Higher Maths SQA 2017 Paper 2 Question 2



(a) Show that (x-1) is a factor of $f(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 + x + 2$.

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(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve f(x) = 0.

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Answers:

- (a) Use 1 in synthetic division or in evaluation of cubic. Show that the remainder upon division by (x 1) is 0.
- (b) $x = -\frac{1}{2}, 1, 2$