

FACTORISATION

15.1 REVIEW

Factors

Each of the numbers (constant or variable), which form a product is called a factor of the product.

- (i) 5 and x are factors of the product $5x$.
 (ii) $(2x - 5)$ and $(3x + 2)$ are the factors of $(2x - 5)(3x + 2)$.
 Since, $(2x - 5)(3x + 2) = 2x(3x + 2) - 5(3x + 2)$
 $= 6x^2 + 4x - 15x - 10$
 $= 6x^2 - 11x - 10$

$\therefore 2x - 5$ and $3x + 2$ are the factors of $6x^2 - 11x - 10$.

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- Factors of xy are and
- Factors of $xy(4x + 7)$ are, and
- Factors of $xy(4x + 7)(x - 8)$ are,, and
- Since, $4x^2 - 9 = (2x)^2 - (3)^2 = (2x + 3)(2x - 3)$;
factors of $4x^2 - 9$ are and
- Since, $x^2 - 5xy + 6y^2 = (x - 3y)(x - 2y)$;
factors of $x^2 - 5xy + 6y^2$ are

15.2 FACTORISATION

Factorisation means to find two or more expressions whose product is equal to the given expression.

15.3 FACTORISATION BY TAKING OUT COMMON FACTORS

- Steps :**
- Find by inspection, the largest monomial that will divide each term of the given polynomial completely.
 - Divide each term of the given polynomial by this monomial (factor) and enclose the quotient within brackets keeping this common monomial outside the bracket.

Example 1 :

Factorise :

(i) $5x^2 - 10x$

(ii) $3x^2y - 6xy^2 + 9xy$

Solution :

(i) By inspection, we find that the largest monomial which divides each term of the given polynomial $5x^2 - 10x$ is $5x$. [Step 1]

$$\therefore 5x^2 - 10x = 5x \left(\frac{5x^2}{5x} - \frac{10x}{5x} \right) \quad \text{[Step 2]}$$

$$= 5x(x - 2) \quad \text{(Ans.)}$$

$$(ii) \quad 3x^2y - 6xy^2 + 9xy = 3xy \left(\frac{3x^2y}{3xy} - \frac{6xy^2}{3xy} + \frac{9xy}{3xy} \right)$$

$$= 3xy(x - 2y + 3) \quad \text{(Ans.)}$$

Example 2 :

Factorise :

(i) $-10a^4x^2 - 15a^6x^4 + 20a^7x^5$

(ii) $2x(a + b) - 3y(a + b)$

Solution :

$$(i) \quad -10a^4x^2 - 15a^6x^4 + 20a^7x^5 = -5a^4x^2 \left(\frac{-10a^4x^2}{-5a^4x^2} - \frac{15a^6x^4}{-5a^4x^2} + \frac{20a^7x^5}{-5a^4x^2} \right)$$

$$= -5a^4x^2(2 + 3a^2x^2 - 4a^3x^3) \quad (\text{Ans.})$$

$$(ii) \quad 2x(a + b) - 3y(a + b) = (a + b) \left[\frac{2x(a + b)}{a + b} - \frac{3y(a + b)}{a + b} \right]$$

$$= (a + b)(2x - 3y) \quad (\text{Ans.})$$

EXERCISE 15 (A)

Factorise :

1. $15x + 5$

2. $a^3 - a^2 + a$

3. $3x^2 + 6x^3$

4. $4a^2 - 8ab$

5. $2x^3b^2 - 4x^5b^4$

6. $15x^4y^3 - 20x^3y$

7. $a^3b - a^2b^2 - b^3$

8. $6x^2y + 9xy^2 + 4y^3$

9. $17a^6b^8 - 34a^4b^6 + 51a^2b^4$

10. $3x^5y - 27x^4y^2 + 12x^3y^3$

11. $x^2(a - b) - y^2(a - b) + z^2(a - b)$

12. $(x + y)(a + b) + (x - y)(a + b)$

13. $2b(2a + b) - 3c(2a + b)$

14. $12abc - 6a^2b^2c^2 + 3a^3b^3c^3$

15. $4x(3x - 2y) - 2y(3x - 2y)$

16. $(a + 2b)(3a + b) - (a + b)(a + 2b) + (a + 2b)^2$

17. $6xy(a^2 + b^2) + 8yz(a^2 + b^2) - 10xz(a^2 + b^2)$

15.4 FACTORISATION BY GROUPING

A given algebraic expression, containing an even number of terms may be resolved into factors, if its terms can be arranged in groups such that each group has a common factor.

