

# Math Notes

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## Abstract

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# I Algebra

## I Nomials

### Nomial Lineage

- ➊ **Monomial** ⇒ One term only, e.g.  $7x^2$
- ➋ **Binomial** ⇒ Two terms, e.g.  $x + 2$
- ➌ **Trinomial** ⇒ Three terms, e.g.  $x^2 + 3x + 2$
- ➍ **Polynomial** ⇒ Many terms, general family
- ➎ **Technique** ⇒ Prefix indicates number of terms
- ➏ **Outcome** ⇒ Classification helps organize algebraic expressions

Monomial:  $ax^n$  (1)  
Binomial:  $ax^n + bx^m$  (2)  
Trinomial:  $ax^n + bx^m + cx^k$  (3)



## Polynomial Forms

- ➡ **Monomial** ⇒ One term only, e.g.  $7x^2$
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## Like Terms

- ➡ **Definition** ⇒ Expressions with identical variable parts, e.g.  $3x^2$  and  $-5x^2$
- ➡ **Variable Match** ⇒ Same variables with same exponents
- ➡ **Coefficient** ⇒ Numbers in front may differ
- ➡ **Technique** ⇒ Combine by adding or subtracting coefficients
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Simplifies polynomials by reducing to fewer terms



## Coefficient

- ➡ **Definition** ⇒ The number in front of a variable, e.g. in  $7x$  the coefficient is 7
- ➡ **Variable Match** ⇒ It scales the variable part without changing its type
- ➡ **Examples** ⇒  $3x^2$  has coefficient 3,  $-5y$  has coefficient -5
- ➡ **Constants** ⇒ A constant term like 4 can be seen as coefficient 4 of  $x^0$
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Coefficients tell how strongly each variable contributes to the polynomial

## I Polynomial Exponents

### Definition of Negative Exponent

- ➡ **Positive Exponent** ⇒  $x^n$  means multiply  $x$  by itself  $n$  times
- ➡ **Negative Exponent** ⇒  $x^{-n}$  means reciprocal of  $x^n$
- ➡ **Rule** ⇒  $x^{-n} = \frac{1}{x^n}$
- ➡ **Example** ⇒  $x^{-3} = \frac{1}{x^3}$
- ➡ **Use** ⇒ Negative exponents express division or reciprocals in algebra and calculus



$$x^3 = x \cdot x \cdot x \Rightarrow x^{-3} = \frac{1}{x^3}$$

### Using Negative Exponents

- ➡ **Step 1** ⇒ Recall exponent rules:  $x^a \cdot x^b = x^{a+b}$
- ➡ **Step 2** ⇒ Set  $a = 3, b = -3$ :  $x^3 \cdot x^{-3} = x^0$
- ➡ **Step 3** ⇒ But  $x^0 = 1$
- ➡ **Step 4** ⇒ So  $x^{-3}$  must equal  $\frac{1}{x^3}$
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Negative exponent means reciprocal of positive power

## Exponent Flip Examples

$$x^5 = \frac{1}{x^{-5}} \quad x^{12} = \frac{1}{x^{-12}} \quad (4)$$

$$x^{17} = \frac{1}{x^{-17}} \quad 15x^9 = \frac{15}{x^{-9}} \quad (5)$$

$$28x^5 = \frac{28}{x^{-5}} \quad x^5 = \frac{1}{x^{-5}} \quad (6)$$

$$x^{-3} = \frac{1}{x^3} \quad x^3 = \frac{1}{x^{-3}} \quad (7)$$

$$x^{-3} = \frac{1}{x^3} \quad (8)$$

### Polynomial Exponent Rules Applied

- ➊ **Power of a Power**  $\Rightarrow (a^m)^n = a^{mn}$
- ➋ **Nested Powers**  $\Rightarrow$  Combine:  $8 \cdot 3 = 24$
- ➌ **Outer Flip**  $\Rightarrow$  Apply  $(-9)$ :  $x^{768y^{5z^3}} \rightarrow x^{-6912y^{5z^3}}$
- ➍ **Technique**  $\Rightarrow$  Multiply all exponents carefully, preserve inner structure
- ➎ **Outcome**  $\Rightarrow$  Final simplified form:  $x^{-6912y^{5z^3}}$



