

## Polynomials Review

- **Polynomials** are made up of a finite number of terms separated by **addition** or **subtraction**. A **monomial** is made up of one term, a **binomial** is made up of two terms, and a **trinomial** is made up of three terms. After that, we use the prefix *poly* meaning “many”. Generally speaking, when we add or subtract monomials, we get a polynomial. Each monomial within the polynomial is a term.
- The **terms** of a polynomial have **variables** that are raised to whole-number exponents (0, 1, 2, 3, ...) and **constants** (or coefficients) which form products with the variables.

trinomial

$$3x^2 - 5x + 4$$

leading coefficient ←  $3x^2$  (quadratic term  $(x^2)$ )  
 $-5x$  (linear term  $(x^1)$ )  
 $+4$  (constant term  $(x^0)$ )

\*note: terms of higher *degree* are usually written first, with the remaining terms written in *descending* order (degree = the sum of the exponents on all variables in that term)

- Terms that have the same variable factors (i.e. same letters with same exponents) are called **like terms**. To simplify a polynomial expression containing like terms, find the sum of their coefficients.

### 1. Simplify the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } & 2x^2 + 3x + (-4) - x^2 - (-x) + 9 \\ & = 2x^2 + 3x - 4 - x^2 + x + 9 \\ & = \underbrace{2x^2 - x^2} + \underbrace{3x + x} - 4 + 9 \\ & = x^2 + 4x + 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } & -6x^3 - (5x^3 - 11x^3) \\ & = -6x^3 - 5x^3 + 11x^3 \\ & = 0x^3 \\ & = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } & 10x^3 - 14x^2 - (-3x) - 4x^3 + 4x - 6 \\ & = 10x^3 - 14x^2 + 3x - 4x^3 + 4x - 6 \\ & = \underbrace{10x^3 - 4x^3} - 14x^2 + \underbrace{3x + 4x} - 6 \\ & = 6x^3 - 14x^2 + 7x - 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{d) } & (-2x^2)(5x^4) - (3x)(-3x^3)(x^2) \\ & = -10x^6 - (-9x^6) \\ & = -10x^6 + 9x^6 \\ & = -x^6 \end{aligned}$$

- To **add** polynomial expressions, remove the brackets and collect like terms. To **subtract** a polynomial, remove the brackets by multiplying each term by  $(-1)$ . Then, collect like terms.

### 2. Simplify the following and evaluate for $x = 4$ , $y = -1$ , $z = 5$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } & (9x + 2y - 3z) - (7x + 4y) + (y - 4x) \\ & = 9x + 2y - 3z - 7x - 4y + y - 4x \\ & = -2x - y - 3z \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) } & \text{Substitute } x=4, y=-1, z=5 : \\ & -2(4) - (-1) - 3(5) \\ & = -8 + 1 - 15 \\ & = -22 \end{aligned}$$

- To multiply any two polynomials, multiply each term of one polynomial by each term of the other polynomial.

### 3. Expand

Expand using the distributive property.

a)  $3p(2p^2 - p + 4)$

$$= 6p^3 - 3p^2 + 12p$$

b)  $(x^2 - 2xy - y^2)(4x^2y)$

$$= 4x^4y - 8x^3y^2 - 4x^2y^3$$

### 4. Expand and Simplify

Expand using the distributive property. Then, collect like terms. (When more than one set of brackets is used, simplify to remove the innermost brackets first.)

a)  $3x(x^2 - 2x + 1) - (x^2 - 3x + 5)$

$$= 3x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x - x^2 + 3x - 5$$

$$= 3x^3 - 7x^2 + 6x - 5$$

b)  $(x - 2y)^2$

$$= (x - 2y)(x - 2y)$$

$$= x^2 - 2xy - 2xy + 4y^2$$

$$= x^2 - 4xy + 4y^2$$

c)  $(x - 3)(x^2 + 3x + 9)$

$$= x^3 + 3x^2 + 9x - 3x^2 - 9x - 27$$

$$= x^3 - 27$$

d)  $3x(2x + 3)^2 - (x - 5)^2$  **BEDMAS**

$$= 3x[(2x + 3)(2x + 3)] - [(x - 5)(x - 5)]$$

$$= 3x[4x^2 + 12x + 9] - [x^2 - 10x + 25]$$

$$= 12x^3 + 36x^2 + 27x - x^2 + 10x - 25$$

$$= 12x^3 + 35x^2 + 37x - 25$$

e)  $[(2y - 5)(y - 4)](y + 4)$  **BEDMAS**

$$= [2y^2 - 8y - 5y + 20](y + 4)$$

$$= [2y^2 - 13y + 20](y + 4)$$

$$= 2y^3 + 8y^2 - 13y^2 - 52y + 20y + 80$$

$$= 2y^3 - 5y^2 - 32y + 80$$

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

$$= 2x^4 + x^3 - 2x^2 - 6x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x - 2x^2 - x + 2$$

