



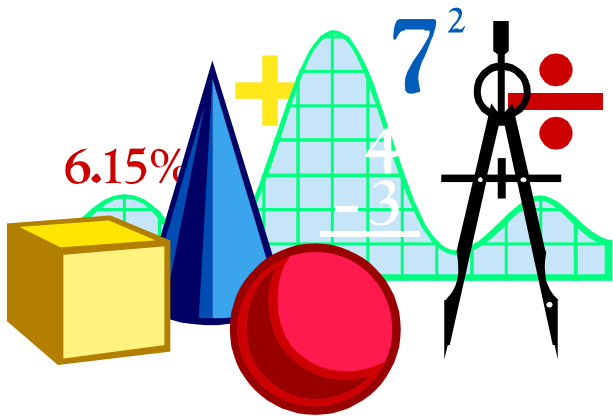
Beginning Algebra

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CHAPTER 6

POLYNOMIALS



6.1 Positive Integer Exponents

$$x^n = x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \quad [n \text{ of these } x \text{ factors}]$$

base exponent

Numerical:

Ex: $-3^4 =$

where as Ex: $(-3)^4 =$

Ex: $-3^3 =$

and Ex: $(-3)^3 =$

Rule: Neg # to even exponent = ___#, Neg # to odd exponent = ___#,

Ex: $\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 =$

6.1 Power Rules for Exponents

POWER OF A QUOTIENT $b \neq 0$

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m = \frac{a^m}{b^m}$$



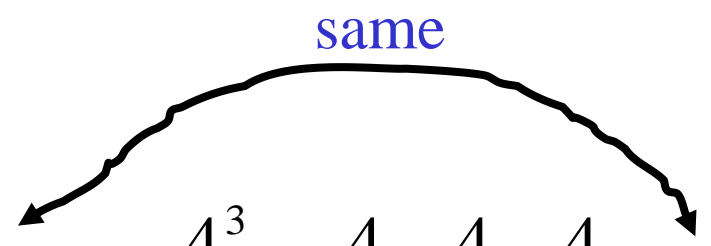
Ex: Simplify $\left(\frac{3}{x}\right)^3$ $x \neq 0$

Ex: $\left(-\frac{2x^3}{3y^2}\right)^4$

6.1 Zero Exponents

ZERO EXPONENT $[x \neq 0]$

$x^0 = 1$ 'cuz $\frac{4^3}{4^3} = 4^{3-3} = 4^0$ & $\frac{4^3}{4^3} = \frac{4}{4} \cdot \frac{4}{4} \cdot \frac{4}{4} = 1$



Ex: $(-7)^0 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

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Ex: $-(-7)^0 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

6.1 Neg. Integer Exponents

NEGATIVE EXPONENT [a ≠ 0, n integer]

$$a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n} \text{ 'cuz } \frac{4^2}{4^5} = 4^{2-5} = 4^{-3} \text{ \& } \frac{4 \bullet 4}{4 \bullet 4 \bullet 4 \bullet 4 \bullet 4} = \frac{1}{4^3}$$

same

Ex: Simplify 4^{-2}

Ex: Simplify -4^{-2}

Ex: Simplify $(-4)^{-2}$



$$\frac{1}{a^{-n}} = a^n$$

Ex: Simplify $\frac{1}{4^{-3}}$

6.1 Neg. Integer Exponents

NEGATIVE to POSITIVE EXPONENTS

[a, b \neq 0; m,n integers]

$$\frac{x^{-m}}{y^{-n}} = \frac{y^n}{x^m}$$

Ex: Simplify $\frac{4h^{-5}}{m^{-2}k}$

Ex: $\frac{5^{-2}}{4^{-3}}$

Ex: $\frac{x^{-6}}{8y^{-7}}$

6.1 Scientific Notation: application of exponents

Scientific Notation form: $a \times 10^n$

$$1 \leq |a| < 10 \quad n \in \text{Integers}$$

Move Decimal pt. to right of 1st nonzero digit

Count # of places moved [no move $\rightarrow 10^0$]

Large #s have positive power of 10

Small #s have negative power of 10

Ex: Write in Sci. notation: .0571 75,000

Ex: Write w/o exponents: 8.7×10^5 4.28×10^{-4}

6.2 Defining Polynomials

Polynomial Ex: $3x^3 + 5x^2 + 2x^2 + 8x + 1$

Terms → separated by + or - signs

Coefficient → number (w/ sign) in front of var.

