

Division of Polynomials

Complete each division

$$\begin{array}{r} 18a^5c^3 + 21a^4c - 24a^3c^2 \\ \hline -3a^3c \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -12m^4n^2 + 30m^2n^5 + 6m^3n^2 - m^4n^3 \\ \hline -6m^3n^2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 + 8x^2 - 5x - 60 \\ \hline x + 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6x^3 - x^2 - 23x + 28 \\ \hline 3x + 7 \end{array}$$

Nested forms:

$$\begin{aligned} q(x) &= 7x^2 - x + 10 \\ &= (7x^2 - x) + 10 \\ &= x(7x - 1) + 10 \\ &= x((7x) - 1) + 10 \end{aligned}$$

$$q(x) = x(x(7) - 1) + 10$$

$$t(x) = 2x^3 - 25x + 15$$

$$t(x) = (2x^3 + 0x^2 - 25x) + 15$$

$$t(x) = x(2x^2 + 0x - 25) + 15$$

$$t(x) = x([2x^2 + 0x] - 25) + 15$$

$$t(x) = x(x[2x + 0] - 25) + 15$$

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$$t(x) = x(x(x(2) + 0) - 25) + 15$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= 5x^4 - 2x^3 + 6x^2 - 4x + 1 \\ &= (5x^4 - 2x^3 + 6x^2 - 4x) + 1 \\ &= x(5x^3 - 2x^2 + 6x - 4) + 1 \\ &= x([5x^3 - 2x^2 + 6x] - 4) + 1 \\ &= x(x[5x^2 - 2x + 6] - 4) + 1 \\ &= x(x[(5x^2 - 2x) + 6] - 4) + 1 \\ &= x(x[x(5x - 2) + 6] - 4) + 1 \\ &= x(x[x([5x] - 2) + 6] - 4) + 1 \\ p(x) &= x(x[x(x[5] - 2) + 6] - 4) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Synthetic Substitution:

$$q(2) = 7 \xrightarrow{\cdot 2} 14 \xrightarrow{-1} 13 \xrightarrow{\cdot 2} 26 \xrightarrow{+10} 36 \quad p(3) = 5 \xrightarrow{\cdot 3} 15 \xrightarrow{-2} 13 \xrightarrow{\cdot 3} 39 \xrightarrow{+6} 45 \xrightarrow{\cdot 3} 135 \xrightarrow{-4} 131 \xrightarrow{\cdot 3} 393 \xrightarrow{+1} 394$$

$$\therefore q(2) = 36 \quad \therefore p(3) = 394$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\[-1ex] \underline{|} & 7 & -1 & 10 \\ & 14 & 26 \\ \hline 7 & 13 & | & 36 = q(2) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\[-1ex] \underline{|} & 5 & -2 & 6 & -4 & 1 \\ & 15 & 39 & 135 & 393 \\ \hline 5 & 13 & 45 & 131 & | & 394 = p(3) \end{array}$$

$$t(-4) = 2 \xrightarrow{-4} -8 \xrightarrow{+0} -8 \xrightarrow{-4} 32 \xrightarrow{-25} 7 \xrightarrow{-4} -28 \xrightarrow{+15} -13$$

$$\therefore t(-4) = -13$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -4 \\[-1ex] \underline{|} & 2 & 0 & -25 & 15 \\ & -8 & 32 & -28 \\ \hline 2 & -8 & 7 & | & -13 = t(-4) \end{array}$$

FACTOR THEOREM: $f(c) = 0$ iff $(x-c)$ is a factor of $f(x)$.

$$\frac{3x^4 - 53x^2 + 18x + 10}{x - 4} \qquad \qquad \qquad \frac{10x^5 - 44x^4 + 18x^2 - 60x - 6}{5x + 3}$$

The Remainder Theorem

If a polynomial $f(x)$ is divided by $(x-c)$, then the remainder is $f(c)$.

Note: If $f(c) = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = (x-c)q(x)$
 \therefore If $f(c) = 0$, then $(x-c)$ is a factor of $f(x)$.

$$P(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 7x^2 + 6x - 9$$

$$\text{Determine the value of } P(2) \quad \frac{x^4 - x^3 - 7x^2 + 6x - 9}{x - 2} =$$

$$\text{Determine the value of } P(3) \quad \frac{x^4 - x^3 - 7x^2 + 6x - 9}{x - 3} =$$