$$= 2x^4 + x^3 - 6x^3 - 2x^2 - 3x^2 - 2x^2 + 6x - x + 2$$

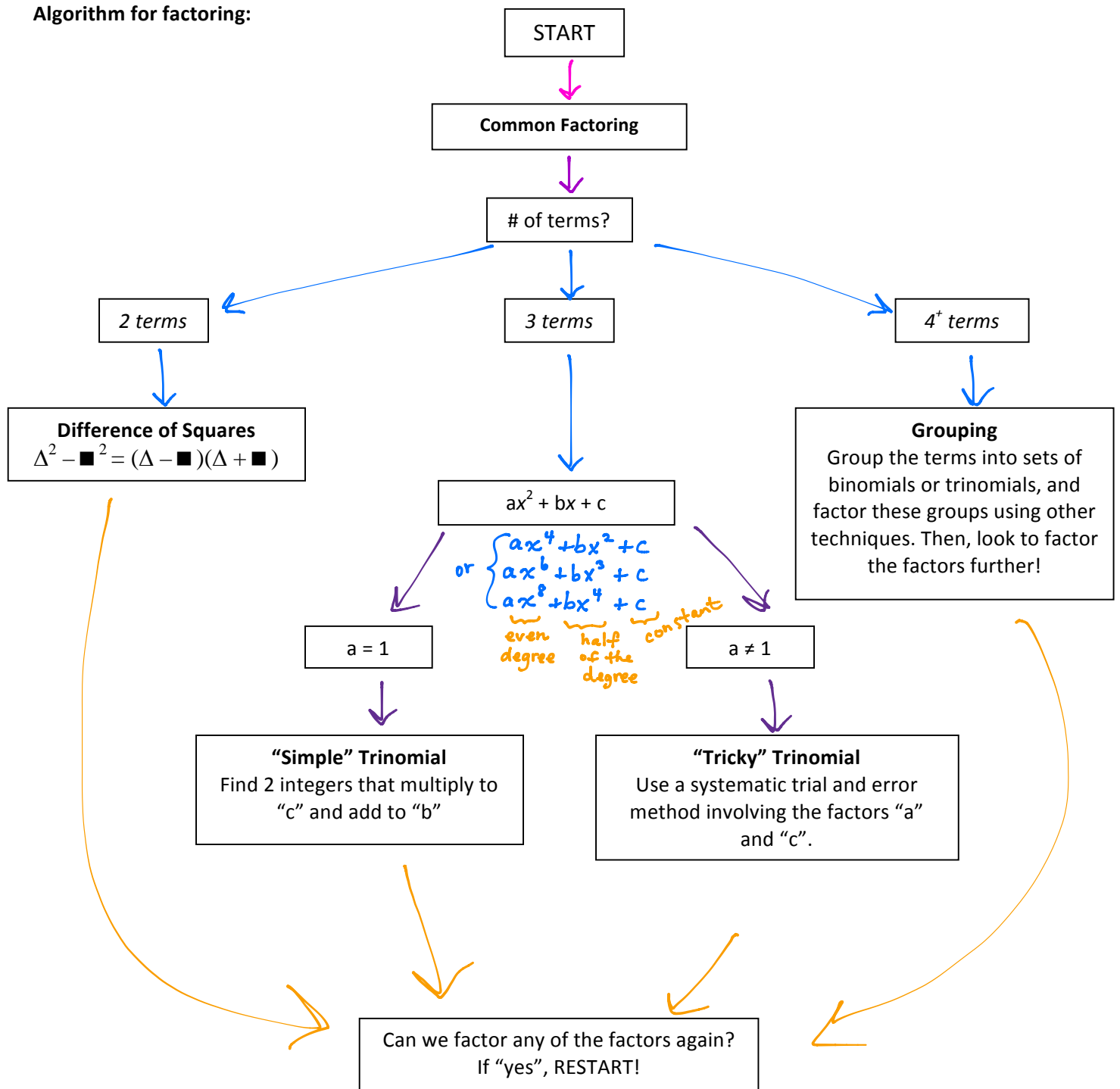
$$= 2x^4 - 5x^3 - 7x^2 + 5x + 2$$

## Factoring Part I: Common Factoring, Difference of Squares, and Simple Trinomial Factoring

### Types of factoring:

1. Common Factoring
2. Difference of Squares ( $\Delta^2 - \blacksquare^2$ )
3. "Simple" Trinomial ( $ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  $a = 1$ )
4. Grouping
5. "Tricky" Trinomial ( $ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  $a \neq 1$ )

