

Questions on Lesson 6.2?

We'll have a polynomial division problem for our quiz today, so make sure you know how to divide polynomials using either long division

or synthetic division.

$$\frac{8k^5}{8k} = k^4$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 k^4 + 6k^3 + 4k^2 - 5k + 9 \\
 8k-6 \overline{) 8k^5 + 42k^4 - 4k^3 - 64k^2 + 102k - 49} \\
 \underline{-(8k^5 - 6k^4)} \\
 48k^4 - 4k^3 - 64k^2 + 102k - 49 \\
 \underline{-(48k^4 - 36k^3)} \\
 32k^3 - 64k^2 + 102k - 49 \\
 \underline{-(32k^3 - 24k^2)} \\
 -40k^2 + 102k - 49 \\
 \underline{-(-40k^2 + 30k)} \\
 72k - 49 \\
 \underline{-(72k - 54)} \\
 5
 \end{array}$$

Answer:
 $k^4 + 6k^3 + 4k^2 - 5k + 9 + \frac{5}{8k-6}$

(13) $-8 \mid 4 \ 35 \ 15 \ -63 \ 62$
 $\downarrow \ -32 \ -24 \ 72 \ -72$
 $4 \ 3 \ -9 \ 9 \ \boxed{-10}$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 72k - 49 \\
 \underline{-(72k - 54)} \\
 \boxed{5}
 \end{array}$$

$$4a^3 + 3a^2 - 9a + 9 - \frac{10}{a+8}$$

$$4x^4 + 35x^3 + 15x^2 - 63x + 62$$

$$f(-8) = 4(-8)^4 + 15(-8)^2 - 63(-8) + 62$$

Polynomial Division Content Mastery Quiz

Use either long division or synthetic division to divide the following.

$$(a^3 + a^2 - 34a + 51) \div (a + 7)$$

6.3

The Factors of Life

The Factor Theorem and Remainder Theorem

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You learned that the process of dividing polynomials is similar to the process of dividing integers. Sometimes when you divide two integers there is a remainder, and sometimes there is not a remainder. What does each case mean? In this lesson, you will investigate what the remainder means in terms of polynomial division.

Remember from your experiences with division that:

$$\frac{452}{10} = 45 + \frac{2}{10} \quad \frac{\text{dividend}}{\text{divisor}} = \text{quotient} + \frac{\text{remainder}}{\text{divisor}}$$

or

$$452 = 10(45) + 2$$

dividend = (divisor) (quotient) + remainder.

It follows that any polynomial, $p(x)$, can be written in the form:

$$\frac{p(x)}{\text{linear factor}} = \text{quotient} + \frac{\text{remainder}}{\text{linear factor}}$$

or

$$p(x) = (\text{linear factor})(\text{quotient}) + \text{remainder.}$$

Generally, the linear factor is written in the form $(x - r)$, the quotient is represented by $q(x)$, and the remainder is represented by R , meaning:

$$p(x) = (x - r)q(x) + R.$$

$$\frac{n^3 - 16n^2 + 57n + 57}{n - 9} = n^2 - 7n - 6 + \frac{3}{n - 9}$$

$$\rightarrow n^3 - 16n^2 + 57n + 57 = \underbrace{(n - 9)}_{(x - r)} \underbrace{(n^2 - 7n - 6)}_{q(x)} + \underbrace{3}_R$$

$p(x)$
 unfactored
 polynomial

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1. Given $p(x) = x^3 + 8x - 2$ and $\frac{p(x)}{(x-3)} = x^2 + 3x + 17$ R 49.

a. Verify $p(x) = (x-r)q(x) + R$.

$$\begin{aligned} x^3 + 8x - 2 &= (x-3)(x^2 + 3x + 17) + 49 \\ &= x^3 + 8x - 51 + 49 \\ &= x^3 + 8x - 2 \end{aligned}$$

b. Given $x - 3$ is a linear factor of $p(x)$, evaluate $p(3)$.

$$\begin{aligned} P(3) &= 3^3 + 8(3) - 2 \\ &= 27 + 24 - 2 = 49 \end{aligned}$$

2. Given $p(x) = (x-r)q(x) + R$, calculate $p(r)$.

$$\begin{aligned} P(r) &= (r-r)q(x) + R \\ &= 0 \cdot q(x) + R \\ &= 0 + R = R \end{aligned}$$

3. Explain why $p(r)$, where $(x-r)$ is a linear factor, will always equal the remainder R , regardless of the quotient.

$r-r$ will always = 0
 $0 \cdot \text{anything}$ will = 0
 left w/ R

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4. What conclusion can you make about any polynomial evaluated at r ?

always left w/ R

The Remainder Theorem states that when any polynomial equation or function, $f(x)$, is divided by a linear factor $(x - r)$, the remainder is $R = f(r)$, or the value of the equation or function when $x = r$.

