

Homefun take up/issues/exultations...

$$9 a) \frac{D(x) \cancel{5x^3 + x^2 + 3}}{\cancel{D(x)}} = D(x) \cancel{5x^2 - 14x + 42} - \frac{123}{\cancel{D(x)}}$$

$$5x^3 + x^2 + 3 = D(x)(5x^2 - 14x + 42) - 123$$

Consider only the constants  
 $(x+k)$

$$3 = 42k - 123$$

$$126 = 42k$$

$$\boxed{3 = k} \quad \therefore D(x) = x+3$$

$$5 c) \div \text{by } 2x+1 \Rightarrow 2x+1 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \quad 5 \quad -4 \quad -5 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \left| \begin{array}{r} 2 \quad 5 \quad -4 \quad -5 \\ -1 \quad -2 \quad 3 \\ \hline 2 \quad 4 \quad -6 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 2x = -1 \\ x = -\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \quad \textcircled{k}$$

$$\text{answer} = 2x^2 + 4x - 6 - \frac{2}{2x+1}$$

## The Remainder Theorem

Part 1 - When a polynomial  $P(x)$  is divided by  $x - a$ , the remainder is  $P(a)$ .

Ex 1: Find the remainder when  $P(x) = 4x^3 - 2x^2 + 6x + 3$  is divided by  $x + 4$

$$\begin{aligned} P(-4) &= 4(-4)^3 - 2(-4)^2 + 6(-4) + 3 \\ &= -256 - 32 - 24 + 3 \\ &= -309 \end{aligned}$$

$$\curvearrowleft a = -4$$

Ex 2: When  $2x^4 + kx^2 + 4x - 5$  is divided by  $x + 2$  the remainder is 7. Determine the value of  $k$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P(-2) &= 7 \\ 2(-2)^4 + k(-2)^2 + 4(-2) - 5 &= 7 \\ 32 + 4k - 8 - 5 &= 7 \\ \frac{4k}{4} &= -\frac{12}{4} \\ k &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\curvearrowleft a = -2$$

Ex 3: When  $P(x) = 4x^3 + cx^2 + dx - 5$  is divided by  $x - 2$  the remainder is 7.  
When  $P(x)$  is divided by  $x + 1$  the remainder is also 7. What are the values of  $c$  and  $d$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} P(2) &= 7 \quad \hookrightarrow a = -1 \\ 4(2)^3 + c(2)^2 + d(2) - 5 &= 7 \\ 32 + 4c + 2d - 5 &= 7 \\ (4c + 2d = -20) \div 2 & \\ 2c + d &= -10 \quad \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

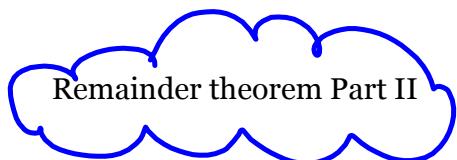
$$\hookrightarrow a = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(-1) &= 7 \quad \hookrightarrow \\ 4(-1)^3 + c(-1)^2 + d(-1) - 5 &= 7 \\ -4 + c - d - 5 &= 7 \\ c - d &= 16 \quad \textcircled{2} \\ \begin{array}{r} 2c + d = -10 \\ c - d = 16 \\ \hline 3c = 6 \end{array} & \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{array}{l} c = 2 \\ d = -14 \end{array}} \quad \textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

Ex 4: Find the remainder when  $16x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 4$  is divided by  $2x - 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{my } 2x - 3 &= 0 \\ 2x &= 3 \\ x &= \frac{3}{2} \quad \hookrightarrow a = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) &= 16\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 - 2\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - 4 \\ &= 47 \end{aligned}$$



When a polynomial  $P(x)$  is divided by  $ax - b$  the remainder is

$$P\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

## The Factor Theorem

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

(a)  $x - 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(2) &= 2^3 - 2(2)^2 - 5(2) + 6 \\
 &= 8 - 8 - 10 + 6 \\
 &= -4
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $x - 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(1) &= 1^3 - 2(1)^2 - 5(1) + 6 \\
 &= 1 - 2 - 5 + 6 \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $x + 5$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(-5) &= -125 - 50 + 25 + 6 \\
 &= -144
 \end{aligned}$$

Anything special?