Steps : 1. Arrange the terms of the given expression in suitable groups such that each group has a common factor.

2. Factorise each group.

3. Take out the factor which is common to each group.

Example 3 :Factorise : $ax - bx + ay - by$ **Solution :**

$ax - bx + ay - by$

$= (ax - bx) + (ay - by) \quad [\text{Step 1}]$

$= x(a - b) + y(a - b) \quad [\text{Step 2}]$

$= (a - b)(x + y) \quad (\text{Ans.}) \quad [\text{Step 3}]$

Or $ax - bx + ay - by$

$= ax + ay - bx - by \quad [\text{Step 1}]$

$= a(x + y) - b(x + y) \quad [\text{Step 2}]$

$= (x + y)(a - b) \quad (\text{Ans.}) \quad [\text{Step 3}]$

Example 4 :

Factorise :

(i) $y^3 - 3y^2 + 2y - 6 - xy + 3x$

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

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad y^3 - 3y^2 + 2y - 6 - xy + 3x &= (y^3 - 3y^2) + (2y - 6) - (xy - 3x) && \text{[Step 1]} \\ &= y^2(y - 3) + 2(y - 3) - x(y - 3) && \text{[Step 2]} \\ &= (y - 3)(y^2 + 2 - x) && \text{(Ans.) [Step 3]} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad a^2 - (b + 5)a + 5b &= a^2 - ab - 5a + 5b && \text{[Removing the bracket]} \\ &= (a^2 - ab) - (5a - 5b) && \text{[Step 1]} \\ &= a(a - b) - 5(a - b) && \text{[Step 2]} \\ &= (a - b)(a - 5) && \text{(Ans.) [Step 3]} \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISE 15 (B)

Factorise :

1. $a^2 + ax + ab + bx$

2. $a^2 - ab - ca + bc$

3. $ab - 2b + a^2 - 2a$

4. $a^3 - a^2 + a - 1$

5. $2a - 4b - xa + 2bx$

6. $xy - ay - ax + a^2 + bx - ab$

7. $3x^5 - 6x^4 - 2x^3 + 4x^2 + x - 2$

8. $-x^2y - x + 3xy + 3$

9. $6a^2 - 3a^2b - bc^2 + 2c^2$

10. $3a^2b - 12a^2 - 9b + 36$

11. $x^2 - (a - 3)x - 3a$

12. $x^2 - (b - 2)x - 2b$

13. $a(b - c) - d(c - b)$

14. $ab^2 - (a - c)b - c$

15. $(a^2 - b^2)c + (b^2 - c^2)a$

16. $a^3 - a^2 - ab + a + b - 1$

17. $ab(c^2 + d^2) - a^2cd - b^2cd$

18. $2ab^2 - aby + 2cby - cy^2$

19. $ax + 2bx + 3cx - 3a - 6b - 9c$

20. $2ab^2c - 2a + 3b^3c - 3b - 4b^2c^2 + 4c$

15.5 FACTORISATION OF DIFFERENCE OF TWO SQUARESSince, the product of $(x + y)$ and $(x - y)$ is $x^2 - y^2$ \therefore Factors of $x^2 - y^2 = (x + y)(x - y)$ **Difference of squares of two terms = Sum of the two terms \times their difference.****Example 5 :**Factorise : $25a^2 - 36b^2$ **Solution :**

$$25a^2 - 36b^2 = (5a)^2 - (6b)^2 = (5a + 6b)(5a - 6b) \quad \text{(Ans.)}$$

Example 6 :

Factorise :

(i) $1 - 4(a - 2b)^2$

(ii) $9(x + y)^2 - 16(x - 3y)^2$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad 1 - 4(a - 2b)^2 &= 1 - 2^2(a - 2b)^2 \\ &= 1 - [2(a - 2b)]^2 \\ &= 1^2 - (2a - 4b)^2 \\ &= (1 + 2a - 4b)(1 - 2a + 4b) \\ &= (1 + 2a - 4b)(1 - 2a + 4b) \quad \text{(Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii)} \quad 9(x + y)^2 - 16(x - 3y)^2 &= [3(x + y)]^2 - [4(x - 3y)]^2 \\
 &= (3x + 3y)^2 - (4x - 12y)^2 \\
 &= (\overline{3x + 3y} + \overline{4x - 12y})(\overline{3x + 3y} - \overline{4x - 12y}) \\
 &= (3x + 3y + 4x - 12y)(3x + 3y - 4x + 12y) \\
 &= (7x - 9y)(15y - x) \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{(Ans.)}
 \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISE 15 (C)

