

# Synthetic Division

\* only works with binomials ( $x+7$ ,  $2x-1$ ...)

ex1  $x^4 - 10x^2 - 2x + 4 \div x + 3$

the set up

coefficients & place holders

$x+3=0$   
 $x=-3$   
the root

-3	1	0	-10	-2	4	
-3	-3	9	3	-3		
1	-3	-1	1	1	1	1

← remainder

$x^3 - 3x^2 - x + 1 + \frac{1}{x+3}$

ex2  $3x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x - 4 \div x - 3$

3	3	-2	3	-4
9	21	72		
3	7	24	68	

$3x^2 + 7x + 24 + \frac{68}{x-3}$

→

# fully factor

USE S.D. TO PROVE  $x$  IS A FACTOR THEN FULLY FACTOR

**ex3**  $x^3 - 39x + 70$ ,  $x = 5$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 5 & 1 & 0 & -39 & 70 \\ & \downarrow & 5 & 25 & -70 \\ \hline & 1 & 5 & -14 & \boxed{0} \end{array} \quad \checkmark \text{ yes it's a factor } R=0$$

$$x^2 + 5x - 14 = (x + 7)(x - 2)$$

$$\boxed{(x - 5)(x + 7)(x - 2)}$$

$x = 5, -7, 2$

original  
root

**ex4**  $(2x^3 + 17x^2 + 27x - 18)$ ,  $x = -6$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -6 & 2 & 17 & 27 & -18 \\ & \downarrow & -12 & -30 & 18 \\ \hline & 2 & 5 & -3 & \boxed{0} \end{array}$$

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

$$\boxed{(x + 6)(2x - 1)(x + 3)}$$

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