

ONLINE WORKSHEET PACKAGE

ALGEBRA 2

POLYNOMIAL FUNCTION

- Factor Theorem
- Rational Root Theorem
- Remainder Theorem

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

- $(x+3), x, (x-2), (x-4) \Rightarrow \text{factors}$
- $f(-3) = 0, f(0) = 0, f(2) = 0, f(4) = 0$
- $-3, 0, 2, 4 \Rightarrow \text{Zeros}$
- $-3, 0, 2, 4 \Rightarrow x \text{ intercepts}$

• Factor Theorem

$$f(c) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (x - c) \text{ is a factor}$$

$$(x - c) \text{ is a factor} \Rightarrow f(c) = 0$$

$$f(2) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (x - 2) \text{ is a factor}$$

$$f(-3) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (x + 3) \text{ is a factor}$$

$$f(0) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x \text{ is a factor}$$

$$(x + 1) \text{ is a factor} \Rightarrow f(-1) = 0$$

$$(x - 5) \text{ is a factor} \Rightarrow f(5) = 0$$

$$x \text{ is a factor} \Rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

Factoring Polynomial

- $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 16x - 48, \quad -3, \text{ one zero given}$

- $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 - 15x + 100, \quad 5, \text{ one zero given}$

Factoring Polynomial

- $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 16x - 48$, -3 , one zero given

$$= x^2(x+3) - 16(x+3)$$

$$= (x^2 - 16)(x+3)$$

$$= (x+4)(x-4)(x+3)$$

$$f(-3) = 0 \rightarrow (x+3) \text{ is a factor}$$

$$f(x) = (x+3)(\quad)$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -3 & 1 & 3 & -16 & -48 \\ & & -3 & 0 & 48 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & -16 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= (x+3)(x^2 - 16) \\ &= (x+3)(x+4)(x-4) \end{aligned}$$

- $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 - 15x + 100$, 5 , one zero given

$$f(5) = 0 \rightarrow (x-5) \text{ is a factor}$$

$$f(x) = (x-5)(\quad)$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 5 & 1 & -6 & -15 & 100 \\ & & 5 & -5 & -100 \\ \hline & 1 & -1 & -20 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= (x-5)(x^2 - x - 20) \\ &= (x-5)(x-5)(x+4) \\ &= (x-5)^2(x+4) \end{aligned}$$

FACTOR THEOREM & SYNTHETIC DIVISION**Factor each. One zero has been given.**

1) $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 - 15x + 100$; 5

2) $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 22x - 40$; 5

3) $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 8x + 12$; -3

4) $f(x) = x^3 - 8x^2 + 19x - 12$; 3

5) $f(x) = x^4 - 7x^3 + 16x^2 - 12x$; 3

6) $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 16x - 48$; -3

7) $f(x) = x^4 + 3x^3 - 18x^2 - 40x; -5$

8) $f(x) = x^3 - 8x^2 + 20x - 16; 2$

9) $f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 25x + 100; -5$

10) $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x - 12; 2$

11) $f(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 10x^2 - 8x; -2$

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

13) $f(x) = x^3 + 8x^2 + 20x + 16; -2$

14) $f(x) = x^3 - 10x^2 + 33x - 36; 3$

Answers to FACTOR THEOREM & SYNTHETIC DIVISION

1) $f(x) = (x - 5)^2(x + 4)$

2) $f(x) = (x + 4)(x + 2)(x - 5)$

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

4) $f(x) = (x - 1)(x - 4)(x - 3)$

5) $f(x) = x(x - 2)^2(x - 3)$

6) $f(x) = (x - 4)(x + 4)(x + 3)$

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

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

9) $f(x) = (x - 5)(x - 4)(x + 5)$

10) $f(x) = (x + 2)(x + 3)(x - 2)$

11) $f(x) = x(x - 4)(x + 1)(x + 2)$

12) $f(x) = (x + 1)(x - 2)(x + 2)$

13) $f(x) = (x + 2)^2(x + 4)$

14) $f(x) = (x - 4)(x - 3)^2$

Factoring Polynomial

- One zero is not given

→ Find one zero by 'Guess and Check'

→ Possible zeros (Rational Root(Zero) Theorem)

Rational Root Theorem

$$f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 x + a_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Possible zeros} = \pm \frac{P}{q} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P : \text{factors of } a_0 \\ q : \text{factor of } a_n \end{array} \right.$$

$$f(x) = 3x^3 - 5x^2 + 1000x - 4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{Possible zeros} & \quad \pm \frac{1, 2, 3}{1, 3} \\ & = \pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm 2, \pm \frac{2}{3}, \pm 4, \pm \frac{4}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Factoring Polynomial

$$f(x) = x^4 - 6x^3 - 20x^2 - 42x - 189$$

- Rational Roots Theorem $\pm \frac{1, 3, 7, 9, 21, 27, 63, 189}{\pm 1}$
 $= \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 21, \pm 27, \pm 63, \pm 189$

