

Series: Mathematics - from zero to engineer (28).

Polynomials - polynomial expressions.

Evaluating polynomials - Horner's method.

$$f(x) = 5x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 6.$$

$$1^\circ 5x + 2$$

$$4^\circ [(5x + 2)x - 3]x$$

$$2^\circ (5x + 2)x$$

$$5^\circ [(5x + 2)x - 3]x + 6$$

$$3^\circ (5x + 2)x - 3$$

$$f(x) = [(5x + 2)x - 3]x + 6$$

$$f(4) = [(5 \cdot 4 + 2) \cdot 4 - 3] \cdot 4 + 6 = [22 \cdot 4 - 3] \cdot 4 + 6 = 85 \cdot 4 + 6 = 340 + 6 = 346$$

$$f(2) = [(5 \cdot 2 + 2) \cdot 2 - 3] \cdot 2 + 6 = [12 \cdot 2 - 3] \cdot 2 + 6 = 21 \cdot 2 + 6 = 42 + 6 = 48$$

$$f(-1) = [(5 \cdot (-1) + 2) \cdot (-1) - 3] \cdot (-1) + 6 = [3 - 3] \cdot (-1) + 6 = 0$$

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

$$f(x) = 3x^4 + 0x^3 + 2x^2 - 4x + 5$$

$$1^\circ 3x + 0$$

$$5^\circ [(3x + 0)x + 2]x - 4$$

$$2^\circ (3x + 0)x$$

$$6^\circ \{[(3x + 0)x + 2]x - 4\}x$$

$$3^\circ (3x + 0)x + 2$$

$$7^\circ \{[(3x + 0)x + 2]x - 4\}x + 5$$

$$4^\circ [(3x + 0)x + 2]x$$

$$f(x) = \{[(3x + 0)x + 2]x - 4\}x + 5$$

$$f(2) = \{[(3 \cdot 2 + 0) \cdot 2 + 2] \cdot 2 - 4\} \cdot 2 + 5 = \{14 \cdot 2 - 4\} \cdot 2 + 5 = 24 \cdot 2 + 5 = 53$$

Write the polynomial in nested form and evaluate the polynomial f for the given value of x .

a) $f(x) = 4x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x - 4$, $x = 2$.

$$f(x) = [(4x + 3)x + 2]x - 4$$

$$f(2) = [(4 \cdot 2 + 3) \cdot 2 + 2] \cdot 2 - 4 = [22 + 2] \cdot 2 - 4 = 48 - 4 = 44$$

b) $f(x) = 2x^4 + x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 6$, $x = 3$

$$f(x) = \{[(2x + 1)x - 3]x + 5\}x - 6$$

$$f(3) = \{[(2 \cdot 3 + 1) \cdot 3 - 3] \cdot 3 + 5\} \cdot 3 - 6 = \{[21 - 3] \cdot 3 + 5\} \cdot 3 - 6 = \\ = \{54 + 5\} \cdot 3 - 6 = 177 - 6 = 171$$

$$c) f(x) = x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x - 3, x = 5$$

$$f(x) = x^4 - 3x^3 + 0x^2 + 2x - 3$$

$$f(x) = \{[(x - 3)x + 0]x + 2\}x - 3$$

$$f(5) = \{[(5 - 3) \cdot 5 + 0] \cdot 5 + 2\} \cdot 5 - 3 = 52 \cdot 5 - 3 = 260 - 3 = 257$$

$$d) f(x) = 2x^4 - 5x^3 - 3x^2 + 4, x = 4$$

$$f(x) = 2x^4 - 5x^3 - 3x^2 + 0x + 4$$

$$f(x) = \{[(2x - 5)x - 3]x + 0\}x + 4$$

$$f(4) = \{[(2 \cdot 4 - 5) \cdot 4 - 3] \cdot 4 + 0\} \cdot 4 + 4 = 36 \cdot 4 + 4 = 148$$

Bezout's theorem.

$$\frac{f(x)}{x-a} = g(x) + \frac{R}{x-a} \quad / \cdot (x-a)$$

$$f(x) = (x-a) \cdot g(x) + R$$

$$\text{for: } x = a$$

$$f(a) = 0 \cdot g(x) + R \rightarrow f(a) = R$$

If the polynomial $f(x)$ is divided by $x-a$, the remainder is $f(a)$.

- determine the remainder.

$$(x^3 + 3x^2 - 13x - 10) : (x - 3)$$

$$[(x + 3)x - 13]x - 10 \rightarrow f(3) = [(3 + 3) \cdot 3 - 13] \cdot 3 - 10 = 15 - 10 = 5$$

- this can be verified by

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x^3 + 3x^2 - 13x - 10 \\ x^3 - 3x^2 \end{array} \right\} : (x - 3) = x^2 + 6x + 5$$

performing long
division.

$$\begin{array}{r} 6x^2 - 13x \\ - (6x^2 - 18x) \\ \hline 5x - 10 \\ - (5x - 15) \\ \hline 5 \end{array}$$

$$(x^3 + 3x^2 - 13x - 10) = (x - 3) \cdot (x^2 + 6x + 5) + 5$$

Determine the remainder in each of the following cases.

a) $(5x^3 - 4x^2 - 3x + 6) : (x - 2)$

$$[(5x - 4)x - 3]x + 6 \rightarrow f(2) = [(5 \cdot 2 - 4) \cdot 2 - 3] \cdot 2 + 6 = 18 + 6 = 24$$

b) $(4x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 3) : (x - 4)$

$$[(4x - 3)x + 5]x - 3 \rightarrow f(4) = [(4 \cdot 4 - 3) \cdot 4 + 5] \cdot 4 - 3 = 57 \cdot 4 - 3 = 228 - 3 = 225$$

c) $(x^3 - 2x^2 - 3x + 5) : (x - 5)$

$$[(x - 2)x - 3]x + 5 \rightarrow f(5) = [(5 - 2) \cdot 5 - 3] \cdot 5 + 5 = 60 + 5 = 65$$

d) $(2x^3 + 3x^2 - x + 4) : (x + 2)$

$$[(2x + 3)x - 1]x + 4 \rightarrow f(-2) = [(2 \cdot (-2) + 3) \cdot (-2) - 1] \cdot (-2) + 4 = -2 + 4 = 2$$

e) $(3x^3 - 11x^2 + 10x - 12) : (x - 3)$

$$[(3x - 11)x + 10]x - 12 \rightarrow f(3) = [(3 \cdot 3 - 11) \cdot 3 + 10] \cdot 3 - 12 = 12 - 12 = 0$$