Like Terms → same variable to same power

Unlike Terms → diff. variable or diff. power

Polynomial = a term or sum of terms where all variables have whole # exponents

$\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$



6.2 Classifying Polynomials

Polynomial = Monomial or sum of Monomials

Monomial: a number **or Product**
a variable **of these**

Exponents must be positive



Names for Special Polynomials:

Monomial(1 term) Ex: $3y^2$ or $2abc^3$ or -5

Binomial(2 terms) Ex: $3y^2 + 2abc^3$ or $-5+x$

Trinomial (3 terms) Ex: $3y^2 + 2abc^3 - 5$

6.2 Classifying Polynomials

State if each of the following is a polynomial.

If it is, state if it is a **Monomial**, **Binomial**,
or **Trinomial**

$$3a - 7bc$$

$$3x^2 + 7x - 4$$

$$7y^3 - 4y^2 + 2$$

$$10x^3y^2z$$

$$\frac{8}{r^3} + 11r$$

6.2 Classifying Polynomials

Degree of a Monomial = *sum* of variables of exponents

Degree of a Polynomial = *greatest* degree of any monomial term

Monomial Degree

Polynomial Degree

$3y^2$

2

$3y^2 + 2abc^3$

5

$2abc^3$

$y^7 + y^6 + 3x^4m^4$

-14

$p^5 + p^3m^3 + 4m$

$9xyz$

$x^2 + xy^2 + 4abc$

6.2 Evaluating Polynomial Functions

Evaluate: $-x^3 + x - 2x + 3$

for $x = 0 \rightarrow$

for $x = 1 \rightarrow$

for $x = -3 \rightarrow$

Evaluate: $c^2 + 4c + 7$

for $c = -6 \rightarrow$

6.2 Arranging Polynomials

Polynomials are arranged in powers of one variable: ascending order or descending order



ascending order



descending order

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

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

When several variables are in the terms, write in order of only one variable.

6.2 Combine Like Terms

$$6 - a^5 + 2a^2b + 3b - 1 + 3a^5 - 3b + a^2b$$

Strike through like terms in the given polynomial as they are combined.

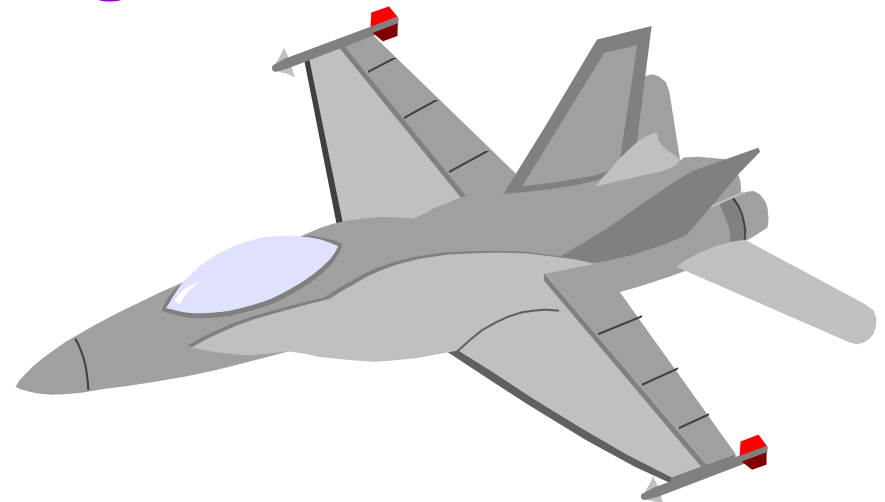
$$\cancel{6} - \cancel{a^5} + 2a^2b + \cancel{3b} - \cancel{1} + 3a^5 - \cancel{3b} + a^2b$$
$$= 2a^5 \quad + 3a^2b \quad + 0 \quad + 5$$

