

MHF4U - Practice Quiz on 2.5 2.6

1. Which one of the following functions is divisible by $x - 3$? $\leftarrow$ zero of divisor is 3.

a. $f(x) = x^3 - 10x^2 + 29x - 24$

c. $h(x) = 3x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x + 9$

b. $g(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 13x + 24$

d. $j(x) = x^3 - 9x^2 + 15x - 12$

using the Remainder Theorem

$$f(3) = (3)^3 - 10(3)^2 + 29(3) - 24$$

$\therefore$ the remainder is zero $\Rightarrow f(x)$ is divisible by $x - 3$

$\leftarrow$ means "no remainder"

2. Which one of the following functions is divisible by $x + 1$? $\leftarrow$ zero $x = -1$

a. $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 3$

c. $h(x) = x^5 - x^4 - 2x^3 + 8x^2 - 6x$

b. $g(x) = x^2 - 3x + 1$

d. $j(x) = x^5 + x^4 - 2x^3 + 4x^2 + 6x$

$$f(-1) = -7 \quad \text{No}$$

$$g(-1) = -1 \quad \text{No}$$

$$h(-1) = 2 \quad \text{No}$$

$$j(-1) = 0 \quad \text{yes.}$$

3. Which one of the following is not a factor of $f(x) = -6x^3 - 47x^2 - 97x - 60$?

a. $-2x - 3$ zero $-3/2$

c. $3x - 4$ zero $4/3$

b. $3x + 4$ zero $-4/3$

d. $x + 5$ zero -5

$$f(-3/2) = 0 \quad \therefore \text{factor}$$

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$$f(4/3) = -28 \frac{4}{9} \neq 0 \quad \therefore \text{not a factor}$$

4. What is the remainder when $x - 4$ is divided into $3x^4 - 9x^3 + 6x^2 - 8x + 11$?

a. 1483

$\leftarrow$ zero of divisor $x = 4$

c. 11

b. 267

d. -245

LET

$$f(x) = 3x^4 - 9x^3 + 6x^2 - 8x + 11 \quad (\text{remainder theorem})$$

$$f(4) = 3(4)^4 - 9(4)^3 + 6(4)^2 - 8(4) + 11 = 267$$

If you use the Remainder Theorem or the Factor Theorem, create a fn (if you don't have one)!

5. The polynomial $-6x^3 - 55x^2 + kx - 16$ has factors $x + 8$ and $3x + 2$. Determine the value of k .

- a. -58
b. -16

- c. 16
d. 58

using -8

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Let } f(x) &= -6x^3 - 55x^2 + kx - 16 \\ f(-8) &= -6(-8)^3 - 55(-8)^2 - 8k - 16 \\ &= -464 - 8k\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\because x + 8 \text{ is a factor} &\Rightarrow f(-8) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow -464 - 8k = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow k = -58\end{aligned}$$

zero -8 zero $-\frac{2}{3}$
use either one
(since there is only one unknown
 $\Rightarrow$ we only need one bit of info)

(Note: $f(-\frac{2}{3})$ gives the same result)

6. Write the expression $27x^3 - 1$ in factored form.

a. $(3x + 1)(3x - 1)$

b. $(9x - 1)(81x^2 + 9x + 1)$

c. $(3x + 1)(9x^2 - 3x + 1)$

d. $(3x - 1)(9x^2 + 3x + 1)$

"- + +" (order of signs.)

3x (cube roots)

7. Write the expression $x^9y^3 + 216z^3$ in factored form.

a. $(x^3y + 6z)(x^6y^2 - 6x^3yz + 36z^2)$

b. $(x^3y - 6z)(x^6y^2 + 6x^3yz + 36z^2)$

c. $(x^3y + 6z)(x^6y^2 + 6x^3yz + 36z^2)$

d. $(x^3y + 6z)(x^3y - 6z)$

$$(x^3y + 6z)((x^3y)^2 - (x^3y)(6z) + (6z)^2)$$

8. The factor theorem says that $x - a$ is a factor of $f(x)$ if and only if what is true?

$$f(a) = 0 \quad \text{Amen and amen.}$$

9. The remainder theorem says that when a polynomial, $f(x)$, is divided by $x - a$, the remainder is equal to what?

$$f(a) \text{ is the remainder.}$$

10. State the remainder when $x - 5$ is divided into the polynomial $3x^3 - 8x^2 + 6x - 10$.

$$\text{Let } f(x) = 3x^3 - 8x^2 + 6x - 10$$

$$\begin{aligned}f(5) &= 3(5)^3 - 8(5)^2 + 6(5) - 10 \\ &= 195\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$ The remainder is 195

