

it is best to do the numeric part ex. 56 to 60 before any others from this section.
(use Rational Zero Theorem)

56) $f(x) = x^4 + 3x^3 - 4x + 4$

constant term: $4 = (1)(4) = (2)(2) \rightarrow p = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4$

$x = \frac{p}{q}$

leading term: $1 = (1)(1) \rightarrow q = \pm 1$

possible zeros

$\frac{1}{1} \rightarrow x = \pm 1, \frac{2}{1} \rightarrow x = \pm 2, \frac{4}{1} \rightarrow x = \pm 4$

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

constant term: $4 = (1)(4) = (2)(2) \rightarrow p = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4$

$x = \frac{p}{q}$

leading term: $3 = (1)(3) \rightarrow q = \pm 1, \pm 3$

possible zeros

$\frac{1}{1} \rightarrow x = \pm 1, \frac{2}{1} \rightarrow x = \pm 2, \frac{4}{1} \rightarrow x = \pm 4, \frac{1}{3} \rightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \rightarrow x = \pm \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3} \rightarrow x = \pm \frac{4}{3}$

60) $f(x) = 4x^5 - 10x^4 + 8x^3 + x^2 - 8$

constant term: $-8 = (-1)(8) = (-2)(4) \rightarrow p = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8$

$x = \frac{p}{q}$

leading term: $4 = (1)(4) = (2)(2) \rightarrow q = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4$

possible zeros

$\frac{1}{1} = \frac{2}{2} = \frac{4}{4} \rightarrow x = \pm 1, \frac{2}{1} = \frac{4}{2} = \frac{8}{4} \rightarrow x = \pm 2, \frac{4}{1} = \frac{8}{2} \rightarrow x = \pm 4, \frac{8}{1} \rightarrow x = \pm 8, \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4} \rightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4} \rightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{4}$

$$6) (x^4 - 9x^2 + 14) \div (x-2)$$

$$\text{let } f(x) = x^4 - 9x^2 + 14$$

$$x-2=0 \rightarrow x=2$$

$$f(2) = (2)^4 - 9(2)^2 + 14 = 16 - 18 + 14 = \underline{12}$$

$$8) (x^4 + 5x^3 - 4x + 17) \div (x+1)$$

$$f(x) = x^4 + 5x^3 - 4x + 17$$

$$x+1=0 \rightarrow x=-1$$

$$f(-1) = (-1)^4 + 5(-1)^3 - 4(-1) + 17 = 1 - 5 + 4 + 17 = \underline{17}$$

$$10) (5x^5 - 4x^4 + 3x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 1) \div (x+6)$$

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

$$x+6=0 \rightarrow x=-6$$

$$f(-6) = 5(-6)^5 - 4(-6)^4 + 3(-6)^3 - 2(-6)^2 + (-6) - 1$$

$$= 5(-7776) - 4(1296) + 3(-216) - 2(36) - 6 - 1$$

$$= \underline{-38880} - \underline{5184} - \underline{648} - \underline{72} - \underline{7}$$

$$= -44064 - 727 = \underline{\underline{-44791}}$$

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

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

$$x-3=0 \rightarrow x=3$$

$$f(3) = 3(3)^3 + 4(3)^2 - 8(3) + 2$$

$$= 3(27) + 4(9) - 24 + 2 = 81 + 36 - 24 + 2 = \underline{95}$$

$$15) f(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 - 5x + 2 ; x+2 \quad \{\text{extra example}\}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^2 - 3x + 1 \\ x+2 \overline{) 2x^3 + x^2 - 5x + 2} \\ \underline{-(2x^3 + 4x^2)} \\ -3x^2 - 5x \\ \underline{-(-3x^2 - 6x)} \\ +x + 2 \\ \underline{-(+x + 2)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

