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$$8a) \quad x^3 + 4x^2 - x + K \div (x-1)$$

$$\text{Remainder} = 3$$

$$(1)^3 + 4(1)^2 - (1) + K = 3$$

$$1 + 4 - 1 + K = 3$$

$$K = 3 - 4$$

$$K = -1$$

Sec. 3.3: The Factor Theorem

The factor theorem states that $x-a$ is a factor of $P(x)$, if and only if $P(a)=0$.

ex. Determine if $x-1$ and $x+2$ are factors of $P(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 5x + 2$.

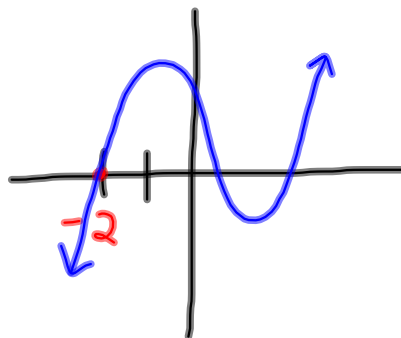
$$\begin{aligned} P(1) &= (1)^3 - (1)^2 - 5(1) + 2 \\ &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

Not a factor

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

$(x+2)$ is a factor

Then -2 is a root.



Integral Zero Theorem

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If $x=a$ is an integral zero (root) of polynomial, $P(x)$, with integral coefficients, then 'a' is a factor of the constant term.

example:

$$2x^3 - 5x^2 - 4x + 3$$

* possible integral roots/zeros are the factors of 3.

$$\pm 1, \pm 3$$

Check $P(1)$

$$2(1)^3 - 5(1)^2 - 4(1) + 3$$

$$2 - 5 - 4 + 3$$

$$P(1) = -4 \quad \text{not a root}$$

$$P(-1) = 2(-1)^3 - 5(-1)^2 - 4(-1) + 3$$

$$= -2 - 5 + 4 + 3$$

$$= 0$$

* -1 is a root

$$\begin{array}{r}
 -1 \overline{) 2 \quad -5 \quad -4 \quad 3} \\
 \quad \downarrow \quad -2 \quad 7 \quad -3 \\
 \hline
 \quad 2 \quad -7 \quad 3 \quad \emptyset R
 \end{array}$$

$$2x^2 - 7x + 3$$

To solve for the other two roots use decomposition or quadratic formula.

$$2x^2 - 7x + 3 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{add} \rightarrow -7 \\
 \text{mult} \rightarrow 6 \\
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 -6 \quad -1
 \end{array}$$

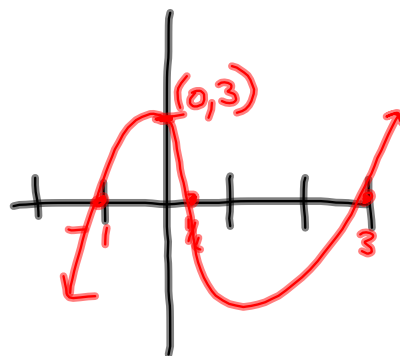
$$(2x^2 - 6x)(-x + 3)$$

$$2x(x-3) - 1(x-3)$$

$$(2x-1)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \quad \left\{ \quad x = 3 \right.$$

Roots are $-1, \frac{1}{2}, 3$.



ex.2 Find all the factors

$$x^4 - 5x^3 + 2x^2 + 20x - 24$$

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

check: $(2)^4 - 5(2)^3 + 2(2)^2 + 20(2) - 24 = 0$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 2 & 1 & -5 & 2 & 20 & -24 \\ & \downarrow & 2 & -6 & -8 & 24 \\ \hline & 1 & -3 & -4 & 12 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x + 12$$

possible roots: $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 12$

check $P(3) = (3)^3 - 3(3)^2 - 4(3) + 12 = 0$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 1 & -3 & -4 & 12 \\ & \downarrow & 3 & 0 & -12 \\ \hline & 1 & 0 & -4 & 0 \end{array}$$

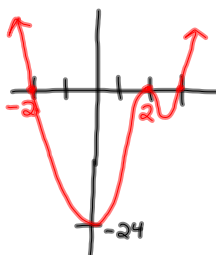
$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 4 &= 0 \\ (x-2)(x+2) &= 0 \\ x=2 \quad x=-2 \end{aligned}$$

In Factored Form:

$$(x-2)(x+2)(x-3)(x-2)$$

$$(x-2)^2(x-3)(x+2)$$

↑
double root at 2.



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5 a, d, e

Factor fully

5a) $P(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$

d) $P(x) = x^4 + 4x^3 - 7x^2 - 34x - 24$

e) $P(x) = K^5 + 3K^4 - 5K^3 - 15K^2 + 4K + 12$