 25| = 25$ , we need to eliminate those three values from the integral solution set of  $x$ . This leaves us with the following solution set for  $x$   $\{-7, -6, -4, -3, -2, -1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7\}$  which has 12 elements.

**D:**  $|x - 5| = -|x| + 5 \rightarrow x - 5 = -x + 5 \rightarrow 2x = 10 \rightarrow x = 5$  or  $-(x - 5) = -(-x) + 5 \rightarrow 2x = 0 \rightarrow x = 0$ . However, note that another alternative is  $x - 5 = -(-x) + 5 \rightarrow 0 = 0$  which indicates that there are infinitely many real number solutions to the given inequality between  $x = 0$  and  $x = 5$ , inclusive. This is seen when we graph the two sides of the given equality separately as  $y = |x - 5|$  and  $y = -|x| + 5$  and note that they share a line segment between the points  $(0, 5)$  and  $(5, 0)$  as shown below:



This makes the sum of the integral solutions  $0 + 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 = 15$ .

10. A: 2

B:  $\frac{5}{4}$  or 1.25

C: 2

D: 36

A: The slope of the given line is  $\frac{2-4}{1+3} = -\frac{1}{2}$ . So, the perpendicular line's slope is the opposite reciprocal: 2.

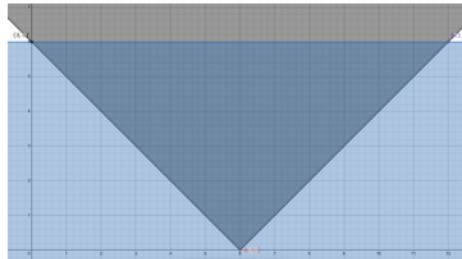
B:  $\frac{4x^2-24x}{3x^2-x-2} + \frac{3}{3x+2} = \frac{-4}{x-1} \rightarrow \frac{4x^2-24x}{(3x+2)(x-1)} + \frac{3}{3x+2} = \frac{-4}{x-1} \rightarrow 4x^2 - 24x + 3(x-1) = -4(3x+2) \rightarrow$

$4x^2 - 24x + 3x - 3 = -12x - 8 \rightarrow 4x^2 - 9x + 5 = 0 \rightarrow (4x-5)(x-1) = 0 \rightarrow x = \frac{5}{4}$  or  $x = 1$ .

However,  $x = 1$  is an extraneous solution because it makes two of the denominators in the original equation equal to 0. Therefore, the only valid solution is  $x = \frac{5}{4}$  or 1.25.

C:  $\begin{cases} x^2 + (y-2)^2 = 4 \\ -x^2 + y = -2 \end{cases} \rightarrow (y-2)^2 + y = 2$  by adding the two equations. Expanding the binomial and putting everything into the standard form of a quadratic equation, we obtain  $y^2 - 3y + 2 = 0$  which becomes  $(y-1)(y-2) = 0 \rightarrow y = 1$  or  $y = 2$ . Solving  $-x^2 + y = -2$  for  $x$  gives us  $x = \pm\sqrt{y+2}$  which leads to the four points of intersection being  $(\pm\sqrt{3}, 1)$  and  $(\pm 2, 2)$ . Thus,  $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{(-\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{3})(-2)(2)}{1+1+2+2} = \frac{12}{6} = 2$ .

D: Graphing  $|x-6| \leq y$  results in shading the region above the absolute value function  $y = |x-6|$  and graphing the solution set to  $-2 \leq y \leq 6$  results in shading the region in the coordinate plane between the lines  $y = -2$  and  $y = 6$ . Setting  $|x-6| = 6$  results in the points of intersection between  $|x-6| \leq y$  and  $y = 6$  being  $(0, 6)$  and  $(12, 6)$ . Now, since the vertex of  $y = |x-6|$  is the point  $(6, 0)$ , the resulting bounded region is a triangle with vertices at  $(0, 6)$ ,  $(6, 0)$  and  $(12, 6)$ . This triangle has a base of 12 and a height of 6 for an area of  $\frac{1}{2}(6)(12) = 36$ . This is seen in the graph below:



11. A:  $5 + 2\sqrt{6}$

B: 6

C:  $-4 + 2i$

D: -1

A:  $\frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}} \rightarrow \frac{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2})}{(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2})} = \frac{3+2\sqrt{6}+2}{3-2} = 5 + 2\sqrt{6}$

B:  $x - \sqrt{x-2} = 4 \rightarrow (x-4)^2 = (\sqrt{x-2})^2 \rightarrow x^2 - 8x + 16 = x - 2 \rightarrow x^2 - 9x + 18 = 0 \rightarrow (x-3)(x-6) = 0 \rightarrow x = 3$  or  $x = 6$ . However, when we check each of these two potential solutions in the original equation, we realize that  $x = 3$  is extraneous which leaves us with only  $x = 6$  as a solution.