Factorise :

1. $16 - 9x^2$

2. $1 - 100a^2$

3. $4x^2 - 81y^2$

4. $\frac{4}{25} - 25b^2$

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

6. $(5a - 3b)^2 - 16b^2$

7. $a^4 - (a^2 - 3b^2)^2$

8. $(5a - 2b)^2 - (2a - b)^2$

9. $1 - 25(a + b)^2$

10. $4(2a + b)^2 - (a - b)^2$

11. $25(2x + y)^2 - 16(x - y)^2$

12. $49(x - y)^2 - 9(2x + y)^2$

13. $\left(6\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 - \left(2\frac{1}{3}\right)^2$

14. $\left(7\frac{3}{10}\right)^2 - \left(2\frac{1}{10}\right)^2$

15. $(0.7)^2 - (0.3)^2$

16. $(4.5)^2 - (1.5)^2$

17. $75(x + y)^2 - 48(x - y)^2$

18. $a^2 + 4a + 4 - b^2$

19. $a^2 - b^2 - 2b - 1$

20. $x^2 + 6x + 9 - 4y^2$

15.6 FACTORISATION OF TRINOMIALS

Since, the product of two binomials $(2a + b)$ and $(3a - 5b)$

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

$$= 6a^2 - 7ab - 5b^2; \text{ which is a trinomial.}$$

\therefore The factors of a trinomial $6a^2 - 7ab - 5b^2$ are the binomials $(2a + b)$ and $(3a - 5b)$.

Before learning the factorisation of a trinomial, it is essential to know how to find out the two numbers whose product and sum are given.

Example 7 :

Find the numbers whose :

(i) product = 6 and sum = 5

(ii) product = 6 and sum = - 5

(iii) product = - 6 and sum = 5

(iv) product = - 6 and sum = - 5

Solution :

(i) Since, product = 6 and sum = 5. The *product* and the *sum* of two numbers are *positive* only when *both the numbers are positive*.

By trial, we find that **the required two numbers are 3 and 2.**

(Ans.)

$$\text{Product of 3 and 2} = 3 \times 2 = 6 \text{ and their sum} = 3 + 2 = 5$$

(ii) Since, product = 6 and sum = - 5

The *product* of two numbers is *positive* and their *sum* is *negative* only when *both the numbers are negative*.

\therefore **Required numbers are - 3 and - 2.**

(Ans.)

(iii) Since, product = - 6 and sum = 5.

The *product* of two numbers is *negative* and their *sum* is *positive* only when the *larger* of the two numbers is *positive* and the *smaller* is *negative*.

By trial, we find **that the required two numbers are 6 and - 1.** (Ans.)

(iv) Since, product = - 6 and sum = - 5. The *product* of two numbers is *negative* and their *sum* is also *negative* only when the *larger* is *negative* and the *smaller* is *positive*.

∴ By trial, we find that **the required two numbers are - 6 and 1.** (Ans.)

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6. The two numbers whose :

(a) product = 18 and sum = 11 are and

(b) product = 32 and sum = - 12 are and

(c) product = - 24 and sum = 2 are and

(d) product = - 12 and sum = 11 are and

(e) product = - 6 and sum = - 5 are and

(f) product = - 44 and sum = - 7 are and

Note : The standard forms of a trinomial are :

(i) $6x^2 + 11x + 3$ *i.e.* descending order of the powers of its literal coefficients.

(ii) $3 + 11x + 6x^2$ *i.e.* ascending order of the powers of its literal coefficients.

To factorise a given trinomial, the following steps should be adopted :

1. Find the product of the first and the last terms of the trinomial with their signs. In case of trinomial $6x^2 + 11x + 3$, the product of its first and last terms = $6x^2 \times 3 = 18x^2$.

2. Split the middle term of the given trinomial (*i.e.* + 11x) such that the sum of these two terms is equal to the middle term and their product is equal to the product obtained in step 1 (*i.e.* $18x^2$)

By trial, we find that the two such terms are + 9x and + 2x.

3. Now by forming the suitable groups, factorise the given trinomial.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e. } 6x^2 + 11x + 3 &= 6x^2 + 9x + 2x + 3 \\ &= 3x(2x + 3) + 1(2x + 3) \\ &= (2x + 3)(3x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

(Ans.)

