

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.

⑫ $-2 \mid 5 \quad 10 \quad 0 \quad -4$

\downarrow
 $-10 \quad 0 \quad 0$
 \hline
 $5 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad -4$

$\boxed{5r^2 - \frac{4}{r+2}}$

$p(x) = 5x^3 + 10x^2 - 4$
 $r+2$
 $p(2) = 5(2)^3 + 10(2)^2 - 4$
 $p(2) = 40 + 40 - 4$
 $p(2) = -4$

④ $3a-7 \overline{) 3a^4 + 11a^3 - 51a^2 + 45a - 59}$

$\underline{-(3a^4 - 7a^3)}$
 $18a^3 - 51a^2 + 45a - 59$
 $\underline{-(18a^3 - 42a^2)}$
 $-9a^2 + 45a - 59$
 $\underline{-(-9a^2 + 21a)}$
 $24a - 59$
 $\underline{-(24a - 56)}$
 $\boxed{-3}$

Answer:
 $a^3 + 6a^2 - 3a + 8 - \frac{3}{3a-7}$

Polynomial Division Content Mastery Quiz

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

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

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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

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

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:

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

$$n^3 - 16n^2 + 57n + 57 = (n - 9)(n^2 - 7n - 6) + 3$$

pg.452 in your book

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

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

$$x^3 + 8x - 2 = (x-3)(x^2 + 3x + 17) + 49$$

$$x^3 + 8x - 2 = x^3 + 3x^2 + 17x - 3x^2 - 9x - 51 + 49$$

$$x^3 + 8x - 2 = x^3 + 8x - 2$$

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

$$p(x) = x^3 + 8x - 2$$

$$p(3) = 3^3 + 8(3) - 2$$

$$27 + 24 - 2 = 49$$

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

$$(r-r)q(x) + R$$

$$0(q(x)) + R$$

$$= R$$

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

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

We will always get the remainder, 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 $x = r$.

$$\textcircled{5} p(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 + 5x - 12 \quad \frac{p(x)}{(x-2)} = x^2 + 8x + 21 \quad R=30$$

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 $p(2) = 30$

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
- .

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

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

$$f(r) = f(2r) = R$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4r^2 + 2r + 9 = 16r^2 + 4r + 9 \\ -4r^2 - 2r - 9 \quad -4r^2 - 2r - 9 \\ \hline 0 = 12r^2 + 2r \end{array}$$

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

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

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

$$r = 0$$

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

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

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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?

+ Graphing

+ Long ÷ or synthetic ÷

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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 $f(x) = x^2 + 2x + 10$.

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

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

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

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

$$= 1 - 3i - 3i + 9i^2 - 2 + 6i + 10$$

$$= 1 - \cancel{6i} - \underline{9} - 2 + \cancel{6i} + \underline{10}$$

$$= -10 + 10$$

$$f(-1 + 3i) = 0$$

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

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

$$i^2 = -1$$

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.

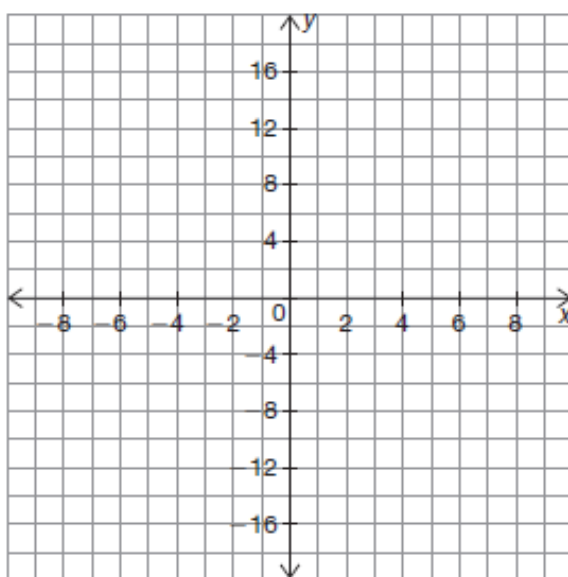
d. Determine $f(8)$ using the Factor Theorem. Explain your reasoning.

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