

2.4 Real Zeros of Polynomial Fncs

Obj: 1. Use Long Division & Division

Algorithm

2. Remainder & Factor Thms.

3. Synthetic Division

Review:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{quotient} \\
 112 + \frac{3}{32} \\
 \text{divisor } 32 \overline{) 3587} \text{ dividend} \\
 \underline{- 32} \\
 38 \\
 \underline{- 32} \\
 67 \\
 \underline{- 64} \\
 3 \text{ remainder}
 \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + x + 2 + \frac{3}{3x+2} \\
 \underline{3x+2} \overline{) 3x^3 + 5x^2 + 8x + 7} \\
 \underline{-(3x^3 + 2x^2)} \\
 3x^2 + 8x \\
 \underline{-(3x^2 + 2x)} \\
 6x + 7 \\
 \underline{-(6x + 4)} \\
 3
 \end{array}$$

Summary Statement / Polynomial Form:

(Divisor)(Quotient) + Remainder = Dividend

$$32 \overline{) 3587} + \frac{3}{32}$$

$$32 \times 112 + 3 = 3587$$

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Division Algorithm:

$$f(x) = d(x) \cdot q(x) + r(x)$$

dividend divisor quotient remainder

Fraction Form:

$$\frac{f(x)}{d(x)} = q(x) + \frac{r(x)}{d(x)}$$

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Use long division to find the quotient & remainder:

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

dividend divisor

Fraction Form

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

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \underline{2x^2 + x + 1} \overline{) 2x^4 - x^3 + 0x^2 + 0x - 2} \\
 \underline{-(2x^4 + x^3 + x^2)} \\
 -2x^2 - x^2 + 0x \\
 \underline{-(-2x^3 + x^2 - x)} \\
 x^2 - x - 2
 \end{array}$$

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$$f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 + 7x - 9 \quad d(x) = x + 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + x + 4 - \frac{21}{x+3} \\
 \hline
 x+3 \overline{) x^3 + 4x^2 + 7x - 9} \\
 \underline{-(x^3 + 3x^2)} \\
 x^2 + 7x \\
 \underline{-(x^2 + 3x)} \\
 4x - 9 \\
 \underline{-(4x + 12)} \\
 -21
 \end{array}$$

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Remainder Thm:

If a polynomial $f(x)$ is divided by $x - k$, then the remainder is $r = f(k)$

Find the remainder when $f(x) = 3x^2 + 7x - 20$ is divided by: $x - k$

a. $x - 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 k &= 2 \\
 r &= f(2) \\
 &= 3(2)^2 + 7(2) - 20 \\
 &= 12 + 14 - 20 \\
 &= 6
 \end{aligned}$$

b. $x + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 k &= -1 \\
 r &= f(-1) \\
 &= 3(-1)^2 + 7(-1) - 20 \\
 &= 3 - 7 - 20 \\
 &= -24
 \end{aligned}$$

c. factor
 $x + 4$

$$\begin{aligned}
 k &= -4 \\
 r &= f(-4) \\
 &= 3(-4)^2 + 7(-4) - 20 \\
 &= 48 - 28 - 20 \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

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Factor Thm:

A polynomial $f(x)$ has a factor $x-k$ if $\underline{f(k)} = 0$.
 remainder

Is $x+2$ a factor of $f(x) = x^3 - 3x + 4$?
 $k = -2$

$$\begin{aligned} r = f(-2) &= (-2)^3 - 3(-2) + 4 \\ &= -8 + 6 + 4 \\ &= 2 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

No!

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Synthetic Division:

can only use when dividing by $\underline{x-k}$.

Divide: $(\underline{2x^3} - \underline{3x^2} - \underline{5x} - \underline{12}) \div (\underline{x-3})$
 $\frac{x-k}{k=3}$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 2 & -3 & -5 & -12 \\ & \downarrow & 6 & 9 & 12 \\ \hline & 2 & 3 & 4 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$2x^2 + 3x + 4 \quad \text{remainder: } 0$$

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

$k = -1$

$$\begin{array}{r} -1 \overline{) 1 \quad 4 \quad 0 \quad -6} \\ \underline{ 1 \quad -1 \quad -3 \quad 3} \\ 1 \quad 3 \quad -3 \quad -3 \end{array}$$
$$x^2 + 3x - 3 + \frac{-3}{x+1}$$

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