

Solving of $\frac{5(x^4+3x^2-1)}{6} = 0$

$\frac{5(x^4+3x^2-1)}{6} = 0$ is equivalent to the fourth degree equation $ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e = 0$ with:

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \frac{5}{6} \\ b &= 0 \\ c &= \frac{5}{2} \\ d &= 0 \\ e &= -\frac{5}{6} \end{aligned}$$

It is a bi-squared equation. We thus write $X = x^2$.

This takes us to the equation: $\frac{5X^2}{6} + \frac{5X}{2} - \frac{5}{6} = 0$. Its discriminant is equal to $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac = (\frac{5}{2})^2 - 4(\frac{5}{6})(-\frac{5}{6}) = \frac{325}{36} \simeq 9,03 > 0$.

This second degree equation has thus two solutions:

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= \frac{-b-\sqrt{\Delta}}{2a} = \frac{-\sqrt{13}}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \simeq -3,30 \\ X_2 &= \frac{-b+\sqrt{\Delta}}{2a} = \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \simeq 0,303 \end{aligned}$$

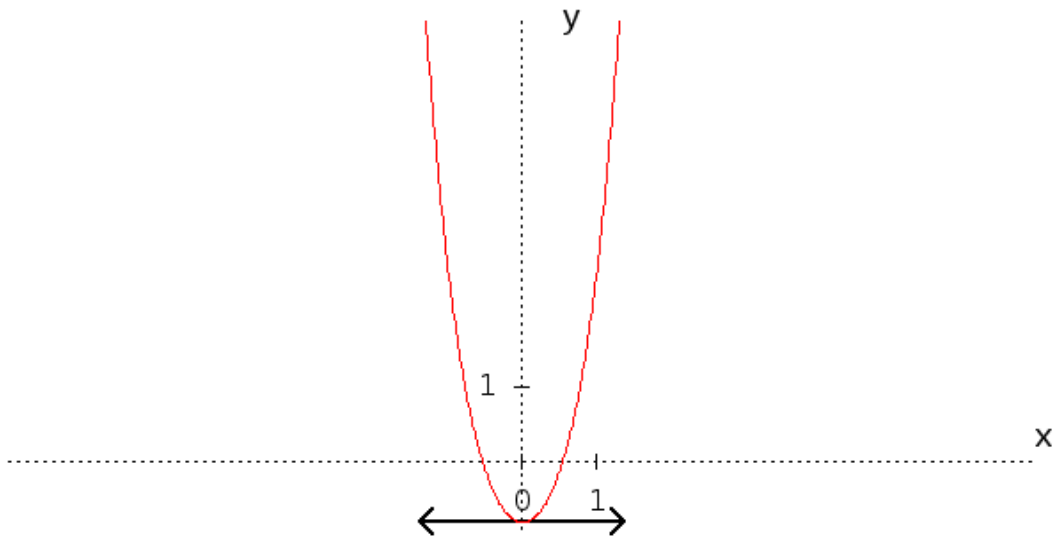
Since $X_1 < 0$ and $X_2 > 0$, we get the real solutions:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \sqrt{X_2} = \frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}-3}}{\sqrt{2}} \simeq 0,550 \\ x_2 &= -\sqrt{X_2} = -\frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}-3}}{\sqrt{2}} \simeq -0,550 \end{aligned}$$

All solutions in \mathbb{R} are thus: $S = \left\{ -\frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}-3}}{\sqrt{2}}; \frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}-3}}{\sqrt{2}} \right\}$.

Graphically, the curve having for equation $y = \frac{5x^4}{6} + \frac{5x^2}{2} - \frac{5}{6}$ is cutting the x axis two times, at points having for abscisse x_1 and x_2 .





You can view dynamically the curve by clicking here: http://www.lovemaths.fr/curve_en.html (and then accept to run the java application).

Regarding complex solutions, we find in \mathbb{C} :

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1 &= \sqrt{X_2} = \frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}-3}}{\sqrt{2}} \simeq 0,550 \\
 x_2 &= -\sqrt{X_2} = -\frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}-3}}{\sqrt{2}} \simeq -0,550 \\
 x_3 &= i\sqrt{-X_1} = \frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}+3}i}{\sqrt{2}} \simeq 1,82i \\
 x_4 &= -i\sqrt{-X_1} = -\frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}+3}i}{\sqrt{2}} \simeq -1,82i
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } S = \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}+3}i}{\sqrt{2}}; -\frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}+3}i}{\sqrt{2}}; \frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}-3}}{\sqrt{2}}; -\frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}-3}}{\sqrt{2}} \right\}.$$

Note: these results have been obtained from an automated program and are not guaranteed to be exact.