Example 8 :

Factorise :

(i) $x^2 - 9x + 20$

(ii) $y^2 + 5y - 24$

(iii) $1 - 3a - 28a^2$

Solution :

(i) Given trinomial = $x^2 - 9x + 20$

The product of its first and the last terms = $x^2 \times 20 = 20x^2$

Splitting the middle term (*i.e.* -9x) into two terms so that their product is $20x^2$ and sum is -9x; we get : -5x and -4x.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore x^2 - 9x + 20 &= x^2 - 5x - 4x + 20 \\ &= x(x - 5) - 4(x - 5) \\ &= (x - 5)(x - 4) \end{aligned}$$

(Ans.)

(ii) Given trinomial is $y^2 + 5y - 24$

The product of its first and the last terms = $y^2 \times -24 = -24y^2$

and, the middle term = $+5y$.

Now find two terms whose product should be $-24y^2$ and sum should be $+5y$. By trial, we find that the required two terms are $+8y$ and $-3y$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore y^2 + 5y - 24 &= y^2 + 8y - 3y - 24 \\ &= y(y + 8) - 3(y + 8) = (y + 8)(y - 3) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Ans.})$$

(iii) Given trinomial is $1 - 3a - 28a^2$

Product of the first and the last terms = $1 \times -28a^2 = -28a^2$

and, the middle term = $-3a$

By trial, we find that two terms whose product is $-28a^2$ and sum is $-3a$ are $-7a$ and $+4a$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 1 - 3a - 28a^2 &= 1 - 7a + 4a - 28a^2 \\ &= 1(1 - 7a) + 4a(1 - 7a) = (1 - 7a)(1 + 4a) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Ans.})$$

Example 9 :

Factorise : (i) $(a + b)^2 - 11(a + b) - 42$

(ii) $7 + 10(x - y) - 8(x - y)^2$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad (a + b)^2 - 11(a + b) - 42 &= x^2 - 11x - 42 && \text{[Taking } a + b = x\text{]} \\ &= x^2 - 14x + 3x - 42 && \text{[Splitting the middle term]} \\ &= x(x - 14) + 3(x - 14) \\ &= (x - 14)(x + 3) \\ &= (a + b - 14)(a + b + 3) \quad (\text{Ans.}) && \text{[Substituting } x = a + b\text{]} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad 7 + 10(x - y) - 8(x - y)^2 &= 7 + 10a - 8a^2 && \text{[Taking } x - y = a\text{]} \\ &= 7 + 14a - 4a - 8a^2 && \text{[Splitting the middle term]} \\ &= 7(1 + 2a) - 4a(1 + 2a) \\ &= (1 + 2a)(7 - 4a) \\ &= [1 + 2(x - y)][7 - 4(x - y)] && \text{[Substituting } a = x - y\text{]} \\ &= (1 + 2x - 2y)(7 - 4x + 4y) \quad (\text{Ans.}) \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISE 15 (D)

Factorise :

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|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. $x^2 + 6x + 8$ | 2. $x^2 + 4x + 3$ | 15. $4c^2 + 3c - 10$ | 16. $14x^2 + x - 3$ |
| 3. $a^2 + 5a + 6$ | 4. $a^2 - 5a + 6$ | 17. $6 + 7b - 3b^2$ | 18. $5 + 7x - 6x^2$ |
| 5. $a^2 + 5a - 6$ | 6. $x^2 + 5xy + 4y^2$ | 19. $4 + y - 14y^2$ | 20. $5 + 3a - 14a^2$ |
| 7. $a^2 - 3a - 40$ | 8. $x^2 - x - 72$ | 21. $(2a + b)^2 + 5(2a + b) + 6$ | |
| 9. $x^2 - 10xy + 24y^2$ | 10. $2a^2 + 7a + 6$ | 22. $1 - (2x + 3y) - 6(2x + 3y)^2$ | |
| 11. $3a^2 - 5a + 2$ | 12. $7b^2 - 8b + 1$ | 23. $(x - 2y)^2 - 12(x - 2y) + 32$ | |
| 13. $2a^2 - 17ab + 26b^2$ | 14. $2x^2 + xy - 6y^2$ | 24. $8 + 6(a + b) - 5(a + b)^2$ | |
| | | 25. $2(x + 2y)^2 - 5(x + 2y) + 2$ | |

15.7 FACTORISING A PERFECT SQUARE TRINOMIAL

Square of a binomial is called a perfect square trinomial.

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

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

$\therefore a^2 + 2ab + b^2$ and $a^2 - 2ab + b^2$ are perfect square trinomials.