### Algorithm for factoring:



I. Factor **fully** using common factoring, difference of squares, and/or simple trinomial factoring:

a)  $5x^2y - 45y$   
 $= 5y(x^2 - 9)$  ① Common  
 $= 5y(x+3)(x-3)$  ② diff. of squares

b)  $wxy + xyz$   
 $= xy(w+z)$  ① Common

c)  $x^2y^2 - 9$   
 $= (xy+3)(xy-3)$  ① diff. of squares

d)  $3x^2 - 108$   
 $= 3(x^2 - 36)$  ① Common  
 $= 3(x+6)(x-6)$  ② diff. of squares

e)  $3x^4 - 243y^4$   
 $= 3(x^4 - 81y^4)$  ① Common  
 $= 3(x^2 + 9y^2)(x^2 - 9y^2)$  ② Diff. Sq.  
 $= 3(x^2 + 9y^2)(x+3y)(x-3y)$  ③ Diff. Sq.

f)  $x^2 + x - 90$  ① simple trinomial  
 $= (x+10)(x-9)$   
check:  
 $(x+10)(x-9)$   
 $= x^2 - 9x + 10x - 90$   
 $= x^2 + x - 90$

$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad -9 \\ 1 \quad \times \quad 10 \\ -9 \quad +10 \\ = +1 \end{array}$

g)  $3x^2 - 24xy + 48y^2$   
 $= 3(x^2 - 8x + 16)$  ① common  
 $= 3(x-4)(x-4)$  ② simple trinomial  
 $= 3(x-4)^2$

$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad -4 \\ 1 \quad \times \quad -4 \\ -4 \quad -4 \\ = -8 \end{array}$

h)  $2mnx^2 + 12mnx + 18mn$   
 $= 2mn(x^2 + 6x + 9)$  ① common  
 $= 2mn(x+3)(x+3)$  ② simple trinomial  
 $= 2mn(x+3)^2$

$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad 3 \\ 1 \quad \times \quad 3 \\ +3 \quad +3 \\ = +6 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad 9 \\ 1 \quad \times \quad 1 \\ 9 \quad 1 \end{array}$

II. Solve the following quadratic equations by factoring:

Recall: A quadratic equation is of the form  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and has 2 solutions.

To solve by factoring, isolate zero on one side of the equation!

a)  $9x^2 - 25 = 0$   
 $(3x+5)(3x-5) = 0$   
 $3x+5=0$  or  $3x-5=0$   
 $3x=-5$                        $3x=5$   
 $x=-\frac{5}{3}$                           $x=\frac{5}{3}$

b)  $y^2 = 5y$   
 $y^2 - 5y = 0$   
 $y(y-5) = 0$   
 $y=0$  or  $y-5=0$   
 $y=5$

c)  $x^2 - 4x = 12$   
 $x^2 - 4x - 12 = 0$   
 $(x-6)(x+2) = 0$   
 $x-6=0$  or  $x+2=0$   
 $x=6$                           $x=-2$

$\therefore x = \pm \frac{5}{3}$

$\therefore y = 0, 5$

$\therefore x = -2, 6$

### Factoring Part II: Tricky Trinomials

“Tricky Trinomials” are trinomials in the form  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , where  $a \neq 1$ . Several different methods can be used to factor these types of trinomials, but this lesson will focus on a method of **systematic trial & error**.