$$\begin{aligned} (((x^{32y^{5z^3}})^8)^3)^{-9} &= (x^{32y^{5z^3}})^{8 \cdot 3} \Rightarrow x^{768y^{5z^3}} \\ &= \left(x^{768y^{5z^3}}\right)^{-9} \Rightarrow x^{-9 \cdot 768y^{5z^3}} \\ &= x^{-6912y^{5z^3}} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 x^2 \cdot x^4 &= x^{2+4} &\Rightarrow x^6 \\
 x^7 \cdot x^5 &= x^{7+5} &\Rightarrow x^{12} \\
 x^8 \cdot x^9 &= x^{8+9} &\Rightarrow x^{17} \\
 (3x^3)(5x^6) &= (3 \cdot 5)x^{3+6} &\Rightarrow 15x^9 \\
 (4x^2)(7x^3) &= (4 \cdot 7)x^{2+3} &\Rightarrow 28x^5 \\
 (4xy^2)(8x^2y^3) &= (4 \cdot 8)x^{1+2}(1 \cdot 1)y^{2+3} &\Rightarrow 32x^3y^5 \\
 (5x^2y^3)(6x^3y^4) &= (5 \cdot 6)x^{2+3}(1 \cdot 1)y^{3+4} &\Rightarrow 30x^5y^7 \\
 (7x^3y^4)(8x^5y^7) &= (7 \cdot 8)x^{3+5}(1 \cdot 1)y^{4+7} &\Rightarrow 56x^8y^{11}
 \end{aligned}$$

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 (x^3)^4 &= x^{3 \cdot 4} = x^{12} \\
 (x^4)^6 &= x^{4 \cdot 6} = x^{24} \\
 (x^3)^5 &= x^{3 \cdot 5} = x^{15} \\
 (3x^2)^4 &= 3^{1 \cdot 4}x^{2 \cdot 4} = 3^4x^8 = 81x^8 \\
 (2x^3)^3 &= 2^{1 \cdot 3}x^{3 \cdot 3} = 2^3x^9 = 8x^9
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}(3x^2)^2(2x^3)^3 &= 3^{1 \cdot 2}x^{2 \cdot 2}2^{1 \cdot 3}x^3 \cdot 3 \\&= 3^2x^42^3x^9 \\&= 9 \cdot 8x^{4+9} \\&= 72x^{13}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(3^2x^3y^4)^2(2^3x^2y^5)^3 &= (3^{2 \cdot 2}x^{3 \cdot 2}y^{4 \cdot 2})(2^{3 \cdot 3}x^{2 \cdot 3}y^{5 \cdot 3}) \\&= (3^4x^6y^8)(2^9x^6y^{15}) \\&= (81x^6y^8)(512x^6y^{15}) \\&= 81 \cdot 512x^6 + 6y^{8+15} \\&= 41472x^{12}y^{23}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}-2^3 &= -2 \cdot -2 \cdot -2 = -8 \\(-2)^3 &= -2 \cdot -2 \cdot -2 = -8 \\-(-2)^3 &= -2 \cdot -2 \cdot -2 = 8\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 (-7x^2y^3)^0 &= -7^{2 \cdot 0}x^{2 \cdot 0}y^{3 \cdot 0} \\
 &= -7^0x^0y^0 \\
 &= 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3x(5x + 8) &= 15x^2 + 24x \\
 4x(x^2 - 2x + 3) &= 4x^3 - 8x^2 + 12x
 \end{aligned}$$

## I Dividing Polynomials

$$\frac{x^8}{x^3} = x^{8-3} \Rightarrow x^5 \quad (9)$$

$$\frac{x^5}{x^2} = x^{5-2} \Rightarrow x^3 \quad (10)$$

$$\frac{x^5}{x^8} = x^{5-8} \Rightarrow x^{-3} \quad (11)$$

$$\frac{x^4}{x^7} = x^{4-7} \Rightarrow x^{-3} \quad (12)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\frac{24x^9y^5}{8x^3y^{12}} &= \frac{24}{8}x^{9-3}\frac{1}{1}y^{5-12} \\&= 3x^6y^{-7} \\&= \frac{3x^6}{y^7}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{12x^5y^{-3}z^4}{36x^8y^{-4}z^{-8}} &= \frac{\frac{12}{3}x^{5-8}}{\frac{36}{3}}\frac{1}{1}y^{-3--4}\frac{1}{1}z^{4--8} \\&= \frac{x^{-3}y^1z^{12}}{3} \\&= \frac{yz^{12}}{3x^3}\end{aligned}$$



