

CHAPTER TWO

Factorization, Standard Form and Simplification

(With Supplementary Notes)

(Q1) Factorize completely $3a^2 + 2ab - 12ac - 8bc$

Soln

$$3a^2 + 2ab - 12ac - 8bc = (3a^2 + 2ab) - (12ac + 8bc)$$

$$= a(3a + 2b) - (4 \times 3ac + 4 \times 2bc)$$

$$= a(3a + 2b) - 4c(3a + 2b) = (3a + 2b)(a - 4c),$$

(Q2) Factorize completely $2ap + aq - bq - 2bq$

Soln

$$2ap + aq - bq - 2bq = (2ap + aq) - (bq + 2bp)$$

$$= a(2p + q) - b(q + 2p) = (2p + q)(a - b).$$

(Q3) Factorize completely $mp + np - mt - nt$

Soln

$$mp + np - mt - nt = (mp + np) - (mt + nt)$$

$$= p(m + n) - t(m + n) = (m + n)(p - t).$$

(Q4)(i) Factorize completely the expression $2xy - 8x + 3y - 12$.

(ii) If $x = 5$ and $y = 2$, evaluate the expression in (i) .

Soln

$$(i) 2xy - 8x + 3y - 12 = (2xy - 8x) + (3y - 12),$$

$$= (2x \times xy - 2x \times 4x) + (3y - 3 \times 4)$$

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

(ii) If $x = 5$ and $y = 7$, then $(2x + 3)(y - 4)$

$$= \{2(5) + 3\} \{7 - 4\} = (10 + 3)(3) = (13)(3) = 39.$$

(Q5) Factorize $xy + 3x + 6y + 18$

Soln

$$xy + 3x + 6y + 18 = (xy + 3x) + (6y + 18)$$

$$= (xy + 3x) + (6y + 3 \times 6)$$

$$= x(y + 3) + 6(y + 3) = (y + 3)(x + 6)$$

(Q6) Factorize $xy - xz + 5y - 5z$

Soln

$$xy - xz + 5y - 5z = (xy - xz) + (5y - 5z)$$

$$= x(y - z) + 5(y - z) = (x + 5)(y - z)$$

(Q7) Factorize $(m + n)(2x - y) - x(m + n)$

N/B: Factorize or bring the $(m + n)$ outside the bracket.

Soln

$$(m + n)(2x - y) - x(m + n) = (m + n) \{(2x - y) - x\}$$

$$= (m + n) \{2x - y - x\} = (m + n) \{2x - x - y\}$$

$$= (m + n) \{x - y\}.$$

(Q8) Factorize $3a^2 - 8bc - 12ac + 2ba$.

N/B: First group like terms.

Soln

$$3a^2 - 8bc - 12ac + 2ba = 3a^2 - 12ac - 8bc + 2ba.$$

$$= 3a^2 - 12ac + 2ba - 8bc = (3a^2 - 12ac) + (2ba - 8bc)$$

$$= (3 \times a \times a - 3 \times 4 \times a \times c) + (2 \times a \times b - 2 \times 4 \times b \times c)$$

$$= 3a(a - 4ac) + 2b(a - 4c) = (3a + 2b)(a - 4ac)$$

(Q9) Factorize completely $6xy - 3y + 4x - 2$

Soln

$$6xy - 3y + 4x - 2 = (6xy - 3y) + (4x - 2)$$

$$= (2x \cdot 3x \cdot x \cdot y - 3x \cdot 1 \cdot x \cdot y) + (2x \cdot 2x \cdot x - 2x \cdot 1)$$

$$= 3y(2x - 1) + 2(2x - 1) = (3y + 2)(2x - 1)$$

(Q10) Simplify $\frac{mn + mp + nq + pq}{n+p}$

Soln

$$\frac{mn + mp + nq + pq}{n+p} = \frac{(mn + mp) + (nq + pq)}{n+p}$$

$$= \frac{m(n+p) + q(n+p)}{n+p} = \frac{(n+p) + (m+q)}{n+p}$$

$$= (m+q) = m+q.$$

Q11) Simplify $(\frac{2a+4b}{3}) - (\frac{3a-b}{2})$

Soln:

$$(\frac{2a+4b}{3}) - (\frac{3a-b}{2}) = \frac{1}{3}(2a+4b) - \frac{1}{2}(3a-b).$$

Multiply through using 6

$$\Rightarrow 6 \times \frac{1}{3}(2a+4b) - 6 \times \frac{1}{2}(3a-b)$$

$$2(2a+4b) - 3(3a-b)$$

$$= 4a + 8b - 9a + 3b$$

$$= 4a - 9a + 8b + 3b$$

$$= -5a + 11b$$

(Q12) Simplify $3x^2 + 6x - 3y^2 + 4x^2 - 8x + 2y^2$.

Soln:

$$3x^2 + 6x - 3y^2 + 4x^2 - 8x + 2y^2$$

$$= 3x^2 + 4x^2 - 3y^2 + 2y^2 + 6x - 8x$$

$$= 7x^2 - y^2 - 8x + 6x$$

$$= 7x^2 - y^2 - 2x.$$

(Q13) Multiply $(a - b)$ by $(2b - a)$.

Soln:

$$(a - b)(2b - a) = a \times 2b - a \times a - b \times 2b + b \times a$$

$$= 2ab - a^2 - 2b^2 + ba$$

$$= 2ab + ba - a^2 - 2b^2$$

$$= 2ab + ab - a^2 - 2b^2$$

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

(Q14) Multiply $(3 + x)$ by $(5 - 2x)$

Soln:

$$(3 + x)(5 - 2x) = 3 \times 5 - 3 \times 2x + x \times 5 - x \times 2x$$

$$= 15 - 6x + 5x - 2x^2$$

$$= 15 - x - 2x^2$$