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

$$= (x+2)(2x^2 - 3x + 1)$$

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

$$\begin{array}{l|l|l} x+2=0 & 2x-1=0 & x-1=0 \\ \hline x=-2 & 2x=1 & x=1 \\ \hline x=-2 & x=\frac{1}{2} & x=1 \end{array}$$

$$14) f(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 13x - 6; x-1$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^2 - 7x + 6 \\ x-1 \overline{) 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 13x - 6} \\ \underline{-(2x^3 - 2x^2)} \\ -7x^2 + 13x \\ \underline{-(-7x^2 + 7x)} \\ +6x - 6 \\ \underline{-(+6x - 6)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 13x - 6 \\ &= (x-1)(2x^2 - 7x + 6) \\ &= (x-1)(2x-1)(x-3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l|l} 2x-1=0 & x-1=0 & x-3=0 \\ 2x=1 & \underline{x=1} & \underline{x=3} \\ \underline{x=\frac{1}{2}} & & \end{array}$$

$$16) f(x) = 3x^3 + x^2 - 20x + 12; x+3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^2 - 8x + 4 \\ x+3 \overline{) 3x^3 + x^2 - 20x + 12} \\ \underline{-(3x^3 + 9x^2)} \\ -8x^2 - 20x \\ \underline{-(-8x^2 - 24x)} \\ +4x + 12 \\ \underline{-(+4x + 12)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 3x^3 + x^2 - 20x + 12 \\ &= (x+3)(3x^2 - 8x + 4) \\ &= (x+3)(3x-2)(x-2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l|l} x+3=0 & 3x-2=0 & x-2=0 \\ \underline{x=-3} & 3x=2 & \underline{x=2} \\ & \underline{x=\frac{2}{3}} & \end{array}$$

$$18) f(x) = -5x^3 + 16x^2 - 9; x-3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -5x^2 + x + 3 \\ x-3 \overline{) -5x^3 + 16x^2 + 0x - 9} \\ \underline{-(5x^3 + 15x^2)} \\ +1x^2 + 0x \\ \underline{-(+1x^2 - 3x)} \\ +3x - 9 \\ \underline{-(+3x - 9)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= -5x^3 + 16x^2 - 9 \\ &= (x-3)(-5x^2 + x + 3) = (x-3)(-1)(5x^2 - x - 3) \end{aligned}$$

we need to use quadratic formula for

$$\begin{aligned} 5x^2 - x - 3 &\Rightarrow a=5 \quad b=-1 \quad c=-3 \\ x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(5)(-3)}}{2(5)} \\ &= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+60}}{10} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{61}}{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l|l} x-3=0 & x=\frac{1-\sqrt{61}}{10} & x=\frac{1+\sqrt{61}}{10} \\ \underline{x=3} & & \end{array}$$

20) $f(x) = 4x^3 - 7x + 3$; $x-1$ $f(x) = 4x^3 - 7x + 3$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 4x^2 + 4x - 3 \\
 x-1 \overline{) 4x^3 + 0x^2 - 7x + 3} \\
 \underline{-(4x^3 - 4x^2)} \\
 + 4x^2 - 7x + 3 \\
 \underline{-(+4x^2 - 4x)} \\
 - 3x + 3 \\
 \underline{-(-3x + 3)} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 = (x-1)(4x^2 + 4x - 3) \\
 = (x-1)(2x+3)(2x-1) \\
 \begin{array}{l|l|l}
 2x+3=0 & 2x-1=0 & x-1=0 \\
 2x=-3 & 2x=1 & x=1 \\
 x=-\frac{3}{2} & x=\frac{1}{2} & \underline{\underline{x=1}}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

22) $x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x + 24 = 0$

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

try $x=1$: $f(1) = (1)^3 - 3(1)^2 - 10(1) + 24 = 1 - 3 - 10 + 24 = 12$: no

try $x=-1$: $f(-1) = (-1)^3 - 3(-1)^2 - 10(-1) + 24 = -1 - 3 + 10 + 24 = 20$: no

try $x=2$: $f(2) = (2)^3 - 3(2)^2 - 10(2) + 24 = 8 - 12 - 20 + 24 = 0$; $x=2 \rightarrow x-2=0$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 - x - 12 \\
 x-2 \overline{) x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x + 24} \\
 \underline{-(x^3 - 2x^2)} \\
 -x^2 - 10x + 24 \\
 \underline{-(-x^2 + 2x)} \\
 -12x + 24 \\
 \underline{-(-12x + 24)} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x + 24 \\
 = (x-2)(x^2 - x - 12) \\
 = (x-2)(x+3)(x-4) \\
 \begin{array}{l|l|l}
 x+3=0 & x-2=0 & x-4=0 \\
 x=-3 & x=2 & x=4
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

