

NCERT Solutions for Class 9

Maths

Chapter 2 – Polynomials

Exercise 2.4

1. Use suitable identities to find the following products:

(i) $(x + 4)(x + 10)$

Ans: Using the identity, $(x + a)(x + b) = x^2 + (a + b)x + ab$

Here we have, $a = 4, b = 10$

We get,

$$\begin{aligned}(x + 4)(x + 10) &= x^2 + (4 + 10)x + (4)(10) \\ &= x^2 + 14x + 40\end{aligned}$$

(ii) $(x + 8)(x - 10)$

Ans: Using the identity, $(x + a)(x + b) = x^2 + (a + b)x + ab$

Here we have, $a = 8, b = -10$

We get,

$$\begin{aligned}(x + 8)(x + (-10)) &= x^2 + (8 + (-10))x + (8)(-10) \\ (x + 8)(x - 10) &= x^2 + (8 - 10)x - 80 \\ &= x^2 - 2x - 80\end{aligned}$$

(iii) $(3x + 4)(3x - 5)$

Ans: Using the identity, $(x + a)(x + b) = x^2 + (a + b)x + ab$

Here we have, $a = 4, b = -5$

We get,

$$\begin{aligned}(3x + 4)(3x + (-5)) &= (3x)^2 + (4 + (-5))3x + (4)(-5) \\ (3x + 4)(3x - 5) &= 9x^2 + (4 - 5)3x - 20 \\ &= 9x^2 - 3x - 20\end{aligned}$$

(iv) $\left(y^2 + \frac{3}{2}\right)\left(y^2 - \frac{3}{2}\right)$

Ans: Using the identity, $(x + y)(x - y) = x^2 - y^2$

Here we have, $x = y^2, y = \frac{3}{2}$

We get,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(y^2 + \frac{3}{2}\right)\left(y^2 - \frac{3}{2}\right) &= (y^2)^2 - \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \\ &= y^4 - \frac{9}{4} \end{aligned}$$

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

Ans: Using the identity, $(x + y)(x - y) = x^2 - y^2$

Here we have, $x = 3, y = 2x$

We get,

$$\begin{aligned} (3 + 2x)(3 - 2x) &= (3)^2 - (2x)^2 \\ &= 9 - 4x^2 \end{aligned}$$

2. Evaluate the following products without multiplying directly:

(i) 103×107

Ans: $103 \times 107 = (100 + 3) \times (100 + 7)$

By using the identity, $(x + a)(x + b) = x^2 + (a + b)x + ab$

Here we have, $x = 100, a = 3, b = 7$

We get,

$$\begin{aligned} (100 + 3)(100 + 7) &= (100)^2 + (3 + 7)100 + (3)(7) \\ (103) \times (107) &= 10000 + 1000 + 21 \\ &= 11021 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) 95×96

Ans: $95 \times 96 = (100 - 5) \times (100 - 4)$

By using the identity, $(x - a)(x - b) = x^2 - (a + b)x + ab$

Here we have, $x = 100, a = 5, b = 4$

We get,

$$\begin{aligned}(100 - 5)(100 - 4) &= (100)^2 - (5 + 4)100 + (5)(4) \\ (95) \times (96) &= 10000 - 900 + 20 \\ &= 9120\end{aligned}$$

(iii) 104×96

Ans: $104 \times 96 = (100 + 4) \times (100 - 4)$

By using the identity, $(x + y)(x - y) = x^2 - y^2$

Here we have, $x = 100$, $y = 4$

We get,

$$\begin{aligned}(100 + 4)(100 - 4) &= (100)^2 - (4)^2 \\ (104) \times (96) &= 10000 - 16 \\ &= 9984\end{aligned}$$

3. Factorize the following using appropriate identities:

(i) $9x^2 + 6xy + y^2$

Ans: $9x^2 + 6xy + y^2 = (3x)^2 + 2(3x)(y) + (y)^2$

By using the identity, $x^2 + 2xy + y^2 = (x + y)^2$

Here, $x = 3x$, $y = y$

$$\begin{aligned}9x^2 + 6xy + y^2 &= (3x)^2 + 2(3x)(y) + (y)^2 \\ &= (3x + y)^2 \\ &= (3x + y)(3x + y)\end{aligned}$$

