

Review problems (taken from R1210)

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{b} \quad (-x^2 y^{-1})^{-3} &= \frac{(-1 x^2 y^{-1})^{-3}}{1} = \frac{(-1)^{-3} x^{-6} y^3}{1} \\ &= \frac{y^3}{(-1)^3 x^6} = \frac{y^3}{-1 x^6} = \boxed{\frac{y^3}{-x^6}} \\ &= \boxed{-\frac{y^3}{x^6}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{c} \quad \frac{2}{3x^{-6}y^4} = \boxed{\frac{2x^6}{3y^4}}$$

$$\textcircled{d} \quad -3x^{-4} = \frac{-3x^{-4}}{1} = \boxed{\frac{-3}{x^4}} = \boxed{-\frac{3}{x^4}}$$

$$\textcircled{e} \quad 5^0 = \boxed{1}$$

5.5: Addition & Subtraction of Polynomials (cont'd)

5.5.2

Ex: What is the degree of
 $-2x^4 + 5x^2 - 3x^6 - 8x + 13$?

Leading term: $-3x^6$
(term with the
biggest exponent)

Leading coefficient: -3

Degree: 6 (largest exponent)

Arrange in descending order:

$$-3x^6 - 2x^4 + 5x^2 - 8x + 13$$

Special terms for certain polynomials

Polynomial with 3 terms: trinomial

Poly. with 2 terms: binomial

Poly. with 1 term: monomial

Give an example of a

(a) 4th degree binomial

Possible answers: $-2x^3 + 16x^4$
correct.

$6 - y^4$
correct

$x^4 + x^2$
correct

$3x^4 + 5x^2$
Correct.

(b) 5th degree trinomial

Possible answers: $15x^5 + x^3 + 6$
correct

$3x^5 + 5x^2 - 1x$
Correct

$4p - 3p^5 - 8p^3$
Correct

(c) 2nd degree monomial

Possible answers: x^2

$-3x^2$
 $2x^2$

All OK.
 $36p^2$

For a polynomial with 2 or more variables, the degree is the largest "total exponent" on a term. 5.5.3

Ex: $-2xy^2 + 4x^2y^2 - 5xy^3 + 7x^2y^4 - 7xz^2 + z^3$

leading term $\rightarrow$ $7x^2y^4$
 total exponent $1+2=3$ $\rightarrow$ $-2xy^2$
 total exponent $2+2=4$ $\rightarrow$ $4x^2y^2$
 total exponent $1+3=4$ $\rightarrow$ $-5xy^3$
 total exponent $2+4=6$ $\rightarrow$ $7x^2y^4$
 total exp $1+2=3$ $\rightarrow$ $-7xz^2$
 total exp 3 $\rightarrow$ z^3

Degree: 6

Adding and subtracting: we already know how to do this.

Simplify

Ex: $(3x^2 - 7x + 5) + (-4x^2 + 8x + 1)$

$$= \underline{3x^2} - \underline{7x} + \underline{5} - \underline{4x^2} + \underline{8x} + \underline{1}$$

$$= \boxed{-x^2 + x + 6}$$

Ex: $(2x^3 - 5x^2) - (-x^2 + 5x - 8)$

$$= 2x^3 - 5x^2 - 1(-x^2 + 5x - 8)$$

$$= 2x^3 - 5x^2 + x^2 - 5x + 8$$

$$= \boxed{2x^3 - 4x^2 - 5x + 8}$$

5.6: Multiplication of Polynomials and Special Products

5.6.1

Multiplying Monomials

Ex. $3x^4(-7x^8)$
 $= \boxed{-21x^{12}}$

Multiply a monomial times a polynomial with 2 or more terms:

we distribute.

Ex. $3x^3(2x^2 - 8x + 7)$

$= 3x^3(2x^2) + 3x^3(-8x) + 3x^3(7)$

$= \boxed{6x^5 - 24x^4 + 21x^3}$

Ex. $-5x^2y^3(-xy^4 + 8xy - 3x^3y^5 - 2y^2)$

$= -5x^2y^3(-1xy^4) - 5x^2y^3(8xy) - 5x^2y^3(-3x^3y^5) - 5x^2y^3(-2y^2)$

$= \boxed{5x^3y^7 - 40x^3y^4 + 15x^5y^8 + 10x^2y^5}$

Multiplying 2 polynomials with 2 or more terms. 5.6.2

Recall: distributive property:

$$c(a+b) = ca + cb = ac + bc$$

$$(a+b)c = ac + bc$$

Ex:
multiply.

