

MTH-4106 Factoring and Algebraic Fractions: Worksheet #8

Factor the following polynomials completely:

e.g. 1 $3x^2 + 6x - 9$

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

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

e.g. 2 $3x^3 - 9x^2 - 12x$

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

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

e.g. 3 $2p^2 - 4pq - 48q^2$

$2(p^2 - 2pq - 24q^2)$

$2(p-6q)(p+4q)$

e.g. 4 $8y^4 - 2y^3z - 6y^2z^2$

$2y^2(4y^2 - yz - 3z^2)$

prod = -12

sum = -1 -4, +3

$(4y^2 - 4yz) + (3yz - 3z^2)$

$4y(y-z) + 3z(y-z)$

$(4y+3z)(y-z)$

$2y^2(4y+3z)(y-z)$

e.g. 5 $27ax^2 - 48ay^2$

$3a(9x^2 - 16y^2)$

$3a(3x+4y)(3x-4y)$

e.g. 6 $16a^4 - 81b^4$

$(4a^2 - 9b^2)(4a^2 + 9b^2)$

$(2a-3b)(2a+3b)$

e.g. 7 $2abc^2 + 6abc - 8abc - 24ab$

$$2ab \underbrace{(c^2 + 3c - 4c - 12)}_{(c^2 + 3c) + (-4c - 12)}$$

$$c(c+3) - 4(c+3)$$

Now you do: $(c-4)(c+3)$

$$2ab(c-4)(c+3)$$

1. $3ax - 3ax^3$

$$3ax(1-x^2)$$

$$\boxed{3ax(1-x)(1+x)}$$

2. $6x^3y - 72x^2 - 18x^2y + 24x^3$

$$6x^2 \underbrace{(xy - 12 - 3y + 4x)}_{(xy - 3y) + (4x - 12)}$$

$$y(x-3) + 4(x-3)$$

$$\boxed{6x^2(y+4)(x-3)}$$

3. $-4x^2y^4 + 2x^3y^3 + 12x^4y^2$

$$2x^2y^2 \underbrace{(-2y^2 + xy + 6x^2)}_{\text{prod} = -12}$$

$$\text{sum} = +1$$

$$+4, -3$$

$$(-2y^2 + 4xy + 3xy + 6x^2)$$

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

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

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

4. $24x^2 + 12x + 8xy + 4y$

$$4 \underbrace{(6x^2 + 3x + 2xy + y)}_{(6x^2 + 3x) + (2xy + y)}$$

$$3x(2x+1) + y(2x+1)$$

$$(3x+y)(2x+1)$$

$$\boxed{4(3x+y)(2x+1)}$$

5. $3d^2e^6 - 48d^2f^8$

$$3d^2(e^6 - 16f^8)$$

$$\boxed{3d^2(e^3 - 4f^4)(e^3 + 4f^4)}$$

6. $12a^4 + 32a^3 - 12a^2$
 $4a^2 \underbrace{(3a^2 + 8a - 3)}_{9, -1}$

$P = -9$

$S = 8$

3
 $(3a^2 + 9a)(-1a - 3)$
 $3a(a+3) - 1(a+3)$
 $(3a-1)(a+3)$

$4a^2(3a-1)(a+3)$

7. $45x^4y^3 - 39x^3y^4 + 6x^2y^5$
 $3x^2y^3 \underbrace{(15x^2 - 13xy + 2y^2)}_{9, -1}$
 $P = 30$
 $S = -13$
 $-3, -10$

$(15x^2 - 3xy)(10xy + 2y^2)$
 $3x(5x-y) - 2y(5x-y)$
 $(3x-2y)(5x-y)$

$3x^2y^3(3x-2y)(5x-y)$

8. $16x^4y^2 - 68x^3y^3 + 16x^2y^4$
 $4x^2y^2 \underbrace{(4x^2 - 17xy + 4y^2)}_{prod=16, sum=-17, -16, -1}$

$(4x^2 - 16xy)(1xy + 4y^2)$
 $4x(x-4y) - y(x-4y)$
 $(4x-y)(x-4y)$

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

9. $9a^2 - 36y^4$
 $9(a^2 - 4y^4)$
 $9(a-2y^2)(a+2y^2)$

10. $4 - 4b^2$
 $4(1 - b^2)$

$4(1-b)(1+b)$

11. $2y^3 + 6y + 2y^2 + 6$
 $2(y^3 + 3y + y^2 + 3)$
 $(y^3 + y^2) + (3y + 3)$
 $y^2(y+1) + 3(y+1)$
 $(y^2 + 3)(y + 1)$

$2(y^2 + 3)(y + 1)$

12. $6b^2 - 21b - 45$

$$\underbrace{3(2b^2 - 7b - 15)}_{\begin{array}{l} \text{prod} = -30 \\ \text{sum} = -7 \\ 3, -10 \end{array}}$$

$$(2b^2 + 3b)(10b - 15)$$

$$b(2b+3) - 5(2b+3)$$

$$(b-5)(2b+3)$$

$$\boxed{3(b-5)(2b+3)}$$

13. $3x^2 + 6xy + 3y^2$

$$3(x^2 + 2xy + y^2)$$

$$\boxed{3(x+y)(x+y)}$$
 or $\boxed{3(x+y)^2}$

14. $5x^2 - 5y^2$

$$5(x^2 - y^2)$$

$$\boxed{5(x+y)(x-y)}$$

15. $5x^2 + 35xy + 30y^2$

$$5(x^2 + 7xy + 6y^2)$$

$$\boxed{5(x+6y)(x+y)}$$

16. $50 - 2a^2$

$$2(25 - a^2)$$

$$\boxed{2(5-a)(5+a)}$$

17. $5x^2 + 30x - 35$

$$5(x^2 + 6x - 7)$$

$$\boxed{5(x+7)(x-1)}$$

18. $3x^5y^3 + x^4y^4 - 2x^3y^5$
 $x^3y^3(3x^2 + xy - 2y^2)$
 prod = -6
 sum = +1
 +3, -2