(ii) $4y^2 - 4y + 1$

Ans: $4y^2 - 4y + 1 = (2y)^2 - 2(2y)(1) + (1)^2$

By using the identity, $x^2 - 2xy + y^2 = (x - y)^2$

Here, $x = 2y$, $y = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}4y^2 - 4y + 1 &= (2y)^2 - 2(2y)(1) + (1)^2 \\ &= (2y - 1)^2\end{aligned}$$

$$= (2y - 1)(2y - 1)$$

(iii) $x^2 - \frac{y^2}{100}$

Ans: $x^2 - \frac{y^2}{100} = (x)^2 - \left(\frac{y}{10}\right)^2$

By using the identity, $x^2 - y^2 = (x + y)(x - y)$

Here, $x = x$, $y = \frac{y}{10}$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - \frac{y^2}{100} &= (x)^2 - \left(\frac{y}{10}\right)^2 \\ &= \left(x - \frac{y}{10}\right)\left(x + \frac{y}{10}\right) \end{aligned}$$

4. Expand each of the following, using suitable identities:

(i) $(x + 2y + 4z)^2$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx$

Here, $x = x$, $y = 2y$, $z = 4z$

$$\begin{aligned} (x + 2y + 4z)^2 &= (x)^2 + (2y)^2 + (4z)^2 + 2(x)(2y) + 2(2y)(4z) + 2(4z)(x) \\ &= x^2 + 4y^2 + 16z^2 + 4xy + 16yz + 8xz \end{aligned}$$

(ii) $(2x - y + z)^2$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx$

Here, $x = 2x$, $y = -y$, $z = z$

$$\begin{aligned} (2x - y + z)^2 &= (2x)^2 + (-y)^2 + (z)^2 + 2(2x)(-y) + 2(-y)(z) + 2(z)(2x) \\ &= 4x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 4xy - 2yz + 4xz \end{aligned}$$

(iii) $(-2x + 3y + 2z)^2$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx$

Here, $x = -2x$, $y = 3y$, $z = 2z$

$$\begin{aligned} (-2x + 3y + 2z)^2 &= (-2x)^2 + (3y)^2 + (2z)^2 + 2(-2x)(3y) + 2(3y)(2z) + 2(2z)(-2x) \\ &= 4x^2 + 9y^2 + 4z^2 - 12xy + 12yz - 8xz \end{aligned}$$

(iv) $(3a - 7b - c)^2$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx$

Here, $x = 3a$, $y = -7b$, $z = -c$

$$\begin{aligned} (3a - 7b - c)^2 &= (3a)^2 + (-7b)^2 + (-c)^2 + 2(3a)(-7b) + 2(-7b)(-c) + 2(-c)(3a) \\ &= 9a^2 + 49b^2 + c^2 - 42ab + 14bc - 6ca \end{aligned}$$

(v) $(-2x + 5y - 3z)^2$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx$

Here, $x = -2x$, $y = 5y$, $z = -3z$

$$\begin{aligned} (-2x + 5y - 3z)^2 &= (-2x)^2 + (5y)^2 + (-3z)^2 + 2(-2x)(5y) + 2(5y)(-3z) + 2(-3z)(-2x) \\ &= 4x^2 + 25y^2 + 9z^2 - 20xy - 30yz + 12xz \end{aligned}$$

(vi) $\left(\frac{1}{4}a - \frac{1}{2}b + 1\right)^2$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx$

Here, $x = \frac{1}{4}a$, $y = -\frac{1}{2}b$, $z = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{4}a - \frac{1}{2}b + 1\right)^2 &= \left(\frac{1}{4}a\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}b\right)^2 + (1)^2 + 2\left(\frac{1}{4}a\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}b\right) + 2\left(-\frac{1}{2}b\right)(1) + 2(1)\left(\frac{1}{4}a\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{16}a^2 + \frac{1}{4}b^2 + 1 - \frac{1}{4}ab - b + \frac{1}{2}a \end{aligned}$$