24) $x^3 + 2x^2 - 9x - 18 = 0$

$f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 9x - 18$

try $x=1$: $f(1) = (1)^3 + 2(1)^2 - 9(1) - 18 = 1 + 2 - 9 - 18 = -24$: no

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try $x = -1$: $f(-1) = (-1)^3 + 2(-1)^2 - 9(-1) - 18 = -1 + 2 + 9 - 18 = -28$: no

try $x = 2$: $f(2) = (2)^3 + 2(2)^2 - 9(2) - 18 = 8 + 8 - 18 - 18 = -20$: no

try $x = -2$: $f(-2) = (-2)^3 + 2(-2)^2 - 9(-2) - 18 = -8 + 8 + 18 - 18 = 0$: $x = -2 \rightarrow x + 2 = 0$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} x+2 \overline{) x^3 + 2x^2 - 9x - 18} & f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 9x - 18 \\ - (x^3 + 2x^2) & = (x+2)(x^2 - 9) \\ \hline 0x^2 - 9x - 18 & = (x+2)(x+3)(x-3) \\ - (-9x - 18) & \\ \hline 0 & \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l|l|l} x+3=0 & x+2=0 & x-3=0 \\ \hline x=-3 & x=-2 & x=3 \end{array}$$

26) $x^3 - 3x^2 - 25x + 75 = 0$

$f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 25x + 75$

try $x = 1$: $f(1) = (1)^3 - 3(1)^2 - 25(1) + 75 = 1 - 3 - 25 + 75 = 48$: no

try $x = -1$: $f(-1) = (-1)^3 - 3(-1)^2 - 25(-1) + 75 = -1 - 3 + 25 + 75 = 96$: no

try $x = 2$: $f(2) = (2)^3 - 3(2)^2 - 25(2) + 75 = 8 - 12 - 50 + 75 = 21$: no

try $x = -2$: $f(-2) = (-2)^3 - 3(-2)^2 - 25(-2) + 75 = -8 - 12 + 50 + 75 = 105$: no

try $x = 3$: $f(3) = (3)^3 - 3(3)^2 - 25(3) + 75 = 27 - 27 - 75 + 75 = 0$: $x = 3 \rightarrow x - 3 = 0$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} x-3 \overline{) x^3 - 3x^2 - 25x + 75} & f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 25x + 75 = (x-3)(x^2 - 25) \\ - (x^3 - 3x^2) & = (x-3)(x+5)(x-5) \\ \hline 0x^2 - 25x + 75 & \\ - (-25x + 75) & \\ \hline 0 & \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l|l|l} x+5=0 & x-3=0 & x-5=0 \\ \hline x=-5 & x=3 & x=5 \end{array}$$

$$28) 2x^3 + x^2 - 7x - 6 = 0$$

$$f(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 - 7x - 6$$

$$\text{try } x=1: f(1) = 2(1)^3 + (1)^2 - 7(1) - 6 = 2 + 1 - 7 - 6 = -10; \text{ no}$$

$$\text{try } x=-1: f(-1) = 2(-1)^3 + (-1)^2 - 7(-1) - 6 = -3 + 1 + 7 - 6 = -1; \text{ no}$$

$$\text{try } x=2: f(2) = 2(2)^3 + (2)^2 - 7(2) - 6 = 16 + 4 - 14 - 6 = 0; x=2 \rightarrow x-2=0$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l}
 2x^2 + 5x + 3 & f(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 - 7x - 6 \\
 x-2 \overline{) 2x^3 + x^2 - 7x - 6} & = (x-2)(2x^2 + 5x + 3) \\
 \underline{-(2x^3 - 4x^2)} & = (x-2)(2x+3)(x+1) \\
 +5x^2 - 7x & \\
 \underline{-(+5x^2 - 10x)} & \\
 +3x - 6 & \\
 \underline{-(+3x - 6)} & \\
 0 & \\
 \hline
 & \begin{array}{l|l|l}
 2x+3=0 & x+1=0 & x-2=0 \\
 2x=-3 & x=-1 & x=2 \\
 x=\underline{\underline{-\frac{3}{2}}} & \underline{\underline{-1}} & \underline{\underline{2}}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

$$30) 3x^3 - x^2 - 11x - 6 = 0$$

$$f(x) = 3x^3 - x^2 - 11x - 6$$

$$\text{try } x=1: f(1) = 3(1)^3 - (1)^2 - 11(1) - 6 = 3 - 1 - 11 - 6 = -15; \text{ no}$$

$$\text{try } x=-1: f(-1) = 3(-1)^3 - (-1)^2 - 11(-1) - 6 = -3 - 1 + 11 - 6 = 1; \text{ no}$$