Any trinomial which can be expressed as $a^2 + 2ab + b^2$ or $a^2 - 2ab + b^2$ is perfect square trinomial.

Example 10 :

- (i) Is $4x^2 + 12xy + 9y^2$ a perfect square trinomial ?
 (ii) Is $x^2 - 6xy + 36y^2$ a perfect square trinomial ?

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad 4x^2 + 12xy + 9y^2 &= (2x)^2 + 2 \times 2x \times 3y + (3y)^2 \\ &= a^2 + 2ab + b^2 && \text{[Taking } 2x = a \text{ and } 3y = b\text{]} \\ &= (a + b)^2 \\ &= (2x + 3y)^2 && \text{(Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

\therefore The given trinomial $4x^2 + 12xy + 9y^2$ is a perfect square trinomial.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad x^2 - 6xy + 36y^2 &= (x)^2 - x \times 6y + (6y)^2 \\ &= a^2 - ab + b^2 && \text{[Taking } x = a \text{ and } 6y = b\text{]} \end{aligned}$$

Since, the given trinomial cannot be expressed as $a^2 - 2ab + b^2$; **it is not a perfect square trinomial.** (Ans.)

15.8 FACTORISING COMPLETELY**Example 11 :**

Factorise completely : (i) $8x^3 - 18xy^2$ (ii) $3x^2 + 12x - 36$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad 8x^3 - 18xy^2 &= 2x(4x^2 - 9y^2) && \text{[Taking out the common]} \\ &= 2x[(2x)^2 - (3y)^2] && \text{[Converting in the form } a^2 - b^2\text{]} \\ &= 2x(2x + 3y)(2x - 3y) && \text{(Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad 3x^2 + 12x - 36 &= 3(x^2 + 4x - 12) && \text{[Taking out the common factor]} \\ &= 3(x^2 + 6x - 2x - 12) && \text{[Factorising the trinomial]} \\ &= 3[x(x + 6) - 2(x + 6)] \\ &= 3(x + 6)(x - 2) && \text{(Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

Example 12 :

Factorise completely : (i) $x^2 + 4xy + 4y^2 - 9z^2$ (ii) $16x^4 - y^4$

Solution :

(i) In the given expression $x^2 + 4xy + 4y^2$ is a perfect square trinomial as :

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 4xy + 4y^2 &= x^2 + 2 \times x \times 2y + (2y)^2 \\ &= a^2 + 2ab + b^2 && \text{[Taking } x = a \text{ and } 2y = b\text{]} \\ &= (a + b)^2 \\ &= (x + 2y)^2 && \text{[Substituting]} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore x^2 + 4xy + 4y^2 - 9z^2 &= (x + 2y)^2 - (3z)^2 \\ &= (x + 2y + 3z)(x + 2y - 3z) && \text{(Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad 16x^4 - y^4 &= (4x^2)^2 - (y^2)^2 \\ &= (4x^2 + y^2)(4x^2 - y^2) \\ &= (4x^2 + y^2)[(2x)^2 - (y)^2] \\ &= (4x^2 + y^2)(2x + y)(2x - y) && \text{(Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISE 15 (E)

1. In each case, find whether the trinomial is a perfect square or not :
- (i) $x^2 + 14x + 49$ (ii) $a^2 - 10a + 25$
 (iii) $4x^2 + 4x + 1$ (iv) $9b^2 + 12b + 16$
 (v) $16x^2 - 16xy + y^2$ (vi) $x^2 - 4x + 16$
- Factorise completely :
2. $2 - 8x^2$ 3. $8x^2y - 18y^3$
 4. $ax^2 - ay^2$ 5. $25x^3 - x$
 6. $a^4 - b^4$ 7. $16x^4 - 81y^4$
8. $625 - x^4$ 9. $x^2 - y^2 - 3x - 3y$
 10. $x^2 - y^2 - 2x + 2y$ 11. $3x^2 + 15x - 72$
 12. $2a^2 - 8a - 64$ 13. $5b^2 + 45b + 90$
 14. $3x^2y + 11xy + 6y$ 15. $5ap^2 + 11ap + 2a$
 16. $a^2 + 2ab + b^2 - c^2$
 17. $x^2 + 6xy + 9y^2 + x + 3y$
 18. $4a^2 - 12ab + 9b^2 + 4a - 6b$
 19. $2a^2b^2 - 98b^4$
 20. $a^2 - 16b^2 - 2a - 8b$