## I Multiplying Polynomials

### Multiplication Symbols

- ➊ **Dot** ⇒ · is clean, algebraic, avoids confusion with  $x$
- ➋ **Times** ⇒  $\times$  is bold, arithmetic, or cross product
- ➌ **Context** ⇒ Use · in algebra,  $\times$  in arithmetic or vectors
- ➍ **Technique** ⇒ Choose based on clarity and audience
- ➎ **Outcome** ⇒ Both mean multiplication, but notation signals intent

$$x^2 \cdot x^4 = x^{2+4} \Rightarrow x^6$$

$$x^7 \cdot x^5 = x^{5+7} \Rightarrow x^{12}$$

$$x^8 \cdot x^9 = x^{8+9} \Rightarrow x^{17}$$



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## I Combining Polynomials

$$x + 4 = 7 \Rightarrow x + 4 - 4 = 7 - 4 \Rightarrow x + 0 = 3$$

$$x + 9 = 15 \Rightarrow x + 9 - 9 = 15 - 9 \Rightarrow x + 0 = 6$$

$$6 + x = 13 \Rightarrow 6 + x - 6 = 13 - 6 \Rightarrow 0 + x = 7$$

$$x - 3 = 9 \Rightarrow x - 3 + 3 = 9 + 3 \Rightarrow x + 0 = 12 \Rightarrow x = 12$$

$$x - 8 = 7 \Rightarrow x - 8 + 8 = 7 + 8 \Rightarrow x + 0 = 15 \Rightarrow x = 15$$

$$3x + 5 = 11 \Rightarrow 3x + 5 - 5 = 11 - 5 \Rightarrow \frac{3x}{3} = \frac{6}{3} \Rightarrow x = 2$$



$$6.3 = -2 + x \Rightarrow 6.3 + 2 = -2 + 2 + x \Rightarrow 6.3 = 0 + x \Rightarrow x = 6.3$$

$$5 = x - 8 \Rightarrow 5 + 8 = x - 8 + 8 \Rightarrow 13 = x - 0 \Rightarrow \\ \hookrightarrow x = 13$$

$$5 - x = 12 \Rightarrow 5 - 12 - x + x = 12 - 12 + x \Rightarrow \\ \hookrightarrow -7 = 0 + x \Rightarrow x = -7$$

$$-8 = 5 - x \Rightarrow -8 + 8 = 5 + 8 - x \Rightarrow 0 + x = 13 - x + x \Rightarrow \\ \hookrightarrow x = 13$$

$$3x = 12 \Rightarrow \frac{3x}{3} = \frac{12}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{1} = 4 \Rightarrow x = 4$$



$$7x = 14 \Rightarrow \frac{7x}{7} = \frac{14}{7} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{1} = 2 \Rightarrow x = 2$$

$$-6x = -30 \Rightarrow \frac{-6x}{-6} = \frac{-30}{-6} \Rightarrow \frac{-x}{-1} = 5 \Rightarrow x = 5$$

$$-8x = 48 \Rightarrow \frac{-8x}{-8} = \frac{48}{-8} \Rightarrow \frac{-x}{-1} = -6 \Rightarrow x = -6$$

$$7x = -56 \Rightarrow \frac{7x}{7} = \frac{-56}{7} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{1} = -8 \Rightarrow x = -8$$

$$-8x = -72 \Rightarrow \frac{-8x}{-8} = \frac{-72}{-8} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{1} = 9 \Rightarrow x = 9$$



