

Review Exercises (Ch. 6)

1)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a)} \quad & x^4 x^5 \\ & = (x \ x \ x \ x) (x \ x \ x \ x \ x) \\ & = x \ x \ x \ x \ x \ x \ x \ x \ x \\ & = x^9 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b)} \quad & (y^2)^4 \\ & = y^2 \ y^2 \ y^2 \ y^2 \\ & = (y \ y) (y \ y) (y \ y) (y \ y) \\ & = y \ y \ y \ y \ y \ y \ y \ y \\ & = y^8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c)} \quad & (x \ y)^5 \\ & = (x \ y) (x \ y) (x \ y) (x \ y) (x \ y) \\ & = x \ y \ x \ y \ x \ y \ x \ y \ x \ y \\ & = (x \ x \ x \ x \ x) (y \ y \ y \ y \ y) \\ & = x^5 y^5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{3)} \quad & V = s^3 \\ & V = (2.1 \ 10^4 \text{ in})^3 \\ & V = (2.1)^3 (10^4)^3 \text{ in}^3 \quad \text{Power-of-a-product law for exponents [Fact 6.3]} \\ & V = 9.261 \ 10^{12} \text{ in}^3 \quad \text{Power-of-a-power law for exponents [Fact 6.2]} \\ & V = 9.261 \ 10^{12} \text{ in}^3 \end{aligned}$$

5) Recall DISTANCE = RATE TIME

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DISTANCE} &= (1.13 \ 10^3 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}})(10^{-6} \text{ sec}) \\ &= 1.13 \ 10^3 \ 10^{-6} \text{ ft} \\ &= 1.13 \ 10^{3+(-6)} \text{ ft} \\ &= 1.13 \ 10^{-3} \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

- 7) A 3 Quotient law for exponents [Fact 6.4]
B 5 Power-of-a-power law for exponents [Fact 6.2]
C 2 Quotient law for exponents [Fact 6.4] and then Definition 1.2
D 1 Product law for exponents [Fact 6.1]
E 4 Definition 1.2

9)

$20x^4$	$8x^7y$
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$$4x^4(5x + 2x^3y) = 20x^4 + 8x^7y$$

11)

a) $\text{GCF}(xy^4, x^5y) = xy^4$

b) $\text{GCF}(18x^2y, 3x^3z^5, 9x^4) = 3x^2$

c) $60x = 2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot x$
 $105y = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot y$

$\text{GCF}(60x, 105y) = 3 \cdot 5 = 15$

13) $\text{GCF}(5x^2yz^3, -15x^3y^4, 10x^5y^2) = 5x^2y$

$$5x^2yz^3 - 15x^3y^4 + 10x^5y^2 = 5x^2y(z^3 - 3xy^3 + 2x^3y)$$

15)

a) $4xz - 3z = (4x - 3)z$

b) $4x(y + 7) - 3(y + 7) = (4x - 3)(y + 7)$

c) The variable z is the GCF of the terms in (a) while the binomial $y + 7$ is the GCF of the terms in (b). Each GCF needed to be factored out of the expression in which it was contained.

17)

a)

	x	2
x	x^2	$2x$
4	$4x$	8

$$\begin{aligned} & x(x + 2) + 4(x + 2) \\ &= x^2 + 2x + 4x + 8 \\ &= x^2 + 6x + 8 \end{aligned}$$

b)

	$4x^2$	$5x$	-6
x	$4x^3$	$5x^2$	$-6x$

$-12x^2$	$-15x$	18
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$$\begin{aligned} &(x-3)(4x^2+5x-6) \\ &= 4x^3 + 5x^2 - 12x^2 - 6x - 15x + 18 \\ &= 4x^3 - 7x^2 - 21x + 18 \end{aligned}$$

19)

a) Factorable: $(4x^3)(-5) = (10x^2)(-2x) = -20x^3$

$$\begin{aligned} &4x^3 + 10x^2 - 2x - 5 \\ &= 4x^3 - 2x + 10x^2 - 5 && \text{Rearrange terms using commutative prop.} \\ &= (4x^3 - 2x) + (10x^2 - 5) && \text{Form groups of two terms} \\ &= 2x(2x^2 - 1) + 5(2x^2 - 1) && \text{Factor out GCF of each group} \\ &= (2x^2 - 1)(2x + 5) && \text{Factor out common binomial} \end{aligned}$$

b) Not factorable: No 2 pairs of terms satisfy the diagonal product test.

c) Factorable: $(3x)(8y) = (6xy)(4) = 24xy$

$$\begin{aligned} &3x + 8y + 6xy + 4 \\ &= 6xy + 3x + 8y + 4 && \text{Rearrange terms using commutative prop.} \\ &= (6xy + 3x) + (8y + 4) && \text{Form groups of two terms} \\ &= 3x(2y + 1) + 4(2y + 1) && \text{Factor out GCF of each group} \\ &= (3x + 4)(2y + 1) && \text{Factor out common binomial} \end{aligned}$$

21)

a) Diagonal product = $(x^2)(24) = 24x^2$

- b) $1x$ and $24x$
 $2x$ and $12x$
 $3x$ and $8x$
 $4x$ and $6x$

c) $3x$ and $8x$
d) $x^2 + 11x + 24 = x^2 + 3x + 8x + 24$

e)

	x	8
x	x^2	$8x$
3	$3x$	24

$$x^2 + 11x + 24 = (x + 3)(x + 8)$$

23)

a) Diagonal product = $(x^2)(5) = 5x^2$

This trinomial cannot be factored because no factor pair of the diagonal product $5x^2$ adds up to the middle term $-2x$. (Since the diagonal product is positive and the middle term is negative, we know both terms would have to be negative):

$$-5x + -1x = -6x \text{ (NO)}$$

b) Diagonal product = $(2x^2)(6) = 12x^2$

This trinomial cannot be factored because no factor pair of the diagonal product $12x^2$ adds up to the middle term $1x$. (Since the diagonal product is positive and the middle term is positive, we know both terms would have to be positive):

$$1x + 12x = 13x \text{ (NO)}$$

$$2x + 6x = 8x \text{ (NO)}$$

$$3x + 4x = 7x \text{ (NO)}$$

25) Recall Fact 6.9:

Difference of two squares: $a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)$

a) $x^2 - 25$
 $= (x)^2 - (5)^2$ Difference of two squares with $a = x$ and $b = 5$
 $= (x - 5)(x + 5)$

b) $9 - y^2$
 $= (3)^2 - (y)^2$ Difference of two squares with $a = 3$ and $b = y$
 $= (3 - y)(3 + y)$

c) $4x^2 - 81y^2$
 $= (2x)^2 - (9y)^2$ Difference of two squares with $a = 2x$ and $b = 9y$
 $= (2x - 9y)(2x + 9y)$