5. Factorise:

(i) $4x^2 + 9y^2 + 16z^2 + 12xy - 24yz - 16xz$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx$

We can see that, $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx = (x + y + z)^2$

$$4x^2 + 9y^2 + 16z^2 + 12xy - 24yz - 16xz = (2x)^2 + (3y)^2 + (-4z)^2$$

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

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

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

(ii) $2x^2 + y^2 + 8z^2 - 2\sqrt{2}xy + 4\sqrt{2}yz - 8xz$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx$

We can see that, $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy + 2yz + 2zx = (x + y + z)^2$

$$2x^2 + y^2 + 8z^2 - 2\sqrt{2}xy + 4\sqrt{2}yz - 8xz = (-\sqrt{2}x)^2 + (y)^2 + (2\sqrt{2}z)^2 + 2(-\sqrt{2}x)(y)$$

$$+ 2(y)(2\sqrt{2}z) + 2(2\sqrt{2}z)(-\sqrt{2}x)$$

$$= (-\sqrt{2}x + y - 2\sqrt{2}z)^2$$

$$= (-\sqrt{2}x + y - 2\sqrt{2}z)(-\sqrt{2}x + y - 2\sqrt{2}z)$$

6. Write the following cubes in expanded form:

(i) $(2x + 1)^3$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy(x + y)$

$$(2x + 1)^3 = (2x)^3 + (1)^3 + 3(2x)(1)(2x + 1)$$

$$= 8x^3 + 1 + 6x(2x + 1)$$

$$= 8x^3 + 1 + 12x^2 + 6x$$

$$= 8x^3 + 12x^2 + 6x + 1$$

(ii) $(2a - 3b)^3$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x - y)^3 = x^3 - y^3 - 3xy(x - y)$

$$\begin{aligned}(2a - 3b)^3 &= (2a)^3 - (3b)^3 - 3(2a)(3b)(2a - 3b) \\ &= 8a^3 - 27b^3 - 18ab(2a - 3b) \\ &= 8a^3 - 27b^3 - 36a^2b + 54ab^2\end{aligned}$$

(iii) $\left(\frac{3}{2}x + 1\right)^3$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy(x + y)$

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{3}{2}x + 1\right)^3 &= \left(\frac{3}{2}x\right)^3 + (1)^3 + 3\left(\frac{3}{2}x\right)(1)\left(\frac{3}{2}x + 1\right) \\ &= \frac{27}{8}x^3 + 1 + \frac{9}{2}x\left(\frac{3}{2}x + 1\right) \\ &= \frac{27}{8}x^3 + 1 + \frac{27}{4}x^2 + \frac{9}{2}x \\ &= \frac{27}{8}x^3 + \frac{27}{4}x^2 + \frac{9}{2}x + 1\end{aligned}$$

(iv) $\left(x - \frac{2}{3}y\right)^3$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x - y)^3 = x^3 - y^3 - 3xy(x - y)$

$$\begin{aligned}\left(x - \frac{2}{3}y\right)^3 &= (x)^3 - \left(\frac{2}{3}y\right)^3 - 3(x)\left(\frac{2}{3}y\right)\left(x - \frac{2}{3}y\right) \\ &= x^3 - \frac{8}{27}y^3 - 2xy\left(x - \frac{2}{3}y\right) \\ &= x^3 - \frac{8}{27}y^3 - 2x^2y + \frac{4}{3}xy^2\end{aligned}$$

7. Evaluate the following using suitable identities:

(i) $(99)^3$

Ans: Here we can write $(99)^3$ as $(100 - 1)^3$

By using the identity, $(x - y)^3 = x^3 - y^3 - 3xy(x - y)$

$$\begin{aligned}(100 - 1)^3 &= (100)^3 - (1)^3 - 3(100)(1)(100 - 1) \\ &= 1000000 - 1 - 300(100 - 1) \\ &= 1000000 - 1 - 30000 + 300 \\ &= 970299\end{aligned}$$