$$4x + 3 = 6x - 15 \Rightarrow 4x - 4x + 3 + 15 = 6x - 4x - 15 + 15 \Rightarrow \\ \hookrightarrow \frac{18}{2} = \frac{2x}{2}; \Rightarrow x = 9$$

$$3(2x - 4) = 5(3x + 2) - 3 \Rightarrow 6x - 12 = 15x + 10 - 3 \Rightarrow \\ \hookrightarrow 6x - 6x - 12 - 7 = 15x - 6x + 7 - 7 \Rightarrow \\ \hookrightarrow \frac{-19}{9} = \frac{9x}{9} \Rightarrow x = \frac{-19}{9}$$

$$\frac{3}{4}x - \frac{2}{3} = 12 \Rightarrow (\frac{3}{4}x \cdot 4)3 - (\frac{2}{3} \cdot 3)4 = 12 \cdot 12 \\ \hookrightarrow (3x)3 - (2)4 = 144 \Rightarrow 9x - 8 + 8 = 144 + 8 \Rightarrow \\ \hookrightarrow \frac{9x}{9} = \frac{152}{9} \Rightarrow x = \frac{152}{9}$$

$$\frac{2}{3}x + 5 = 8 \Rightarrow (\frac{2}{3}x + 5 = 8)3 \Rightarrow 2x + 15 - 15 = 24 - 15 \Rightarrow \\ \hookrightarrow \frac{2x}{2} = \frac{9}{2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$(3x + 5) + (4x - 2) = 7x + 3$$

$$(4x^2 + 3x + 9) + (5x^2 + 7x - 4) = 9x^2 + 10x + 5$$

$$\begin{aligned}(5x^2 - 6x - 12) - (7x^2 + 4x - 13) &= 5x^2 - 6x - 12 - 7x^2 - 4x + 13 \\&= 5x^2 - 7x^2 - 12 + 13 - 6x - 4x \\&= -2x^2 + 1 - 10x\end{aligned}$$

## I FOIL Method

$$(a + b)(c + d) = ac + ad + bc + bd \tag{14}$$



## FOIL Method

- ⇒ **First** ⇒ Multiply first terms:  $a \cdot c$
- ⇒ **Outer** ⇒ Multiply outer terms:  $a \cdot d$
- ⇒ **Inner** ⇒ Multiply inner terms:  $b \cdot c$
- ⇒ **Last** ⇒ Multiply last terms:  $b \cdot d$
- ⇒ **Outcome** ⇒ Sum all four products to get the expanded expression

$$\begin{aligned}(2x + 5)(4x^2 - 3x + 6) &= (2 \cdot 4)x^{1+2} + (2 \cdot -3)^{1+1} + (2 \cdot 6)x \\&\quad \hookrightarrow +(5 \cdot 4)x^2 + (5 \cdot -3)x + (5 \cdot 6) \\&= 8x^3 + (-6 + 20)^2 + (12 + -15)x + 30 \\&= 8x^3 + 14x^2 + -3x + 30\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & (3x^2 - 2x + 4)(4x^2 + 5x + -6) = \\
 & \hookrightarrow (3 \cdot 4)x^{2+2} + (3 \cdot 5)x^{2+1} + (3 \cdot -6)x^{2+0} \\
 & \hookrightarrow +(-2 \cdot 4)x^{1+2} + (-2 \cdot 5)x^{1+1} + (-2 \cdot -6)x^{1+0} \\
 & \hookrightarrow +(4 \cdot 4)x^{0+2} + (4 \cdot 5)x^{0+1} + (4 \cdot -6)x^{0+0} \\
 & = 12x^4 + (15 + -8)x^3 + (-18 + -10 + 16)x^2 + (12 + 20)x + -24 \\
 & = 12x^4 + 7x^3 + -12x^2 + 32x + -24
 \end{aligned}$$

## I Factoring Polynomials

$$4a^2 + 2ab - 3a^2b + 5$$

Terms	Factors	Prime Factors
$4a^2$	$4, a^2$	$2, 2, a, a$
$2ab$	$3, a, b$	$2, a, b$
$-3a^2b$	$-3, a^2, b$	$-3, a, a, b$
5	5	5



$$xy^2 - 3x^2y^2 - 6y + z$$

Terms	Factors	Prime Factors
$xy^2$	$4, a^2$	$2, 2, a, a$
$-3x^2y$	$3, a, b$	$2, a, b$
$-6y$	$-6, y$	$-2, 3, y$
$z$	$z$	$z$

