

$$\frac{x^3 - 5x^2 + 8x - 11}{x + 3} = x^2 - 8x + 32 - \frac{107}{x+3}$$

What is the remainder?

-107

What is the zero of the divisor?

-3

Evaluate the dividend using the zero of the divisor

$$(-3)^3 - 5(-3)^2 + 8(-3) - 11 = -107$$

Do you notice anything?

The remainder is the same as if you replace x in the dividend with the zero of the divisor!

Theorem

Remainder Theorem

If a polynomial $P(x)$ of degree $n \geq 1$ is divided by $(x - a)$, where a is a constant, then the remainder is $P(a)$.

If you want just the remainder evaluate the dividend using the **zero** of the divisor.

Find the remainder to this quotient: $\frac{2x^3 + x^2 - 7x - 10}{x - 2} \rightarrow R = -4$

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

What is the remainder of this quotient?

$$\frac{6x^2 + 5x - 2}{x - 4}$$

remainder = 114

evaluate the dividend using the zero of the divisor: +4

$$6(4)^2 + 5(4) - 2 = 114$$

Is $x - 3$ a factor of $2x^3 - 12x^2 + 21x - 9$?

$$2(3)^3 - 12(3)^2 + 21(3) - 9 = 0$$

The divisor is a **factor** of the dividend...

Only if the **remainder is zero!**

$R = 0$

Since the remainder is zero, $x-3$ IS a factor.

Is $x + 2$ a factor of $x^3 + 7x^2 + 3x - 21$?

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

Since the remainder ISN'T zero
 $x+2$ is NOT a factor.

Synthetic Division

Uses the zero of the divisor.
 By reversing the sign of the divisor you
 can ADD throughout the process
 instead of subtracting.

Works only when the leading coefficient of
 the divisor is 1.

Meaning either $\div(x + a)$ or $\div(x - a)$

$$\frac{x^3 - 2x^2 - 31x + 20}{x + 5}$$

Zero of the Divisor \downarrow Coefficients of the dividend in Standard Form

-5	1	-2	-31	20
	1	-5	+35	-20
	1	-7	4	0

Bring down the first #

Multiply and ADD

$$x^2 - 7x + 4$$

$R=0$

Multiply -5 with 1 and put it under the next coefficient. Then add. repeat this process until done.

The numbers are the coefficients of the quotient.

Find each quotient using Synthetic Division

1. $\frac{4x^3 - 6x^2 - 7x - 33}{x - 3}$ $3 \overline{) 4 \quad -6 \quad -7 \quad -33}$

		12	18	33
	4	6	11	0

$$= 4x^2 + 6x + 11$$

$R=0$

2. $\frac{2x^4 + 18x^3 + 34x^2 + 43x + 10}{x + 7}$ $-7 \overline{) 2 \quad 18 \quad 34 \quad 43 \quad 10}$

		-14	-28	-42	-7
	2	4	6	1	3

$$= 2x^3 + 4x^2 + 6x + 1$$

$R=3$

Find this quotient using Synthetic Division.

$$\frac{4x^3 - x + 9}{x - 3}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 4 & 0 & -1 & 9 \\ & 12 & 36 & 105 \\ \hline & 4 & 12 & 35 & 114 \end{array}$$

Is $x+7$ a factor of $x^3 - 2x^2 + 10x - 21$?

Using the Remainder Theorem we find the remainder isn't zero so $x+7$ is not a factor.

$$(-7)^3 - 2(-7)^2 + 10(-7) - 21 = -532$$

Doing Synthetic Division we find the remainder isn't zero so $x+7$ is not a factor

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -7 & 1 & -2 & 10 & -21 \\ & & -7 & 63 & -511 \\ \hline & 1 & -9 & 73 & -532 \end{array}$$

Given $f(x) = 3x^4 - 5x^3 + 8x^2 - 7x + 10$

Find $f(2)$

$$f(2) = 3(2)^4 - 5(2)^3 + 8(2)^2 - 7(2) + 10 = 36$$

Given $f(x) = 3x^4 - 5x^3 + 8x^2 - 7x + 10$

How could you use Synthetic Division to find $f(2)$?

$f(2)$ gives the remainder of the quotient when the divisor is $(x - 2)$

$f(2)$ is the remainder of this

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^4 - 5x^3 + 8x^2 - 7x + 10 \\ x - 2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 2 & 3 & -5 & 8 & -7 & 10 \\ & & 6 & 2 & 20 & 26 \\ \hline & 3 & 1 & 10 & 13 & 36 \end{array}$$

$$f(2) = 36$$

Find $f(-3)$ for the function $f(x) = 5x^3 + 11x^2 - 2x + 7$

$$f(-3) = 5(-3)^3 + 11(-3)^2 - 2(-3) + 7 = -23$$

Or you could do Synthetic Division with -3 and the answer will be the remainder:

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -3 & 5 & 11 & -2 & 7 \\ & & -15 & 12 & -30 \\ \hline & 5 & -4 & 10 & -23 \end{array}$$

Given $x - 5$ is a factor of $2x^3 - 11x^2 - 16x + 105$

Use synthetic division to help find the other two factors.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 5 & 2 & -11 & -16 & +105 \\ & & 10 & -5 & -105 \\ \hline & 2 & -1 & -21 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^2 - x - 21 \\ \hline \begin{array}{cc} 2x^2 & +6x \\ -7x & -21 \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$2x^3 - 11x^2 - 16x + 105 = (x-5)(2x-7)(x+3)$$

You can now finish Hwk #31: Sec 6-3

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Problems 4, 9, 14, 15, 24, 37, 41

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