- Factor Theorem / Synthetic Division

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} -3 & 1 & -6 & -20 & -42 & -189 \\ & 0 & -3 & 27 & -21 & 189 \\ \hline & 1 & -9 & 7 & -63 & 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow (x+3) \text{ is a factor}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 9 & 1 & -9 & 7 & -63 \\ & 0 & 9 & 0 & 63 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & 7 & 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow (x-9) \text{ is a factor}$$

$$f(x) = (x+3)(x-9)(x^2+7)$$

- Quadratic factoring

$$f(x) = (x+3)(x-9)(x+\sqrt{7}i)(x-\sqrt{7}i)$$

$$\text{Zeros : } -3, 9, \pm\sqrt{7}i$$

- $f(x) = x^3 + 7x^2 + 2x - 40$

- $f(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 16x^2 + 4x + 48$

- $f(x) = x^3 + 7x^2 + 2x - 40$

– Possible Zeros = $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 5, \pm 8, \pm 10, \pm 20, \pm 40$

$$\begin{array}{l} f(1) = 1 + 7 + 2 - 40 \neq 0 \\ f(-1) = -1 + 7 - 2 - 40 \neq 0 \\ f(2) = 8 + 28 + 4 - 40 = 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|cccc} 2 & 1 & 7 & 2 & -40 \\ & & 2 & 18 & 40 \\ \hline & 1 & 9 & 20 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= (x-2)(x^2 + 9x + 20) \\ &= (x-2)(x+4)(x+5) \end{aligned}$$

- $f(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 16x^2 + 4x + 48$

– Possible Zeros = $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 8, \pm 12, \pm 16, \pm 24, \pm 48$

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc} 1 & 1 & -1 & -16 & 4 & 48 \\ & & 1 & 0 & -16 & -12 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & -16 & -12 & 36 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|ccccc} 2 & 1 & -1 & -16 & 4 & 48 \\ & & 2 & 2 & -28 & -48 \\ \hline & 1 & 1 & -14 & -24 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$f(x) = (x-2)(x^3 + x^2 - 14x - 24)$$

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} -1 & 1 & 1 & -14 & -24 \\ & & -1 & 0 & 14 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & -14 & -10 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|cccc} -2 & 1 & 1 & -14 & -24 \\ & & -2 & 2 & 24 \\ \hline & 1 & -1 & -12 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= (x-2)(x+2)(x^2 - x - 12) \\ &= (x-2)(x+2)(x-4)(x+3) \end{aligned}$$

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The Rational Root Theorem

Date_____ Period____

State the possible rational zeros for each function.

1) $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x - 1$

2) $f(x) = x^6 - 64$

3) $f(x) = x^2 + 8x + 10$

4) $f(x) = 5x^3 - 2x^2 + 20x - 8$

5) $f(x) = 4x^5 - 2x^4 + 30x^3 - 15x^2 + 50x - 25$

6) $f(x) = 5x^4 + 32x^2 - 21$

7) $f(x) = x^3 - 27$

8) $f(x) = 2x^4 - 9x^2 + 7$

Name_____

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Date_____ Period____

State the possible rational zeros for each function.

1) $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x - 1$

$$\pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{3}$$

2) $f(x) = x^6 - 64$

$$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm 16, \pm 32, \pm 64$$

3) $f(x) = x^2 + 8x + 10$

$$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 10$$

4) $f(x) = 5x^3 - 2x^2 + 20x - 8$

$$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm \frac{1}{5}, \pm \frac{2}{5}, \pm \frac{4}{5}, \pm \frac{8}{5}$$

5) $f(x) = 4x^5 - 2x^4 + 30x^3 - 15x^2 + 50x - 25$

$$\pm 1, \pm 5, \pm 25, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{5}{2}, \pm \frac{25}{2}, \pm \frac{1}{4}, \pm \frac{5}{4}, \pm \frac{25}{4}$$

6) $f(x) = 5x^4 + 32x^2 - 21$

$$\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 7, \pm 21, \pm \frac{1}{5}, \pm \frac{3}{5}, \pm \frac{7}{5}, \pm \frac{21}{5}$$

