

Synthetic Division

Ex 1 $4x^3 + 3x^2 - x + 8 \div x - 3$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 4 & 3 & -1 & 8 \\ & \downarrow & & & \\ & & 12 & 45 & 132 \\ \hline & 4 & 15 & 44 & \boxed{140} \end{array}$$

$4x^2 + 15x + 44 + \frac{140}{x-3}$

Ex 2 $6x^4 + 11x^3 - 15x^2 - 12x + 7 \div x + 1$

opposite $\rightarrow -1$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} -1 & 6 & 11 & -15 & -12 & 7 \\ & \downarrow & & & & \\ & & -6 & -5 & 20 & -8 \\ \hline & 6 & 5 & -20 & 8 & \boxed{-1} \end{array}$$

$6x^3 + 5x^2 - 20x + 8 - \frac{1}{x+1}$

Remainder Theorem

$$f(x) = (x-c) \cdot q(x) + r$$

divisor quotient remainder

Evaluate $f(c) = \underbrace{(c-c)}_{\text{zero}} \cdot q(c) + r$

$$f(c) = r$$

* c is the number outside the box in synth-div

Synthetic Substitution

if $x=c$, then $f(c) = r$

Use synthetic division w/ "c" on the outside of the box, and the remainder will be the value of $f(x)$ at c

Remainder Theorem

$$f(x) = (x-c) \cdot q(x) + r$$

$$x-c=0$$
$$x=c$$

$$f(c) = \underbrace{(c-c)}_0 \cdot q(c) + r$$

$$f(c) = r$$

outside of
synthetic Div

* Synthetic Division can be used to substitute "c" into $f(x)$, the remainder is the answer.

This is called Synthetic Substitution

* Quiz Question: Use Synthetic substitution to evaluate $f(x) = -x^3 + 5x^2 + 33x - 162$ at $x=6$.

$$f(6) = 0 \leftarrow \text{remainder}$$

Is $(x-6)$ a factor? yes

Factor Theorem: if the remainder is 0, then "c" is a zero, $(x-c)$ is a factor.

HW: 115: 7, 19-22, 30-32, 38-39, 58, 59