$x - 1$  must be a factor of  $P(x)$  since there is no remainder.  
... oh and  $(x-2)$  and  $(x+5)$  are not

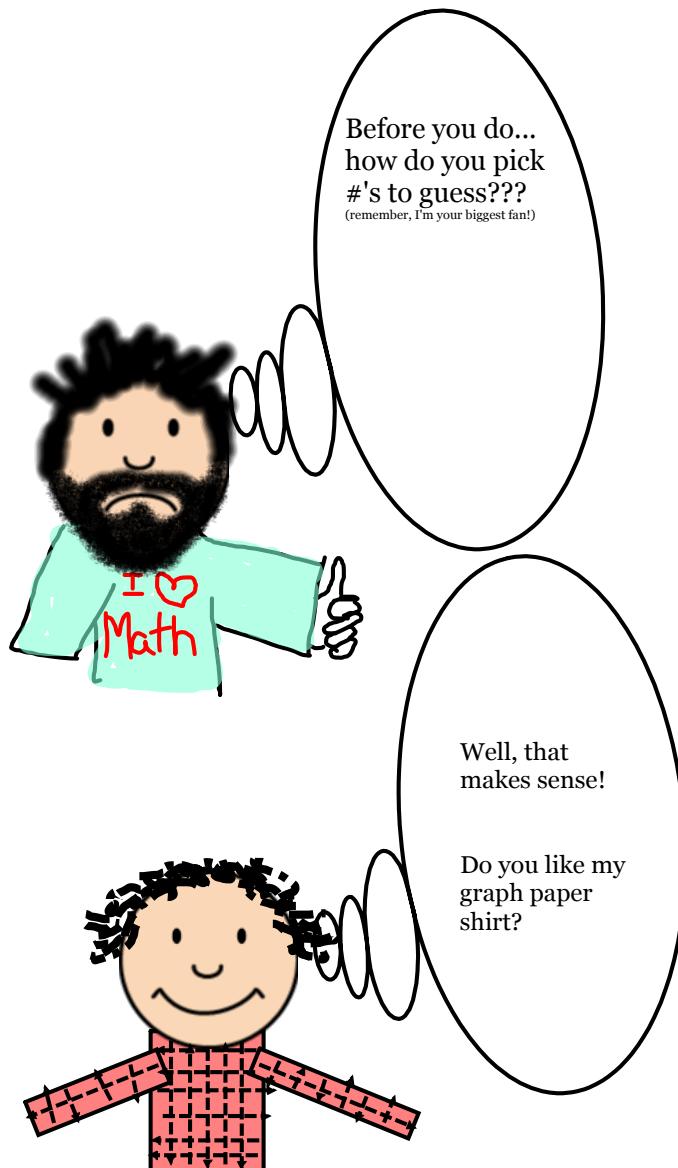
How about  $x + 2$ ? or  $x - 3$ ? or  $x + 7$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(-2) &\text{ both factors} & P(3) \\
 &= -8 - 8 + 10 + 6 & = 0 \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(-7) &= 216
 \end{aligned}$$

The factor theorem:  $X - a$  is a factor of  $P(x)$  if and only if  $P(a) = 0$

Example 3: Factor  $P(x) = x^5 - 2x^4 - 13x^3 + 26x^2 + 36x - 72$



For polynomials of degree greater than 3, you may need to do the factor theorem more than once.

Factor Theorem - find a factor of  $P(x)$ , then divide to find the other factors.