7) $f(x) = x^3 - 27$

$$\pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9, \pm 27$$

8) $f(x) = 2x^4 - 9x^2 + 7$

$$\pm 1, \pm 7, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{7}{2}$$

15) $f(x) = x^3 + 7x^2 + 2x - 40$

16) $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 - 5x^2 + 6x$

17) $f(x) = x^3 - 10x^2 + 31x - 30$

18) $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 23x - 60$

19) $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 9x + 18$

20) $f(x) = x^3 - 7x^2 + 14x - 8$

21) $f(x) = x^3 - 7x^2 + 15x - 9$

22) $f(x) = x^3 + 8x^2 + 19x + 12$

$$23) f(x) = x^3 - 7x^2 + 7x + 15$$

$$24) f(x) = x^3 - 12x^2 + 47x - 60$$

$$25) f(x) = x^3 - 13x^2 + 55x - 75$$

$$26) f(x) = x^4 + 5x^3 - 9x^2 - 45x$$

$$27) f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 7x + 10$$

$$28) f(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 + 11x + 6$$

$$29) f(x) = x^4 + 4x^3 - 4x^2 - 16x$$

$$30) f(x) = x^3 - 11x^2 + 40x - 48$$

Answers to FACTOR THEOREM & SYNTHETIC DIVISION

$$13) f(x) = (x+2)^2(x+4)$$

$$14) f(x) = (x-4)(x-3)^2$$

$$15) f(x) = (x+5)(x+4)(x-2)$$

$$16) f(x) = x(x-3)(x-1)(x+2)$$

$$17) f(x) = (x-3)(x-2)(x-5)$$

$$18) f(x) = (x-5)(x+4)(x+3)$$

$$19) f(x) = (x+3)(x-2)(x-3)$$

$$20) f(x) = (x-1)(x-4)(x-2)$$

$$21) f(x) = (x-3)^2(x-1)$$

$$22) f(x) = (x+1)(x+4)(x+3)$$

$$23) f(x) = (x+1)(x-5)(x-3)$$

$$24) f(x) = (x-4)(x-5)(x-3)$$

$$25) f(x) = (x-5)^2(x-3)$$

$$26) f(x) = x(x-3)(x+5)(x+3)$$

$$27) f(x) = (x-1)(x+2)(x-5)$$

$$28) f(x) = (x+1)(x+3)(x+2)$$

$$29) f(x) = x(x-2)(x+4)(x+2)$$

$$30) f(x) = (x-4)^2(x-3)$$

Remainder Theorem

$f(x)$ is divided by $(x - c) \rightarrow$ Remainder $r = f(c)$

- $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 5x + 3$ is divided by $(x + 2) \rightarrow$ Remainder r ?

-2	1	4	-5	3	$f(-2) = -8 + 16 + 10 + 3$
		-2	-4	18	$= 21$
	1	2	-9	21	

$f(x)$ is divided by $(x - 3) \rightarrow$ Remainder $r = f(3)$

$f(x)$ is divided by $(x + 1) \rightarrow$ Remainder $r = f(-1)$

$f(x)$ is divided by $x \rightarrow$ Remainder $r = f(0)$

$f(3) = 2 \rightarrow$ when $f(x)$ is divided by $(x - 3)$, Remainder $r = 2$

$f(0) = 4 \rightarrow$ when $f(x)$ is divided by x , Remainder $r = 4$

$f(-2) = -1 \rightarrow$ when $f(x)$ is divided by $(x + 2)$, Remainder $r = -1$

Remainder Theorem Practices :

1. Without using long division, find each remainder :

(a) $(2x^2 + 6x + 8) \div (x + 1)$

(b) $(x^2 + 4x + 12) \div (x - 4)$

(c) $(x^3 + 6x^2 - 4x + 3) \div (x + 2)$

(d) $(3x^3 + 7x^2 - 2x - 11) \div (x - 2)$

2. Find each remainder :

(a) $(2x^2 + x - 6) \div (x + 2)$

(b) $(x^3 + 6x^2 - 4x + 2) \div (x + 1)$

(c) $(x^3 + x^2 - 12x - 13) \div (x - 2)$

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

3. When $x^3 + kx^2 - 4x + 2$ is divided by $x + 2$ the remainder is 26, find k .

4. When $2x^3 - 3x^2 + kx - 1$ is divided by $x - 1$ the remainder is 2, find k .

Remainder Theorem Practices :

1. Without using long division, find each remainder :

(a) $(2x^2 + 6x + 8) \div (x + 1)$

$$f(-1) = 2 - 6 + 8 = 4$$

(b) $(x^2 + 4x + 12) \div (x - 4)$

$$f(4) = 16 + 16 + 12 = 44$$

(c) $(x^3 + 6x^2 - 4x + 3) \div (x + 2)$

$$f(-2) = -8 + 24 + 8 + 3 = 27$$

(d) $(3x^3 + 7x^2 - 2x - 11) \div (x - 2)$

$$f(2) = 24 + 28 - 4 - 11 = 37$$

2. Find each remainder :

(a) $(2x^2 + x - 6) \div (x + 2)$

$$f(-2) = 8 - 2 - 6 = 0$$

(b) $(x^3 + 6x^2 - 4x + 2) \div (x + 1)$

$$f(-1) = -1 + 6 + 4 + 2 = 11$$

(c) $(x^3 + x^2 - 12x - 13) \div (x - 2)$

$$f(2) = 8 + 4 - 24 - 13 = -25$$

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

$$f(-2) = 16 + 8 - 12 - 8 + 2 = 6$$

3. When $x^3 + kx^2 - 4x + 2$ is divided by $x + 2$ the remainder is 26, find k .

$$f(-2) = 26$$

$$-8 + 4k + 8 + 2 = 26$$

$$4k = 24 \rightarrow k = 6$$

4. When $2x^3 - 3x^2 + kx - 1$ is divided by $x - 1$ the remainder is 2, find k .

$$f(1) = 2$$

$$2 - 3 + k - 1 = 2$$

$$k - 2 = 2$$

$$k = 4$$

Accelerated Pre-Calculus

The Real Zeros of a Polynomial Function

I. The Remainder Theorem

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

II. The Factor Theorem

Let $f(x)$ be a polynomial function.

