# MHF 4U Unit 1 – Polynomial Functions– Outline

Day	Lesson Title	Specific Expectations
1	Average Rate of Change and Secants	D1.2, 1.6, both D1.1A's
2-3	Instantaneous Rate of Change and Tangents	D1.6, 1.4, 1.7, 1.5, both D1.1A's
4	Solving Problems Involving Average and Instantaneous Rate of Change Numerically and Graphically	D1.8, 1.1
5-6	Characteristics of Polynomial Functions Through Numeric, Graphical, and Algebraic Representations	A1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4
7 (Lesson included)	Using the Factored Form of a Polynomial Function to Sketch a Graph and Write Equations	A1.6, 1.8
8	Transformations of $f(x) = x^3$ and $f(x) = x^4$ and Even and Odd Functions	A1.7, 1.9
9-10 (Lessons included)	Dividing Polynomials, The Remainder Theorem and The Factor Theorem	A2.1, A2.1A
11-12	The Zeros of a Polynomial Function Graphically and Algebraically with Applications to Curve Fitting	A2.2, 2.3 ,2 4, 2.6
13-14	Solving Polynomials Inequalities Graphically, Numerically, and Algebraically	A3.1, 3.2 3.3
15-16	JAZZ DAY	
17	SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT	
TOTAL D	DAYS:	17

U	nit 1: Day 7	7: In Factored Form		
		Learning Goals:		Materials
Mi	nds On: 15	Make connections between a polynomial function in factored form and the $x_{-}$ intercepts of its graph		• BLM 1.7.1
Ac Cc To	tion: 40 onsolidate:20 otal=75 min	Sketch the graph of polynomial functions, expressed in factored form using the characteristics of polynomial functions Determine the equation of a polynomial given a set of conditions (e.g. zeros, end behaviour) and recognize there may be more than one such function		<ul> <li>BLM 1.7.3</li> <li>Graphing calculators/ software/ sketch: GSP_gr12_U1D 7.gsp</li> </ul>
		As	Se	essment
	Minds On	Op	pc	Display sketches of
	Minus Un	Recall with students that $(x-1)^2 = (x-1) (x-1), (x-1)^3 = (x-1) (x-1) (x-1)$ etc. Students will complete questions 1, 2 and 3 on BLM 1.7.1. Take up questions 2 and 3. Possible answer #2: the degree of the polynomial is equal to the number of factors that contain an "x". Possible answers #3: multiply the factored form; multiply the variable term of each factor and logically conclude that this is the degree of the polynomial.		yesterdays polynomial functions. Reference to finite differences and its connection to the degree would be beneficial
	Action!	Individual $\rightarrow$ Investigation Students observe the sketches of the graphs generated and displayed in "minds on" and answer questions #4, 5, 6. Teacher takes up questions with the class or students check their answers in pairs. Make connection between the x-intercept and its corresponding co-ordinates (x <sub>1</sub> ,0). Introduce language to describe shape and post on word wall. Possible answer #4: the graph crosses the x axis when y = 0 in the polynomial function. This occurs when each factor is equal to zero. When these mini equations are "solved" the x-intercepts are evident. Answers #6 respectively: The graph "bounces" at the intercept. The graph has an "inflection point" at the intercept. Pairs $\rightarrow$ Think Pair Share Students complete BLM 1.7.2 in pairs. Curriculum Expectation/Observation/Mental Note: Circulate to observe pairs are successful in representing the graph of a polynomial function given the equation in factored form. Make a mental note to consolidate misconceptions. Whole Class $\rightarrow$ Discussion then Practice Present a graph of a polynomial function with 3 intercepts and ask: What is a possible equation of this polynomial? How do you know? What are some possible other equations? Do a few other examples including some with double roots and inflection points. Then state some characteristics of a polynomial function and ask for an equation that satisfies these characteristics. (e.g. What is a possible equation of the polynomial function of degree 3 that begins in quadrant 2, ends in quadrant 4, and has x intercepts of -1, ½, and 4.) Students complete BLM 1.7.3.	<b>4</b> U	Word wall: concave up/down, hills, valleys, inflection point (informal descriptions in students' own words) If students look only at factors of the form (x-a) they may have the misconception that "the x intercept is the opposite of the "a" value. Use some factors of the form (ax-b) and have the students understand that the intercept can be found by solving ax-b=0 This assessment for learning will determine if students are ready to formulate an equation given the characteristics of a polynomial function.
	Consolidate Debrief	<b>Pairs to Whole Class</b> $\rightarrow$ <b>A answers B</b> Teacher asks the following questions: What are the advantages of a polynomial function being given in factored form? Why is it possible that 2 people sketching the same graph could have higher or lower "hills" and "valleys"? How could you get a more accurate idea of where these turning points are located? Explain why the graph the function $y = (x^2 - 4)(x^2 - 9)$ is easier or more difficult to graph than $y = (x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 9)$ . How can you identify the y intercept of a function given algebraically and why is this helpful to know?		A answers B: Ask a series of questions one at a time, to be answered in pairs, then ask for one or more students to answer, alternating A and B partners