Part I: Factor the following trinomials completely, where  $a$  is prime.

a)  $2x^2 + 11x + 5$

$\begin{matrix} \text{F} & & \text{L} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \boxed{2x^2} & + & \boxed{11x} & + & \boxed{5} \end{matrix}$

$\begin{matrix} 2 & & 5 \\ \diagdown & & / \\ 1 & & 1 \end{matrix}$

$+ 5 + 2 \neq 11$

$\begin{matrix} (2 & & 1) \\ \diagdown & & / \\ (1 & & 5) \end{matrix}$

$+ 1 + 10 = +11 \quad \checkmark$

$$= (2x+1)(x+5)$$

Check:

$$= 2x^2 + 10x + x + 5$$

$$= 2x^2 + 11x + 5 \quad \checkmark$$

b)  $2x^2 + 5x + 2$

$\begin{matrix} 2 & & 2 \\ \diagdown & & / \\ 1 & & 1 \end{matrix}$

$2 + 2 \neq 5$

$\begin{matrix} 2 & & 1 \\ \diagdown & & / \\ 1 & & 2 \end{matrix}$

$1 + 4 = 5 \quad \checkmark$

$$= (2x+1)(x+2)$$

Check:

$$= 2x^2 + 4x + x + 2$$

$$= 2x^2 + 5x + 2 \quad \checkmark$$

c)  $3x^2 + 2x - 5$

$\begin{matrix} 3 & & 1 \\ \diagdown & & / \\ 1 & & 5 \end{matrix}$

$1 + 15 = 16 \neq 2$

$\begin{matrix} 3 & & 5 \\ \diagdown & & / \\ 1 & & -1 \end{matrix}$

$+ 5 - 3 = +2 \quad \checkmark$

$$= (3x+5)(x-1)$$

check:

$$= 3x^2 - 3x + 5x - 5$$

$$= 3x^2 + 2x - 5 \quad \checkmark$$

d)  $3x^2 - x - 4$

$\begin{matrix} 3 & & 2 \\ \diagdown & & / \\ 1 & & 2 \end{matrix}$

$2 + 6 = 8 \neq -1$

$\begin{matrix} 3 & & 4 \\ \diagdown & & / \\ 1 & & 1 \end{matrix}$

$-4 + 3 = -1 \quad \checkmark$

$$= (3x-4)(x+1)$$

check:

$$= 3x^2 + 3x - 4x - 4$$

$$= 3x^2 - x - 4 \quad \checkmark$$

e)  $5x^2 - 22x + 8$

$\begin{matrix} 5 & & 2 \\ \diagdown & & / \\ 1 & & 4 \end{matrix}$

$-2 - 20 = -22 \quad \checkmark$

$$= (5x-2)(x-4)$$

check:

$$= 5x^2 - 20x - 2x + 8$$

$$= 5x^2 - 22x + 8 \quad \checkmark$$

Part II: Factor the following trinomials completely, where  $a$  is NOT prime.

a)  $6x^2 - 11x + 4$

$$= (2x-1)(3x-4)$$

Handwritten work shows a cross-multiplication grid for  $6x^2 - 11x + 4$  with factors  $2x-1$  and  $3x-4$ . The grid shows  $6 \times 1 = 6$ ,  $1 \times 4 = 4$ ,  $1 \times 24 = 24$ , and  $3 \times 4 = 12$ . The middle term  $-11x$  is derived from  $24 - 12 = 12$ , which is then split as  $-3 - 8$  to get  $-11$ . A checkmark is present.

b)  $4x^2 + 4x + 1$

$$= (2x+1)(2x+1) = (2x+1)^2$$

Handwritten work shows a cross-multiplication grid for  $4x^2 + 4x + 1$  with factors  $2x+1$  and  $2x+1$ . The grid shows  $4 \times 1 = 4$ ,  $1 \times 1 = 1$ ,  $2 \times 2 = 4$ , and  $1 \times 4 = 4$ . The middle term  $4x$  is derived from  $4 - 4 = 0$ , which is then split as  $+2 + 2$  to get  $4$ . A checkmark is present.

c)  $9x^2 + 3x - 2$

$$= (3x+2)(3x-1)$$

Handwritten work shows two cross-multiplication grids for  $9x^2 + 3x - 2$ . The first grid shows factors  $3x+2$  and  $3x-1$  with a middle term of  $+3$ . The second grid shows factors  $3x+2$  and  $3x-1$  with a middle term of  $-1$ . A checkmark is present.

d)  $4x^2 - 8x - 5$

$$= (2x+1)(2x-5)$$

Handwritten work shows two cross-multiplication grids for  $4x^2 - 8x - 5$ . The first grid shows factors  $2x+1$  and  $2x-5$  with a middle term of  $-8$ . The second grid shows factors  $2x+1$  and  $2x-5$  with a middle term of  $-10$ . A checkmark is present.