$$= \boxed{2a^5 + 3a^2b + 5}$$

6.3 Adding Polynomials

To ADD Polynomials:

- Group LIKE terms together [LIKE terms have same variable to same power ==> can be combined!] OR
- Place in COLUMN form [In DESCENDING order with LIKE terms aligned!]



6.3 Adding Polynomials

ADD these Polynomials:

Ex: $(9y - 7x + 15a) + (-3y + 8x - 8a)$

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

6.3 Subtracting Polynomials

To SUBTRACT Polynomials:

- Find the Additive Inverse (opposite) of polynomial after (-) sign [original signs & place opposite sign above]
 - Group LIKE terms together & Add
- OR
- Place in COLUMN form [original signs & place opposite sign above] & Add

6.3 Subtracting Polynomials

SUBTRACT these Polynomials:

Ex: $(7a - 10b) - (3a + 4b)$

Ex: $(3y^2 + 7y + 8) - (2y^2 - 4y + 3)$

Ex: $(-8t^3 + 3t^2 - 7t - 9) - (-10t^3 - 5t^2 + 3t - 11)$

Mini-Quiz 6.1 → 6.3

1) Simplify: $\left(-\frac{2y^3z}{3z^2}\right)^4$

2)–3) Classify the Polynomial & state degree

2) $3xy^3$ 3) $2x^3 + x^2 + 1$ 4) Eval: $-2x^2 + 3x - 1$ for $x = -2$

5-7) Simplify: 5) $4(3y^2 - 2y) - y(2y + 4)$

6) $(3x^2 + 2x) + (5x^2 - 8x)$

7) $3(9x^2 + 3x + 7) - 2(11x^2 - 5x + 9)$

8) Subtract:

$$\begin{array}{r} 20x^3 + 12x \\ - \underline{12x^3 + 7x^2 - 7x} \end{array}$$

9) Copy & Complete the table:

x	2	1	0	-1	-2
4^x					

10a) Write in scientific notation: 728 & 0.00942

10b) Write in standard notation: 7.53×10^4

6.4 Product Rule for Same Base Exponents

PROD. OF POWERS

$$a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}$$

Bases must be the same!

Simplify each [Multiply coefficients 1st]:

$$(21c^6)(c^7)$$

$$(8x^4)(3x)$$

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



6.4 Product Rule for Exponents

We multiply numbers in scientific notation using the same procedure we used to multiply monomials.

Monomials:

$$\begin{aligned}4a^3 \cdot 2a^6 &= 4 \cdot 2a^{3+6} \\ &= 8a^9\end{aligned}$$


Scientific notation:

$$\begin{aligned}4 \times 10^3 \cdot 2 \times 10^6 &= 4 \times 2 \times 10^{3+6} \\ &= 8 \times 10^9\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ex: } (4.2 \times 10^5)(2.8 \times 10^8)$$

$$\text{Ans: } 1.176 \times 10^{14}$$

6.4 Power of a power Rule

$$\boxed{(a^m)^n = a^{mn}} \quad \text{Ex: } (x^3)^4 = x^3 x^3 x^3 x^3 = x^{12}$$


Simplify: Ex: $(2^2)^3 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ Ex: $(2a^2b^4)^5 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Ex: $(-5a^2b^6)^3 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Ex: Simplify $(-5mn^4)(-2mp^2)^3 (1.5m^2n) =$