C:  $\frac{6}{1+i} \times \frac{10}{2+3i} \times \frac{13i}{6-9i} \times \frac{1+2i}{5-5i} = \frac{6}{1+i} \times \frac{10}{2+3i} \times \frac{13i}{3(2-3i)} \times \frac{1+2i}{5(1-i)}$ . Rearranging some of the factors, we get:  
 $\left[ \frac{6}{(1+i)} \times \frac{1+2i}{5(1-i)} \right] \times \left[ \frac{10}{(2+3i)} \times \frac{13i}{3(2-3i)} \right] = \frac{6(1+2i)}{5(2)} \times \frac{13(10i)}{3(13)} = 2i(1+2i) = -4 + 2i$ .

D: Since  $n$  is some non-negative integer, then we have the following:

$i^{4n} = (i^4)^n = 1^n = 1, i^{4n+1} = (i^4)^n i = 1^n i = i, i^{4n+2} = (i^4)^n i^2 = 1^n (-1) = -1$ , and  $i^{4n+3} = (i^4)^n i^3 = 1^n i^3 = -i$ , etc. Thus, the given expression simplifies as follows:

$(i^{4n} + i^{4n+1} + i^{4n+2} + i^{4n+3} + i^{4n+4} + i^{4n+5} + i^{4n+6} + i^{4n+7} + i^{4n+8} + i^{4n+9} + i^{4n+10})^{4n+2} = (1 + i + (-1) + (-i) + 1 + i + (-1) + (-i) + 1 + i + (-1))^{4n+2} = i^{4n+2} = (i^4)^n (i)^2 = -1$

**12. A: 3**                      **B:  $\frac{1}{4}$**                       **C:  $-1$**                       **D:  $-1$**

**A:** By the Rational Root Theorem, the set of potential rational roots of  $f(x)$  is  $\{\pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{1}{4}\}$ . Using synthetic division on the two easiest options of  $x = \pm 1$  yields  $x = -1$  as a rational root of  $f(x)$  which we can now factor as follows:

$$f(x) = 4x^5 + 4x^4 + 3x^3 + 3x^2 - x - 1 = (x + 1)(4x^4 + 3x^2 - 1) = (x + 1)(4x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 1) = (x + 1)(2x + 1)(2x - 1)(x^2 + 1)$$
 and so, the roots are  $\{-1, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -i, i\}$  of which 3 are rational.

**B:** Using the set of roots found in the solution to Part A, the product of the roots is  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

**C:** Using the set of roots found in the solution to Part A, the sum of the roots is  $-1$ .

**D:** Using the set of roots found in the solution to Part A, the sum of the reciprocals of the roots is  $-1$ .

**13. A:  $-12$**                       **B:  $2.5$  or  $\frac{5}{2}$**                       **C: II**                      **D: 3**

**A:** Let  $x = 0$ ; then,  $p = 2(0)^2 - 5(0) - 12 = -12$ .

**B:**  $y = 2x^2 - 5x - 12 = (2x + 3)(x - 4) = 0$  when  $x = -\frac{3}{2}, x = 4$ . Then  $m + n = -\frac{3}{2} + 4 = 2.5$  or  $\frac{5}{2}$ .

**C:** The vertex of both parabolas is  $(-1, 4)$  where one opens up and the other down. The sole intersection point is in the second quadrant.

**D:** Two parabolas need not intersect, such as  $y = x^2 + 1$  and  $y = -x^2 - 1$ , so  $r = 0$ . Two parabolas can intersect a maximum of two times, such as  $y = x^2 - 1$  and  $y = 1 - x^2$ , so  $s = 2$ . Then  $r^s + s^r + r + s = 2^0 + 0^2 + 2 + 0 = 3$ .