A. If $f(c) = 0$, then $x - c$ is a factor of $f(x)$.

B. If $x - c$ is a factor of $f(x)$, then $f(c) = 0$.

1. Find the remainder when $p(x) = x^{15} + 3x^{10} + 2$ is divided by $x - 1$.
2. Find the quotient and remainder when the first polynomial is divided by the second.
 $x^3 - 2x - 18$; $x - 2$
3. Determine whether $(x - 2)$ or $(x + 2)$ is a factor of $x^5 - 3x^2 - 20$.
4. When a polynomial $p(x)$ is divided by $(x + 3)$, the quotient is $2x^2 - 3x + 9$ and the remainder is -11 .
Find $p(x)$.

Given a polynomial and one or more of its roots, find the remaining roots.

5. $2x^3 + 5x^2 - 23x + 10 = 0$; root $x = 2$
6. $2x^4 + 5x^3 - 8x^2 - 17x - 6$; roots $x = -1$ and $x = 2$

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1. Find the remainder when $p(x) = x^{15} + 3x^{10} + 2$ is divided by $x - 1$.

$$p(1) = 1^{15} + 3(1)^{10} + 2 = 6$$

2. Find the quotient and remainder when the first polynomial is divided by the second.

$$x^3 - 2x - 18 ; x - 2$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -18 \\ & & 2 & 4 & 4 \\ \hline & 1 & 2 & 2 & -14 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x^2 + 2x + 2 - \frac{14}{x-2}}$$

3. Determine whether $(x - 2)$ or $(x + 2)$ is a factor of $x^5 - 3x^2 - 20$.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrrr} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 & -20 \\ & & 2 & 4 & 8 & 10 & 20 \\ \hline & 1 & 2 & 4 & 5 & 10 & 0 \end{array}$$

$\boxed{x-2}$
yes

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrrr} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 & -20 \\ & & -2 & 4 & -8 & 22 & -44 \\ \hline & 1 & -2 & 4 & -11 & 22 & -64 \end{array}$$

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4. When a polynomial $p(x)$ is divided by $(x + 3)$, the quotient is $2x^2 - 3x + 9$ and the remainder is -11 .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Find } p(x): p(x) &= (x+3)(2x^2 - 3x + 9) - 11 \\ &= 2x^3 - 3x^2 + 9x + 6x^2 - 9x + 27 - 11 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{p(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 + 16}$$

Given a polynomial and one or more of its roots, find the remaining roots.

5. $2x^3 + 5x^2 - 23x + 10 = 0$; root $x = 2$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 2 & 5 & -23 & 10 \\ & & 4 & 18 & -10 \\ \hline & 2 & 9 & -5 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$2x^2 + 9x - 5$$

$$(2x - 1)(x + 5)$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{1}{2}, -5}$$

6. $2x^4 + 5x^3 - 8x^2 - 17x - 6$; roots $x = -1$ and $x = 2$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} -1 & 2 & 5 & -8 & -17 & -6 \\ & & -2 & -3 & 11 & 6 \\ \hline & 2 & 3 & -11 & -6 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 2 & 3 & -11 & -6 \\ & & 4 & 14 & 6 \\ \hline & 2 & 7 & 3 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$2x^2 + 7x + 3$$

$$(2x + 1)(x + 3)$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{1}{2}, -3}$$

The Remainder Theorem

- 1) Find the remainder when $x^3 - 2x^2 - x - 2$ is divided by $x + 1$.
- 2) If $f(x) = x^3 + 3x - 4$. Find the remainder when $f(x)$ is divided by $x - 4$.
- 3) Find the remainder when $x^3 + 3x - 4$ is divided by $x + 1$.
- 4) Given that $f(x) = 6x^3 - 3x^2 - 17x + 7$, divide $f(x)$ by $x - 3$.
- 5) Find the remainder when $6x^3 + 27x^2 - 14x + 15$ is divided by $x + 5$.
- 6) When divided by $(x + 1)$ and $(x + 2)$, the expression $ax^2 + bx + 3$ leaves remainders 6 and 9 respectively. Find the values for **a** and **b**.
- 7) Find the remainder when $x^3 + 3x^2 - 5x - 6$ is divided by $x + 2$.

The Remainder Theorem

Answers

1) Find the remainder when $x^3 - 2x^2 - x - 2$ is divided by $x + 1$.

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2) If $f(x) = x^3 + 3x - 4$. Find the remainder when $f(x)$ is divided by $x - 4$.

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3) Find the remainder when $x^3 + 3x - 4$ is divided by $x + 1$.

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4) Given that $f(x) = 6x^3 - 3x^2 - 17x + 7$, divide $f(x)$ by $x - 3$.

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5) Find the remainder when $6x^3 + 27x^2 - 14x + 15$ is divided by $x + 5$.