Ans: $60m^6n^5p^6$

6.4 Power Rules for Exponents

POWER OF A PRODUCT

$$(ab)^m = a^m b^m$$

Simplify means: No powers of powers, each base only once, & fractions reduced

Ex: $(3x^2y)^3 =$

Ex: $(a^3)^3 (a^4)^2 =$

6.4 Using more than 1 rule

Simplify: $(6b^4y)^2[(-y)^2]^4$

Simplify: $(x^4y^3z^6)^2[(2x^2y^2)^2]^4$

6.5 Multiply Polynomial by Monomial

Remove parentheses & Simplify:

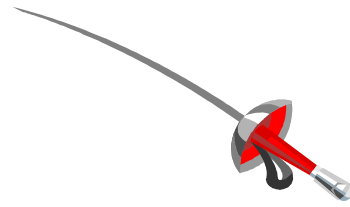
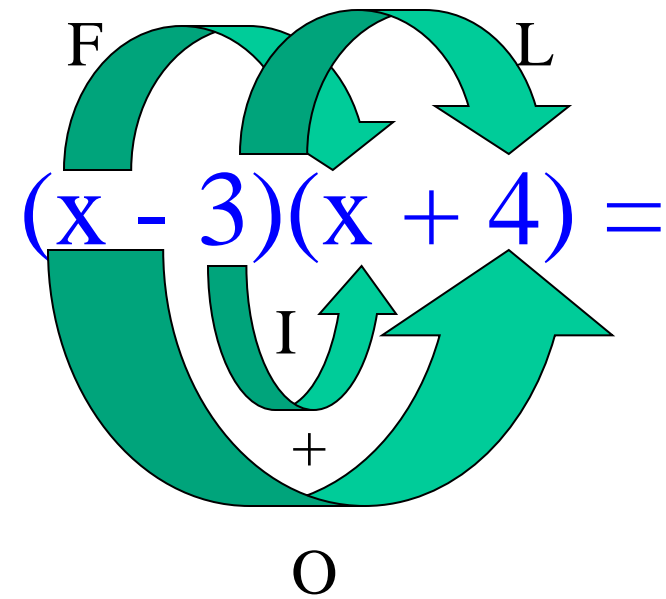
Use distributive
Prop w/ ARROWS

Ex: $2(a^2 - 3a) + 5(a^2 + 2a)$

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

Ex: $-2a^2b \quad 3a^3b + ab^3 - 5a^4 + 4bc$

6.5 Multiplying Binomial by Binomial



If 2 Binomials
use **FOIL** -
**add outer &
inner terms
under = sign**

$$(3a + 11)(5a - 2) =$$

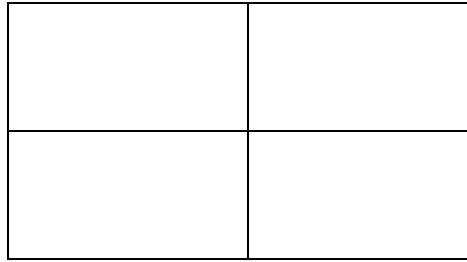
$$(5y - 2z)(2y + 3z) =$$

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

6.5 Multiplying Polynomial by Binomial

Use 1 of these 3 Methods:

1. **BOX**



2. **LONG MULTIPLICATION**

3. **MULTIPLE DISTRIBUTIVE**



6.5 Multiplying Polynomial by Binomial

Use 1st of these 3 Methods:

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

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

6.5 Multiplying Polynomial by Binomial

Use 2nd of these 3 Methods:

2. LONG MULTIPLICATION

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

6.5 Multiplying Polynomial by Binomial

Use 3rd of these 3 Methods:

3. MULTIPLE DISTRIBUTIVE



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

6.5 Multiplying Polynomial by Binomial

Solve using your favorite Method:

- ①. BOX ②. LONG MULT. ③. MULTIPLE DISTRIB.

$$(2x - 1)(x^2 - 4x + 3) =$$

FOIL 6.5 Multiplying Conjugates EASY!

