

Math 3
Unit 3 Day 6 HW

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Use the long division algorithm to determine the quotient in problems 1–5.

1.
$$\frac{2x^3 - 13x^2 - x + 3}{2x + 1}$$

2.
$$\frac{3x^3 + 4x^2 + 7x + 22}{x + 2}$$

3.
$$\frac{x^4 + 6x^3 - 7x^2 - 24x + 12}{x^2 - 4}$$

4. $(12x^4 + 2x^3 + x - 3) \div (2x^2 + 1)$

5. $(2x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x) \div (x^2 + x + 1)$

6. Use long division to find the polynomial, p , that satisfies the equation below.

$$2x^4 - 3x^2 - 2 = (2x^2 + 1)(p(x))$$

7. Given $q(x) = 3x^3 - 4x^2 + 5x + k$.

a. Determine the value of k so that $3x - 7$ is a factor of the polynomial q .

b. What is the quotient when you divide the polynomial q by $3x - 7$?

8. In parts (a)–(b) and (d)–(e), use long division to evaluate each quotient. Then, answer the remaining questions.

a. $\frac{x^2-9}{x+3}$

b. $\frac{x^4-81}{x+3}$

c. Is $x + 3$ a factor of $x^3 - 27$? Explain your answer using the long division algorithm.

d. $\frac{x^3+27}{x+3}$

e. $\frac{x^5+243}{x+3}$

f. Is $x + 3$ a factor of $x^2 + 9$? Explain your answer using the long division algorithm.

g. For which positive integers n is $x + 3$ a factor of $x^n + 3^n$? Explain your reasoning.

h. If n is a positive integer, is $x + 3$ a factor of $x^n - 3^n$? Explain your reasoning.

Polynomial Long Division Homework Answers

Use the long division algorithm to determine the quotient in problems 1–5.

1.
$$\frac{2x^3 - 13x^2 - x + 3}{2x + 1}$$

$$x^2 - 7x + 3$$

2.
$$\frac{3x^3 + 4x^2 + 7x + 22}{x + 2}$$

$$3x^2 - 2x + 11$$

3.
$$\frac{x^4 + 6x^3 - 7x^2 - 24x + 12}{x^2 - 4}$$

$$x^2 + 6x - 3$$

4. $(12x^4 + 2x^3 + x - 3) \div (2x^2 + 1)$

$$6x^2 + x - 3$$

5. $(2x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x) \div (x^2 + x + 1)$

$$2x$$

6. Use long division to find the polynomial, p , that satisfies the equation below.

$$2x^4 - 3x^2 - 2 = (2x^2 + 1)(p(x))$$

$$p(x) = x^2 - 2$$

7. Given $q(x) = 3x^3 - 4x^2 + 5x + k$.

a. Determine the value of k so that $3x - 7$ is a factor of the polynomial q .

$$k = -28$$

b. What is the quotient when you divide the polynomial q by $3x - 7$?

$$x^2 + x + 4$$

8. In parts (a)–(b) and (d)–(e), use long division to evaluate each quotient. Then, answer the remaining questions.

a.
$$\frac{x^2-9}{x+3}$$
$$x-3$$

b.
$$\frac{x^4-81}{x+3}$$
$$x^3 - 3x^2 + 9x - 27$$

c. Is $x + 3$ a factor of $x^3 - 27$? Explain your answer using the long division algorithm.
No. The remainder is not 0 when you perform long division.

d.
$$\frac{x^3+27}{x+3}$$
$$x^2 - 3x + 9$$

e.
$$\frac{x^5+243}{x+3}$$
$$x^4 - 3x^3 + 9x^2 - 27x + 81$$

f. Is $x + 3$ a factor of $x^2 + 9$? Explain your answer using the long division algorithm.
No. The remainder is not 0 when you perform long division.

g. For which positive integers n is $x + 3$ a factor of $x^n + 3^n$? Explain your reasoning.
Only if n is an odd number. By extending the patterns in parts (a)–(c) and (e), we can generalize that $x + 3$ divides evenly into $x^n + 3^n$ for odd powers of n only.

h. If n is a positive integer, is $x + 3$ a factor of $x^n - 3^n$? Explain your reasoning.
Only for even numbers n . By extending the patterns in parts (a)–(c), we can generalize that $x + 3$ will always divide evenly into the dividend.