6. The function, $f(x) = 4x^2 + 2x + 9$ generates the same remainder when divided by $(x - r)$ and $(x - 2r)$, where r is not equal to 0. Calculate the value(s) of r .

$$f(r) = 4r^2 + 2r + 9 \rightarrow f(2r) = 4(2r)^2 + 2(2r) + 9$$

$$f(2r) = 16r^2 + 4r + 9$$

$$\begin{array}{r} f(r) = f(2r) \\ 4r^2 + 2r + 9 = 16r^2 + 4r + 9 \\ \underline{-4r^2 - 2r - 9} \quad \underline{-4r^2 - 2r - 9} \\ 0 = 12r^2 + 2r \end{array}$$

$$0 = 12r^2 + 2r$$

$$0 = 2r(6r + 1)$$

$$0 = 2r \quad \text{or} \quad 0 = 6r + 1$$

$$\frac{0}{2} = \frac{2r}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{0}{-1} = \frac{6r + 1}{-1}$$

$$0 = r$$

$$\frac{0}{-1} = \frac{6r + 1}{-1}$$

$$-1 = 6r + 1$$

$$\frac{-1}{6} = \frac{6r + 1}{6}$$

$$\frac{-1}{6} = r$$

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Consider the factors of 24: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24.

Notice that when you divide 24 by any of its factors the remainder is 0. This same principle holds true for polynomial division.

The Factor Theorem states that a polynomial has a linear polynomial as a factor if and only if the remainder is zero; or, in other words, $f(x)$ has $(x - r)$ as a factor if and only if $f(r) = 0$.

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You can continue to factor the polynomial $f(x) = x^3 - 10x^2 + 11x + 70$.

From Haley and Lillian's work, you know that $f(x) = (x - 7)(x^2 - 3x - 10)$.

The quadratic factor can also be factored.

$$f(x) = (x - 7)(x^2 - 3x - 10)$$

$$f(x) = (x - 7)(x + 2)(x - 5)$$

$x = -7, -2, 5$
 $r = 7, -2, 5$

2. Use the Factor Theorem to prove each factor shown in the worked example is correct.

$$f(7) = 7^3 - 10(7)^2 + 11(7) + 70$$

$$f(7) = 0$$

$$f(-2) = (-2)^3 - 10(-2)^2 + 11(-2) + 70$$

$$f(-2) = 0$$

$$f(5) = (5)^3 - 10(5)^2 + 11(5) + 70$$

$$f(5) = 0$$

3. What other method(s) could you use to verify that the factors shown in the worked example are correct?

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4. Use the Factor Theorem to prove that $f(x) = (x + 1 - 3i)(x + 1 + 3i)$ is the factored form of $f(x) = x^2 + 2x + 10$.

$$f(-1-3i) = (-1-3i)^2 + 2(-1-3i) + 10$$

$$x = -1-3i, -1+3i$$

$$r = -1-3i, -1+3i$$

$$f(-1-3i) = (-1-3i)(-1-3i) - 2 - 6i + 10$$

$$= 1 + 3i + 3i + 9i^2 + 8 - 6i$$

$$= 9 - 9$$

$$= 0$$

$$f(-1+3i) = (-1+3i)^2 + 2(-1+3i) + 10$$

$$i = \sqrt{-1}$$

$$i^2 = -1$$

5. Determine the unknown coefficient, a , in each function.

a. $f(x) = 2x^4 + x^3 - 14x^2 - ax - 6$ if $(x - 3)$ is a linear factor.

b. $f(x) = ax^4 + 25x^3 + 21x^2 - x - 3$ if $(x + 1)$ is a linear factor.

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1. Given: $\frac{f(x)}{(x-3)} = x^2 - 7x - 13 R 25.$

a. Determine $f(3)$ using the Remainder Theorem. Explain your reasoning.

b. Determine $f(x)$.

c. Determine whether $x - 8$ is a factor of $f(x)$. Explain your reasoning.

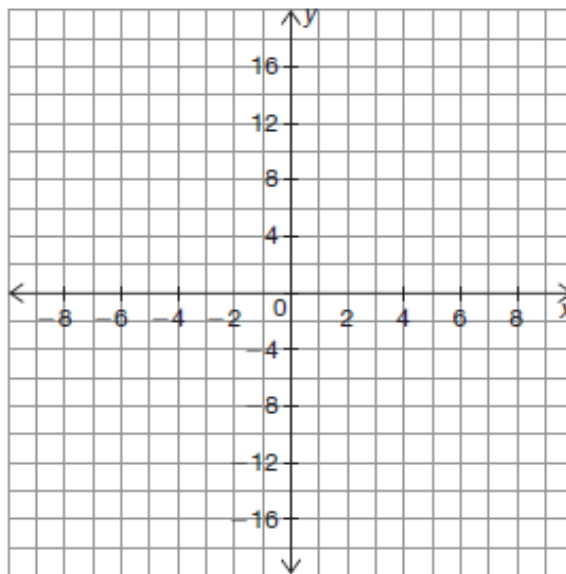
d. Determine $f(8)$ using the Factor Theorem. Explain your reasoning.

e. Completely factor $f(x)$.

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2. Given: $\frac{g(x)}{x-1} = x^2 + x - 8 R - 8$, $\frac{g(x)}{x-2} = x^2 + 2x - 5 R - 10$, and $\frac{g(x)}{x-3} = x^2 + 3x R 0$.

The function $g(x)$ is cubic and its graph is symmetric about the origin. Use the given information and the Remainder Theorem to sketch the graph of $g(x)$ on the coordinate plane provided.



3. The function $m(x) = 2x^2 + 6x - 7$ generates the same remainder when divided by $(x - a)$ and $(x - 2a)$ when $a \neq 0$. Calculate the value(s) of a and determine the corresponding factors.

Homework
Finish Lesson 6.3