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6) When divided by $(x + 1)$ and $(x + 2)$, the expression
 $ax^2 + bx + 3$

leaves remainders 6 and 9 respectively. Find the values for
a and **b**

a=2, b= 1

7) Find the remainder when $x^3 + 3x^2 - 5x - 6$ is divided by $x + 2$.

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4.3 Remainder Theorem - Practice Problems

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Find the remainder of the given division problem. Solve using Synthetic Division, and check by using Remainder Theorem.

1) $(v^4 - 7v^3 + 14v^2 - 13v + 19) \div (v - 4)$

2) $(x^3 + 10x^2 - 4) \div (x + 10)$

Find the remainder.

3) $(x^3 + 11x^2 + 24x + 9) \div (x + 2)$

4) $(x^4 + 14x^3 + 52x^2 + 27x - 39) \div (x + 8)$

Solve for k .

5) When $x^3 + kx + 1$ is divided by $x - 2$, the remainder is -3 .

6) When $2x^4 + kx^2 - 3x + 5$ is divided by $x - 2$, the remainder is 3.

Solve.

7) When $x^3 + kx^2 - 2x - 7$ is divided by $x + 1$, the remainder is 5. What is the remainder when it is divided by $x - 1$?

8) When the polynomial $x^n + x - 8$ is divided by $x - 2$ the remainder is 10. What is the value of n ?

Answers to 4.3 Remainder Theorem - Practice Problems (ID: 1)

1) $v^3 - 3v^2 + 2v - 5$, R -1

2) x^2 , R -4

3) $x^2 + 9x + 6$, R -3

4) $x^3 + 6x^2 + 4x - 5$, R 1

5) $k = -6$

6) $k = -7$

7) $k = 11$, $R = 3$

8) $n = 4$

WORKSHEET 2.1 & 2.2

1.10.1 Remainder Theorem and Factor Theorem

Remainder Theorem:

When a polynomial $f(x)$ is divided by $x - a$, the remainder is $f(a)$

1. Find the remainder when $2x^3 + 3x^2 - 17x - 30$ is divided by each of the following:

(a) $x - 1$

(b) $x - 2$

(c) $x - 3$

(d) $x + 1$

(e) $x + 2$

(f) $x + 3$

Factor Theorem:

If $x = a$ is substituted into a polynomial for x , and the remainder is 0, then $x - a$ is a factor of the polynomial.

2. Using the above Theorem and your results from question 1 which of the given binomials are factors of $2x^3 + 3x^2 - 17x - 30$?

3. Using the binomials you determined were factors of $2x^3 + 3x^2 - 17x - 30$, complete the division (i.e. divide $2x^3 + 3x^2 - 17x - 30$ by your chosen $(x - a)$ and remember to fully factor your result in each case.

Tip 23 Remainder Theorem

When polynomial $f(x)$ is divided by $(x-a)$, the remainder R is equal to $f(a)$.

Polynomial $f(x)$ can be expressed as follows.

$$f(x) = (x-a)Q(x) + R, \text{ where } Q(x) \text{ is the quotient and } R \text{ is the remainder.}$$

The identical equation above is true for all values of x , especially $x=a$.

$$\text{Therefore, } f(a) = (a-a)Q(a) + R \rightarrow f(a) = R.$$

Examples:

- 1) Interpretation of $f(2) = 5 \rightarrow$ The remainder is 5 when $f(x)$ is divided by $(x-2)$.
- 2) Interpretation of $f(-5) = -3 \rightarrow$ The remainder is -3 when $f(x)$ is divided by $(x+5)$.

SAT Practice

1. When $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + k$ is divided by $x-3$, the remainder is 25. What is the value of k ?

2. What is the remainder when $x^3 - x^2 - 3x - 1$ is divided by $(x+3)$?
 A) -36 B) -28 C) 14 D) 36

3. Find the value of k for which the remainder is zero when $x^3 - 5x^2 + x + k$ is divided by $(x-1)$?

Tip 23 Remainder Theorem

When polynomial $f(x)$ is divided by $(x-a)$, the remainder R is equal to $f(a)$.

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The identical equation above is true for all values of x , especially $x=a$.

$$\text{Therefore, } f(a) = (a-a)Q(a) + R \rightarrow f(a) = R.$$

Examples:

1) Interpretation of $f(2)=5 \rightarrow$ The remainder is 5 when $f(x)$ is divided by $(x-2)$.

2) Interpretation of $f(-5)=-3 \rightarrow$ The remainder is -3 when $f(x)$ is divided by $(x+5)$.

SAT Practice

1. When $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + k$ is divided by $x-3$, the remainder is 25. What is the value of k ?

$$\begin{aligned} f(3) &= 25 & 9+9+k &= 25 \\ & & k+18 &= 25 \rightarrow k=7 \end{aligned}$$

2. What is the remainder when $x^3 - x^2 - 3x - 1$ is divided by $(x+3)$?

A) -36

B) -28

C) 14

D) 36

$$f(-3) = -27 - 9 + 9 - 1 = -28$$

3. Find the value of k for which the remainder is zero when $x^3 - 5x^2 + x + k$ is divided by $(x-1)$?

$$f(1) = 1 - 5 + 1 + k = 0$$

$$k - 3 = 0$$

$$k = 3$$

Tip 24 **Factor Theorem**

If $f(a) = 0$, then $f(x)$ has a factor of $(x - a)$.

