

**EX.0.1.2.d Langou**

Let  $p(x)$  be the polynomial

$$p(x) = 5x^4 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 9x + 7$$

We want to evaluate  $p(x)$  at  $x = -1$  and  $x = 3$ .

We will do it using 5 different methods.

1. Given  $x$  as **x**, write a simple to expression to compute  $p(x)$  the polynomial  $p$  evaluated  $x$ , as **px**.
2. Given  $x$  as **x**, using only statement of the form **z = z + c \* x\*\*i** write a sequence of statements that computes **z** such that  $z = p(x)$ . How many multiplications, additions, and power signs are you using?
3. Given  $x$  as **x**, incrementally compute the powers of  $x$  with statements of the form **y = y \* x** (so that  $y = x$ , then  $y = x^2$ , then  $y = x^3$ , then  $y = x^4$ , etc.), then using only statement of the form **z = z + c \* y**, write a sequence of statements that computes **z** such that  $z = p(x)$  by avoiding the **\*\*** power operator. How many multiplications, additions, and power signs are you using?
4. Rewrite the polynomial  $p(x)$  in nested form.
5. Given  $x$  as **x**, using only statement of the form **y = y \* x + c**, write a sequence of statements that computes **y** such that  $y = p(x)$ . How many multiplications, additions, and power signs are you using?

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See as well the [Colaboratory Jupyter Notebook](#).

1. Given  $x$  as **x**, write a simple to expression to compute  $p(x)$  the polynomial  $p$  evaluated  $x$ , as **px**.

```
import numpy as np

x = np.array( [ -1., 3. ])

px = 5. * x**4 - 2. * x**3 + 3. * x**2 - 9. * x + 7.

print( px )
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2. Given  $x$  as **x**, using only statement of the form **z = z + c \* x\*\*i** write a sequence of statements that computes **z** such that  $z = p(x)$ . How many multiplications, additions, and power signs are you using?

```
z = 7
z = z - 9 * x
z = z + 3 * x**2
z = z - 2 * x**3
z = z + 5 * x**4
```

We are using 4 additions/subtractions, 4 multiplications, and 3 power signs.

3. Given  $x$  as  $x$ , incrementally compute the powers of  $x$  with statements of the form  $y = y * x$  (so that  $y = x$ , then  $y = x^2$ , then  $y = x^3$ , then  $y = x^4$ , etc.), then using only statement of the form  $z = z + c * y$ , write a sequence of statements that computes  $z$  such that  $z = p(x)$  by avoiding the `**` power operator. How many multiplications, additions, and power signs are you using?

```
z = 7.  
  
y = x          # y is x (= x^1)  
z = z - 9. * y  
  
y = y * x      # y is x^2  
z = z + 3. * y  
  
y = y * x      # y is x^3  
z = z - 2. * y  
  
y = y * x      # y is x^4  
z = z + 5. * y
```

We are using 4 additions/subtractions, 7 multiplications, and 0 power signs.

4. Rewrite the polynomial  $p(x)$  in nested form.

$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= 5x^4 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 - x + 7 \\ &= (((5x - 2)x + 3)x - 1)x + 7 \end{aligned}$$

```
px = ( ( ( 5 * x - 2 ) * x + 3 ) * x - 9 ) * x + 7
```

5. Given  $x$  as  $x$ , using only statement of the form  $y = y * x + c$ , write a sequence of statements that computes  $y$  such that  $y = p(x)$ . How many multiplications, additions, and power signs are you using?

```
y = 5  
y = y * x - 2  
y = y * x + 3  
y = y * x - 9  
y = y * x + 7
```

We are using 4 additions/subtractions, 4 multiplications, and 0 power signs.

4. (python) Using Python, evaluate with and without nested form at  $x = -1$  and  $x = 3$ .

```
import numpy as np

x = np.array( [ -1., 3. ] )

px = 5 * x**4 - 2 * x**3 + 3 * x**2 - 9 * x + 7
print( px )

z = 7
z = z - 9 * x
z = z + 3 * x**2
z = z - 2 * x**3
z = z + 5 * x**4
print(z)

px = ( ( ( 5 * x - 2 ) * x + 3 ) * x - 9 ) * x + 7
print( px )

y = 5
y = y * x - 2
y = y * x + 3
y = y * x - 9
y = y * x + 7
print( y )

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