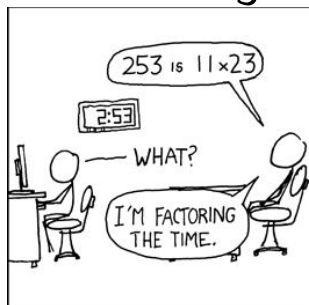


# Unit 6 Notes

## Factoring

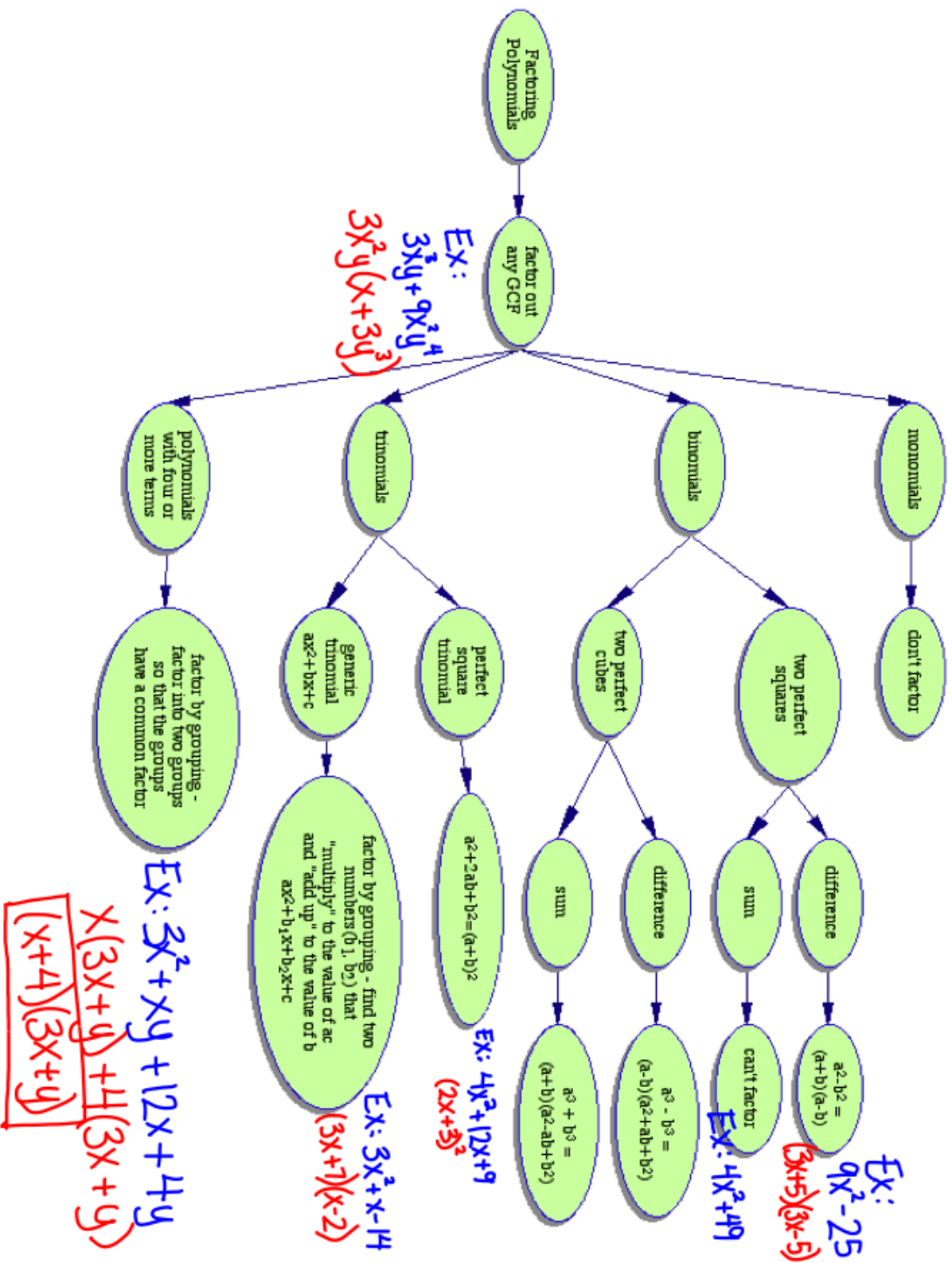


## Tentative Schedule

Day	Classwork	Assignment
Mon. 11/24 (all)	Test #5	Video #6.1 with Notes: Factoring by GCF
Tues. 11/25 (S) Mon. 12/1 (R)	1 - 17	Video #6.2 with Notes: Factoring Trinomials
Tues. 12/2 (all)	18 - 37	Video #6.3 with Notes: Factoring Trinomials by Grouping
Wed. 12/3 (S) Thurs. 12/4 (R)	38 - 58	Video #6.4 with Notes: Factoring Special Cases of Binomials/Trinomials
Fri. 12/5 (all)	59 - 81	Video #6.5 with Notes: Factoring Completely
Fri. 12/5 (R) Mon. 12/8 (S)	<b>Quiz #6 during Lab Class</b>	
Mon. 12/8 (S) Tues. 12/9 (R)	82 - 100	Finish Practice Packet
Wed. 12/10 (all)	Review for Test #6	Review for Test #6
Thurs. 12/11 (S) Fri. 12/12 (R)	<b>Test #6</b>	TBA

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# Factoring Flow-Chart



# Notes 6.1 - Factoring by GCF

GCF stands for: <u>Greatest</u> <u>Common</u> <u>Factor</u>	
Prime: a natural # with two unique factors (one and itself)	Composite: a natural number with more than two unique divisor
To find the GCF of a set of numbers, look for the <u>lowest</u> <u>exponent</u> .	