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7. $5x + 10xy - 7ax - 14axy = 5x(\dots\dots\dots) - 7ax(\dots\dots\dots) = \dots\dots\dots$
 8. $(3x + 9y)(6x - 18y) = 3(\dots\dots\dots) \times 6(\dots\dots\dots) = 18(\dots\dots\dots)$
 9. $8x^2 - \frac{8}{x^2} = \dots\dots\dots = \dots\dots\dots$
 10. $8x^2 - 20xy + 8y^2 = \dots\dots\dots = \dots\dots\dots$
 $= \dots\dots\dots$

EXERCISE 15 (F)

1. Factorise :
- (i) $6x^3 - 8x^2$
 (ii) $35a^3b^2c + 42ab^2c^2$
 (iii) $36x^2y^2 - 30x^3y^3 + 48x^3y^2$
 (iv) $8(2a + 3b)^3 - 12(2a + 3b)^2$
 (v) $9a(x - 2y)^4 - 12a(x - 2y)^3$
2. Factorise :
- (i) $a^2 - ab - 3a + 3b$
 (ii) $x^2y - xy^2 + 5x - 5y$
 (iii) $a^2 - ab(1 - b) - b^3$
 (iv) $xy^2 + (x - 1)y - 1$
 (v) $(ax + by)^2 + (bx - ay)^2$
 (vi) $ab(x^2 + y^2) - xy(a^2 + b^2)$
 (vii) $m - 1 - (m - 1)^2 + am - a$
3. Factorise :
- (i) $a^2 - (b - c)^2$
 (ii) $25(2x - y)^2 - 16(x - 2y)^2$
 (iii) $16(5x + 4)^2 - 9(3x - 2)^2$
 (iv) $9x^2 - \frac{1}{16}$
 (v) $25(x - 2y)^2 - 4$
4. Factorise :
- (i) $a^2 - 23a + 42$ (ii) $a^2 - 23a - 108$
 (iii) $1 - 18x - 63x^2$ (iv) $5x^2 - 4xy - 12y^2$
 (v) $x(3x + 14) + 8$ (vi) $5 - 4x(1 + 3x)$
 (vii) $x^2y^2 - 3xy - 40$
 (viii) $(3x - 2y)^2 - 5(3x - 2y) - 24$
 (ix) $12(a + b)^2 - (a + b) - 35$
5. Factorise :
- (i) $15(5x - 4)^2 - 10(5x - 4)$
 (ii) $3a^2x - bx + 3a^2 - b$
 (iii) $b(c - d)^2 + a(d - c) + 3(c - d)$
 (iv) $ax^2 + b^2y - ab^2 - x^2y$
 (v) $1 - 3x - 3y - 4(x + y)^2$
6. Factorise :
- (i) $2a^3 - 50a$ (ii) $54a^2b^2 - 6$
 (iii) $64a^2b - 144b^3$ (iv) $(2x - y)^3 - (2x - y)$
 (v) $x^2 - 2xy + y^2 - z^2$
 (vi) $x^2 - y^2 - 2yz - z^2$
 (vii) $7a^5 - 567a$ (viii) $5x^2 - \frac{20x^4}{9}$
7. Factorise $xy^2 - xz^2$, Hence, find the value of :
- (i) $9 \times 8^2 - 9 \times 2^2$
 (ii) $40 \times 5.5^2 - 40 \times 4.5^2$
8. Factorise :
- (i) $(a - 3b)^2 - 36b^2$
 (ii) $25(a - 5b)^2 - 4(a - 3b)^2$
 (iii) $a^2 - 0.36b^2$
 (iv) $a^4 - 625$
 (v) $x^4 - 5x^2 - 36$
 (vi) $15(2x - y)^2 - 16(2x - y) - 15$
9. Factorise $a^2b - b^3$. Using this result, find the value of $101^2 \times 100 - 100^3$
10. Evaluate (using factors) : $301^2 \times 300 - 300^3$.