$$\text{try } x=2: f(2) = 3(2)^3 - (2)^2 - 11(2) - 6 = 24 - 4 - 22 - 6 = -8; \text{ no}$$

$$\text{try } x=-2: f(-2) = 3(-2)^3 - (-2)^2 - 11(-2) - 6 = -24 - 4 + 22 - 6 = -12; \text{ no}$$

$$\text{try } x=3: f(3) = 3(3)^3 - (3)^2 - 11(3) - 6 = 81 - 9 - 33 - 6 = 33; \text{ no}$$

$$\text{try } x=-3: f(-3) = 3(-3)^3 - (-3)^2 - 11(-3) - 6 = -81 - 9 + 33 - 6 = -63; \text{ no}$$

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using Rational Zero Theorem

constant term: $-6 = (-1)(+6) = (+1)(-6) = (-2)(3) = (2)(-3)$

$p = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 6$

leading term: $3 = (1)(3) = (-1)(-3)$

$x = \frac{p}{q}$

$q = \pm 1, \pm 3$

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

$x = \frac{+3}{+1} = +3, x = \frac{-3}{+1} = -3, x = \frac{+6}{+3} = +2, x = \frac{-6}{-3} = +2$

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try $x = \frac{+1}{+3} = \frac{1}{3}; f(\frac{1}{3}) = 3(\frac{1}{3})^3 - (\frac{1}{3})^2 - 11(\frac{1}{3}) - 6 = \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{9} - \frac{11}{3} - 6 = \frac{-29}{3}; no$

try $x = \frac{-1}{+3} = -\frac{1}{3}; f(-\frac{1}{3}) = 3(-\frac{1}{3})^3 - (-\frac{1}{3})^2 - 11(-\frac{1}{3}) - 6 = -\frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{9} + \frac{11}{3} - 6 = \frac{-2}{9} + \frac{11}{3} - 6 \neq 0; no$

try $x = \frac{+2}{+3} = \frac{2}{3}; f(\frac{2}{3}) = 3(\frac{2}{3})^3 - (\frac{2}{3})^2 - 11(\frac{2}{3}) - 6 = \frac{8}{9} - \frac{4}{9} - \frac{22}{3} - 6 = \frac{4}{9} - \frac{66}{9} - \frac{54}{9} \neq 0; no$

try $x = \frac{-2}{+3} = -\frac{2}{3}; f(-\frac{2}{3}) = 3(-\frac{2}{3})^3 - (-\frac{2}{3})^2 - 11(-\frac{2}{3}) - 6 = -\frac{8}{9} - \frac{4}{9} + \frac{22}{3} - 6 = \frac{-12}{9} + \frac{22}{3} - 6 = \frac{-4}{3} + \frac{22}{3} - \frac{18}{3} = 0; x = -\frac{2}{3} \rightarrow 3x = -2 \rightarrow 3x + 2 = 0$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - x - 3 \\ 3x + 2 \overline{) 3x^3 - x^2 - 11x - 6} \\ \underline{-(3x^2 + 2x^2)} \\ -3x^2 - 11x \\ \underline{-(-3x^2 - 2x)} \\ -9x - 6 \\ \underline{-(-9x - 6)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$f(x) = 3x^3 - x^2 - 11x - 6 = (3x+2)(x^2-x-3)$
we need to use quadratic formula for $x^2-x-3 \Rightarrow a=1, b=-1, c=-3$
 $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2-4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(1)(-3)}}{2(1)} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+12}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{13}}{2}$
 $3x+2=0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{2}{3}$

$$32) 2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x + 3 = 0$$

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

$$\text{try } x=1: f(1) = 2(1)^3 - 3(1)^2 + 4(1) + 3 = 2 - 3 + 4 + 3 = 6 \neq 0 : \text{no}$$

$$\text{try } x=-1: f(-1) = 2(-1)^3 - 3(-1)^2 + 4(-1) + 3 = -2 - 3 - 4 + 3 = -6 \neq 0 : \text{no}$$

use Rational Zero Theorem

$$\text{constant term: } 3 = (1)(3) = (-3)(-1)$$

$$p = \pm 1, \pm 3$$

$$x = \frac{p}{q}$$

$$\text{leading term: } 2 = (1)(2) = (-1)(-2)$$

$$q = \pm 1, \pm 2$$

$$x = \frac{+1}{+1} = \frac{-1}{-1} = +1 \quad \text{and} \quad x = \frac{-1}{+1} = \frac{+1}{-1} = -1 \quad \text{see above}$$

