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5-4 Dividing Polynomials (Part 1-Long Division)

Standards

A2.A.APR.A.1 (formerly A-APR.A.2) Know and apply the Remainder Theorem: For a polynomial $p(x)$ and a number a , the remainder on division by $x - a$ is $p(a)$, so $p(a) = 0$ if and only if $(x - a)$ is a factor of $p(x)$.

A2.A.APR.C.4 (formerly A-APR.C.6) Rewrite simple rational expressions in different forms; write $a(x)/b(x)$ in the form $q(x) + r(x)/b(x)$, where $a(x)$, $b(x)$, $q(x)$, and $r(x)$ are polynomials with the degree of $r(x)$ less than the degree of $b(x)$, using inspection, long division, or, for the more complicated examples, a computer algebra system.

Key Concepts

The Divisor Algorithm-You can divide polynomial $P(x)$ by polynomial $D(x)$ to get the quotient $Q(x)$ and a remainder $R(x)$. If $R(x) = 0$, then $D(x)$ and $Q(x)$ are factors of $P(x)$.

Examples

1. (I do) Divide $x^2 + 2x - 30$ by $x - 5$

2. (We do) Divide $(4x^2 + 23x - 16) \div (x + 5)$

3. (They do) Divide $(x^3 - 7x^2 - 36) \div (x - 2)$

4. (They do) Determine whether $x + 2$ is a factor of the polynomial $x^2 + 10x + 16$

You do Practice 5-4 Part 1: Complete your assignment on a separate sheet of paper. Show all work.

1. Divide using long division.

a. $(2x^2 + 7x + 11) \div (x + 2)$

b. $(x^3 + 5x^2 + 11x + 15) \div (x + 3)$

c. $(9x^3 - 15x^2 + 4x) \div (x - 3)$

2. Determine whether $x + 1$ is a binomial factor of $x^3 + 4x^2 + x - 6$.