$f(x)$ can be expressed with a factor of $(x - a)$ as follows.

$$f(x) = (x - a)Q(x)$$

Therefore, $f(a) = 0$ means that the remainder is 0.

SAT Practice

1. If $(x - 3)$ is a factor of $x^3 - 4x + k$, what is the value of the constant k ?
A) -15 B) -10 C) 10 D) 15

2. If a polynomial $P(x) = x^2 + kx - 8$ has a factor of $(x - 2)$, what is the value of k ?

3. What is the value of k when $P(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 - x + k$ is divisible by $x + 1$?
A) -5
B) -2
C) 2
D) 5

4. What is the value of a when $g(x) = x^3 + ax + b$ is divisible by $(x - 1)(x - 2)$?
A) -7
B) -4
C) 4
D) 8

Tip 24 Factor Theorem

If $f(a) = 0$, then $f(x)$ has a factor of $(x - a)$.

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SAT Practice

1. If $(x - 3)$ is a factor of $x^3 - 4x + k$, what is the value of the constant k ?

(A) -15

B) -10

C) 10

D) 15

$$f(3) = 0$$

$$27 - 12 + k = 0$$

$$k + 15 = 0 \rightarrow k = -15$$

2. If a polynomial $P(x) = x^2 + kx - 8$ has a factor of $(x - 2)$, what is the value of k ?

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$$p(2) = 0$$

$$4 + 2k - 8 = 0$$

$$2k = 4 \rightarrow k = 2$$

3. What is the value of k when $P(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 - x + k$ is divisible by $x + 1$?

A) -5

B) -2

C) 2

(D) 5

$$p(-1) = 0$$

$$-1 - 5 + 1 + k = 0$$

$$k - 5 = 0$$

$$k = 5$$

4. What is the value of a when $g(x) = x^3 + ax + b$ is divisible by $(x - 1)(x - 2)$?

(A) -7

B) -4

C) 4

D) 8

$$g(1) = 0 \quad 1 + a + b = 0$$

$$g(2) = 0 \quad 8 + 2a + b = 0$$

$$a + b = -1$$

$$- 2a + b = -8$$

$$\hline -a = 7$$

$$a = -7$$

Rational Root Theorem Extra Practice

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State the possible rational zeros for each function.

1) $f(x) = x^3 - 13x^2 + 33x - 22$

2) $f(x) = 3x^3 - 5x^2 - 10x + 16$

3) $f(x) = 3x^3 - 28x^2 + 13x + 22$

4) $f(x) = 6x^3 - 31x^2 + 38x + 5$

Find all roots.

5) $4x^3 - x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$

6) $2x^3 - x^2 - x = 0$

7) $5x^4 + 52x^3 - 8x^2 - 15x = 0$

8) $4x^4 + 7x^3 + 2x^2 - x = 0$

Find all roots. One factor has been given.

9) $3x^6 - x^5 - 9x^4 + 9x^3 - 2x^2 = 0$; $x + 2$

10) $3x^6 + 14x^5 + 27x^4 + 56x^3 + 60x^2 = 0$; $x + 3$

Answers to Rational Root Theorem Extra Practice (ID: 1)

- 1) $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 11, \pm 22$ 2) $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm 16, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{2}{3}, \pm \frac{4}{3}, \pm \frac{8}{3}, \pm \frac{16}{3}$
- 3) $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 11, \pm 22, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{2}{3}, \pm \frac{11}{3}, \pm \frac{22}{3}$ 4) $\pm 1, \pm 5, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{5}{2}, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{5}{3}, \pm \frac{1}{6}, \pm \frac{5}{6}$
- 5) $\left\{-1, \frac{1}{4}, 1\right\}$ 6) $\left\{0, 1, -\frac{1}{2}\right\}$ 7) $\left\{0, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{-11 + \sqrt{101}}{2}, \frac{-11 - \sqrt{101}}{2}\right\}$
- 8) $\left\{0, -1 \text{ mult. } 2, \frac{1}{4}\right\}$ 9) $\left\{0 \text{ mult. } 2, 1 \text{ mult. } 2, \frac{1}{3}, -2\right\}$ 10) $\left\{0 \text{ mult. } 2, -\frac{5}{3}, 2i, -2i, -3\right\}$

Rational Roots Theorem Practice

For each of the following polynomials, list all possible roots, find the linear factorization and then list all roots.

1. $f(x) = x^3 - 8x^2 - 23x + 30$

Possible Roots:

Linear Factorization:

Roots:

2. $f(x) = x^4 - 6x^3 - 20x^2 - 42x - 189$

Possible Roots:

Linear Factorization:

Roots:

3. $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 2x - 2$

Possible Roots:

Linear Factorization:

Roots:

4. $f(x) = x^4 + x^3 + x^2 - 9x - 10$

Possible Roots:

Linear Factorization:

Roots:

Rational Roots Theorem Practice

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For each of the following polynomials, list all possible roots, find the linear factorization and then list all roots.

