

Homework Qs

Note Title

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$$\begin{aligned} & \underline{4.6 \# 59} \quad (2x+3)^2 - (4x-1)^2 \\ &= 4x^2 + 12x + 9 - (16x^2 - 8x + 1) \\ &= 4x^2 + 12x + 9 - 16x^2 + 8x - 1 \\ &= \boxed{-12x^2 + 20x + 8} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Scratchwork} \\ & (2x+3)^2 = (2x+3)(2x+3) \\ &= 4x^2 + 6x + 6x + 9 \\ &= 4x^2 + 12x + 9 \\ & (4x-1)^2 = (4x-1)(4x-1) \\ &= 16x^2 - 4x - 4x + 1 \\ &= 16x^2 - 8x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

4.8 Polynomial Long Division (cont'd)

Example: Divide $\frac{8x^3 - 10x^2 + x - 2}{2x - 1}$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x(?) = 8x^3 \\
 2x(?) = -6x^2 \\
 2x(?) = -2x \\
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 4x^2 - 3x - 1 \\
 2x-1 \overline{) 8x^3 - 10x^2 + x - 2} \\
 \underline{+ (-) 8x^3 + 4x^2} \quad \leftarrow 4x^2(2x-1) \\
 -6x^2 + x \\
 \underline{+ (-) 6x^2 + 3x} \quad \leftarrow -3x(2x-1) \\
 -2x - 2 \\
 \underline{+ (-) 2x + 1} \quad \leftarrow -1(2x-1) \\
 -3
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{8x^3 - 10x^2 + x - 2}{2x - 1} &= \boxed{4x^2 - 3x - 1 + \frac{-3}{2x - 1}} \\
 &= \boxed{4x^2 - 3x - 1 - \frac{3}{2x - 1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Check answer:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2x - 1)(4x^2 - 3x - 1) - 3 \\
 = 8x^3 - 6x^2 - 2x \\
 \quad - 4x^2 + 3x + 1 - 3 \\
 = 8x^3 - 10x^2 + x - 2 \checkmark_{OK}
 \end{aligned}$$

Important: Arrange terms in order, starting with the largest exponent.

* Insert "placeholders" (example: $0x^3$, $0x$) for missing powers of x .

Ex:

Divide.

$$\frac{3x^4 - 50x^2 - x}{x - 4}$$

$$x(?) = 3x^3$$

$$x(?) = 12x^2$$

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

$$x(?) = -9$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^3 + 12x^2 - 2x - 9 \\ x-4 \overline{) 3x^4 + 0x^3 - 50x^2 - x + 0} \\ \underline{+(-) 3x^4 - 12x^3} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 12x^3 - 50x^2 \\ \underline{+(-) 12x^3 + 48x^2} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2x^2 - x \\ \underline{+(-) 2x^2 + 8x} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -9x + 0 \\ \underline{+(-) 9x + 36} \end{array}$$

$$-36$$

$$\frac{3x^4 - 50x^2 - x}{x - 4}$$

$$= 3x^3 + 12x^2 - 2x - 9 + \frac{-36}{x-4}$$

$$= 3x^3 + 12x^2 - 2x - 9 - \frac{36}{x-4}$$

Check: $(x-4)(3x^3 + 12x^2 - 2x - 9) - 36$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 3x^4 + 12x^3 - 2x^2 - 9x \\ &\quad - 12x^3 - 48x^2 + 8x + 36 - 36 \\ &= 3x^4 - 50x^2 - x \quad \checkmark \text{ ok} \end{aligned}$$

Example:

Divide $\frac{10x^3 + 21x^2 - 5}{2x^2 + 5x + 2}$

$2x^2(?) = 10x^3$
 $\downarrow$
 $5x - 2$

$2x^2(?) = -4x^2$
 $\swarrow$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^2 + 5x + 2 \overline{) 10x^3 + 21x^2 + 0x - 5} \\ \underline{+ \quad - \quad 10x^3 \quad + 25x^2 \quad + 10x} \\ -4x^2 - 10x - 5 \\ \underline{+ \quad + \quad -4x^2 \quad + 10x \quad + 4} \\ -1 \end{array}$$

In general, the degree of the remainder will be 1 less than the degree of the divisor.

(so if the divisor is 1st degree, we expect the remainder to be a constant)

(if the divisor is 2nd degree, we expect the remainder to be 1st degree)

$$\frac{10x^3 + 21x^2 - 5}{2x^2 + 5x + 2} = \boxed{5x - 2 + \frac{-1}{2x^2 + 5x + 2}} = \boxed{5x - 2 - \frac{1}{2x^2 + 5x + 2}}$$

Check it!

Chapter 5: Factoring Polynomials

$$\begin{array}{lcl} (x+3)(x+4) & \longleftarrow & \text{Factored form} \\ = x^2 + 7x + 12 & \longleftarrow & \text{unfactored form} \end{array}$$

5.1: The Greatest Common Factor and Factoring by Grouping

To find the Greatest Common Factor (GCF)

- * Find the largest number that divides into all the coefficients.
- * Find the highest power of each variable that is a factor of all the terms.
(if a variable shows up in all the terms, choose the smallest exponent)
- * To get the GCF, multiply the numerical part and the variable part together.

Ex. Factor out the GCF.

$$\begin{aligned} & 15x^4 - 6x^2 \\ &= 3x^2 \left(\frac{15x^4}{3x^2} - \frac{6x^2}{3x^2} \right) \\ &= \boxed{3x^2(5x^2 - 2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{GCF: } 3x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Check: } & 3x^2(5x^2 - 2) \\ &= 15x^4 - 6x^2 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Factor.

Ex: $40x^3 - 32x$
 $= 8x (6x^2 - 4)$

~~GCF: 8x~~

We can still factor 2 out of $6x^2 - 4$, so we didn't get the greatest common factor.

$\rightarrow 8x (2) (3x^2 - 2)$
 $\boxed{16x (3x^2 - 2)}$

We could have factored out GCF = $16x$ the first time.

$$\boxed{40x^3 - 32x = 16x (3x^2 - 2)}$$

Ex: Factor.

GCF: $6x^3y^2$

$$\begin{aligned} & -30x^4y^3z^2 + 12x^3y^6 - 42x^4y^2z \\ &= 6x^3y^2 \left(\frac{-30x^4y^3z^2}{6x^3y^2} + \frac{12x^3y^6}{6x^3y^2} - \frac{42x^4y^2z}{6x^3y^2} \right) \\ &= \boxed{6x^3y^2 (-5xy^3z^2 + 2y^4 - 7xz)} \end{aligned}$$

Check it!

Factoring by Grouping:

GCF: 1

Example: Factor.

$$\begin{aligned} & 3x^3 - 7x^2 + 15x - 35 \\ &= (3x^3 - 7x^2) + (15x - 35) \\ &= x^2(\underline{3x - 7}) + 5(\underline{3x - 7}) \\ &= \boxed{(3x - 7)(x^2 + 5)} \end{aligned}$$

(we want the parentheses to match)

Check: $3x^3 + 15x - 7x^2 - 35$ ✓

could write:

$$\boxed{(x^2 + 5)(3x - 7)}$$

Ex.:

$$\begin{aligned} & 3x^2 + 2xy - 3xy - 2y^2 \\ &= (3x^2 + 2xy) + (-3xy - 2y^2) \\ &= x(3x + 2y) - y(3x + 2y) \\ &= \boxed{(3x + 2y)(x - y)} \end{aligned}$$

Check:

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

$$= 3x^2 - 3xy + 2xy - 2y^2 \text{ same as original!}$$

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