(ii) $(102)^3$

Ans: Here we can write $(102)^3$ as $(100 + 2)^3$

By using the identity, $(x + y)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy(x + y)$

$$\begin{aligned}(100 + 2)^3 &= (100)^3 + (2)^3 + 3(100)(2)(100 + 2) \\ &= 1000000 + 8 + 600(100 + 2) \\ &= 1000000 + 8 + 60000 + 1200 \\ &= 1061208\end{aligned}$$

(iii) $(998)^3$

Ans: Here we can write $(998)^3$ as $(1000 - 2)^3$

By using the identity, $(x - y)^3 = x^3 - y^3 - 3xy(x - y)$

$$\begin{aligned}(1000 - 2)^3 &= (1000)^3 - (2)^3 - 3(1000)(2)(1000 - 2) \\ &= 1000000000 - 8 - 6000(1000 - 2) \\ &= 1000000000 - 8 - 6000000 + 12000 \\ &= 994011992\end{aligned}$$

8. Factorise each of the following:

(i) $8a^3 + b^3 + 12a^2b + 6ab^2$

Ans: Here we can write $8a^3 + b^3 + 12a^2b + 6ab^2$ as

$$(2a)^3 + (b)^3 + 3(2a)^2(b) + 3(2a)(b)^2$$

By using the identity, $(x + y)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy(x + y)$

Here, $x = 2a$, $y = b$

$$\begin{aligned} 8a^3 + b^3 + 12a^2b + 6ab^2 &= (2a)^3 + (b)^3 + 3(2a)^2(b) + 3(2a)(b)^2 \\ &= (2a + b)^3 \\ &= (2a + b)(2a + b)(2a + b) \end{aligned}$$

(ii) $8a^3 - b^3 - 12a^2b + 6ab^2$

Ans: Here we can write $8a^3 - b^3 - 12a^2b + 6ab^2$ as

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

By using the identity, $(x - y)^3 = x^3 - y^3 - 3xy(x - y)$

Here, $x = 2a$, $y = b$

$$\begin{aligned} 8a^3 - b^3 - 12a^2b + 6ab^2 &= (2a)^3 - (b)^3 - 3(2a)^2(b) + 3(2a)(b)^2 \\ &= (2a - b)^3 \\ &= (2a - b)(2a - b)(2a - b) \end{aligned}$$

(iii) $27 - 125a^3 - 135a + 225a^2$

Ans: Here we can write $27 - 125a^3 - 135a + 225a^2$ as

$$(3)^3 - (5a)^3 - 3(3)^2(5a) + 3(3)(5a)^2$$

By using the identity, $(x - y)^3 = x^3 - y^3 - 3xy(x - y)$

Here, $x = 3$, $y = 5a$

$$\begin{aligned} 27 - 125a^3 - 135a + 225a^2 &= (3)^3 - (5a)^3 - 3(3)^2(5a) + 3(3)(5a)^2 \\ &= (3 - 5a)^3 \\ &= (3 - 5a)(3 - 5a)(3 - 5a) \end{aligned}$$

(iv) $64a^3 - 27b^3 - 144a^2b + 108ab^2$

Ans: Here we can write $64a^3 - 27b^3 - 144a^2b + 108ab^2$ as

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

By using the identity, $(x - y)^3 = x^3 - y^3 - 3xy(x - y)$

Here, $x = 4a$, $y = 3b$

$$64a^3 - 27b^3 - 144a^2b + 108ab^2 = (4a)^3 - (3b)^3 - 3(4a)^2(3b) + 3(4a)(3b)^2$$

$$= (4a - 3b)^3$$

$$= (4a - 3b)(4a - 3b)(4a - 3b)$$

(v) $27p^3 - \frac{1}{216} - \frac{9}{2}p^2 + \frac{1}{4}p$

Ans: Here we can write $27p^3 - \frac{1}{216} - \frac{9}{2}p^2 + \frac{1}{4}p$ as

$$(3p)^3 - \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3 - 3(3p)^2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 3(3p)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2$$