ANSWERS

TEST YOURSELF

1. x, y 2. $x, y; 4x + 7$ 3. $x, y, (4x + 7), (x - 8)$ 4. $(2x + 3), (2x - 3)$ 5. $(x - 3y)$ and $(x - 2y)$
 6. (a) $9; 2$ (b) $-4; -8$, (c) $6; -4$ (d) $12; -1$ (e) $-6; 1$ (f) $-11; 4$ 7. $1 + 2y, 1 + 2y, (1 + 2y)$
 $(5x - 7ax) = x(1 + 2y)(5 - 7a)$ 8. $x + 3y; x - 3y; x^2 - 9y^2$ 9. $8(x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}); 8(x + \frac{1}{x})(x - \frac{1}{x})$
 10. $4(2x^2 - 5xy + 2y^2) = 4(2x^2 - 4xy - xy + 2y^2) = 4[2x(x - 2y) - y(x - 2y)] = 4(x - 2y)(2x - y)$

EXERCISE 15(A)

1. $5(3x + 1)$ 2. $a(a^2 - a + 1)$ 3. $3x^2(1 + 2x)$ 4. $4a(a - 2b)$ 5. $2x^3b^2(1 - 2x^2b^2)$ 6. $5x^3y(3xy^2 - 4)$
 7. $b(a^3 - a^2b - b^2)$ 8. $y(6x^2 + 9xy + 4y^2)$ 9. $17a^2b^4(a^4b^4 - 2a^2b^2 + 3)$ 10. $3x^3y(x^2 - 9xy + 4y^2)$
 11. $(a - b)(x^2 - y^2 + z^2)$ 12. $2x(a + b)$ 13. $(2a + b)(2b - 3c)$ 14. $3abc(4 - 2abc + a^2b^2c^2)$
 15. $2(3x - 2y)(2x - y)$ 16. $(a + 2b)(3a + 2b)$ 17. $2(a^2 + b^2)(3xy + 4yz - 5xz)$

EXERCISE 15(B)

1. $(a + x)(a + b)$ 2. $(a - b)(a - c)$ 3. $(a - 2)(b + a)$ 4. $(a - 1)(a^2 + 1)$ 5. $(a - 2b)(2 - x)$
 6. $(x - a)(y - a + b)$ 7. $(x - 2)(3x^4 - 2x^2 + 1)$ 8. $(xy + 1)(3 - x)$ 9. $(2 - b)(3a^2 + c^2)$ 10. $3(b - 4)(a^2 - 3)$
 11. $(x - a)(x + 3)$ 12. $(x - b)(x + 2)$ 13. $(b - c)(a + d)$ 14. $(b - 1)(ab + c)$ 15. $(a - c)(b^2 + ac)$
 16. $(a - 1)(a^2 - b + 1)$ 17. $(ac - bd)(bc - ad)$ 18. $(2b - y)(ab + cy)$ 19. $(a + 2b + 3c)(x - 3)$
 20. $(b^2c - 1)(2a + 3b - 4c)$

EXERCISE 15(C)

1. $(4 + 3x)(4 - 3x)$ 2. $(1 + 10a)(1 - 10a)$ 3. $(2x + 9y)(2x - 9y)$ 4. $(\frac{2}{5} + 5b)(\frac{2}{5} - 5b)$ 5. $4b(a + b)$
 6. $(5a + b)(5a - 7b)$ 7. $3b^2(2a^2 - 3b^2)$ 8. $(7a - 3b)(3a - b)$ 9. $(1 + 5a + 5b)(1 - 5a - 5b)$
 10. $3(5a + b)(a + b)$ 11. $3(14x + y)(2x + 3y)$ 12. $(13x - 4y)(x - 10y)$ 13. 39 14. $48\frac{22}{25}$
 15. 0.4 16. 18 17. $3(9x + y)(x + 9y)$ 18. $(a + 2 + b)(a + 2 - b)$ 19. $(a + b + 1)(a - b - 1)$
 20. $(x + 3 + 2y)(x + 3 - 2y)$

EXERCISE 15(D)

1. $(x + 4)(x + 2)$ 2. $(x + 3)(x + 1)$ 3. $(a + 3)(a + 2)$ 4. $(a - 3)(a - 2)$ 5. $(a + 6)(a - 1)$
 6. $(x + 4y)(x + y)$ 7. $(a - 8)(a + 5)$ 8. $(x - 9)(x + 8)$ 9. $(x - 6y)(x - 4y)$ 10. $(2a + 3)(a + 2)$
 11. $(a - 1)(3a - 2)$ 12. $(b - 1)(7b - 1)$ 13. $(2a - 13b)(a - 2b)$ 14. $(x + 2y)(2x - 3y)$
 15. $(c + 2)(4c - 5)$ 16. $(2x + 1)(7x - 3)$ 17. $(2 + 3b)(3 - b)$ 18. $(1 + 2x)(5 - 3x)$ 19. $(1 + 2y)(4 - 7y)$
 20. $(1 + 2a)(5 - 7a)$ 21. $(2a + b + 3)(2a + b + 2)$ 22. $(1 - 6x - 9y)(1 + 4x + 6y)$
 23. $(x - 2y - 8)(x - 2y - 4)$ 24. $(4 + 5a + 5b)(2 - a - b)$ 25. $(x + 2y - 2)(2x + 4y - 1)$