Find the GCF of the following. Then divide each number by the GCF.

1.) 18, 24

GCF: 6

Divided by the GCF: 3, 4

2.) 90, 315

GCF: 45

Divided by the GCF: 2, 7

3.)  $x^8, x^7, x^6$

GCF:  $x^6$

Divided by the GCF:  $x^2$ ,  $x$ , 1

4.)  $9a^4b^3, 15a^3b^2, 3a^2b^4$

GCF:  $3a^2b^2$

Divided by the GCF:  $3a^2b$ ,  $5a$ ,  $b^2$

5.) Distribute.  $3x(x^3 + 8x^2 + 4)$

$3x^4 + 24x^3 + 12x$



What is the GCF of the answer to number 5?

$3x$

(undistribute and you'll get):  
 $\frac{3x^4 + 24x^3 + 12x}{(3x^4 + 24x^3 + 12x)}$

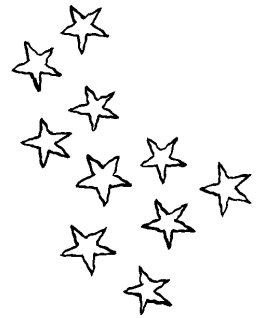
Steps to Factoring by GCF:

1. Find the GCF \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Divide \_\_\_\_\_ the expression by the GCF \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Write the answer as GCF (quotient) \_\_\_\_\_ . (Undistribute)

Try these.

6.)  $-5x^3y + 25x$   
 $-5x(x^2y - 5)$

7.)  $4x^2y + 7xy$   
 $xy(4x + 7)$



8.) Solve for a.  $5a + 10ax = 4b$   
 $5a(1 + 2x) = 4b$   
 $a = \frac{4b}{5(1 + 2x)}$

9.) Solve for y.  $3xy + 9y = 14$   
 $3y(x + 3) = 14$   
 $y = \frac{14}{3(x + 3)}$

# Notes 6.2 - Factoring Trinomials by Trial-and-Error

General form of a quadratic expression:  $ax^2 + bx + c$

Multiply each expression below:

1.)  $(3x+4)(x+2)$

	$3x$	$4$
$x$	$3x^2$	$4x$
$2$	$2x$	$8$

$$\boxed{3x^2 + 6x + 8}$$

2.)  $(5x+3)(2x+1)$

$$5x(2x+1) + 3(2x+1)$$

$$10x^2 + 5x + 6x + 3$$

$$\boxed{10x^2 + 11x + 3}$$



When you factor, you are "un-distributing" the trinomial into the product of two binomials. Try the following examples:

3.)  $3x^2 - 2x - 8$

$$\boxed{(3x + 4)(x - 2)}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 1 \overline{) 3} \\ \hline 8 \\ 1 \overline{) 8} \\ \hline 4 \end{array}$$

4.)  $3x^2 + x - 14$

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

$$\begin{array}{r} 74 \\ 1 \overline{) 14} \\ \hline 2 \overline{) 7} \end{array}$$

5.)  $x^2 + x - 20$

$$\boxed{(x+5)(x-4)}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 20 \\ 1 \overline{) 20} \\ \hline 2 \overline{) 10} \\ \hline 4 \overline{) 5} \end{array}$$

6.)  $-2x^2 + 3x + 9$

$$\boxed{(-2x+3)(x+3)}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 1 \overline{) 9} \\ \hline 3 \overline{) 3} \end{array}$$

## Notes 6.3 - Factoring Trinomials by Grouping

Multiply the following binomials:  $(3x+2)(4x-7) = 3x(4x-7) + 2(4x-7) = 12x^2 - 21x + 8x - 14$

Example:  $6x^2 + 5x - 6$

$$= 12x^2 - 13x - 14$$



A. Consider the product  $a(c)$ :  $(6)(-6) = -36$

B. List out all possible factor pairs of  $a(c)$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} (-1, 36) & (2, 18) & (-3, 12) & (-4, 9) & (6, -6) \\ (1, -36) & (2, -18) & (3, -12) & (4, -9) & \end{array}$$

C. Find the pair that satisfies the requirements of the product-sum method (i.e., a pair of numbers whose product equals  $ac$  and whose sum is  $b$ ).