1. $f(x) = x^3 - 8x^2 - 23x + 30$

Not Factorable

Possible Roots:

$p=30 \rightarrow \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 5, \pm 6, \pm 10, \pm 15, \pm 30$

$q=1 \rightarrow \pm 1$

$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 5, \pm 6, \pm 10, \pm 15, \pm 30$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 1 & -8 & -23 & 30 \\ & \downarrow & & & \\ & 1 & -7 & -30 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x^2 - 7x - 30 = 0$
 $(x-10)(x+3) = 0$
 $x = 10, -3$

Linear Factorization:

$(x-1)(x-10)(x+3)$

Roots:

$x = 1, 10, -3$

2. $f(x) = x^4 - 6x^3 - 20x^2 - 42x - 189$

Not Factorable

Possible Roots:

$p=189 \rightarrow \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 21, \pm 27, \pm 63, \pm 189$

$q=1 \rightarrow \pm 1$

$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 21, \pm 27, \pm 63, \pm 189$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} -3 & 1 & -6 & -20 & -42 & -189 \\ & \downarrow & & & & \\ & 1 & -9 & 7 & -63 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x^2 + 7 = 0$
 $\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{-7} \quad x = \pm i\sqrt{7}$

Linear Factorization:

$(x+3)(x-9)(x+i\sqrt{7})(x-i\sqrt{7})$

Roots:

$x = -3, 9, \pm i\sqrt{7}$

3. $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 2x - 2$

Factorable

Possible Roots:

$p=2 \rightarrow \pm 1, \pm 2$

$q=1 \rightarrow \pm 1$

$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 2$

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

$x^2(x+1) - 2(x+1) = 0$

$(x+1)(x^2 - 2) = 0$

$(x+1)(x+\sqrt{2})(x-\sqrt{2}) = 0$

$x = -1, \pm\sqrt{2}$

Linear Factorization:

$(x+1)(x+\sqrt{2})(x-\sqrt{2})$

Roots:

$x = -1, \pm\sqrt{2}$

4. $f(x) = x^4 + x^3 + x^2 - 9x - 10$

Not Factorable

Possible Roots:

$p=10 \rightarrow \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 10$

$q=1 \rightarrow \pm 1$

$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 10$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -9 & -10 \\ & \downarrow & & & & \\ & 1 & 3 & 7 & 5 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -1 & 1 & 3 & 7 & 5 \\ & \downarrow & & & \\ & 1 & 2 & 5 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x^2 + 2x + 5 = 0 \rightarrow x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 20}}{2}$

Linear Factorization:

$(x+1-2i)(x+1+2i)(x-2)(x+1)$

Roots:

$x = 2, -1, -1 \pm 2i$

$x = -1 \pm 2i$

5. $f(x) = x^5 - x^4 - 7x^3 + 11x^2 - 8x + 12$

Possible Roots:

Linear Factorization:

Roots:

7. $f(x) = x^4 + 41x^2 + 400$

Possible Roots:

Linear Factorization:

Roots:

6. $f(x) = x^5 + 3x^4 - 22x^3 - 83x^2 - 39x + 20$

Possible Roots:

Linear Factorization:

Roots:

8. $f(x) = 2x^5 + x^4 - 32x - 16$

Possible Roots:

Linear Factorization:

Roots:

$$5. f(x) = x^5 - x^4 - 7x^3 + 11x^2 - 8x + 12$$

Not Factorable

Possible Roots:

$$p=12 \rightarrow \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 12$$

$$q=1 \rightarrow \pm 1$$

$$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 12$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrrr} 2 & 1 & -1 & -7 & 11 & -8 & 12 \\ & \downarrow & 2 & 2 & -10 & 2 & -12 \\ \hline & 1 & 1 & -5 & 1 & -6 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrrr} -3 & 1 & 1 & -5 & 1 & -6 & 0 \\ & \downarrow & -3 & 6 & -3 & 6 & 0 \\ \hline & 1 & -2 & 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$(x^3 - 2x^2)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$x^2(x-2)(x-2) = 0$$

$$(x-2)(x^2+1) = 0$$

Linear Factorization:

$$(x-2)(x+i)(x-i)$$

Roots:

$$x = 2, \pm i$$

$$6. f(x) = x^5 + 3x^4 - 22x^3 - 83x^2 - 39x + 20$$

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Not Factorable

Possible Roots:

$$p=20 \rightarrow \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 5, \pm 10, \pm 20$$

$$q=1 \rightarrow \pm 1$$

$$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 5, \pm 10, \pm 20$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrrr} -1 & 1 & 3 & -22 & -83 & -39 & 20 \\ & \downarrow & -1 & -2 & 24 & 59 & -20 \\ \hline & 1 & 2 & -24 & -59 & 20 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrrr} -4 & 1 & 2 & -24 & -59 & 20 & 0 \\ & \downarrow & -4 & 8 & 64 & -20 & 0 \\ \hline & 1 & -2 & -16 & 5 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 5 & 1 & -2 & -16 & 5 \\ & \downarrow & 5 & 15 & -5 \\ \hline & 1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9+40}}{2}$$

