

More Factoring Strategies

Unit 4 Day 3

$$\begin{aligned} 10) \quad & x^2 + 81 \\ & (x+9)(x+9) \\ & x^2 + 9x + 9x + 81 \\ & x^2 + 18x + 81 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & x^2 + 81 \\ & (x+9i)(x-9i) \\ & x^2 - 9ix + 9ix - 81i^2 \\ & x^2 + 81 \\ & -81 \cdot -1 = 81 \end{aligned}$$

$$9) \quad x^3 + 216$$

$x \cdot x \cdot x$
 \downarrow
 $6 \cdot 6 \cdot 6$

$$(x+6)(x^2 - 6x + 36)$$

18) write cubic function
2, 3, 4

$$f(x) = (x-2)(x-3)(x-4)$$

crosses @ -8

$$\dots \dots \dots -24$$

23) Quartic degree 4
5, -5, 0 (mult 2)

$$(x-5)(x+5)(x-0)(x-0)$$

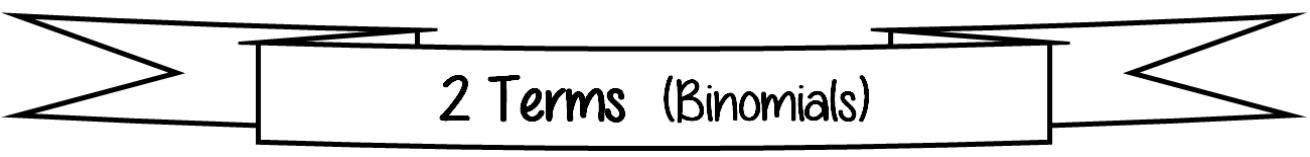
$$(x-5)(x+5)(x)(x)$$

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

No matter what you are factoring, look for
a **Greatest Common Factor FIRST!!!**

Factor out the GCF

$7x^2 - 28$	$7(x^2 - 4)$ $7(x+2)(x-2)$
$2x^3 - 9x^2$	$x^2(2x - 9)$
$5x^2 - 35x$	$5x(x - 7)$
$8x^3 - 40x^2 - 16x$	$8x(x^2 - 5x - 2)$
$3x^3 + 27x^2 - 3x - 27$	$3(x^3 + 9x^2 - x - 9)$



2 Terms (Binomials)

- **Sum or Difference of Squares**

$$98x^2 - 8$$

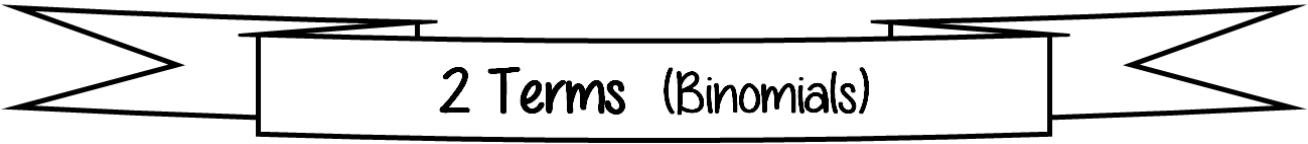
$$\begin{aligned} & 2(49x^2 - 4) \\ & 2(7x+2)(7x-2) \end{aligned}$$

$$9x^2 + 121 = 0$$

$$(3x+11i)(3x-11i) = 0$$

$$3x+11i=0 \text{ or } 3x-11i=0$$

$$x = -\frac{11}{3}i \quad x = \frac{11}{3}i$$

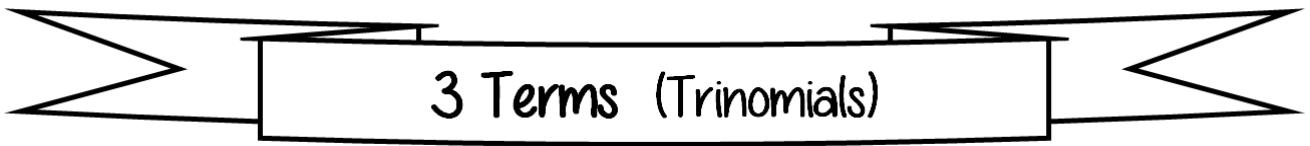


2 Terms (Binomials)

- **Sum or Difference of Cubes**

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{x.x.x} \quad \text{7.7.7} \\ x^3 - 343 \\ (\times - 7)(x^2 + 7x + 49) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 64x^4 + x \\ \times (64x^3 + 1) \\ \times (4x + 1)(16x^2 - 4x + 1) \end{array}$$