(I'm using the remainder theorem,
but you could also divide)

11. Factor the polynomial $-2x^3 + 12x^2 + 8x - 48$ using the factor theorem.

Let $f(x) = -2x^3 + 12x^2 + 8x - 48$ (common factor if you can)

TEST VALUES

$\Rightarrow f(x) = -2(x^3 - 6x^2 - 4x + 24)$

$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 8, \pm 12, \pm 24$

$f(2) = 0 \Rightarrow (x-2) \text{ is a factor}$

don't forget the common factor!

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & -6 & -4 & 24 \\ & & 2 & -8 & -24 \\ \hline & 1 & -4 & -12 & 0 \end{array}$$

$\therefore f(x) = -2(x-2)(x^2 - 4x - 12)$
 $= -2(x-2)(x-6)(x+2)$

12. Factor the polynomial $x^3 + 6x^2 - 19x - 24$ using the factor theorem.

Let $f(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 - 19x - 24$

TEST VALUES

$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 8, \pm 24$

$f(3) = 0 \Rightarrow (x-3) \text{ is a factor}$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 1 & 6 & -19 & -24 \\ & & 3 & 27 & 24 \\ \hline & 1 & 9 & 8 & 0 \end{array}$$

$\therefore x^3 + 6x^2 - 19x - 24 = (x-3)(x^2 + 9x + 8)$
 $= (x-3)(x+1)(x+8)$

13. Sketch $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 - 13x^2 + 38x - 24$ by finding all zeros of $f(x)$.

YES! Best Question EVER!!!

$f(1) = 0$

TEST VALUES

$\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4$
 $\pm 6, \pm 12, \pm 24$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 1 & 1 & -2 & -13 & 38 & -24 \\ & & 1 & -1 & -14 & 24 \\ \hline & 1 & -1 & -14 & 24 & 0 \end{array}$$

$\therefore f(x) = (x-1)(x^3 - x^2 - 14x + 24)$

Let $g(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 14x + 24$
 $g(2) = 0$

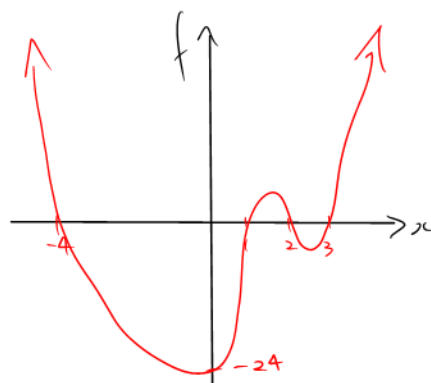
$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & -1 & -14 & 24 \\ & & 2 & 2 & -24 \\ \hline & 1 & 1 & -12 & 0 \end{array}$$

$\therefore f(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x^2 + x - 12)$
 $= (x-1)(x-2)(x-3)(x+4)$

zeros

$x = 1, 2, 3, -4$

y.int $f(0) = -24$



(basic sketch)

14. The polynomial $-6x^3 + 50x^2 + ax + 24$ has factors $x - 1$ and $2x + 1$. Determine the value of a .

Let $f(x) = -6x^3 + 50x^2 + ax + 24$

By the Factor Theorem

$$f(1) = 0 \quad (\text{or } f(-\frac{1}{2}) = 0)$$

$$\rightarrow -6(1)^3 + 50(1)^2 + a + 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -68$$

$x-1$ and $2x+1$
are NOT both factors!

Note **BAD QUESTION!**

$$f(-\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -6(-\frac{1}{2})^3 + 50(-\frac{1}{2})^2 - \frac{1}{2}a + 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6}{8} + \frac{50}{4} - \frac{1}{2}a + 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \underline{\underline{74.5}} \neq -68$$

15. Factor $x^3y^6 + 8z^3$.

$$= (xy^2 + 2z)(x^2y^4 - 2xy^2z + 4z^2)$$

16. Factor $\frac{1}{64}x^3 - \frac{8}{27}$.

$$\left(\frac{1}{4}x - \frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x + \frac{4}{9}\right)$$

Happy Studying!