Concept Practice	Home Activity or Further Classroom Consolidation Assign questions similar to BLM 1.7.1 Ask the question: What information is needed to determine an exact equation for a graph if x intercepts are given? Possible answer to be taken up the next day and followed through in lesson :	
	Possible answer to be taken up the next day and followed through in lesson : Another point on the function.	

A-W 11	McG-HR 11	H11	A-W12 (MCT)	H12	McG-HR 12
				1.1	2.1

#### 1.7.1 What Role Do Factors Play?

1. Use technology (graphing calculator, software, GSP\_Gr12\_U1D7) to determine the graph of each polynomial function. Sketch the graph, clearly identifying the x-intercepts.

a) $f(x) = (x - 2)(x + 1)$	b) $f(x) = (x - 2)(x + 1)(x+3)$	c) $f(x) = -(x - 2)(x + 1)(x+3)$	
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c) $f(x) = x(x+1)^2 = x(x+1)(x+1)$	d) f (x) = $(x - 2)^2 (x + 2)^2$	f) $f(x) = x(x - 2)(x + 1)(x+3)$	
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Degree of the function: x-intercepts:	Degree of the function: x-intercepts:	Degree of the function: x-intercepts:	
g) $f(x) = x(x-3)^3$	h) f (x) = (x +2)(x - 1)(x-3) <sup>2</sup>	i) $f(x) = -(x - 2)(x+3)^3$	
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2. Compare your graphs with the graphs generated on the previous day and make a conclusion about the degree of a polynomial when it is given in factored form.

- 3. Explain how to determine the degree of a polynomial algebraically if given in factored form.
- 4. What connection do you observe between the factors of the polynomial function and the x-intercepts? Why does this make sense? (hint: all co-ordinates on the x axis have y = 0).
- 5. Use your conclusions from #4 to state the x-intercepts of each of the following. Check by graphing with technology, and correct if necessary.

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f(x) = (x-3)(x+5)(x-1/2)	f(x) = (x-3)(x+5)(2x-1)	f(x) = (2x-3)(2x+5)(x-1)(3x-2)
x-intercepts:	x-intercepts:	x-intercepts:
does this check?	does this check?	does this check?

6. What do you notice about the graph when the polynomial function has a factor that occurs twice? Three times?

### **1.7.2 Factoring in our Graphs**

Draw a sketch of each graph using the properties of polynomial functions. After you complete each sketch, check with your partner, discuss your strategies and make any corrections needed.



### 1.7.3 What's My Polynomial Name?

1. Determine a possible equation for each polynomial function.



- 2. Determine an example of an equation for a function with the following characteristics:
- a) Degree 3, a double root at 4, a root at -3 \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Degree 4, an inflection point at 2, a root at 5
- c) Degree 3, roots at 1/2, 3/4, -1 \_\_\_\_\_
- d) Degree 3, starting in quadrant 2, ending in quadrant 4, root at -2 and double root at 3
- e) Degree 4, starting in quadrant 3, ending in quadrant 4, double roots at -10 and 10

Unit 1: Day 9	9: Dividing Polynomials (Day 1)	MHF4U
Minds On: 5 Action: 50 Consolidate:20	<u>Learning Goals</u> : Divide polynomials Examine remainders of polynomial division and connect to the remainder theorem Make connections between the polynomial function $f(x)$ , the divisor x –a, the remainder of the division $f(x)/(x-a)$ and $f(a)$ using technology Identify the factor theorem as a special case of the remainder theorem Factor polynomial expressions in one variable of degree greater than two.	Materials BLM 1.9.1 BLM 1.9.2.
	Asse Oppo	ssment rtunities
Minds On	Whole Class → Discussion         Students should put away their calculators and attempt the following without the use of calculators – remind them of the long division methods for dividing:         Divide 789 by 7. result: 112 remainder 5         Divide 12546 by 6.       result: 2091 remainder 0         Divide 32455 by 4.       result: 8113 remainder 3         Include as many more as desired until students have a clear understanding of the method of long division.	
Action!	Small Groups → Experiment Students will work either as a class or in pairs to complete the activities: Activity 1: Read through the worked example on BLM 1.9.1 and then do the division questions on page 2 of BLM 1.9.1 Activity 2: Work time for homework exercises (BLM 1.9.2 or textbook work).	
Consolidate Debrief	<b>Small Groups</b> $\rightarrow$ <b>Interview</b> Students will consolidate : Activity 1: Teacher can choose to have students work in pairs or work through the first few questions as a class and then in pairs or individually for the remainder. As students finish, the teacher can have students complete questions on the board to aid those who might be having difficulty. Activity 2: Complete exercises on BLM 1.9.2.	
Exploration Application	Home Activity or Further Classroom Consolidation BLM 1.9.2 or textbook work from outlined text below: Addison Wesley 12 (MCT): Sections – 2.4	

