

15.1/15.2 Add, Subtract, and Multiply Polynomials

Ex #1 $(x^2 + 6x - 10) - (4x^3 + 7x - 8)$

$= \cancel{x^2} + \cancel{6x} - 10 - \cancel{4x^3} - \cancel{7x} + 8$
 $= -4x^3 + x^2 - x - 2$

Ex #2 $(3x^2 - 2x) + (x^2 - 7x + 11)$

$= \cancel{3x^2} - 2x + \cancel{x^2} - 7x + 11 = 4x^2 - 9x + 11$

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

$= \cancel{5x^3} + \cancel{2x} - 1 + \cancel{4x^2} + \cancel{6} - \cancel{5x} + \cancel{x^3} - \cancel{2x^2} - \cancel{5}$
 $= 6x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x$

Ex #4 $(6x - 2)(x^2 + 7x - 8)$

	x^2	$+7x$	-8
$6x$	$6x^3$	$42x^2$	$-48x$
-2	$-2x^2$	$-14x$	$+16$

$= 6x^3 + 40x^2 - 62x + 16$

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

	x^2	$+x$	-4
$3x^2$	$3x^4$	$3x^3$	$-12x^2$
$-2x$	$-2x^3$	$-2x^2$	$+8x$
$+1$	$+x^2$	$+x$	-4

$= 3x^4 + x^3 - 13x^2 + 9x - 4$

Ex #6 An open-topped box is created by cutting squares of side length x off the corners of a 10×8 inch paper & folding the sides up.

a) Write $V(x)$, the function for volume of the box & write it in standard form.

Volume Box = (length)(width)(height)

$V(x) = (10 - 2x)(8 - 2x)x$

$V(x) = (4x^2 - 36x + 80)x$

$V(x) = 4x^3 - 36x^2 + 80x$

	$8 - 2x$
10	$80 - 20x$
$-2x$	$-16x + 4x^2$