By using the identity, $(x - y)^3 = x^3 - y^3 - 3xy(x - y)$

Here, $x = 3p$, $y = \frac{1}{6}$

$$27p^3 - \frac{1}{216} - \frac{9}{2}p^2 + \frac{1}{4}p = (3p)^3 - \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3 - 3(3p)^2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 3(3p)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(3p - \frac{1}{6}\right)^3$$

$$= \left(3p - \frac{1}{6}\right)\left(3p - \frac{1}{6}\right)\left(3p - \frac{1}{6}\right)$$

9. Verify:

(i) $x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x^2 - xy + y^2)$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x + y)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy(x + y)$

$$x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)^3 - 3xy(x + y)$$

$$x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)\left[(x + y)^2 - 3xy\right] \quad \text{Taking } (x + y) \text{ common}$$

$$x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)\left[(x^2 + y^2 + 2xy) - 3xy\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x^2 + y^2 - xy)$$

Hence, verified.

(ii) $x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$

Ans: By using the identity, $(x - y)^3 = x^3 - y^3 - 3xy(x - y)$

$$x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)^3 + 3xy(x + y)$$

$$x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)[(x - y)^2 + 3xy] \quad \text{Taking } (x - y) \text{ common}$$

$$x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)[(x^2 + y^2 - 2xy) + 3xy]$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)(x^2 + y^2 + xy)$$

Hence, verified.

10. Factorise each of the following:

(i) $27y^3 + 125z^3$

Ans: Here $27y^3 + 125z^3$ can be written as $(3y)^3 + (5z)^3$

$$27y^3 + 125z^3 = (3y)^3 + (5z)^3$$

As we know that, $x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x^2 - xy + y^2)$

$$27y^3 + 125z^3 = (3y)^3 + (5z)^3$$

$$27y^3 + 125z^3 = (3y + 5z)[(3y)^2 - (3y)(5z) + (5z)^2]$$

$$= (3y + 5z)(9y^2 - 15yz + 25z^2)$$

(ii) $64m^3 - 343n^3$

Ans: Here $64m^3 - 343n^3$ can be written as $(4m)^3 - (7n)^3$

$$64m^3 - 343n^3 = (4m)^3 - (7n)^3$$

As we know that, $x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$

$$64m^3 - 343n^3 = (4m)^3 - (7n)^3$$

$$64m^3 - 343n^3 = (4m - 7n)[(4m)^2 + (4m)(7n) + (7n)^2]$$

$$= (4m - 7n)(16m^2 + 28mn + 49n^2)$$

11. Factorise: $27x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 9xyz$

Ans: Here $27x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 9xyz$ can be written as $(3x)^3 + (y)^3 + (z)^3 - 3(3x)(y)(z)$

$$27x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 9xyz = (3x)^3 + (y)^3 + (z)^3 - 3(3x)(y)(z)$$

$$\text{We know that, } x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = (x + y + z)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx)$$

$$27x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 9xyz = (3x)^3 + (y)^3 + (z)^3 - 3(3x)(y)(z)$$

$$= (3x + y + z) \left[(3x)^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 3xy - yz - 3xz \right]$$

$$= (3x + y + z)(9x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 3xy - yz - 3xz)$$

12. Verify that $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = \frac{1}{2}(x + y + z) \left[(x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 + (z - x)^2 \right]$

Ans: As we know that, $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = (x + y + z)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx)$

Dividing the equation by $\frac{1}{2}$ and multiply by 2

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = \frac{1}{2}(x + y + z) \left[2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(x + y + z)(2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 - 2xy - 2yz - 2zx)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(x + y + z) \left[(x^2 + x^2 + y^2 + y^2 + z^2 + z^2 - 2xy - 2yz - 2zx) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(x + y + z) \left[(x^2 + y^2 - 2xy) + (y^2 + z^2 - 2yz) + (x^2 + z^2 - 2zx) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(x + y + z) \left[(x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 + (z - x)^2 \right]$$

13. If $x + y + z = 0$, show that $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 3xyz$

Ans: As we know that $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = (x + y + z)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx)$

Given, $x + y + z = 0$, then

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = (x + y + z)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx)$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = (0)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx)$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = 0$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 3xyz$$

Hence, proved.