$$\begin{aligned} & (3x+5)(x-8) \\ &= 3x(x-8) + 5(x-8) \\ &= 3x^2 - 24x + 5x - 40 \\ &= \boxed{3x^2 - 19x - 40} \end{aligned}$$

Ex:

$$\begin{aligned} & (2x-y)(6x-5) \\ &= 2x(6x-5) - y(6x-5) \\ &= \boxed{12x^2 - 10x - 6xy + 5y} \end{aligned}$$

(no like terms)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ex: } & (-2x+8)(x^2+7x-4) \\ &= -2x(x^2+7x-4) + 8(x^2+7x-4) \\ &= -2x^3 - 14x^2 + 8x + 8x^2 + 56x - 32 \\ &= \boxed{-2x^3 - 6x^2 + 64x - 32} \end{aligned}$$

Ex.: $(x^2 - 7x - 1)(2x^2 - 5x - 6)$

5.6.3

$$= x^2(2x^2 - 5x - 6) - 7x(2x^2 - 5x - 6) - 1(2x^2 - 5x - 6)$$

$$= 2x^4 - 5x^3 - 6x^2 - 14x^3 + 35x^2 + 42x - 2x^2 + 5x + 6$$

$$= \boxed{2x^4 - 19x^3 + 27x^2 + 47x + 6}$$

The "FOIL" method (for multiplying two binomials)

F: First
O: Outer
I: Inner
L: Last

Example: $(4x + 3)(5x - 6)$

$$= 20x^2 - 24x + 15x - 18$$

$$= \boxed{20x^2 - 9x - 18}$$

Ex.: $(x - 7)(2x - 5)$

$$= 2x^2 - 5x - 14x + 35$$

$$= \boxed{2x^2 - 19x + 35}$$

Difference of 2 Squares Pattern

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

Note: $(a+b)(a-b) = a^2 - \cancel{ba} + \cancel{ba} - b^2 = a^2 - b^2$

Ex: $(x+5)(x-5)$
 $= x^2 - \cancel{5x} + \cancel{5x} - 25$
 $= \boxed{x^2 - 25}$

Perfect Squares

Example:

$$\begin{aligned} & (x+6)^2 \\ &= (x+6)(x+6) \\ &= x^2 + 6x + 6x + 36 \\ &= \boxed{x^2 + 12x + 36} \end{aligned}$$

5.7: Division of Polynomials

5.7.1

Dividing a polynomial by a monomial

Ex. Divide,

$$\frac{6x^4 - 8x^3 + 12x^2 - 9x}{2x^3}$$

$$= \frac{\overset{3}{\cancel{6}}x^4}{\underset{3}{\cancel{2}}x^3} - \frac{\overset{4}{\cancel{8}}x^3}{\underset{2}{\cancel{2}}x^3} + \frac{\overset{6}{\cancel{12}}x^2}{\underset{2}{\cancel{2}}x^3} - \frac{9x}{2x^3}$$

$$= \frac{3x}{1} - \frac{4}{1} + \frac{6}{x} - \frac{9}{2x^2}$$

$$= \boxed{3x - 4 + \frac{6}{x} - \frac{9}{2x^2}}$$

break into
separate
fractions

Note:

$$\frac{2}{7} + \frac{3}{7}$$
$$= \frac{2+3}{7}$$
$$= \frac{5}{7}$$

Dividing a polynomial by a polynomial

(when divisor has 2 or more terms)

Ex. Divide $\frac{3x^2 + 7x + 9}{x + 2}$

We will need to do polynomial long division

$$x+2 \overline{) 3x^2 + 7x + 9}$$

Review:

Numerical example:

Divide $\frac{379}{12}$.

5.7.2

$$\begin{array}{r} 31 \\ 12 \overline{) 379} \\ \underline{- 36} \\ 19 \\ \underline{- 12} \\ 7 \end{array}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{379}{12} = 31 + \frac{7}{12}$$

$$(31)(12) + 7 = 379$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Quotient} \\ \text{Divisor} \overline{) \text{Dividend}} \\ \underline{} \\ \underline{} \\ \underline{} \\ \underline{} \\ \text{Remainder} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{\text{Dividend}}{\text{Divisor}} = \text{Quotient} + \frac{\text{Remainder}}{\text{Divisor}}$$

$$\text{Dividend} = (\text{Quotient})(\text{Divisor}) + \text{Remainder}$$