Linear Factorization:

$$(x+1)(x+4)(x-5)(x+\frac{3 \pm \sqrt{13}}{2})$$

Roots:

$$x = -1, -4, 5, \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{13}}{2}$$

$$7. f(x) = x^4 + 41x^2 + 400$$

Factorable

Possible Roots:

$$p=400 \rightarrow \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 5, \pm 8, \pm 10, \pm 16, \pm 20, \pm 25, \pm 40, \pm 50, \pm 80, \pm 100, \pm 200, \pm 400$$

$$(x^2 + 25)(x^2 + 16) = 0$$

$$(x+5i)(x-5i)(x+4i)(x-4i) = 0$$

$$x = \pm 5i, \pm 4i$$

Linear Factorization:

$$(x+5i)(x-5i)(x+4i)(x-4i)$$

Roots:

$$x = \pm 5i, \pm 4i$$

$$8. f(x) = 2x^5 + x^4 - 32x - 16$$

Factorable

Possible Roots:

$$p=16 \rightarrow \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm 16$$

$$q=2 \rightarrow \pm 1, \pm 2$$

$$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm 16$$

$$(2x^5 + x^4)(-32x - 16) = 0$$

$$x^4(2x+1) - 16(2x+1) = 0$$

$$(x^4 - 16)(2x+1) = 0$$

$$(x^2 + 4)(x^2 - 4)(2x+1) = 0$$

$$(x+2i)(x-2i)(x+2)(x-2)(2x+1) = 0$$

$$x = \pm 2i, \pm 2, -\frac{1}{2}$$

Linear Factorization:

$$(x+2i)(x-2i)(x+2)(x-2)(2x+1)$$

Roots:

$$x = \pm 2i, \pm 2, -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$11) f(x) = 5x^3 + 9x^2 - 26x - 24;$$

$$12) f(x) = 6x^3 + 7x^2 - 1$$

Factor each and find all zeros. One zero has been given.

$$13) f(x) = 5x^3 + 4x^2 - 20x - 16$$

$$14) f(x) = 25x^4 - 40x^3 - 19x^2 - 2x$$

$$15) f(x) = 3x^4 + 5x^3 + 81x + 135$$

$$16) f(x) = 2x^4 - x^3 - 18x^2 + 9x$$

$$17) f(x) = 10x^3 - 41x^2 + 32x + 20$$

$$18) f(x) = 3x^3 + 4x^2 - 35x - 12$$

$$11) f(x) = 5x^3 + 9x^2 - 26x - 24; x + 3$$

$$\text{Factors to: } f(x) = (5x + 4)(x - 2)(x + 3)$$

$$\text{Zeros: } \left\{ -\frac{4}{5}, 2, -3 \right\}$$

$$12) f(x) = 6x^3 + 7x^2 - 1; 2x + 1$$

$$\text{Factors to: } f(x) = (3x - 1)(x + 1)(2x + 1)$$

$$\text{Zeros: } \left\{ \frac{1}{3}, -1, -\frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

Factor each and find all zeros. One zero has been given.

$$13) f(x) = 5x^3 + 4x^2 - 20x - 16; 2$$

$$\text{Factors to: } f(x) = (5x + 4)(x + 2)(x - 2)$$

$$\text{Zeros: } \left\{ -\frac{4}{5}, -2, 2 \right\}$$

$$14) f(x) = 25x^4 - 40x^3 - 19x^2 - 2x; -\frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{Factors to: } f(x) = x(5x + 1)^2(x - 2)$$

$$\text{Zeros: } \left\{ 0, -\frac{1}{5} \text{ mult. } 2, 2 \right\}$$

$$15) f(x) = 3x^4 + 5x^3 + 81x + 135; -\frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{Factors to: } f(x) = (x + 3)(x^2 - 3x + 9)(3x + 5)$$

$$\text{Zeros: } \left\{ -3, \frac{3 + 3i\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{3 - 3i\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{5}{3} \right\}$$

$$16) f(x) = 2x^4 - x^3 - 18x^2 + 9x; -3$$

$$\text{Factors to: } f(x) = x(2x - 1)(x - 3)(x + 3)$$

$$\text{Zeros: } \left\{ 0, \frac{1}{2}, 3, -3 \right\}$$

$$17) f(x) = 10x^3 - 41x^2 + 32x + 20; \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\text{Factors to: } f(x) = (5x + 2)(x - 2)(2x - 5)$$

$$\text{Zeros: } \left\{ -\frac{2}{5}, 2, \frac{5}{2} \right\}$$

$$18) f(x) = 3x^3 + 4x^2 - 35x - 12; 3$$

$$\text{Factors to: } f(x) = (3x + 1)(x + 4)(x - 3)$$

$$\text{Zeros: } \left\{ -\frac{1}{3}, -4, 3 \right\}$$