A-W 11	McG-HR 11	H11	A-W12 (MCT)	H12	McG-HR 12
				1.3, 1.4, 2.1, 2.2	2.2, 2.3, 2.4

#### **1.9.1 Dividing Polynomials**

Dividing a polynomial by another polynomial is similar to performing a division of numbers using long division. For example, divide the polynomial  $x^3 + 13x^2 + 39x + 46$  by x + 9

Solution:	
1) $x+9\overline{\smash{\big)}x^3+13x^2+39x+46}$	first divide x into $x^3$ to get $x^2$
2) $\frac{x^{2}}{x+9)x^{3}+13x^{2}+39x+46}}{\frac{x^{3}+9x^{2}}{4x^{2}}}$	now multiply $x^2$ by $x + 9$ to get $x^3 + 9x^2$ then subtract $x^3 + 9x^2$ from $x^3 + 13x^2$ to get $4x^2$
$   \begin{array}{r} x^{2} + 4x \\       x + 9 \overline{\smash{\big)} x^{3} + 13x^{2} + 39x + 46} \\       \underline{x^{3} + 9x^{2}} \\       \underline{4x^{2} + 39x} \\   \end{array} $	bring down the $+ 39x$ divide $4x^2$ by x to get $4x$
$   \begin{array}{r} x^{2} + 4x \\     x + 9 \overline{\smash{\big)}x^{3} + 13x^{2} + 39x + 46} \\     4) \qquad \frac{x^{3} + 9x^{2}}{4x^{2} + 39x} \\     \frac{4x^{2} + 39x}{3x}   \end{array} $	now multiply 4x by $x + 9$ to get $4x^2 + 36x$ then subtract $4x^2 + 36x$ from $4x^2 + 39x$ to get $3x$
$   \begin{array}{r} x^{2} + 4x + 3 \\     x + 9 \overline{\smash{\big)}x^{3} + 13x^{2} + 39x + 46} \\     \underbrace{x^{3} + 9x^{2} \downarrow \qquad \downarrow}_{4x^{2} + 39x \qquad \downarrow} \\     \underbrace{4x^{2} + 39x \qquad \downarrow}_{3x + 46} \\     \underbrace{\frac{3x + 27}{19}}_{19}   \end{array} $	bring down the + 46 divide 3x by x to get 3 multiply 3 by $x + 9$ to get $3x + 27$ then subtract $3x + 27$ from $3x + 46$ to get 19

Since the remainder has a lower degree than the divisor, the division is now complete. The result can be written as:

 $x^{3} + 13x^{2} + 39x + 46 = (x + 9)(x^{2} + 4x + 3) + 19$ 

(NOTE: You could check your answer by multiplying out the result.)

## 1.9.1 Dividing Polynomials (Continued)

Using the previous example, complete the polynomial division questions below:

**1.** 
$$x^3 - 5x^2 - x - 10$$
 by  $x - 2$   
**2.**  $2y^3 + y^2 - 27y - 36$  by  $y + 3$   
**3.**  $y^3 - 28y - 41$  by  $y + 4$   
[\*note:  $y^3 - 28y - 41 = y^3 + 0y^2 - 28y - 41$ ]  
**4.**  $2x^3 - 3x^2 - 8x - 3$  by  $2x + 1$ 

