

Divide the following polynomials using long or synthetic division

1)  $(x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x + 7) \div (x^2 + 4x - 1)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2+4x-1 \overline{) x^3+2x^2-5x+7} \\ \underline{-x^3-4x^2+x} \phantom{+7} \\ -2x^2-4x+7 \\ \underline{+2x^2+8x-2} \\ 4x+5 \end{array}$$

$$x-2 + \frac{4x+5}{x^2+4x-1}$$

2)  $(x^3 - 3x^2 + 8x - 5) \div (x - 1)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \downarrow \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ 1 \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{1} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{1} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{1} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{1} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \end{array}$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 6 + \frac{1}{x-1}$$

3)  $(2x^4 - 11x^3 + 15x^2 + 6x - 18) \div (x - 3)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \downarrow \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ 2 \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{2} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{2} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{2} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{2} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \end{array}$$

$$2x^3 - 5x^2 + 6$$

4)  $(8x^3 + 5x^2 - 12x + 10) \div (x^2 - 3)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8x+5 \\ x^2+0x-3 \overline{) 8x^3+5x^2-12x+10} \\ \underline{-8x^3+0x^2+24x} \phantom{+10} \\ 5x^2+12x+10 \\ \underline{-5x^2+0x+15} \\ 12x+25 \end{array}$$

$$8x+5 + \frac{12x+25}{x^2-3}$$

5)  $(5x^4 - 7x^3 + x + 2) \div (x^2 - 3x + 2)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2-3x+2 \overline{) 5x^4-7x^3+0x^2+x+2} \\ \underline{-5x^4+15x^3-10x^2} \\ 8x^3-10x^2+x \\ \underline{-8x^3+24x^2-16x} \\ 14x^2-15x+2 \\ \underline{-14x^2+42x-28} \\ 27x-26 \end{array}$$

$$5x^2 + 8x + 4 + \frac{27x-26}{x^2-3x+2}$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 6 + \frac{1}{x-1}$$

6)  $(x^3 - 3x^2 + 8x - 5) \div (x - 1)$

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A polynomial  $f$  and a factor of  $f$  are given. Factor  $f$  completely.

7)  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 16x - 12; x - 6$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \downarrow \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ 1 \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{1} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{1} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{1} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \end{array}$$

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

$$(x-6)(x+2)(x+1)$$

A polynomial  $f$  and one zero of  $f$  are given. Factor the other zeros of  $f$ .

8)  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 39x - 20; 4$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \downarrow \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ 2 \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{2} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{2} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{2} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \phantom{0} \end{array}$$

$$2x^2 + 11x + 5$$

$$(2x+1)(x+5) = 0$$

$$x = 4, -\frac{1}{2}, -5$$

List the possible rational zeros of the function. What is the maximum number of zeros the function has?

9)  $f(x) = x^4 - 6x^3 + 8x^2 - 21$

$$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 7, \pm 21$$

4 zeros

10)  $g(x) = 9x^5 + 3x^3 + 7x - 4$

$$p = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4$$

$$q = \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9$$

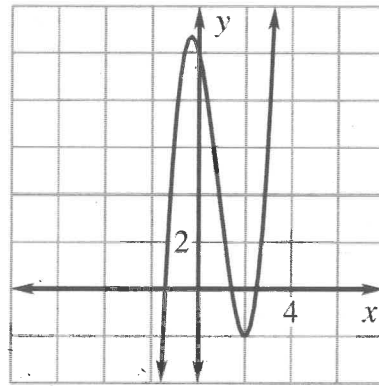
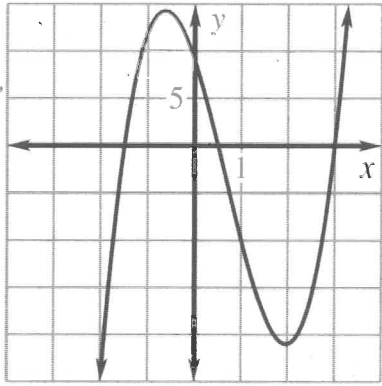
$$\frac{p}{q} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{2}{3}, \pm \frac{4}{3}, \pm \frac{1}{9}, \pm \frac{2}{9}, \pm \frac{4}{9}$$

5 zeros

Use the graph to shorten the list of possible rational zeros of  $f$ . Then find all real zeros of  $f$ .

11)  $f(x) = 4x^3 - 8x^2 - 15x + 9$

12)  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 - 4x + 10$



3) 
$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 4 & 4 & -8 & -15 & 9 \\ & & 12 & 12 & -9 \\ \hline & 4 & 4 & -3 & 0 \end{array}$$
  
 $4x^2 + 4x - 3 = 0$   
 $(2x-1)(2x+3) = 0$   
 $x = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}$

$2x^3 - 5x^2 - 4x + 10$   
 $x^2(2x-5) - 2(2x-5) = 0$   
 $(x^2-2)(2x-5) = 0$   
 $x^2 = 2 \quad x = \frac{5}{2}$   
 $x = \pm\sqrt{2}$

$x = 3, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}$

$x = \frac{5}{2}, \pm\sqrt{2}$

Find all zeros of the polynomial function.

13)  $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 11x + 3$

14)  $h(x) = 2x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x - 1$

-3) 
$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 1 & -1 & -11 & 3 \\ & & -3 & 12 & -3 \\ \hline & 1 & -4 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$
  
 $x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$

-1) 
$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ & & -2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ \hline & 2 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array}$$
  
 $2x^3 - x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$

$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4(1)(1)}}{2(1)} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{12}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{2}$

$x^2(2x-1) + 1(2x-1) = 0$   
 $(2x-1)(x^2+1) = 0$   
 $x = -1, \frac{1}{2}, \pm i$

$x = -3, 2 \pm \sqrt{3}$

$x = \frac{1}{2}, x = \pm i$

Write a polynomial function  $f$  of least degree that has rational coefficients, a leading coefficient of 1, and the given zeros.

15)  $-7, -4$

16)  $1, 2, 5$

$f(x) = (x+7)(x+4)$

$f(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-5)$

17)  $-3, 0, 1$

18)  $4, i, -1$

$f(x) = (x+3)(x)(x-1)$

$f(x) = (x-4)(x-i)(x+i)(x+1)$

19)  $-5, 0, -2i$

20)  $-1, 2 + \sqrt{3}, 5 - i$

$f(x) = (x+5)(x)(x+2i)(x-2i)$

$f(x) = (x+1)(x-(2+\sqrt{3}))(x-(2-\sqrt{3}))(x-(5-i))(x-(5+i))$