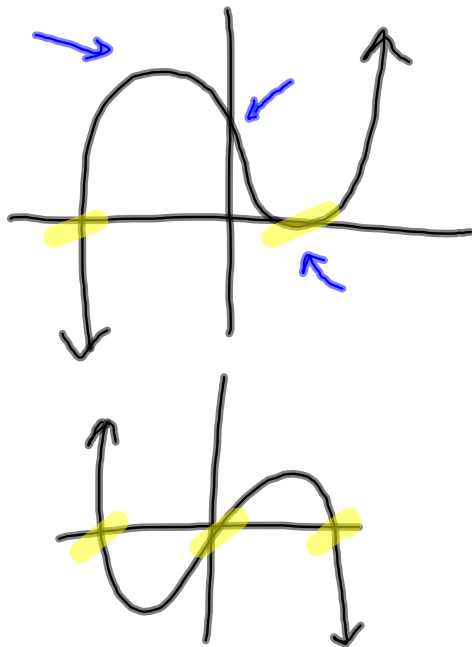


**SCIENTISTS SAY WE  
USE ONLY 10% OF  
OUR BRAINS.  
IMAGINE HOW  
GREAT THE WORLD  
WOULD BE IF WE  
USED THE OTHER  
60% TOO.**

# Polynomials



Zeros  
multiplicity  
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# Polynomials

- A polynomial is a function of the form:

$$f(x) = \underline{a_n}x^n + \underline{a_{n-1}}x^{n-1} + \dots + \underline{a_1}x + a_0$$

where  $a_n \neq 0$ , the exponents are whole numbers, and the coefficients are all real numbers.

Ex:  $x^3 + 2x^2 + x - 1$

$$a_n x^n + \dots + a_0$$

leading coefficient  $\nearrow$   $\nwarrow$  constant

- The leading coefficient is  $a_n$
- The constant is  $a_0$
- The degree of the function is  $n$  (highest exponent)
- Standard form: exponents are in descending order

✓  $2x^2 + 5x - 8$

✗  $5\sqrt{x} - 3x^2 + 8$   
( $5x^{1/2} - 3x^2 + 8$ )

✗  $5x^{-3} + 8x - 11$

✓  $6$   
( $6x^0$ )

# Classify Polynomials

degree	terms
0: constant ( $6x^0$ )	1: monomial
1: linear ( $3x+5$ )	2: binomial
2: Quadratic ( $4x^2-x^2$ )	3: trinomial
3: Cubic	↓ Polynomials
4: Quartic	
↓ Nth degree	

Polynomials {  $6$   
 $3x+2$   
 $8x^7+5x^4-3x^3+x-15$

add:  $(\underline{5x^3} - \underline{\underline{7x^2}} - 3) + (\underline{x^3} + \underline{\underline{2x^2}} - \underline{\underline{\underline{x}}} + 8)$

$$(6x^3 - 5x^2 - x + 5)$$

find:  $(6x - 5)^3 = (6x - 5)(6x - 5)(6x - 5)$

$$(\underline{6x-5})(36x^2 - 60x + 25)$$

$$\cancel{24x^3} - \cancel{360x^2} + \cancel{150x} - \cancel{180x^2} + \cancel{300x} - 125$$

$$(216x^3 - 540x^2 + 450x - 125)$$

multiply:  $(x+y-2)(x+y+2)$

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





(FACT)(ORING)

**Factoring**: the process of writing a polynomial as a product of factors.

If a polynomial cannot be factored using integer coefficients, then it is **prime or irreducible over the integers**.

## Factoring special polynomials:

### Sum or difference of two cubes:

$$u^3 + v^3 = (u + v)(u^2 - uv + v^2)$$

↑ Same                      ↑ opp.                      ↑ always pos.

$$u^3 - v^3 = (u - v)(u^2 + uv + v^2)$$

S O A P  
↑

$$a) x^3 - 27 = (x-3)(x^2 + 3x + 9)$$

$x^3 + \cancel{3x^2} + \cancel{9x} - \cancel{3x^2} - \cancel{9x} - 27$

9-4(1)(9)

$$b) y^3 + 64 = (y+4)(y^2 - 4y + 16)$$

$$c) 3a^3 + 192 = 3(a^3 + 64)$$

$$= 3(a+4)(a^2 - 4a + 16)$$

Factor by grouping:

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

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

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

$$(a^3 + 5a^2)(-5a - 25)$$

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

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

$$(8v^5 - 6v^2) + (12v^3 - 9)$$

$$2v^2(4v^3 - 3) + 3(4v^3 - 3)$$

$$(4v^3 - 3)(2v^2 + 3)$$



Write in standard form.

$$\frac{10x^2}{2} + \frac{9x^4}{1} + 16 + \frac{17x}{3}$$

- a.  $9x^4 + 10x^2 + 17x + 16$
- b.  $9x^4 + 0x^3 + 10x^2 + 17x + 16 = 0$
- c.  $9x^4 + 0x^3 + 10x^2 + 17x + 16$
- d. None of the above.

Find the difference.  $4x^4 + 3x^2 - 9x - 1$   
 $(\underline{8x^4} + \underline{5x^2} - \underline{5x} - 1) - (\underline{4x^4} + \underline{2x^2} + \underline{4x})$

- a.  $4x^4 + 3x^2 - x - 1$
- b.  $4x^4 + 7x^2 - 9x - 1$
- c.  $-x^4 + 3x^2 - 9x - 1$
- d. None of the above.

Multiply.

$$\begin{array}{r} (6x + 4)(x^3 + 9x^2 - x - 4) \\ \hline 6x^4 + 54x^3 - 6x^2 - 24x \\ 4x^3 + 36x^2 - 4x - 16 \\ \hline 6x^4 + 58x^3 + 30x^2 - 28x - 16 \end{array}$$

- a.  $6x^4 + 58x^3 - 30x^2 - 28x + 16$
- b.  $4x^3 + 9x^2 + 5x - 4$
- c.  $6x^4 + 58x^3 + 30x^2 - 28x - 16$
- d. None of the above.

Find  $(5x + 4)^3$   $\begin{matrix} (5x+4) & (5x+4) & (5x+4) \\ (5x+4) & (25x^2+40x+16) & \end{matrix}$

- a.  $125x^3 + 300x^2 + 240x + 64$
- b.  $125x^3 + 200x^2 + 160x + 64$
- c.  $125x^3 + 540x^2 + 64$
- d. None of the above.

$$\begin{array}{r} 125x^3 + 200x^2 + 80x \\ \quad 100x^2 + 160x + 64 \\ \hline 125x^3 + 300x^2 + 240x + 64 \end{array}$$

Factor.

$$a^3 - 216 = (a - 6)(a^2 + 6a + 36)$$

a.  $(a + 6)(a^2 - 6a + 36)$

b.  $(a - 6)(a^2 + 6a + 36)$

c.  $(a - 6)(a + 6)$

d. None of the above.

Factor.

$$\underset{2a}{8a^3} + \underset{3b}{27b^3} = (2a+3b)(4a^2 - 6ab + 9b^2)$$

a.  $(2a + 3b)(4a^2 + 6ab + 9b)$

b.  $(2a + 3b)(4a^2 - 6ab - 9b)$

c.  $(2a + 3b)(2a - 27b)$

d. None of the above.

HW:

Pg 29 #1-49 by 3's, 91, 104

Pg 38 #39, 44, 46, 65, 68, 71, 111