

## Factoring Methods Covered...

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- Greatest Common Factor
- Simple Trinomials
- Hard Trinomials
- Perfect Square Trinomials
- Difference of Squares

- Sum & D. ff. of Cubes

# New factoring ...

## Sum & Difference of Cubes

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

cube root of  $x$   $y$   $x^2$   $xy$   $y^2$   
square  $x^2$   $xy$   $y^2$   
product of  $x$   $y$   $x^2$   $xy$   $y^2$   
square  $x^2$   $xy$   $y^2$

$$(a^6 + b^9)$$

$$(a^2 + b^3)(a^4 - a^2b^3 + b^6)$$

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

ex.  $\sqrt[3]{x^{27}} = (x^{27})^{\frac{1}{3}}$

$$8x^{27} - 27y^{12}$$

$$(2x^9 - 3y^4)(4x^{18} + 6x^9y^4 + 9y^8)$$

②  $w^{12} - 1$

Cubes

$$(w^4 - 1)(w^8 + w^4 + 1)$$

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

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

Start with Diff. of Squares

$$(w^6 - 1)(w^6 + 1)$$

$$(w^3 - 1)(w^3 + 1)(w^6 + 1)$$

$$(w - 1)(w^2 + w + 1)(w + 1)(w^2 - w + 1)(w^2 + 1)(w^4 - w^2 + 1)$$

Challenge!!!!

Factor Completely:

$$\boxed{x^4 - 10x^2y + 25y^2 - 4x^2 - 4xy^2 - y^4}$$

$$(x^4 - 10x^2y + 25y^2) - (4x^2 + 4xy^2 + y^4)$$

$$a^2 - b^2 \leftarrow (x^2 - 5y)^2 - (2x + y^2)^2$$

$$\left[ (x^2 - 5y) - (2x + y^2) \right] \left[ (x^2 - 5y) + (2x + y^2) \right]$$

$$\underline{(x^2 - y^2 - 5y - 2x)} * \underline{(x^2 + y^2 - 5y + 2x)}$$

Factor:

... →

New factoring  
Technique !!

$$27w^{27} - 8y^9$$

⇒ Sum & Difference  
of Cubes

$$(3w^9 - 2y^3)(9w^{18} + 6w^9y^3 + 4y^6)$$

# Review of Long Division

$$\begin{array}{r}
 261 \\
 3 \overline{) 785} \\
 \underline{6} \phantom{0} \\
 18 \phantom{0} \\
 \underline{18} \phantom{0} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

$3(261) + 2 = \underline{\underline{785}}$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2345. \\
 4 \overline{) 9382.000} \\
 \underline{8} \phantom{00} \\
 13 \phantom{00} \\
 \underline{12} \phantom{00} \\
 18 \phantom{00} \\
 \underline{16} \phantom{00} \\
 22 \phantom{00} \\
 \phantom{2} 22 \phantom{00} \\
 \phantom{2} \underline{20} \phantom{00} \\
 \phantom{2} \phantom{2} 00
 \end{array}$$

# Long Division of Polynomials

Example...  $(x^3 + x^2 - 3x - 1) \div (x + 2)$

Write As...

Divisor  $\rightarrow$

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

Quotient  $\rightarrow$

Remainder  $\rightarrow$

Dividend  $\rightarrow$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 - x - 1 \\
 \hline
 x + 2 \overline{) x^3 + x^2 - 3x - 1} \\
 \underline{x^3 + 2x^2} \phantom{- 1} \\
 -x^2 - 3x \phantom{- 1} \\
 \underline{-x^2 - 2x} \phantom{- 1} \\
 -x - 1 \\
 \underline{-x - 2} \\
 \text{Rem} = 1
 \end{array}$$

Check...  $\text{Divisor} \times \text{Quotient} + \text{Remainder} = \text{Dividend}$

Example #2...

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

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

$x-2 \rightarrow$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 - 2x - 3 \\
 \hline
 x - 2 \overline{) x^3 - 4x^2 + x + 6} \\
 \underline{x^3 - 2x^2} \phantom{+ x + 6} \\
 -2x^2 + x \phantom{+ 6} \\
 \underline{-2x^2 + 4x} \phantom{+ 6} \\
 -3x + 6 \\
 \underline{-3x + 6} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

Ex. Divide using long division:  $x^2 + 0x - 1$

$$(2x^3 - x^2 + 5x - 3) \div (x^2 - 1)$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \underline{x^2 + 0x - 1} \overline{) 2x^3 - x^2 + 5x - 3} \\
 \underline{2x^2 + 0x^2 - 2x} \phantom{- 3} \\
 -x^2 + 7x - 3 \\
 \underline{-x^2 - 0x + 1} \\
 \phantom{-} 7x - 4
 \end{array}$$