3 Terms (Trinomials)

- **Quadratic ($a = 1$)**

$$x^2 + 5x - 36$$

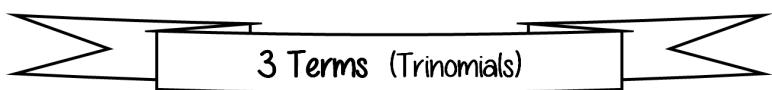
- **Quadratic ($a \neq 1$)**

$$10x^2 - 11x - 6$$

- **Quadratic Type** 

$$\begin{array}{c} x^{\cdot} x^{\cdot} \\ x^4 - 4x^2 - 12 \end{array}$$

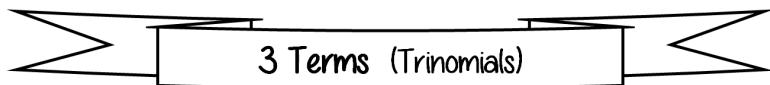
$$(x^2 + 2)(x^2 - 6)$$



- **Quadratic ($a = 1$)**

$$x^2 + 5x - 36$$

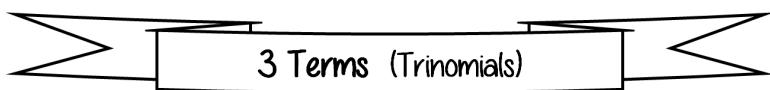
$$2x^3 + 10x^2 - 28x$$



- **Quadratic ($a \neq 1$)**

$$10x^2 - 11x - 6$$

$$12x^3 - 25x^2 + 12x$$



- **Quadratic Type**

$$x^4 - 4x^2 - 12$$



$$\begin{aligned} & 2x^4 + 14x^2 - 60 \\ & 2(x^4 + 7x^2 - 30) \\ & 2(x^2 - 3)(x^2 + 10) \end{aligned}$$

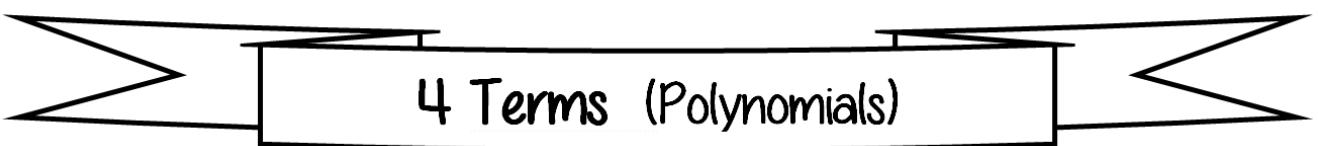
Solve for x.

$$x^4 - 5x^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - 1 &= 0 \\+1 &\quad +1 \\ \hline x^2 &= \sqrt{1} \\x &= \pm 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(x^2 - 1)(x^2 - 4) &= 0 \\(x+1)(x-1)(x+2)(x-2) &= 0 \\x = -1 &\quad x = 1 & x = -2 &\quad x = 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - 4 &= 0 \\ \sqrt{x^2} &= \sqrt{4} \\x &= \pm 2\end{aligned}$$



4 Terms (Polynomials)

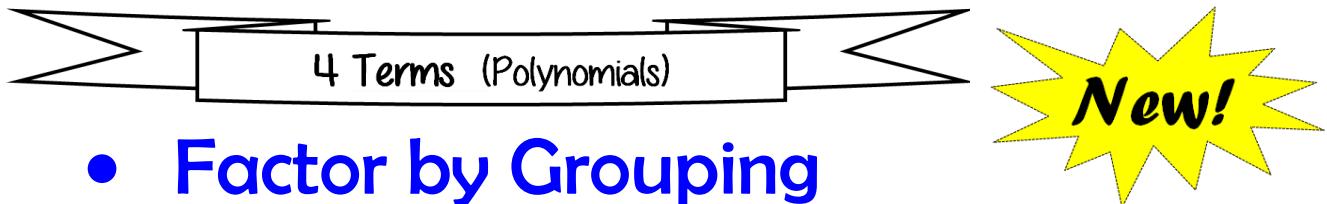
- Factor by Grouping **New!**

This is not in your notes! Just watch!

$$\underline{5x^3 + 10x^2} + \underline{3x + 6}$$

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

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



- Factor by Grouping

$$\underline{3x^4 - 18x^3} + \underline{4x - 24}$$

$$3x^3(x - 6) + 4(x - 6)$$
$$(x - 6)(3x^3 + 4)$$

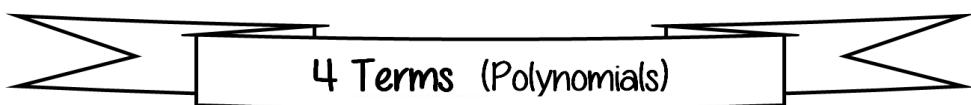
$$\underline{x^3 + 5x^2} \underline{- 4x - 20} = 0$$

$$x^2(x + 5) - 4(x + 5) = 0$$

$$(x + 5)(x^2 - 4) = 0$$

$$(x + 5)(x + 2)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$x = -5 \quad x = -2 \quad x = 2$$



- **When Grouping Doesn't Work**

$$\underbrace{x^3 + 5x^2}_{x^2(x+5)} + \underbrace{5x + 15}_{5(x+3)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \cdot \quad \underbrace{x^3 - 4x^2}_{x^2(x-4)} \underbrace{- 20x + 48}_{-4(5x-12)} \\ & \quad x^2(x-4) - 4(5x-12) \end{aligned}$$

After you have factored, always scan to see if any of the factors can be factored a little more...

Solve for x.

$$4x^3 - 8x^2 = 49x - 98$$

$-49x + 98$ $-49x$ $+98$

$$\underbrace{4x^3 - 8x^2}_{4x^2(x-2)} \underbrace{- 49x + 98}_{= 0} = 0$$

$$4x^2(x-2) - 49(x-2) = 0$$

$$(x-2)(4x^2 - 49) = 0$$

$$(x-2)(2x+7)(2x-7) = 0$$

$$X = 2 \quad X = -\frac{7}{2} \quad X = \frac{7}{2}$$