

Multiplying Polynomials

Distributive Property:

$$\begin{array}{l} 2(4x-8) \\ = 8x-16 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 3a^2(5-4a-a^2) \\ = 15a^2-12a^3-3a^4 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} (5x-2)(4x+5) \\ = 20x^2+17x-10 \end{array}$$

Expand and simplify:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Example 1} \quad -2x(3x^2-4x+6) \\ = -6x^3+8x^2-12x \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Example 2} \quad 2(3m-5)-4(2m-1) \\ = 6m-10-8m+4 \\ = -2m-6 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Example 3} \quad 7(x^2-3x-4)-3(4x^2+5x-6)-2 \\ = 7x^2-21x-28-12x^2-15x+18-2 \\ = -5x^2-36x-12 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Example 4} \quad 4m(3m-(6m-1))+2m(3m+2) \\ = 4m(3m-6m+1)+2m(3m+2) \\ = 12m^2-24m^2+4m+6m^2+4m \\ = -6m^2+8m \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Example 5} \quad 4(y-2)(2y+5) \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{FOIL FIRST!} \\ = 4(2y^2+5y-4y-10) \\ = 4(2y^2+y-10) \\ = 8y^2+4y-40 \end{array}$$

Example 6 $(4x-2y)^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (4x-2y)(4x-2y) \\
 &= 16x^2 - 8xy - 8xy + 4y^2 \\
 &= 16x^2 - 16xy + 4y^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 7 $(a+2)(a-5) - 2(a-3)(a+4)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \underbrace{(a^2 - 5a + 2a - 10)}_{\text{FOIL}} - 2 \underbrace{(a^2 + 4a - 3a - 12)}_{\text{FOIL}} \\
 &= a^2 - 5a + 2a - 10 - 2a^2 - 8a + 6a + 24 \\
 &= -a^2 - 5a + 14
 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &-3(x^2-y^2) - \underbrace{(2x+y)(2x+y)}_{\text{FOIL}} \\
 &= -3x^2 + 3y^2 - (4x^2 + 2xy + 2xy + y^2) \\
 &= -3x^2 + 3y^2 - 4x^2 - 2xy - 2xy - y^2 \\
 &= -7x^2 - 4xy + 2y^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 9 $4 + 2(m-4k)(2m+k) - 3(5m-k)^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &4 + 2 \underbrace{(m-4k)(2m+k)}_{\text{FOIL}} - 3 \underbrace{(5m-k)(5m-k)}_{\text{FOIL}} \\
 &= 4 + 2(2m^2 - 7mk - 4k^2) - 3(25m^2 - 10mk + k^2) \\
 &= 4 + 4m^2 - 14mk - 8k^2 - 75m^2 + 30mk - 3k^2 \\
 &= -71m^2 + 16mk - 11k^2 + 4
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 10 $(y-3)(2y^2-4y+8)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2y^3 - 4y^2 + 8y - 6y^2 + 12y - 24 \\
 &= 2y^3 - 10y^2 + 20y - 24
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 11 $(y-3)(2y-4)(y+1)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (y-3) \underbrace{(2y^2 + 2y - 4y - 4)}_{\text{FOIL}} \\
 &= (y-3)(2y^2 - 2y - 4) \\
 &= 2y^3 - 2y^2 - 4y - 6y^2 + 6y + 12 \\
 &= 2y^3 - 8y^2 + 2y + 12
 \end{aligned}$$