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

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

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

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

19. $b^2y^2 - 4b^2$

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

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

20. $27a^2b^2 - 12a^4$

$3a^2(9b^2 - 4a^2)$

$3a^2(3b+2a)(3b-2a)$

21. $-3x^3y + 10x^2y^2 - 3xy^3$

$xy(-3x^2 + 10xy - 3y^2)$

$\underbrace{-3x^2 + 10xy - 3y^2}_{\begin{array}{l} p=9 \\ s=10 \end{array}}$

$(-3x^2 + 9xy)(1xy - 3y^2)$

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

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

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

22. $4m^3 - 9m^2 + 2m$

$m(4m^2 - 9m + 2)$

$p=8$

$s=-9$

-8, -1

$(4m^2 - 8m)(-1m + 2)$

$4m(m-2) - 1(m-2)$

$(4m-1)(m-2)$

$m(4m-1)(m-2)$

23. $-3x^3 - 8x^2 + 3x$

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

$p=-9$

$s=-8$

-9, +1

$(-3x^2 - 9x)(1x + 3)$

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

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

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

24. $12x^2 + 4xy + 6x + 2y$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \underbrace{(6x^2 + 2xy + 3x + y)}_{(3x+6x^2)+(y+2xy)} \\ & 3x(1+2x) + y(1+2x) \\ & (3x+y)(1+2x) \end{aligned}$$

$$2(3x+y)(1+2x)$$

25. $2p^5q^2 - p^4q^3 - p^3q^4$

$$p^3q^2 \underbrace{(2p^2 - pq - q^2)}_{\begin{array}{l} p = -2 \\ s = -1 \\ -2, +1 \end{array}}$$

$$(2p^2 - 2pq) + (pq - q^2)$$

$$2p(p-q) + q(p-q)$$

$$(2p+q)(p-q)$$

$$p^3q^2 (2p+q)(p-q)$$

26. $4a^4b + a^3b^2 - 3a^2b^3$

$$a^2b \underbrace{(4a^2 + ab - 3b^2)}_{\begin{array}{l} p = -12 \\ s = +1 \\ +4, -3 \end{array}}$$

$$(4a^2 + 4ab)(3ab - 3b^2)$$

$$4a(a+b) - 3b(a+b)$$

$$(4a - 3b)(a+b)$$

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

27. $3x^8z^3 - 75y^6z^3$

$$3z^3(x^8 - 25y^6)$$

$$3z^3(x^4 - 5y^3)(x^4 + 5y^3)$$

28. $18m^8n^2 - 2p^2n^2$

$$2n^2(9m^8 - p^2)$$

$$2n^2(3m^4 - p)(3m^4 + p)$$

29. $-18a^2x^3 + 15a^2x^2y - 3a^2xy^2$

$$3a^2x(-6x^2 + 5xy - y^2)$$

$$\text{prod} = +6$$

$$\text{sum} = +5$$

$$+2, +3$$

$$(-6x^2 + 2xy) + (3xy - y^2)$$

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

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

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

30. $3a^2 - 9ab + 6b^2$

$$\frac{3(a^2 - 3ab + 2b^2)}{3(a-2b)(a-b)}$$

31. $32 - 2c^2$

$$\frac{2(16 - c^2)}{2(4-c)(4+c)}$$

32. $-2g^4h + 20g^3h^2 - 48g^2h^3$

$$2g^2h(-g^2 + 10gh - 24h^2)$$

prod = +24
sum = +10
4,6

$$\begin{aligned} & (-g^2 + 4gh)(6gh - 24h^2) \\ & -g(g-4h) + 6h(g-4h) \\ & \underline{(-g+6h)(g-4h)} \\ & 2g^2h(-g+6h)(g-4h) \end{aligned}$$

33. $7x^4 - 28$

$$\frac{7(x^4 - 4)}{7(x^2 - 2)(x^2 + 2)}$$

34. $12x^3 + 144x + 84x^2$

$$\begin{aligned} 12x(x^2 + 12 + 7x) \\ 12x(x^2 + 7x + 12) &= \boxed{12x(x+3)(x+4)} \end{aligned}$$

35. $(10rs - 5rt + 20s^2 - 10st)$

$$5r(2s-t) + 10s(2s-t)$$

$$\frac{(5r + 10s)(2s-t)}{5(r+2s)(2s-t)}$$

36. $c^3 - 36a^4b^2c$

$$c(c^2 - 36a^4b^2)$$

$$c(c - 6a^2b)(c + 6a^2b)$$

37. $2a^4 - 20a^3b + 50a^2b^2$

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

$$2a^2(a - 5b)(a - 5b)$$

38. $-a^5 + 13a^4 - 42a^3$

$$a^3 \underbrace{(-a^2 + 13a - 42)}$$

$$(-a^2 + 6a) + (7a - 42)$$

$$-a(a - 6) + 7(a - 6)$$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{prod} = 42 \\ \text{sum} = 13 \\ 6, 7 \end{matrix}$$

39. $3 - 3t^2$

$$(-a + 7)(a - 6)$$

$$a^3(-a + 7)(a - 6)$$

$$3(1 - t^2)$$

$$3(1 - t)(1 + t)$$

40. $2uvx - 4uvy - 4ux + 8uy$

$$2u \underbrace{(vx - 2vy - 2x + 4y)}$$

$$(vx - 2vy) + (-2x + 4y)$$

$$v(x - 2y) - 2(x - 2y)$$

$$(v - 2)(x - 2y)$$

$$2u(v - 2)(x - 2y)$$