EXERCISE 15(E)

1. (i) Yes (ii) Yes (iii) Yes (iv) No (v) No (vi) No 2. $2(1 + 2x)(1 - 2x)$ 3. $2y(2x + 3y)(2x - 3y)$
 4. $a(x + y)(x - y)$ 5. $x(5x + 1)(5x - 1)$ 6. $(a^2 + b^2)(a + b)(a - b)$ 7. $(4x^2 + 9y^2)(2x + 3y)(2x - 3y)$
 8. $(25 + x^2)(5 + x)(5 - x)$ 9. $(x + y)(x - y - 3)$ 10. $(x - y)(x + y - 2)$ 11. $3(x + 8)(x - 3)$
 12. $2(a - 8)(a + 4)$ 13. $5(b + 6)(b + 3)$ 14. $y(x + 3)(3x + 2)$ 15. $a(p + 2)(5p + 1)$ 16. $(a + b + c)(a + b - c)$
 17. $(x + 3y)(x + 3y + 1)$ 18. $(2a - 3b)(2a - 3b + 2)$ 19. $2b^2(a + 7b)(a - 7b)$ 20. $(a + 4b)(a - 4b - 2)$

EXERCISE 15(F)

1. (i) $2x^2(3x - 4)$ (ii) $7ab^2c(5a^2 + 6c)$ (iii) $6x^2y^2(6 - 5xy + 8x)$ (iv) $4(2a + 3b)^2(4a + 6b - 3)$
 (v) $3a(x - 2y)^3(3x - 6y - 4)$ 2. (i) $(a - b)(a - 3)$ (ii) $(x - y)(xy + 5)$ (iii) $(a - b)(a + b^2)$
 (iv) $(y + 1)(xy - 1)$ (v) $(a^2 + b^2)(x^2 + y^2)$ (vi) $(bx - ay)(ax - by)$ (vii) $(m - 1)(2 - m + a)$
3. (i) $(a + b - c)(a - b + c)$ (ii) $3(14x - 13y)(2x + y)$ (iii) $11(29x + 10)(x + 2)$ (iv) $(3x + \frac{1}{4})(3x - \frac{1}{4})$
 (v) $(5x - 10y + 2)(5x - 10y - 2)$ 4. (i) $(a - 21)(a - 2)$ (ii) $(a - 27)(a + 4)$
 (iii) $(1 - 21x)(1 + 3x)$ (iv) $(x - 2y)(5x + 6y)$ (v) $(x + 4)(3x + 2)$ (vi) $(1 - 2x)(5 + 6x)$
 (vii) $(xy - 8)(xy + 5)$ (viii) $(3x - 2y - 8)(3x - 2y + 3)$ (ix) $(4a + 4b - 7)(3a + 3b + 5)$
5. (i) $5(5x - 4)(5x - 14)$ (ii) $(3a^2 - b)(x + a)$ (iii) $(c - d)(bc - bd - a + 3)$ (iv) $(a - y)(x + b)(x - b)$
 (v) $(1 - 4x - 4y)(1 + x + y)$ 6. (i) $2a(a + 5)(a - 5)$ (ii) $6(3ab + 1)(3ab - 1)$ (iii) $16b(2a + 3b)(2a - 3b)$
 (iv) $(2x - y)(2x - y + 1)(2x - y - 1)$ (v) $(x - y + z)(x - y - z)$ (vi) $(x + y + z)(x - y - z)$
 (vii) $7a(a^2 + 9)(a + 3)(a - 3)$ (viii) $5x^2\left(1 + \frac{2x}{3}\right)\left(1 - \frac{2x}{3}\right)$ 7. $x(y + z)(y - z)$ (i) 540 (ii) 400
8. (i) $(a + 3b)(a - 9b)$ (ii) $(7a - 31b)(3a - 19b)$ (iii) $(a + 0.6b)(a - 0.6b)$ (iv) $(a^2 + 25)(a + 5)(a - 5)$
 (v) $(x^2 + 4)(x + 3)(x - 3)$ (vi) $(6x - 3y - 5)(10x - 5y + 3)$ 9. $b(a + b)(a - b)$ and 20100 10. 180300.