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

$$(x - 3)(x + 3) =$$

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

$$(6x - 20y)(6x + 20y) =$$

Same
binomials with
different
middle signs

6.5 Special Binomial Products

Exs. using **SQUARE OF SUM:**

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

Sq. 1st term; twice prod. of 2 terms; sq. last term

$$(x + 5)^2 =$$

$$(3a + 2)^2 =$$

$$(5b + 7c)^2 =$$

6.5 Special Binomial Products

SQUARE OF DIFFERENCE: FOIL

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

Sq. 1st term; twice prod. of 2 terms; sq. last term

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

$$(4a - 2)^2 =$$

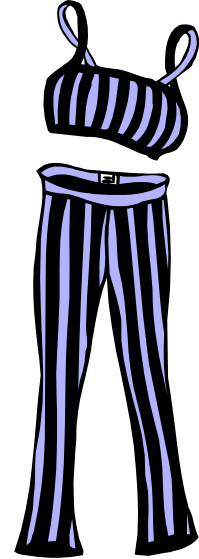
$$(6x^2 - 10y)^2 =$$

6.6 Quotient Rule for Exponents

Develop a pattern: $\frac{2^4}{2^1} =$
 $\frac{2^5}{2^3} =$

QUOTIENT OF POWERS [a ≠ 0]

$$\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$$



6.6 Dividing By Monomials

Exs. of **QUOTIENT OF POWERS**:

$$\frac{18x^3y^6z^2}{24x^4y^3} = \frac{3y^3z^2}{4x}$$

$$\frac{2.34 \times 10^7}{3.6 \times 10^3} = 6.5 \times 10^3$$

$$\left(\frac{x^{-7}}{x^3}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{x^{30}}$$

Exponents Summary

Assume that no denominators are 0, that a and b are real numbers, and that m and n are integers.

Zero as an exponent: $a^0 = 1$, where $a \neq 0$.
 0^0 is indeterminate.

Negative exponents: $a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n}$, $\frac{1}{a^{-n}} = a^n$, $\frac{a}{b}^{-n} = \frac{b}{a}^n$

Product rule for exponents: $a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}$

Quotient rule for exponents: $a^m \div a^n = a^{m-n}$

Raising a **power to a power:** $a^{m^n} = a^{mn}$

Raising a **product to a power:** $(ab)^n = a^n b^n$

Raising a **quotient to a power:** $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n = \frac{a^n}{b^n}$

6.6 Division of Polynomials

÷ Polynomial by Monomial: ÷ each term of poly. by mono.

$$\frac{a+b}{c} = \frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{c}$$

$$c \neq 0$$

÷ Ex: Divide $12m^6 + 18m^5 + 30m^4$
by $6m^2$

Note: Omit
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pages 454 –
457=>Dividing
by a Binomial

$$\text{Ans: } 2m^4 + 3m^3 + 5m^2$$

6.6 Division of Polynomials

Ex:

$$\frac{36x^6y^2 - 9x^3y - 6x}{3x^2y}$$

$$= 12x^4y - 3x - \frac{2}{xy}$$

Simplify first!

Ex: Divide: $\frac{(x + y)^2 - (x - y)^2}{xy}$
by

Mini-Quiz 6.4 → 6.6 + Review 1-5 Multiply

1) $(3x^3y^4)(-4x^5y)$ 2) $-5x^3(4x^2 + 3x - 6)$

3) $(3a - 4)(5a + 2)$

4) $(5y - 3)^2$

5) $(2x - 1)(5x^2 + 4x - 3)$

6-9 Simplify: 6) $p^{12} \cdot p^4$ 7) $(2w)^4 - (3w^2)^2$

8) $\frac{a^5}{a^6 \cdot a^{-3}}$

9) $\frac{z^3}{y^5 z^2}$

10) $\frac{24w^5 - 12w^2}{4w^2}$