

Long Division & Synthetic Division

Divide $f(x) = 2x^3 + 9x^2 + 14x + 5$ by $x - 3$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x^2 + 15x + 59 + \frac{182}{x-3} \\
 x-3 \overline{) 2x^3 + 9x^2 + 14x + 5} \\
 \underline{-2x^3 + 6x^2} \\
 15x^2 + 14x \\
 \underline{-15x^2 + 45x} \\
 59x + 5 \\
 \underline{-59x + 177} \\
 182
 \end{array}$$

Evaluate $f(x) = 2x^3 + 9x^2 + 14x + 5$ when $x = 3$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3 \overline{) 2 \quad 9 \quad 14 \quad 5} \\
 \underline{ \downarrow \quad 6 \quad 45 \quad 177} \\
 2 \quad 15 \quad 59 \quad 182 \\
 \uparrow \\
 2x^2 + 15x + 59 + \frac{182}{x-3}
 \end{array}$$

Divide using synthetic division:

$(2x^2 - 7x + 10) \div (x - 5) \rightarrow$ Put a "5" outside

$$\begin{array}{r}
 5 \overline{) 2 \quad -7 \quad 10} \\
 \underline{ \downarrow \quad 10 \quad 15} \\
 2 \quad 3 \quad 25 \\
 \uparrow \\
 \boxed{2x + 3 + \frac{25}{x-5}}
 \end{array}$$