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Polynomial Long Division Notes

Let's review the kinds of polynomial long division problems that we solved at the end of the hour on Friday...

1) $(x^2 + 7x + 6) \div (x + 6)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x+1 \\ x+6 \overline{) x^2+7x+6} \\ \underline{-(x^2+6x)} \\ 1x+6 \\ \underline{-(1x+6)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x+1}$$

2) $(x^2 - 9x + 20) \div (x - 4)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x-5 \\ x-4 \overline{) x^2-9x+20} \\ \underline{-(x^2-4x)} \\ -5x+20 \\ \underline{-(-5x+20)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x-5}$$

All of the problems that we've seen so far do not have any remainders!

Let's look at some problems that have remainders!

Example 1: $(x^2 + 8x - 20) \div (x + 3)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x+5 \\ x+3 \overline{) x^2+8x-20} \\ \underline{-(x^2+3x)} \\ 5x-20 \\ \underline{-(5x+15)} \\ -35 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x+5 - \frac{35}{x+3}}$$

Example 2: $(x^2 - 14x + 24) \div (x - 4)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x-10 \\ x-4 \overline{) x^2-14x+24} \\ \underline{-(x^2-4x)} \\ -10x+24 \\ \underline{-(-10x+40)} \\ -16 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x-10 - \frac{16}{x-4}}$$