Part III: Factor the following trinomials completely, where the expression must be common factored first.

a)  $12x^2 - 10x - 8$

$$= 2(6x^2 - 5x - 4) = 2(2x+1)(3x-4)$$

Handwritten work shows a cross-multiplication grid for  $6x^2 - 5x - 4$  with factors  $2x+1$  and  $3x-4$ . The grid shows  $6 \times 1 = 6$ ,  $1 \times 4 = 4$ ,  $3 \times 4 = 12$ , and  $1 \times 24 = 24$ . The middle term  $-5x$  is derived from  $24 - 12 = 12$ , which is then split as  $+3 - 8$  to get  $-5$ . A checkmark is present.

b)  $-2x^2 + 7x - 6$

$$= -(2x^2 - 7x + 6) = -(2x-3)(x-2)$$

Handwritten work shows two cross-multiplication grids for  $2x^2 - 7x + 6$ . The first grid shows factors  $2x-3$  and  $x-2$  with a middle term of  $-7$ . The second grid shows factors  $2x-3$  and  $x-2$  with a middle term of  $-4$ . A checkmark is present.

c)  $16x^2 + 32x + 12$

$$= 4(4x^2 + 8x + 3) = 4(2x+3)(2x+1)$$

Handwritten work shows two cross-multiplication grids for  $4x^2 + 8x + 3$ . The first grid shows factors  $2x+3$  and  $2x+1$  with a middle term of  $+8$ . The second grid shows factors  $2x+3$  and  $2x+1$  with a middle term of  $+3$ . A checkmark is present.

d)  $-6x^2 - 9x - 3$

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

Handwritten work shows a cross-multiplication grid for  $2x^2 + 3x + 1$  with factors  $2x+1$  and  $x+1$ . The grid shows  $2 \times 1 = 2$ ,  $1 \times 1 = 1$ ,  $1 \times 2 = 2$ , and  $2 \times 6 = 12$ . The middle term  $3x$  is derived from  $12 - 9 = 3$ , which is then split as  $+1 + 2$  to get  $3$ . A checkmark is present.

Part IV: Solve the following quadratic equations by factoring.

Two solutions!

a)  $2x^2 - 7x = 15$

$$2x^2 - 7x - 15 = 0$$

$$(2x+3)(x-5) = 0$$

Handwritten work shows a cross-multiplication grid for  $2x^2 - 7x - 15$  with factors  $2x+3$  and  $x-5$ . The grid shows  $2 \times 3 = 6$ ,  $1 \times 5 = 5$ ,  $3 \times 15 = 45$ , and  $1 \times 10 = 10$ . The middle term  $-7x$  is derived from  $15 - 10 = 5$ , which is then split as  $-3 - 10$  to get  $-7$ . The solutions are  $2x+3=0 \Rightarrow x=-\frac{3}{2}$  and  $x-5=0 \Rightarrow x=5$ .

∴  $x = -\frac{3}{2}, 5$

b)  $-9a^2 = 16 - 24a$

$$0 = 9a^2 - 24a + 16$$

$$0 = (3a-4)(3a-4)$$

Handwritten work shows a cross-multiplication grid for  $9a^2 - 24a + 16$  with factors  $3a-4$  and  $3a-4$ . The grid shows  $9 \times 1 = 9$ ,  $1 \times 16 = 16$ ,  $3 \times 16 = 48$ , and  $1 \times 24 = 24$ . The middle term  $-24a$  is derived from  $48 - 24 = 24$ , which is then split as  $-4 - 20$  to get  $-24$ . The solutions are  $3a-4=0 \Rightarrow a=\frac{4}{3}$  and  $3a-4=0 \Rightarrow a=\frac{4}{3}$ .

∴  $a = \frac{4}{3}, \frac{4}{3}$

c)  $18z - 18 + 8z^2 = 0$

$$8z^2 + 18z - 18 = 0$$

$$2(4z^2 + 9z - 9) = 0$$

$$2(4z-3)(z+3) = 0$$

Handwritten work shows a cross-multiplication grid for  $4z^2 + 9z - 9$  with factors  $4z-3$  and  $z+3$ . The grid shows  $4 \times 3 = 12$ ,  $1 \times 9 = 9$ ,  $3 \times 9 = 27$ , and  $1 \times 12 = 12$ . The middle term  $9z$  is derived from  $12 - 3 = 9$ , which is then split as  $-3 + 12$  to get  $9$ . The solutions are  $4z-3=0 \Rightarrow z=\frac{3}{4}$  and  $z+3=0 \Rightarrow z=-3$ .

∴  $z = -3, \frac{3}{4}$

## Factoring Part III: Grouping and Substitution

- 4 or more terms
- 2 ≠ 2, 1 ≠ 3, 3 ≠ 1
- Polynomial factors
- can use "dummy variable"

Factor completely each of the following:

$$1. \quad 4x^4 - 3x^2 - 1$$

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

Diff. Sq.