Example 1: Factor  $4x^4 + 6x^3 - 6x^2 - 4x$

$$P(x) = x(4x^3 + 6x^2 - 6x - 4)$$

I could take a guess at a factor?!

or I could consider factors of -4

Start with  $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4$

~~test~~  $P(-2) = 0 \Rightarrow x+2$  is a factor so divide  $P(x)$  by  $x+2$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 & 6 & -6 & -4 \\ -2 & & & \\ \hline 4 & -2 & -2 & 0 \end{array}$$

now..

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= x(x+2)(4x^2 - 2x - 2) \\ &= 2x(x+2)(2x^2 - x - 1) \\ &= 2x(x+2)(2x+1)(x-1) \end{aligned}$$

Example 2: Sketch the graph of  $f(x) = x^4 - 6x^3 + 2x^2 - 12x$

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

check factors  $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3,$

~~test~~  $(x-1)$ :  $\pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 12$

$$P(1) = (1)^3 - 6(1)^2 + 2(1) - 12 \neq 0$$

~~test~~  $(x+1)$

$$P(-1) = (-1)^3 - 6(-1)^2 + 2(-1) - 12 = -1 - 6 - 2 - 12 \neq 0$$

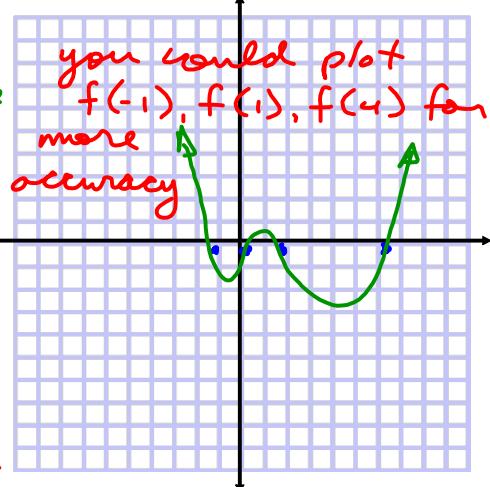
~~test~~  $(x-2)$

$$P(2) = (2)^3 - 6(2)^2 + 2(2) - 12 = 8 - 24 - 4 - 12 \neq 0$$

$$(x+2) P(-2) = (-2)^3 - 6(-2)^2 + 2(-2) - 12 = -8 - 24 - 4 - 12 \neq 0$$

~~test~~  $(x-6)$

$$P(6) = (6)^3 - 6(6)^2 + 2(6) - 12 = 0 \therefore (x-6) \text{ is a factor}$$



Now use synthetic division

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 | 1 & -6 & 2 & -12 \\ & 6 & 0 & 12 \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{array}$$

quotient is

$$x^2 - 2$$

$$x^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$x^2 = 2$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

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

$$R(x) = 0$$

Since  $x-6$  is a factor

Since we can factor quadratics easily (or use quadratic formula) the goal is to divide until we reach a quadratic polynomial.

$$P(x) = x(x-6)(x^2 - 2)$$

$$= x(x-6)(x+\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{2})$$

Example 4: When  $2x^3 - mx^2 + nx - 2$  is divided by  $x + 1$ , the remainder is  $-12$ .  
 Also,  $x - 2$  is a factor. Determine values of  $m$  and  $n$ .

$$P(-1) = -12$$

$$-12 = 2(-1)^3 - m(-1)^2 + n(-1) - 2 \quad 2(2)^3 - m(2)^2 + n(2) - 2 = 0$$

$$-12 = -2 - m - n - 2$$

$$m + n = 8 \quad (1)$$

$$P(2) = 0$$

$$16 - 4m + 2n - 2 = 0$$

$$(-4m + 2n = -14) \div (-2)$$

$$2m - n = 7 \quad (2)$$

(1) + (2)

$$\begin{array}{r} m+n=8 \\ + 2m-n=7 \\ \hline 3m=15 \\ m=5 \end{array}$$

Sub  $m=5$  into (1)

$$\begin{array}{r} 5+n=8 \\ n=3 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x - 2$$

