

Warmup:



Divide using synthetic division:

1. $(x^3 - x^2 - 10x - 8) \div (x - 4)$

$$x^2 + 3x + 2$$

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$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 4 & 1 & -1 & -10 & -8 \\ & \downarrow & 4 & 3 & 2 \\ \hline & 1 & 3 & 2 & 0 \end{array}$$

3. $(x^4 - 5x^3 - 11x^2 - 17x - 36) \div (x - 7)$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 7 & 1 & -5 & -11 & -17 & -36 \\ & \downarrow & 7 & -2 & -21 & -126 \\ \hline & 1 & 2 & -3 & -34 & -162 \end{array}$$

2. $(x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2 - x + 2) \div (x - 2)$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ & \downarrow & 2 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{array}$$

$$x^3 + 1x + 1 + \frac{4}{x-2}$$

4. $(2x^3 - 17x^2 - 26x - 45) \div (x - 10)$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 10 & 2 & -17 & -26 & -45 \\ & \downarrow & 20 & 30 & 40 \\ \hline & 2 & 3 & 4 & -5 \end{array}$$

$$2x^2 + 3x + 4 - \frac{5}{x-10}$$

Remainder Theorem

Evaluate the following:

$$f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2 - x + 2 \quad \text{when } x = 2$$

$$f(2) = 2^4 - 2(2)^3 + 2^2 - 2 + 2 = 4$$

$$f(x) = x^4 - 5x^3 - 11x^2 - 17x - 36 \quad \text{when } x = 7$$

$$f(7) = -8$$

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 17x^2 - 26x - 45 \quad \text{when } x = 10$$

$$f(10) =$$

1. Consider the polynomial function $f(x) = 3x^2 + 8x - 4$.

a. Divide f by $x - 2$.

b. Find $f(2)$.

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

$$\div (x-2)$$

$$f(2)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \overline{) 3 \quad 8 \quad -4} \\ \underline{6 \quad 28} \\ 3 \quad 14 \quad \underline{24} \end{array}$$

$$3(2)^2 + 8(2) - 4$$

$$3 \cdot 4 + 16 - 4$$

$$12 + 16 - 4$$

$$28 - 4$$

$$= 24$$

2. Consider the polynomial function $g(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x + 8$.

a. Divide g by $x + 1$.

b. Find $g(-1)$.

$$x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x + 8$$

$$\div x + 1$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -1 \overline{) 1 \quad -3 \quad 6 \quad 8} \\ \underline{-1 \quad 4 \quad -10} \\ 1 \quad -4 \quad 10 \quad \underline{-2} \end{array}$$

$$g(-1)$$

$$(-1)^3 - 3(-1)^2 + 6(-1) + 8$$

$$-1 - 3(1) - 6 + 8$$

$$-1 - 3 - 6 + 8$$

$$-10 + 8 = -2$$

3. Consider the polynomial function $h(x) = x^3 + 2x - 3$.

a. Divide h by $x - 3$.

b. Find $h(3)$.



REMAINDER THEOREM

$P(a)$ is the remainder when the function P is divided by $x - a$.

Evaluate a function at a given value, a ,
that value is equal to the remainder,
when you divide by its linear factor, $x - a$.

$$f(x) = 5x^4 + 10x^2 - 6x + 7$$

$$f(-4) = 5(-4)^4 + 10(-4)^2 - 6(-4) + 7 = 1471$$

-4	5	0	10	-6	7
	↓	-20	80	-360	1464
	5	-20	90	-366	1471

Use the Remainder Theorem to evaluate $f(x) = 6x^3 - 5x^2 + 4x - 17$ at $x = 3$.

$$\begin{array}{r} \underline{3} \mid \quad 6 \quad -5 \quad 4 \quad -17 \\ \quad \downarrow \quad 18 \quad 39 \quad 129 \\ \hline \quad 6 \quad 13 \quad 43 \quad 112 \end{array}$$

$$f(3) = 112$$

$$(3, 112)$$

Using the Remainder Theorem, find the value of $f(-5)$, for $f(x) = 3x^4 + 2x^3 + 4x$.

$$x = -5$$

$$\div (x+5)$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 -5 \overline{) 3 \quad 2 \quad 0 \quad 4 \quad 0} \\
 \underline{ \downarrow } -15 \quad 65 \quad -325 \quad 1605} \\
 3 \quad -13 \quad 65 \quad -321 \quad \boxed{1605}
 \end{array}$$

$$f(-5) = 1,605$$

In Class Practice

HW #3: Remainder Theorem