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

$\begin{array}{r} 4 \times 1 \\ 1 \times -1 \\ \hline +1 -4 \\ = -3 \\ \checkmark \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r} 2 \times 1 \\ 2 \times 1 \\ \hline 2 \quad 2 \end{array}$

$$2. \quad 3x^5 - 12x^3 - x^2 + 4$$

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

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

Diff. Sq.

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

$$3. \quad 3ax - 3ay - 6bx + 6by$$

$$= 3a(x - y) - 6b(x - y)$$

$$= (x - y)(3a - 6b)$$

common

$$= (x - y)(3)(a - 2b)$$

$$= 3(x - y)(a - 2b)$$

$$4. \quad x^2 + 10x + 25 - 9y^2$$

$$= (x + 5)^2 - 9y^2$$

Diff. Sq.

$$= a^2 - 9y^2$$

Let  $a = (x + 5)$   
"dummy variable"

$$= (a + 3y)(a - 3y)$$

$$= [(x + 5) + 3y][(x + 5) - 3y]$$

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

w/o dummy variable  $\Rightarrow$

$$5. \quad (x - 3)^4 - 16 \quad \text{Let } a = (x - 3)$$

$$= a^4 - 16$$

$$= (a^2 + 4)(a^2 - 4)$$

$$= (a^2 + 4)(a + 2)(a - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow = [(x - 3)^2 + 4][(x - 3) + 2][(x - 3) - 2]$$

$$= [x^2 - 6x + 9 + 4](x - 1)(x - 5)$$

$$= (x^2 - 6x + 13)(x - 1)(x - 5)$$

$$6. \quad (3x + 1)^2 - (x - 5)^2 \quad \text{Let } a = (3x + 1)$$

Let  $b = (x - 5)$

$$= a^2 - b^2$$

$$= (a + b)(a - b)$$

$$\Rightarrow = [(3x + 1) + (x - 5)][(3x + 1) - (x - 5)]$$

$$= [3x + 1 + x - 5][3x + 1 - x + 5]$$

$$= (4x - 4)(2x + 6)$$

common

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

$$= 8(x - 1)(x + 3)$$

$$7. \quad (x + 2)^2 - 6(x + 2) + 8 \quad \text{Let } a = (x + 2)$$

$$= a^2 - 6a + 8$$

$$= (a - 4)(a - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow = [(x + 2) - 4][(x + 2) - 2]$$

$$= (x + 2 - 4)(x + 2 - 2)$$

$$= (x - 2)(x)$$

$$= x(x - 2)$$

## Rearranging Equations and Formulas

Formulas are *equations* that express a *relationship* between more than one letter or variable. A formula is also called a **literal equation** when it involves several letters or variables. Sometimes algebra is needed to change the formula to a more useful equivalent equation, which is solved for a particular letter or variable.

Solve for the indicated variable in each of the following:

$$1. \frac{P}{2} = \frac{l+w}{2}, \text{ for } l$$

$$\frac{P}{2} = l+w$$

$$\frac{P}{2} - w = l$$

$$\therefore l = \frac{P}{2} - w$$

$$2. \frac{A}{\pi} = \frac{1}{\pi} r^2, \text{ for } r, r \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{no negative values for } r$$

$$\frac{A}{\pi} = r^2$$

$$+\sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}} = \sqrt{r^2}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}} = r$$

$$\therefore r = \sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}}$$

$$3. A = \frac{bh}{2}, \text{ for } b$$

$$2 \cdot A = \frac{bh}{2} \cdot 2$$

$$\frac{2A}{h} = \frac{bh}{h}$$

$$\frac{2A}{h} = b$$

$$\therefore b = \frac{2A}{h}$$

$$4. A = \frac{1}{2}ah + \frac{1}{2}bh, \text{ for } h$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2}h(a+b)$$

$$2(A) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}h(a+b)\right)$$

$$\frac{2A}{(a+b)} = \frac{h(a+b)}{(a+b)}$$

$$\frac{2A}{(a+b)} = h$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{2A}{(a+b)}$$

$$5. y = mx + b, \text{ for } x$$

$$\frac{y-b}{m} = \frac{mx}{m}$$

$$\frac{y-b}{m} = x$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{y-b}{m}$$

$$6. x^2 + y^2 = r^2, \text{ for } x \rightarrow \text{no restrictions on } x$$

$$x^2 = r^2 - y^2$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \pm \sqrt{r^2 - y^2}$$

$$\therefore x = \pm \sqrt{r^2 - y^2}$$



7.  $\tan \theta = \frac{O}{A}$ , for A

$$A \cdot \tan \theta = \frac{O}{A} \cdot A$$

$$\frac{A \tan \theta}{\tan \theta} = \frac{O}{\tan \theta}$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{O}{\tan \theta}$$

