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Alg2

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4/9 - Remainder Theorem and Factor Theorem

Evaluate each function at the given value.

$$f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6 \text{ at } x = 3$$

$(x-3)$

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

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 | 1 & -6 & 11 & -6 \\ & 3 & -9 & 6 \\ \hline 1 & -3 & 2 & 0 \end{array} = f(3)$$

$$f(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 - x^2 - x + 1 \text{ at } x = -2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \underline{-2} | 1 & 2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ & -2 & 0 & 2 & -2 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} = f(-2)$$

$$f(x) = -3x^3 - 15x^2 - 14x - 1 \text{ at } x = -4$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \underline{-4} | -3 & -15 & -14 & -1 \\ & 12 & 12 & 8 \\ \hline & -3 & -3 & -2 & 7 \end{array} = f(-4)$$

$$3x^3 + 8x^2 - 45x - 50 = (x+5)(?)(?)$$

Factor Theorem: a polynomial $f(x)$ has a factor $(x-k)$ if and only if $f(k) = 0$.

$$f(-5) \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -5 \\ \underline{\quad | \quad} \\ \begin{array}{cccc} 3 & 8 & -45 & -50 \\ -15 & 35 & 50 & \\ \hline 3 & -7 & -10 & 0 \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 3x^2 - 7x - 10 \\ &= (3x - 10)(x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$x^3 + 18x^2 + 80x + 96 = (x+2)(?)(?)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \underline{-2} | \quad 1 \quad 18 \quad 80 \quad 96 \\ \quad \quad -2 \quad -32 \quad -96 \\ \hline \quad 1 \quad 16 \quad 48 \quad 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & x^2 + 16x + 48 \\ &= (x+12)(x+4) \end{aligned}$$

$$(x+12), (x+4)$$

$$2x^3 + 6x^2 - 8 = (x-1)(?)(?) \text{ ?}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \boxed{1} \ 2 \ 6 \ 0 \ -8 \\ \quad \quad 2 \ 8 \ 8 \\ \hline 2 \ 8 \ 8 \ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2x^2 + 8x + 8 \\ = & 2(x^2 + 4x + 4) \quad 2x^2 + 8x + 8 \\ = & 2(x+2)(x+2) \quad -(2x+4)(x+2) \end{aligned}$$

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