

Notes **3.5**

Warmup – Factor each quadratic expression.

1. $x^2 + 7x + 12$

$(x+3)(x+4)$

2. $x^2 + 2x - 15$

$(x+5)(x-3)$

3. $x^2 - 11x + 24$

$(x-8)(x-3)$

4. $x^2 - 5x - 36$

$(x-9)(x+4)$

5. $2x^2 - 2x - 12$

$2(x^2 - x - 6)$

$2(x-3)(x+2)$

6. $x^2 - 16$

$(x+4)(x-4)$

Investigation

Compare $1452 \div 12$

and

$(x^3 + 4x^2 + 5x + 2) \div (x + 2)$

How do you think dividing them is similar?

$$\begin{array}{r} 12 \\ \overline{)1452} \\ 12 \downarrow \\ \hline 25 \\ 24 \downarrow \\ \hline 12 \end{array}$$

Same process

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 2x + 1 \\ \hline x+2 \overline{)x^3 + 4x^2 + 5x + 2} \\ x^3 + 2x^2 \\ \hline 2x^2 + 5x \\ 2x^2 + 4x \\ \hline x + 2 \\ x + 2 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

Now try $(x^3 - 3x^2 - 13x + 15) \div (x - 1)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 2x - 15 \\ \hline x-1 \overline{)x^3 - 3x^2 - 13x + 15} \\ x^3 - x^2 \quad \downarrow \\ \hline -2x^2 - 13x \quad \downarrow \\ -2x^2 + 2x \quad \downarrow \\ \hline -15x + 15 \\ -15x + 15 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$x \cdot \underline{x^2} = \underline{x^3}$$

$$x \cdot \underline{-2x} = \underline{-2x^2}$$

$$x \cdot \underline{-15} = \underline{-15x}$$

Line up like terms!

If there are missing terms, fill them in with zero place value holders

$$x^2 - 9 \Rightarrow x^2 + 0x - 9$$

Is $(x - 1)$ a factor of $(x^3 - 3x^2 - 13x + 15)$? How can you tell?

Yes, because there is no remainder.

If there is a remainder, your answer should look like:

$$\text{quotient} + \frac{\text{remainder}}{\text{divisor}}$$

Practice:

a. $(x^3 + 6x^2 + 13x + 12) \div (x + 3)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 3x + 4 \\ x+3 \overline{)x^3 + 6x^2 + 13x + 12} \\ x^3 + 3x^2 \quad \downarrow \\ \hline 3x^2 + 13x \\ 3x^2 + 9x \\ \hline 4x + 12 \\ 4x + 12 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$x^2 + 3x + 4$$

c. $(6x^3 - 11x^2 - 4x + 5) \div (2x - 1)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^2 - 4x - 4 \\ 2x-1 \overline{)6x^3 - 11x^2 - 4x + 5} \\ 6x^3 - 3x^2 \\ \hline -8x^2 - 4x \\ -8x^2 + 4x \\ \hline -8x + 5 \\ -8x + 4 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

$$3x^2 - 4x - 4 + \frac{1}{2x-1}$$

b. $(x^3 - 4x^2 + 2x + 5) \div (x - 2)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 2x - 2 \\ x-2 \overline{)x^3 - 4x^2 + 2x + 5} \\ x^3 - 2x^2 \\ \hline -2x^2 + 2x \\ -2x^2 + 4x \\ \hline -2x + 5 \\ -2x + 4 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 2 + \frac{1}{x-2}$$

d. $(x^4 - 23x^3 + 49x + 4) \div (x^2 + x + 2)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 24x + 22 \\ x^2 + x + 2 \overline{)x^4 - 23x^3 + 0x^2 + 49x + 4} \\ x^4 + x^3 + 2x^2 \\ \hline -24x^3 - 2x^2 + 49x \\ -24x^3 - 24x^2 - 48x \\ \hline 22x^2 + 97x + 4 \\ 22x^2 + 22x + 44 \\ \hline 75x - 40 \end{array}$$

$$x^2 - 24x + 22 + \frac{75x - 40}{x^2 + x + 2}$$