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## Operations with Polynomials

**Exercise 1:** Evaluate each expression for the indicated values

- 1)  $2x^2 + 4y - 5x$  ;  $x=9$  and  $y=-3$
- 2)  $a^2 - 2a^3 + 4a + 10$  ;  $a=-4$
- 3)  $2a^2b + 2ab^2 - 3ab$  ;  $a=2$  and  $b=3$
- 4)  $c^2d^3 + 2c^2d + 4d - 2c + 9$  ;  $c=2$  and  $d=1$
- 5)  $a^2x^3 - 2a^2x + 4ax + 3a - 2x$  ;  $x=1$  and  $a=2$
- 6)  $11x^3 + 2x^2 - 10$  ;  $x=7$

**Exercise 2:** Consider the expression  $3x^2 + 5 - 7x$ .

- 1) Is the expression a polynomial and if so is it a monomial, binomial, or trinomial?
- 2) What is the degree of the polynomial?
- 3) Arrange the terms of the polynomial so that the powers of  $x$  are in descending order.

**Exercise 3:** Doctors study the heart of a potential heart attack patient by injecting a dye in a vein near the heart. In a healthy heart, the amount of dye in the bloodstream after  $t$  seconds is given by the expression  $-0.006t^4 + 1.79t + 0.53t^2 + 0.14t^3$ .

- a. Arrange the terms of the polynomial so that the powers of  $t$  are in descending order.
- b. Find the degree of the polynomial.

**Exercise 4:** The deer population of the Kaibab Plateau in Arizona from 1905 to 1930 can be estimated by the polynomial  $-0.13x^5 + 3.13x^4 + 4000$ , where  $x$  is the number of years after 1900. Find the degree of the polynomial.

**Exercise 5:** Find the sum using the horizontal method

- 1)  $(34x - 15) + (11x + 21)$
- 2)  $(-7x - 1) + (-3x - 6)$
- 3)  $(x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x - 3) + (-x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 5)$
- 4)  $(x^6 + x^4 + 2x^2 - 3) + (-3x^6 + 5x^4 + 8x^2 + 11)$
- 5)  $(x^9 + 3x^7 - 3x) + (4x^9 + x^7 - 9x)$
- 6)  $\left(\frac{1}{5}x^4 + \frac{4}{7}x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x\right) + \left(\frac{2}{5}x^4 - \frac{3}{7}x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x\right)$
- 7)  $\left(\frac{1}{2}x^4 + \frac{3}{2}x^2 - \frac{5}{7}x\right) + \left(\frac{3}{2}x^4 + \frac{6}{9}x^2 + \frac{1}{7}x\right)$

**Exercise 6:** Find the difference using the horizontal method

- 1)  $(-x^2 + 9x - 8) - (2x^2 - x - 4)$
- 2)  $(-x^3 + 5x - 3) - (4x^3 - 21x - 11)$
- 3)  $(-x^3 + 2x^2 + 4x - 11) - (4x^3 + 5x^2 - 2x - 9)$
- 4)  $(x^5 + x^4 + 3x - 1) - (-2x^5 - 7x^4 + 4x - 2)$
- 5)  $(0.07x^2 + 4.3x - 4.5) - (5.3x^3 + 2.8x^2 + 3.9x + 1.7)$
- 6)  $(2.3x^2 + 5.1x - 4.2) - (4.1x^3 + 6.3x^2 + 7.1x + 1.5)$

**Exercise 7:** Perform the indicated operations by using the vertical alignment method.

- 1)  $(8x^2 + 7x - 4) - (3x^2 + 5x + 1)$
- 2)  $(x^2 - 6x + 7) + (4x^2 - 5x + 2)$
- 3)  $(-5x^2 + 6x - 3) + (x^2 - 7x - 7)$
- 4)  $(8x^2 + 7x + 5) + (9x^2 - 6x + 3)$

**Exercise 8:** Find the missing term:

- 1)  $(4x + \underline{\hspace{2cm}}) + (2x + 3) = 6x + 5$
- 2)  $(x^2 + 6x + 7) + (3x^2 + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + 1) = 4x^2 + 13x + 8$
- 3)  $(x^2 + 4x + 8) - (3x^2 + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + 6) = -2x^2 - x + 2$
- 4)  $(4x + \underline{\hspace{2cm}}) + (2x + 3) - (x + 1) = 5x + 3$

**Exercise 9:** Find the difference when  $-2x^3 + 6x^2 + x - 1$  is subtracted from  $-10x^3 + 9x^2 - 4x + 5$ .