

## **Polynomials: The Make 'Em and Break 'Em Game:**

### **Challenge:**

Make the most ridiculously complicated polynomial by multiplying as many binomials as you can!  
I will factor them on the spot.

### **For example:**

Consider:

$$y = (x+3) * (x-5) * (x+1) * \dots * (x-243) * (x+14.707) * \dots$$

The roots of that polynomial are where  $y=0$ . These occur at  $x = \{-3, +5, -1, \dots, +243, -14.707, \dots\}$

**DO NOT TELL ME THE ROOTS YOU USED.**

**JUST TELL ME THE RESULTING COEFFICIENTS OF THE POLYNOMIAL.**

# numpy.roots

`numpy.roots(p)`

[\[source\]](#)

Return the roots of a polynomial with coefficients given in `p`.

The values in the rank-1 array `p` are coefficients of a polynomial. If the length of `p` is `n+1` then the polynomial is described by:

```
p[0] * x**n + p[1] * x**(n-1) + ... + p[n-1]*x + p[n]
```

**Parameters :** `p` : *array\_like*

Rank-1 array of polynomial coefficients.

**Returns :** `out` : *ndarray*

An array containing the complex roots of the polynomial.

**Raises :** **ValueError**

When `p` cannot be converted to a rank-1 array.

## See also:

- [poly](#) Find the coefficients of a polynomial with a given sequence of roots.
- [polyval](#) Evaluate a polynomial at a point.
- [polyfit](#) Least squares polynomial fit.
- [poly1d](#) A one-dimensional polynomial class.

## Notes

The algorithm relies on computing the eigenvalues of the companion matrix [\[R241\]](#).

## References

- [\[R241\]](#) (1, 2) R. A. Horn & C. R. Johnson, *Matrix Analysis*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 1999, pp. 146-7.

## Examples

```
>>> coeff = [3.2, 2, 1] >>>
>>> np.roots(coeff)
array([-0.3125+0.46351241j, -0.3125-0.46351241j])
```