**5.** 
$$-6x^3 + 29x^2 + 7x - 13$$
 by  $2x - 1$   
**6.**  $y^3 + 4y^2 - 3y - 12$  by  $y + 4$ 

### 1.9.1 Dividing Polynomials (Answers)

1. 
$$x^{3} - 5x^{2} - x - 10$$
 by  $x - 2$   
 $x - 2)x^{3} - 5x^{2} - x - 10$   
 $\frac{x^{3} - 2x^{2}}{-3x^{2} - x} \downarrow$   
 $\frac{-3x^{2} + 6x}{-7x - 10}$   
2.  $2y^{3} + y^{2} - 27y - 36$  by  $y + 3$   
 $2y^{2} - 5y - 12$   
 $y + 3)2y^{3} + y^{2} - 27y - 36$   
 $\frac{2y^{3} + 6y^{2}}{-3x^{2} - x} \downarrow$   
 $\frac{-3x^{2} + 6x}{-7x - 10}$   
 $\frac{-7x + 14}{-24}$   
Result:  $(x - 2)(x^{2} - 3x - 7) - 24$   
 $x^{3} - 28y - 41$  by  $y + 4$   
 $\frac{y^{2} - 4y - 12}{y + 4)y^{3}}$   
 $\frac{y^{3} + 28y - 41}{y^{2} - 4y - 12}$   
 $y + 4)y^{3}$   
 $\frac{y^{3} + 4y^{2}}{-4y^{2} - 28y} \downarrow$   
 $\frac{-4y^{2} - 16y}{-12y - 41}$   
 $\frac{-4y^{2} - 16y}{-12y - 41}$   
 $\frac{-4x^{2} - 2x}{-6x - 3}$   
 $\frac{-4x^{2} - 2x}{-6x - 3}$   
 $\frac{-6x^{3} + 29x^{2} + 7x - 13}{26x^{2} + 7x} \downarrow$   
 $\frac{26x^{2} - 13x}{20x - 13}$   
 $\frac{20x - 10}{-3}$   
Result:  $(2x + 1)(x^{2} - 2x - 3)$   
 $\frac{-3y - 12}{0}$   
 $\frac{-3y - 12}{0}$ 

Result:  $(2x-1)(-3x^2+13x+10)-3$ extra  $\rightarrow (2x-1)(-3x-2)(x-5)-3$ Result:  $(y+4)(y^2-3)$ extra  $\rightarrow (y+4)(y+\sqrt{3})(y-\sqrt{3})$ 

#### **1.9.2 Dividing Polynomials**

Complete the exercises below:

1. Find each quotient and remainder: (a)  $(x^2+6x+15) \div (x+3)$  (b)  $(x^2-4x+13) \div (x-2)$ 

(c) 
$$(x^2 - x + 3) \div (x + 2)$$
 (d)  $(2x^3 + x^2 - 24x - 32) \div (x - 4)$ 

- 2. When a certain polynomial is divided by x+3, the quotient is  $x^2-3x+5$  and the remainder is 6. What is the polynomial?
- 3. When a certain polynomial is divided by x-2, the quotient is  $x^2+4x-7$  and the remainder is -4. What is the polynomial?
- 4. Divide: (a)  $(x^3+3x^2-4x-12) \div (x-2)$  (b)  $(3x^3+2x^2-11x-12) \div (x+1)$

(c) 
$$(2x^3+x^2-24x-32) \div (x-4)$$
 (d)  $(2x^3+3x^2-14x-13) \div (x-3)$ 

Unit 1: Day	10: Dividing Polynomials (Day 2)	MHF4U
	Learning Goal:	Materials
Minds On: 5	Divide polynomials	BLM 1.10.1
	Examine remainders of polynomial division and connect to the remainder theorem	BLM 1.10.2.
Antion: 50	Make connections between the polynomial function $f(x)$ , the divisor x –a, the	
Action: 50	remainder of the division $f(x)/(x-a)$ and $f(a)$ using technology	
	Identify the factor theorem as a special case of the remainder theorem	
Consolidate:20	Factor polynomial expressions in one variable of degree greater than two.	
Total=75 min		
	Asses	sment
	Opport	tunities
Minds On	Whole Class → Discussion	
	Students should take out the BLM 1.9.1 from last day:	
	Examine the results from the left hand (odd) questions and the right hand (even)	
	the veriable in each question:	
	$1 \times 2$ $2 \times 3 \times 3$ $(y - 3/2)$ and $y - 4$	
	$\begin{array}{c} 1. x - 2 \\ 3. y = -4 \\ (y = -2 \\ and \\ y = 6) \\ 4. y = -\frac{1}{2} \\ (x = -1 \\ and \\ x = 3) \end{array}$	
	$\int \frac{1}{2} \int $	
	5. $x = \frac{1}{2} (x = -\frac{2}{3} \text{ and } x = 5)$ 6. $y = -4 (y = -\sqrt{3} \text{ and } y = \sqrt{3})$	
	Note: at this point (if not previously completed) it might be suggested to the	
	students that they further factor their previous answers for questions 2 through 6	
	and then try the numbers given in parenthesis above	
	After examining the results try and come to a generalization of the results $\rightarrow$ this	
	is essentially the Remainder Theorem (odd questions) and Factor Theorem (even	
	questions)	
Action!	Small Groups → Experiment	
	Students will work either as a class or in pairs to complete the activities:	
	Activity 1: Complete the minds on and then work on the BLM 1.10.1.	
	Activity 2: Work time for homework exercises – BLM 1.10.2 or textbook work.	
Consolidate	Small Groups → Interview	
Debrief	Students will consolidate :	
	Activity 1: Teacher can choose to have students work in pairs or work through	
	the first couple of questions as a class and then either in pairs or individually for	
	the remainder. As students finish, the teacher can have students complete	
	questions on the front board to and mose who hight be having difficulty.	
	Activity 2: Complete exercises on BLM 1.10.2.	
	Home Activity or Further Classroom Consolidation	
	BLM 1.10.2 or textbook work from outlined text below:	
Exploration	Addison Wesley 12 (MCT): Sections – 2.5	
Application		