$(2x-1)(x^2-1) + 7x-4 =$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x-1 \\ \hline x^2-1 \overline{) 2x^3-x^2+5x-3} \\ \underline{2x^3-2x} \phantom{-3} \\ -x^2+7x \phantom{-3} \\ \underline{-x^2+1} \phantom{-3} \\ 7x-4 \end{array}$$



$$\textcircled{3} \quad \begin{array}{r} x^3 - 2 \\ \hline x + 2 \ ) \ x^6 - x + 3 \\ \hline x^6 + 2x^3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} (x^3 + 2)(x^3 - 2) + (-x + 7) \\ - (x - 7) \\ \hline -2x^3 - x \\ -2x^3 - 4 \\ \hline -x + 7 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^4 - 4x \\
 \hline
 x^4 + 2x \ ) \ x^8 - 2x^5 + x - 1 \\
 \underline{x^8 + 2x^5} \\
 -4x^5 + x \\
 \underline{-4x^5 - 8x^2} \\
 8x^2 + x - 1
 \end{array}$$

Check-Up:

$$3x^3 + 4x^2 + 9x + 13$$

$$x - 2 \overline{) 3x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2 - 5x + 4}$$

$$\underline{3x^4 - 6x^3}$$

$$4x^3 + x^2$$

$$\underline{4x^3 - 8x^2}$$

$$9x^2 - 5x$$

$$\underline{9x^2 - 18x}$$

$$13x + 4$$

$$\underline{13x - 26}$$

$$\text{Rem} = 30$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2 \overline{) 3 - 2 \ 1 - 5 \ 4} \\ \underline{-6 - 8 \ 18 - 26} \\ 3 \ 4 \ 9 \ 13 \ 30 \end{array}$$

$$x^3 + 2 \overline{) x^8 - x^7 + x - 1}$$

$$\underline{x^8 + 2x^5}$$

$$-x^7 - 2x^5$$

$$\underline{-x^7 - 2x^4}$$

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

$$\underline{-2x^5 - 4x^2}$$

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

$$\underline{2x^4 + 4x}$$

$$\text{Rem} = 4x^2 - 3x - 1$$

# Synthetic Division

$$(x^3 + x^2 - 3x - 1) \div (x + 2)$$

can't do synthetic division if power or coefficient is greater than 1!

1. Write coefficients **only** in upside-down symbol.
2. Drop variable of the divisor, and put on the left.
3. Carry down the first number (represents leading coefficient).
4. Multiply by number outside, carry result up into next column, and subtract down the column.
5. Translate coefficients into polynomial with the last number being the remainder.

2	$x^3$ 1	$x^2$ 1	$x^1$ -3	$x^0$ -1
		$2$	$-2$	$-2$
	1	-1	-1	-1

$x^2 - 1x - 1$

$x+2 \overline{) x^3 + x^2 - 3x - 1}$

$x^3 + 2x^2$

$-1x^2 - 3x$

$-x^2 - 2x$

$4x - 1$

$-x - 2$

$1$

Quotient

$(x^2 - x - 1)$

Remainder

$R = 1$

Ex. Divide  $(-3x^2 - 10x + 2x^3 + 5) \div (x - 3)$   
using long *and* synthetic division.

\* Dividend MUST be in descending order of exponents

$$\boxed{\rightarrow} 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x + 5$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -3 & 2 & -3 & -10 & 5 \\ & & \downarrow & & \\ & & -6 & -9 & 3 \\ \hline & 2 & 3 & -1 & \textcircled{2} \end{array}$$

$$= (2x^2 + 3x - 1) \text{ Rem} = 2$$

Ex. Divide  $(x^3 + 9x + 10) \div (x + 2)$   
 using ~~long~~ and synthetic division.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr}
 & x^3 & x^2 & x & x^0 \\
 2 & 1 & 0 & 9 & 10 \\
 & & 2 & -4 & 26 \\
 \hline
 & 1 & -2 & 13 & -16
 \end{array}$$

$$= (x^2 - 2x + 13) \text{ Rem} = \underline{-16}$$

Practice

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## Remainder Theorem

**Remainder Theorem**  
 If  $f(x)$  is divided by  $(x-n)$ , then the remainder is  $f(n)$ .

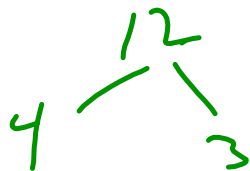
Ex. What is the remainder when  $(2x^3 - 4x^2 + 3x - 6)$  is divided by  $(x+2)$ ?

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2 \overline{) 2 - 4 \ 3 - 6} \\
 \underline{4 \ -16 \ 38} \\
 2 \ -8 \ 19 \ \underline{-44}
 \end{array}$$

Synthetic

Remainder Theorem  $\left. \begin{matrix} (3x+4) \\ (x+\frac{4}{3}) \end{matrix} \right\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(-2) &= 2(-2)^3 - 4(-2)^2 + 3(-2) - 6 \\
 &= -16 - 16 - 6 - 6 \\
 &= -44
 \end{aligned}$$



What is the remainder when  $(3x^4 - x^3 - 4x^2 + x - 5)$  is divided by  $(x-1)$ ?

Sub.  $x=1$  }  $3 - 1 - 4 + 1 - 5$

$$\underline{-6}$$