

4. $s^3 + s^2 - 8s - 12$ has a factor $(s - (-2))$ compute all other factors:

$$(s - 3) (s - 1) s$$

$$(s - 3) (s - 1) (s + 1)$$

$$(s - 3) (s + 2)^2$$

$$(s - 3)^2 (s - 2)$$

Solution

Apply Long Division.

$$(s - 3) (s + 2)^2$$