$-4$  and  $9$

D. Rewrite the expression with the same first and last term but with an expanded  $b$  term using that pair of factors as coefficients:

$$\begin{array}{l} 6x^2 + 5x - 6 \\ 6x^2 - 4x + 9x - 6 \end{array}$$

E. We now have four terms that can be entered into a tabular model or factored by grouping.

$$(6x^2 - 4x) + (9x - 6)$$

F. Pair the first two and the last two. Factor out a common factor for each group.

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{2x(3x-2)} + \underline{3(3x-2)} \\ \boxed{(3x-2)(2x+3)} \end{array}$$

Try the following examples:

$$7.) \quad 3x^2 - 2x - 8 \quad (3)(-8) = -24$$

1	24
2	12
3	8
4	6

$$(3x^2 - 6x) + (4x - 8)$$

$$3x(x-2) + 4(x-2)$$

$(x-2)(3x+4)$

$$8.) \quad 3x^2 + x - 14 \quad (3)(-14) = -42$$

1	42
2	21
3	14
6	7

$$3x^2 + 7x - 6x - 14$$

$$(3x^2 + 7x) - (6x + 14)$$

careful

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

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

$$9.) \quad x^2 + x - 20 \quad (1)(20) =$$

1	20
2	10
4	5

$$x^2 - 4x + 5x - 20$$

$$(x^2 - 4x) + (5x - 20)$$

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

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

$$10.) \quad -2x^2 + 3x + 9 \quad (-2)(9) = -18$$

1	18
2	9
3	6

$$-2x^2 - 3x + 6x + 9$$

$$(-2x^2 - 3x) + (6x + 9)$$

$$-x(2x+3) + 3(2x+3)$$

$(2x+3)(-x+3)$

## Notes 6.4 - Special Cases of Factoring

Multiply the following binomials together:

1.)  $(x-4)(x+4)$   
 $x^2 + 4x - 4x - 16$   
 $x^2 - 16$

2.)  $(3x+5)(3x-5)$   

$3x$	$9x^2$	$15x$
$-5$	$-15x$	$-25$

 $9x^2 - 25$

General form for a difference of perfect squares:

$$a^2 - b^2 = (a-b)(a+b)$$

Factor:

3.)  $x^2 - 9$   
 $(x+3)(x-3)$

4.)  $-9 + x^2$   
 $x^2 - 9$   
 $(x+3)(x-3)$

5.)  $x^2 + 16$

prime

6.)  $x^4 - 81$   
 $(x^2+9)(x^2-9)$   
 $(x^2+9)(x-3)(x+3)$



Multiply the following binomials together:

$$7.) \quad (x+4)(x+4)$$
$$x^2 + 4x + 4x + 16$$
$$\boxed{x^2 + 8x + 16}$$

$$8.) \quad (3x+5)(3x+5)$$

3x	$9x^2$	$15x$
5	$15x$	25

$$\boxed{9x^2 + 30x + 25}$$

General form for squaring a binomial:

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

Factor.

$$9.) \quad x^2 + 6x + 9$$
$$(x+3)^2$$

$$10.) \quad 25x^2 + 60xy + 36y^2$$
$$(5x+6y)^2$$

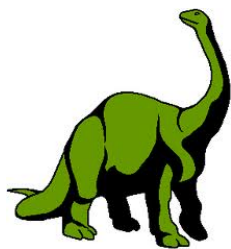
$$11.) \quad x^2 - 14x + 49$$
$$(x-7)^2$$

$$12.) \quad x^2 - 10x - 25$$

prime

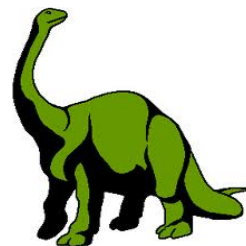


## Notes 6.5 - Factoring Completely



Try these steps in the following order.

- A. Is there a GCF?
- B. Does it look a Difference of Perfect Squares?
- C. Can I factor a trinomial by grouping or trial-and-error?
- D. Is my final answer completely factored?



Factor completely.

$$1.) \quad 50x^2 - 242y^4$$

$$2(25x^2 - 121y^4)$$

$$2(5x + 11y^2)(5x - 11y^2)$$

$$2.) \quad c^3 + 2c^2 - 35c$$

$$c(c^2 + 2c - 35)$$

$$c(c + 7)(c - 5)$$

$$3.) \quad 9x^2 - 78x - 27$$

$$3(3x^2 - 26x - 9)$$

$$3[(3x^2 - 27x) + (x - 9)]$$

$$3[3x(x - 9) + 1(x - 9)]$$

$$3(x - 9)(3x + 1)$$

$(3)(-9) = -27$   
 $\begin{array}{r} 27 \\ 3 \overline{) 27} \\ \underline{3} \phantom{0} \\ 9 \phantom{0} \\ \underline{9} \phantom{0} \\ 0 \phantom{0} \end{array}$

$$4.) \quad x^2y^2 + 7x^2y - 60x^2$$

$$x^2(y^2 + 7y - 60)$$

$$x^2(y + 12)(y - 5)$$