

9-4 Division of Polynomials

Objectives:

- I can divide one polynomial by another by using synthetic division

Identify the coefficients of the following polynomials

$$f(x) = -5x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + 7$$

$$f(x) = 2x^3 + 6x - 1$$

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$$11 \overline{) 144}$$

Synthetic Division

- Only uses the coefficients of each term
- Make sure functions written in standard form
- Use 0 as a place holder for any missing terms

Process:

- Write all coefficients in the box
- Bring the first term down
- Multiply on the diagonal
- Add in the columns

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Divide $(x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x - 12) \div (x - 2)$

\downarrow 2 | 1 3 -4 -12

2 10 12

$\frac{x^3}{x} = x^2 \rightarrow$ 1 5 6 0

$x^2 + 5x + 6$

What makes it zero?

remainder

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$(x^3 + 4x^2 + x - 6) \div (x - 1)$

1 | 1 4 1 -6

1 5 6

1 5 6 0

$x^2 + 5x + 6$

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Divide $(x^4 - 3x + 2x^3 - 6) \div (x - 2)$

2 | 1 2 0 -3 -6

2 8 16 26

1 4 8 13 20

$x^3 + 4x^2 + 8x + 13 + \frac{20}{x-2}$

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Divide $(x^2 + 2x + 5) \div (x - 2)$

2 | 1 2 5

2 8

1 4 13

$x + 4 + \frac{13}{x-2}$

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Divide $(x^2 - 28) \div (x - 5)$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrr} 5 & 1 & 0 & -28 \\ & & 5 & 25 \\ \hline & 1 & 5 & -3 \end{array}$$
$$\left(x + 5 - \frac{3}{x-5} \right)$$

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