A-W 11	McG-HR 11	H11	A-W12 (MCT)	H12	McG-HR 12
				1.3, 1.4, 2.1, 2.2	2.2, 2.3, 2.4

#### **1.10.1 Remainder Theorem and Factor Theorem**

**Remainder Theorem:** When a polynomial f(x) is divided by x-a, the remainder is f(a)

1. Find the remainder when  $2x^3+3x^2-17x-30$  is divided by each of the following:

(a) x-1 (b) x-2 (c) x-3(d) x+1 (e) x+2 (f) x+3

#### Factor Theorem:

If x = a is substituted into a polynomial for x, and the remainder is 0, then x - a is a factor of the polynomial.

- 2. Using the above Theorem and your results from question 1 which of the given binomials are factors of  $2x^3+3x^2-17x-30$ ?
- 3. Using the binomials you determined were factors of  $2x^3+3x^2-17x-30$ , complete the division (i.e. divide  $2x^3+3x^2-17x-30$  by your chosen (x-a) and remember to fully factor your result in each case.

#### **1.10.1 Remainder Theorem and Factor Theorem (Answers)**

1. Find the remainder when  $2x^3+3x^2-17x-30$  is divided by each of the following:

(b) x - 2(a) *x*−1 x - 3(c)  $\therefore a = 1$  $f(1) = 2(1)^3 + 3(1)^2 - 17(1) - 30$ a = 2a = 3f(1) = 2 + 3 - 17 - 30f(a) = -36f(a) = 0f(1) = -42(d) x+1(e) x + 2x + 3(f) a = -1a = -2a = -3f(a) = -12f(a) = 0f(a) = -6

2. Using the above Theorem and your results from question 1 which of the given binomials are factors of  $2x^3+3x^2-17x-30$ ?

From results  $\rightarrow$  (c) x-3 and (e) x+2 are factors

3. Using the binomials you determined were factors of  $2x^3+3x^2-17x-30$  complete the division (i.e. divide  $2x^3+3x^2-17x-30$  by your chosen x-a) and remember to fully factor your result in each case.

(c) 
$$x-3$$
  
 $(x-3)^{2x^{2}+9x+10}$   
 $(x-3)^{2x^{3}+3x^{2}-17x-30}$   
 $(x-3)^{2x^{3}+3x^{2}-17x-30}$   
 $(x-3)^{2x^{3}+3x^{2}-17x-30}$   
 $(x-3)^{2x^{3}+3x^{2}-17x-30}$   
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(Note: The results are the same just rearranged.)

#### **1.10.2 Dividing Polynomials Practice**

Complete the polynomial divisions below:

- 1. Without using long division, find each remainder:
  - (a)  $(2x^2+6x+8) \div (x+1)$  (b)  $(x^2+4x+12) \div (x-4)$

(c) 
$$(x^3+6x^2-4x+3) \div (x+2)$$
 (d)  $(3x^3+7x^2-2x-11) \div (x-2)$ 

2. Find each remainder: (a)  $(2x^2+x-6) \div (x+2)$ (b)  $(x^3+6x^2-4x+2) \div (x+1)$ 

(c) 
$$(x^3+x^2-12x-13) \div (x-2)$$
 (d)  $(x^4-x^3-3x^2+4x+2) \div (x+2)$ 

- 3. When  $x^3+kx^2-4x+2$  is divided by x+2 the remainder is 26, find *k*.
- 4. When  $2x^3-3x^2+kx-1$  is divided by x-1 the remainder is 2, find *k*.

#### ANSWERS:

1. (a) 4 (b) 44 (c) 27 (d) 37 2. (a) 0 (b) 11 (c) -25 (d) 6 3. 6

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