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

Terms	Factors	Prime Factors
$-5$	$-5$	$-5$
$2(3a^2 - 3t)$	$2.3a^2 - 3t$	$2.3a^2 - 3t$
$6t$	$6, t$	$3, 3, t$

$$3x^2 + 5x - 2$$

Terms	Factors	Prime Factors
$3x^2$	$3, x^2$	$3.x.x$
$5x$	$5, x$	$5, x$
$-2$	$-2$	$-2$



## Definition of Prime Factor

- ➊ **Prime** ⇒ A number greater than 1 divisible only by 1 and itself
- ➋ **Factor** ⇒ A number that divides another evenly
- ➌ **Prime Factor** ⇒ A prime number that divides another number exactly
- ➍ **Example** ⇒  $60 = 2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$ ; prime factors are 2, 3, 5
- ➎ **Use** ⇒ Prime factors are the building blocks of integers, used in LCM, GCD, and simplification

Find LCM of 12 and 18

$$12 = 2^2 \cdot 3 \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$18 = 2 \cdot 3^2 \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{LCM} = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \quad \rightarrow 36$$



## Using Prime Factors for LCM

- ➡ **Step 1** ⇒ Prime factorize each number
- ➡ **Step 2** ⇒ Collect all distinct primes
- ➡ **Step 3** ⇒ Take the highest power of each prime
- ➡ **Step 4** ⇒ Multiply them together
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒  $\text{LCM}(12,18) = 36$

## Euclidean Modulus

```

1 define nx_pt_mod(x, y) {
2     x = nx_abs(x)
3     if (x == 0)
4         return 0
5     y = nx_abs(y)
6     if (y > 0)
7         return x - y *
8     →nx_pt_trunc(x / y)
9     print "<nx:impurity/>"
10    return -1
}

```

## The Greatest Common Factor

```

1 define nx_euc(x, y) {
2     auto n
3     if (x == y)

```



```

4           return x
5           while (x > 0 && y > 0) {
6               n = x
7               x = nx_pt_mod(y,
8                   →x)
9               }
10          return n
11      }
```

$$(8, 12) \mapsto \gcd(8, 12) = 4$$

$$8x + 12 \Rightarrow 4\left(\frac{8x}{2} + \frac{12}{4}\right) \Rightarrow 4(2x + 3)$$

$$(4, 2) \mapsto \gcd(4, 2) = 2$$

$$4x^2 + 2x \Rightarrow 2x\left(\frac{4x^2}{2x} + \frac{2x}{2x}\right) \Rightarrow 2x(2x + 1)$$

$$(12, 18) \mapsto \gcd(12, 18) = 6$$

$$12ab^2 + 18a^2b^3 \Rightarrow 6ab^2(2 + 3ab)$$



## Definition of Perfect Square

- ➊ **Perfect Square** ⇒ A number that can be expressed as  $n^2$  for some integer  $n$
- ➋ **Integer Squared** ⇒ Formed by multiplying an integer by itself
- ➌ **Examples** ⇒ 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, ...
- ➍ **Non-Examples** ⇒ 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, ...
- ➎ **Use** ⇒ Perfect squares appear in factoring, radicals, and Pythagorean identities

Check if 49 is a perfect square

$$\begin{aligned} 49 &= 7 \cdot 7 \quad \Rightarrow \\ &= 7^2 \quad \hookrightarrow \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, 49 is a perfect square.