$$\text{try } x = \frac{+3}{+1} = \frac{-3}{-1} = +3: f(3) = 2(3)^3 - 3(3)^2 + 4(3) + 3 = 54 - 27 + 12 + 3 \neq 0 : \text{no}$$

$$\text{try } x = \frac{-3}{+1} = \frac{+3}{-1} = -3: f(-3) = 2(-3)^3 - 3(-3)^2 + 4(-3) + 3 = -54 - 27 - 12 + 3 \neq 0 : \text{no}$$

$$\text{try } x = \frac{+1}{+2} = \frac{-1}{-2} = \frac{1}{2}: f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 3 = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4} + 2 + 3 \neq 0 : \text{no}$$

$$\text{try } x = \frac{-1}{+2} = \frac{+1}{-2} = -\frac{1}{2}: f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - 3\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 3 = \frac{-1}{4} - \frac{3}{4} - 2 + 3 = \frac{-4}{4} - 2 + 3 = -1 - 2 + 3 = 0 : x = -\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow 2x = -1 \rightarrow 2x + 1 = 0$$

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$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 - 2x + 6 \\
 2x+1 \overline{) 2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x + 3} \\
 \underline{-(2x^3 + x^2)} \\
 -4x^2 + 4x \\
 \underline{-(-2x^2 - 2x)} \\
 +6x + 3 \\
 \underline{(+6x + 3)} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

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

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

we need to use quadratic formula for $x^2 - 2x + 6 \Rightarrow a=1 \quad b=-2 \quad c=6$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(1)(6)}}{2(1)} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-24}}{2}$$

$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-20}}{2}$ no real number solutions

$$2x+1=0 \rightarrow x = \underline{\underline{-\frac{1}{2}}}$$

34) $x^4 + 2x^3 - 9x^2 - 2x + 8 = 0$

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

try $x=1$: $f(1) = (1)^4 + 2(1)^3 - 9(1)^2 - 2(1) + 8 = 1 + 2 - 9 - 2 + 8 = 0$; $x=1 \rightarrow x-1=0$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x - 8 \\
 x-1 \overline{) x^4 + 2x^3 - 9x^2 - 2x + 8} \\
 \underline{-(x^4 - x^3)} \\
 +3x^3 - 9x^2 \\
 \underline{-(+3x^3 - 3x^2)} \\
 -6x^2 - 2x \\
 \underline{-(-6x^2 + 6x)} \\
 -8x + 8 \\
 \underline{-(-8x + 8)} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

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

$$= (x-1)(x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x - 8)$$

let $g(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x - 8$

try $x=1$: $g(1) = (1)^3 + 3(1)^2 - 6(1) - 8 = 1 + 3 - 6 - 8$; no

try $x=-1$: $g(-1) = (-1)^3 + 3(-1)^2 - 6(-1) - 8 = -1 + 3 + 6 - 8 = 0$;

$$x = -1 \rightarrow x+1 = 0$$

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$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + 2x - 8 \\
 x+1 \overline{) x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x - 8} \\
 \underline{-(x^3 + x^2)} \\
 +2x^2 - 6x \\
 \underline{-(+2x^2 + 2x)} \\
 -8x - 8 \\
 \underline{-(-8x - 8)} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

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

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x - 8)$$

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x+1)(x^2 + 2x - 8)$$

$$= (x-1)(x+1)(x+4)(x-2)$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 x+4=0 \quad | \quad x+1=0 \quad | \quad x-1=0 \quad | \quad x-2=0 \\
 \hline
 \underline{x=-4} \quad | \quad \underline{x=-1} \quad | \quad \underline{x=1} \quad | \quad \underline{x=2}
 \end{array}$$

$$36) 2x^4 - 3x^3 - 15x^2 + 32x - 12 = 0$$

$$f(x) = 2x^4 - 3x^3 - 15x^2 + 32x - 12$$

use Rational Zero Theorem

$$\text{constant term: } -12 = (1)(-12) = (-2)(6) = (-3)(4)$$

$$p = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6$$

$$x = \frac{p}{q}$$

$$\text{leading term: } 2 = (1)(2)$$

$$q = \pm 1, \pm 2$$

$$\text{try } x = \frac{+1}{+1} = \frac{+2}{+2} = \frac{-1}{-1} = \frac{-2}{-1} = +1 : f(1) = 2(1)^4 - 3(1)^3 - 15(1)^2 + 32(1) - 12 \neq 0 ; \text{no}$$