14. Without actually calculating the cubes, find the value of each of the following:

(i) $(-12)^3 + (7)^3 + (5)^3$

Ans: Let

$$(-12)^3 + (7)^3 + (5)^3$$

$$a = -12, b = 7, c = 5$$

We know that if, $x + y + z = 0$ then $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 3xyz$

$$\text{Here, } -12 + 7 + 5 = 0$$

$$(-12)^3 + (7)^3 + (5)^3 = 3xyz$$

$$= 3(-12)(7)(5)$$

$$= -1260$$

(ii) $(28)^3 + (-15)^3 + (-13)^3$

Ans: Let

$$(28)^3 + (-15)^3 + (-13)^3$$

$$a = 28, b = -15, c = -13$$

We know that if, $x + y + z = 0$ then $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 3xyz$

$$\text{Here, } 28 - 15 - 13 = 0$$

$$(28)^3 + (-15)^3 + (-13)^3 = 3xyz$$

$$= 3(28)(-15)(-13)$$

$$= 16380$$

15. Give possible expressions for the length and breadth of each of the following rectangles, in which their areas are given:

(i) Area: $25a^2 - 35a + 12$

Ans: Area: $25a^2 - 35a + 12$

Using the splitting the middle term method,

We've to find a number whose sum $= -35$ and product $25 \times 12 = 300$

We'll get -15 and -20 as the numbers $[-15 - 20 = -35]$ and $[-15 \times (-20) = 300]$

$$25a^2 - 35a + 12$$

$$25a^2 - 15a - 20a + 12$$

$$5a(5a - 3) - 4(5a - 3)$$

$$(5a - 3)(5a - 4)$$

Possible expression for length = $(5a - 4)$

Possible expression for breadth = $(5a - 3)$

(ii) **Area: $35y^2 + 13y - 12$**

Ans: Area: $35y^2 + 13y - 12$

Using the splitting the middle term method,

We've to find a number whose sum = 13 and product $35 \times 12 = 420$

We'll get -15 and 28 as the numbers $[-15 + 28 = 13]$ and $[15 \times 28 = 420]$

$$35y^2 + 13y - 12$$

$$35y^2 - 15a + 28y - 12$$

$$5y(7y - 3) + 4(7y - 3)$$

$$(7y - 3)(5y + 4)$$

Possible expression for length = $(5y + 4)$

Possible expression for breadth = $(7y - 3)$

16. What are the possible expressions for the dimensions of the cuboids whose volume are given below?

(i) Volume: $3x^2 - 12x$

Ans: $3x^2 - 12x$ can be written as $3x(x - 4)$ by taking $3x$ common from both the terms.

Possible expression for length = 3

Possible expression for length = x

Possible expression for length = $(x - 4)$

(ii) Volume: $12ky^2 + 8ky - 20k$

Ans: $12ky^2 + 8ky - 20k$ can be written as $4k(3y^2 + 2y - 5)$ by taking $4k$ common from both the terms.

$$12ky^2 + 8ky - 20k = 4k(3y^2 + 2y - 5)$$

Here, we can write $4k(3y^2 + 2y - 5)$ as $4k(3y^2 + 5y - 3y - 5)$ by using the splitting the middle term method

$$4k(3y^2 + 5y - 3y - 5)$$

$$4k[y(3y + 5) - 1(3y + 5)]$$

$$4k(3y + 5)(y - 1)$$

Possible expression for length = $4k$

Possible expression for length = $(3y + 5)$

Possible expression for length = $(y - 1)$