9.  $a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$ , for  $\angle A$

$$\frac{2bc \cos A}{2bc} = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$$

$$\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$$

$$\cos^{-1}(\cos A) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}\right)$$

$$\therefore \angle A = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}\right)$$

11.  $y = \sqrt{x-d} + c$ , for  $x, x \geq d$

$$(y-c)^2 = (\sqrt{x-d})^2$$

$$(y-c)^2 = x-d$$

$$(y-c)^2 + d = x$$

$$\therefore x = (y-c)^2 + d$$

8.  $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B}$ , for  $\sin A$

$$\frac{b \sin A}{b} = \frac{a \sin B}{b}$$

$$\therefore \sin A = \frac{a \sin B}{b}$$

10.  $y = ax^2 + k$ , for  $x$  → NO restrictions on  $x$

$$\frac{y-k}{a} = \frac{ax^2}{a}$$

$$\frac{y-k}{a} = x^2$$

$$\pm \sqrt{\frac{y-k}{a}} = \sqrt{x^2}$$

$$\pm \sqrt{\frac{y-k}{a}} = x$$

$$\therefore x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{y-k}{a}}$$

12.  $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{y-3}{y+2}$ , for  $y, y \neq -2$  cross-multiply

$$x(y+2) = 1(y-3) \quad \text{expand}$$

$$xy + 2x = y - 3$$

$$xy - y = -2x - 3 \quad \text{rearrange}$$

$$\frac{y(x-1)}{(x-1)} = \frac{-2x-3}{(x-1)}$$

factor & divide out

$$\therefore y = \frac{-2x-3}{x-1}, x \neq 1$$

### Algebraic Tools Review Assignment

I. Solve each of the following quadratic equations by factoring:

a)  $6w^2 - 7w - 3 = 0$

$(2w-3)(3w+1) = 0$

$2w-3=0$  or  $3w+1=0$

$w = -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{3}{2}$

b)  $12m^2 + 22m = -10$

$12m^2 + 22m + 10 = 0$

$2(6m^2 + 11m + 5) = 0$

$2(6m+5)(m+1) = 0$

$6m+5=0$  or  $m+1=0$

$m = -\frac{5}{6}, -1$

c)  $y+2=10y^2$

$0 = 10y^2 - y - 2$

$0 = (2y-1)(5y+2)$

$2y-1=0$  or  $5y+2=0$

$y = -\frac{2}{5}, \frac{1}{2}$

d)  $8x^2 - 18x = 0$

$2x(4x-9) = 0$

$x=0$  or  $4x-9=0$

$x = 0, \frac{9}{4}$

II. Factor each of the following completely:

a)  $y^4 - 16y^2 + 63$

$= (y^2-7)(y^2-9)$

$= (y^2-7)(y-3)(y+3)$

b)  $2x^4 - 3x^2 - 20$

$= (2x^2+5)(x^2-4)$

$= (2x^2+5)(x-2)(x+2)$

c)  $n^8 + 5n^4 - 6$

$= (n^4+6)(n^4-1)$

$= (n^4+6)(n^2+1)(n^2-1)$

$= (n^4+6)(n^2+1)(n-1)(n+1)$

III. Factor each of the following completely:

a)  $x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 2$

$= x^2(x-2) - 1(x-2)$

$= (x-2)(x^2-1)$

$= (x-2)(x-1)(x+1)$

b)  $mx + my - nx - ny$

$= m(x+y) - n(x+y)$

$= (x+y)(m-n)$

c)  $4y^2 + 8xy + 3y + 6x$

$= 4y(y+2x) + 3(y+2x)$

$= (y+2x)(4y+3)$

IV. Factor each of the following completely. DO NOT EXPAND before factoring!

a)  $(x-2)^2 - 9$

Let  $a = (x-2)$

$= a^2 - 9$

$= (a-3)(a+3)$

$\Rightarrow = [(x-2)-3][(x-2)+3]$

$= (x-5)(x+1)$

b)  $49 - (x+9)^2$

Let  $b = (x+9)$

$= 49 - b^2$

$= (7-b)(7+b)$

$\Rightarrow = [7-(x+9)][7+(x+9)]$

$= (7-x-9)(7+x+9)$

$= (-x-2)(x+16)$

