

Chapter 2.1 Adding and Subtracting Polynomials

many terms

$$\underline{+3x^2} + 8x - 2$$

8x, 3x Like

8x², 3x unlike

$$\text{ex1: } \underline{(3x^3 + 4x - 8)} + \underline{(5x - 2 - 18x^2)}$$

$$= -15x^2 + 9x - 10$$

Descending Order: Largest exponent
to smallest

$$\text{ex2: } \underline{(4x^2 - 2 + 5x)} - \underline{(8 + 2x - 3x^2)}$$

$$= \underline{4x^2} - \underline{2} + \underline{5x} - \underline{8} - \underline{2x} + \underline{3x^2}$$

$$= 7x^2 + 3x - 10$$

ex3: $4(2x^2 + 3x - 2) + 3(x - 2x^2)$

= $8x^2 + 12x - 8 + 3x - 6x^2$

= $2x^2 + 15x - 8$

$$\text{ex4: } -6x(2x-4) + 2(x^2-8) - 3(2x^2-6x)$$

$$= -12x^2 + 24x + 2x^2 - 16 - 6x^2 + 18x$$

$$= -16x^2 + 42x - 16$$

2.2] Multiplying Polynomials FoIL

- multiplying polynomials uses the distributive property:

$$2(x-3) = 4x - 6$$

ex: $(x-4)(2x+3) = 2x(x-4) + 3(x-4)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2x^2 - 8x + 3x - 12 \\ &= 2x^2 - 5x - 12 \end{aligned}$$

ex: $(6x - 2)(2x^2 + x - 1)$ $2 \times 3 = 6$

$$= 12x^3 + 6x^2 - 6x - 4x^2 - 2x + 2$$

$$= 12x^3 + 2x^2 - 8x + 2$$

ex: $(4x - 5)(4x + 5)$

$$= 16x^2 + \cancel{20x} - 25$$

$$= 16x^2 - 25$$

Difference of Squares

$$\text{ex: } (2x-3)(\underbrace{4x^2+9}_{\downarrow})/(2x+3)$$

$$= (4x^2 - 9)(4x^2 + 9)$$

$$= 16x^4 - 81$$

ex: $(2x + 5)^2$

$$\cancel{4x^2 + 25}$$

$$(2x+5)(2x+5)$$

$$= 4x^2 + 10x + 10x + 25$$

$$= 4x^2 + 20x + 25$$

$$(3x - 7)^2$$

$$= 9x^2 - 42x + 49$$