$$\text{try } x = \frac{-1}{1} = -1 : f(-1) = 2(-1)^4 - 3(-1)^3 - 15(-1)^2 + 32(-1) - 12 = 2 + 3 - 15 - 32 - 12 \neq 0 ; \text{no}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{try } x = \frac{+2}{+1} = \frac{+4}{+2} = 2 : f(2) &= 2(2)^4 - 3(2)^3 - 15(2)^2 + 32(2) - 12 = 32 - 24 - 60 + 64 - 12 \\
 &= 96 - 96 = 0 ; x=2 \rightarrow x-2=0
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x^3 + x^2 - 13x + 6 \\
 x-2 \overline{) 2x^4 - 3x^3 - 15x^2 + 32x - 12} \\
 \underline{-(2x^4 - 4x^3)} \\
 +x^3 - 15x^2 \\
 \underline{-(+x^3 - 2x^2)} \\
 -13x^2 + 32x \\
 \underline{-(-13x^2 + 26x)} \\
 +6x - 12 \\
 \underline{-(+6x - 12)} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= 2x^4 - 3x^3 - 15x^2 + 32x - 12 \\
 &= (x-2)(2x^3 + x^2 - 13x + 6)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{let } g(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 - 13x + 6$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{try } x = -2 : g(-2) &= 2(-2)^3 + (-2)^2 - 13(-2) + 6 \\
 &= -16 + 4 + 26 + 6 \\
 &\neq 0 : \text{no}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{try } x = 3 : g(3) = 2(3)^3 + (3)^2 - 13(3) + 6 = 54 + 9 - 39 + 6 \neq 0 : \text{no}$$

$$\text{try } x = -3 : g(-3) = 2(-3)^3 + (-3)^2 - 13(-3) + 6 = -54 + 9 + 39 + 6 = -54 + 54 = 0 :$$

$$x = -3 \rightarrow x + 3 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x^2 - 5x + 2 \\
 x+3 \overline{) 2x^3 + x^2 - 13x + 6} \\
 \underline{-(2x^3 + 6x^2)} \\
 -5x^2 - 13x \\
 \underline{-(-5x^2 - 15x)} \\
 +2x + 6 \\
 \underline{-(+2x + 6)} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= 2x^4 - 3x^3 - 15x^2 + 32x - 12 \\
 &= (x-2)(2x^3 + x^2 - 13x + 6) \\
 &= (x-2)(x+3)(2x^2 - 5x + 2) \\
 &= (x-2)(x+3)(2x-1)(x-2) \\
 &= (x+3)(2x-1)(x-2)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$x + 3 = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = -3}}$$

$$2x - 1 = 0$$

$$2x = 1$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = \frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$(x-2)^2 = 0$$

$$x - 2 = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 2}}$$

$$38) 4x^3 - 3x + 1 = 0$$

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$$f(x) = 4x^3 - 3x + 1$$

use Rational Zero Theorem

constant term: $1 = (1)(1)$ $p = \pm 1$

leading term: $4 = (1)(4) = (2)(2)$

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

$$x = \frac{p}{q}$$

try $x=1$: $f(1) = 4(1)^3 - 3(1) + 1 = 4 - 3 + 1 \neq 0$; no

try $x=-1$: $f(-1) = 4(-1)^3 - 3(-1) + 1 = -4 + 3 + 1 = 0$; $x = -1 \rightarrow x + 1 = 0$

$\begin{array}{r} 4x^2 - 4x + 1 \\ x+1 \overline{) 4x^3 - 0x^2 - 3x + 1} \\ \underline{-(4x^3 + 4x^2)} \\ -4x^2 - 3x \\ \underline{-(-4x^2 - 4x)} \\ +x + 1 \\ \underline{-(+x + 1)} \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 4x^3 - 3x + 1 \\ &= (x+1)(4x^2 - 4x + 1) \\ &= (x+1)(2x-1)(2x-1) = (x+1)(2x-1)^2 \end{aligned}$
$\begin{array}{l} x+1=0 \\ x=-1 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{l} (2x-1)^2 = 0 \\ 2x-1 = 0 \\ 2x = 1 \\ x = \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$

exercises 40 to 55 are skipped