$= -(x+2)(x+16)$

c)  $x^2 - 4x + 4 - y^2$

$= (x-2)^2 - y^2$  Let  $a = (x-2)$

$= a^2 - y^2$

$= (a+y)(a-y)$

$\Rightarrow = [(x-2)+y][(x-2)-y]$

$= (x+y-2)(x-y-2)$

d)  $a^2 - (b^2 - 10b + 25)$

$= a^2 - (b-5)^2$  Let  $y = (b-5)$

$= a^2 - y^2$

$= (a+y)(a-y)$

$\Rightarrow = [a+(b-5)][a-(b-5)]$

$= (a+b-5)(a-b+5)$

$$e) (t+3)^2 - 2(t+3) \quad \text{Let } c = (t+3)$$

$$= c^2 - 2c$$

$$= c(c-2) \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow = (t+3)[(t+3)-2]$$

$$= (t+3)(t+1) \quad \checkmark$$

$$g) x^2(x-5) - 4(x-5)$$

$$= (x-5)(x^2-4) \quad \checkmark$$

$$= (x-5)(x-2)(x+2) \quad \checkmark$$

$$i) (a+2)^2 - 12(a+2) + 32 \quad \text{Let } b = (a+2)$$

$$= b^2 - 12b + 32$$

$$= (b-4)(b-8) \quad \checkmark$$

$$= [(a+2)-4][(a+2)-8]$$

$$= (a-2)(a-6) \quad \checkmark$$

$$f) (x+2)(x-2) + 3(x+2) \quad \text{Let } d = (x+2)$$

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

$$= d[(x-2)+3] \quad \checkmark$$

$$= d(x+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow = (x+2)(x+1) \quad \checkmark$$

$$h) 3x(2x-4y) - 6(2x-4y)$$

$$= \underbrace{(2x-4y)}_{\text{common}} \underbrace{(3x-6)}_{\text{common}} \quad \checkmark$$

$$= 2(x-2y)(3)(x-2)$$

$$= 6(x-2y)(x-2) \quad \checkmark$$

$$j) 4(x+3)^2 - 4(x+3) - 15 \quad \text{Let } y = (x+3)$$

$$= 4y^2 - 4y - 15$$

$$= (2y+3)(2y-5) \quad \checkmark$$

$$= [2(x+3)+3][2(x+3)-5]$$

$$= [2x+6+3][2x+6-5] \quad \checkmark$$

$$= (2x+9)(2x+1) \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \times 5 \\ \times 3 \\ \hline 5 \times 12 \\ \times 2 \times 5 \\ \hline 6 \times 10 \\ \times \end{array}$$

V. Expand and simplify each of the following:

$$a) 3x(-2x^3) - 4x^2(2x)(-x)$$

$$= -6x^4 - 4x^2(-2x^2)$$

$$= -6x^4 + 8x^4 \quad \checkmark$$

$$= 2x^4 \quad \checkmark$$

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

$$= 3[2x+3][2x+3] - [x-5][x-5] - [3x-4][x-5] \quad \checkmark$$

$$= 3[4x^2+12x+9] - [x^2-10x+25] - [3x^2-19x+20] \quad \checkmark$$

$$= 12x^2+36x+27 - x^2+10x-25 - 3x^2+19x-20 \quad \checkmark$$

$$= 8x^2+65x-18 \quad \checkmark$$

VI. Solve for the indicated variable in each of the following:

$$a) x = \sqrt{y+2} - 3 \quad \text{for } y, y \geq -2$$

$$(x+3)^2 = (\sqrt{y+2})^2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(-1) \times (x+3)^2 = -(y+2) \times (-1) \quad \checkmark$$

$$-(x+3)^2 = y+2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$-(x+3)^2 - 2 = y \quad \checkmark$$

$$\therefore y = -(x+3)^2 - 2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$b) \frac{y}{1} \times \frac{(x+5)}{(x-2)} \quad \text{for } x, x \neq 2$$

$$y(x-2) = 1(x+5)$$

$$xy - 2y = x+5 \quad \checkmark$$

$$xy - x = 2y+5 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\frac{x(y-1)}{(y-1)} = \frac{2y+5}{(y-1)} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{2y+5}{y-1}, y \neq 1 \quad \checkmark$$