## Using Perfect Squares

- ➡ **Step 1** ⇒ Identify the number
- ➡ **Step 2** ⇒ Ask if it can be written as  $n^2$
- ➡ **Step 3** ⇒ If yes, it is a perfect square
- ➡ **Step 4** ⇒ If no, it is not
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ 49 is a perfect square since  $49 = 7^2$

## Difference of Squares Applied

- ➡ **Identity** ⇒  $(a^2 - b^2) = (a - b)(a + b)$
- ➡ **Example** ⇒  $x^2 - 9$
- ➡ **Factorization** ⇒ Apply rule:  $x^2 - 3^2 = (x - 3)(x + 3)$
- ➡ **Technique** ⇒ Recognize perfect squares and subtract
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Final factored form:  $(x - 3)(x + 3)$

$$x^2 - 9 \Rightarrow x^2 - 3^2 \Rightarrow (x - 3)(x + 3)$$



## Perfect Squares Difference

- ⇒ **Identity** ⇒  $(a^2 - b^2) = (a - b)(a + b)$
- ⇒ **Example** ⇒  $x^2 - 9$
- ⇒ **Factorization** ⇒  $(x - 3)(x + 3)$
- ⇒ **Technique** ⇒ Spot the squares, apply the difference rule
- ⇒ **Outcome** ⇒ Factored polynomial form

$$(25) \mapsto \sqrt{(25)} = 5$$
$$x^2 - 25 \Rightarrow (x + 5)(x - 5)$$

$$(x - 5)(x + 5) \Rightarrow x^2 + 5x + -5x + -25 \Rightarrow$$
$$\hookrightarrow x^2 + (5x + -5x \Rightarrow 0) - 25 \Rightarrow x^2 - 25$$

$$(9) \mapsto \sqrt{(9)} = 3$$
$$x^2 - 9 \Rightarrow (x + 3)(x - 3)$$

$$(4) \mapsto \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$x^2 - 4 \Rightarrow (x + 2)(x - 2)$$

$$4x^2 - 25 \Rightarrow (2x + 5)(2x - 5)$$

$$(81) \mapsto \sqrt{81} = 9$$

$$(16) \mapsto \sqrt{16} = 4$$

$$16x^2 - 25 \Rightarrow (4x + 9)(4x - 9)$$

$$25x^2 - 16y^2 \Rightarrow (5x + 4y)(5x - 4y)$$

$$81x^4 - 16y^8 \Rightarrow (9x^2 + 4y^4)(9x^2 - 4y^4) \Rightarrow (3x + 2y^2)(3x - 2y^2)$$



## Factor by Grouping Applied

- ➡ **Setup** ⇒ Polynomial with 4 terms
- ➡ **Grouping** ⇒ Split into two pairs
- ➡ **Inner Factor** ⇒ Factor each pair separately
- ➡ **Common Binomial** ⇒ Extract the shared binomial
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Final factored form

$$\begin{aligned}x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 6 &\Rightarrow (x^3 + 3x^2) + (2x + 6) \Rightarrow \\&\hookrightarrow x^2(x + 3) + 2(x + 3) \Rightarrow (x^2 + 2)(x + 3)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x^3 - 4x^2 + 3x - 12 &\Rightarrow x^2(x - 4) + 3(x - 4) \Rightarrow \\&\hookrightarrow \frac{x^2(x - 4)}{x - 4} + \frac{3(x - 4)}{x - 4} \Rightarrow \\&\hookrightarrow (x - 4)(x^2 + 3)\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 2x^3 - 6x^2 + 4x - 12 &\Rightarrow 2x^2(x - 3) + 4(x - 3) \Rightarrow \\
 &\hookrightarrow \frac{2x^2(x - 3)}{x - 3} + \frac{4(x - 3)}{x - 3} \Rightarrow \\
 &\hookrightarrow (x - 3)(2x^2 + 4)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3x^3 + 8x^2 - 6x - 16 &\Rightarrow x^2(3x + 8) - 2(3x + 8) \Rightarrow \\
 &\hookrightarrow \frac{x^2(3x + 8)}{3x + 8} + \frac{-2(3x + 8)}{3x + 8} \Rightarrow \\
 &\hookrightarrow (x^2 - 2)(3x + 8) \Rightarrow \\
 &\hookrightarrow 3x^3 - 6x + 8x^2 - 16 \Rightarrow 3x(x^2 - 2) + 8(x^2 - 2) \Rightarrow \\
 &\hookrightarrow \frac{3x(x^2 - 2)}{x^2 - 2} + \frac{8(x^2 - 2)}{x^2 - 2} \Rightarrow \\
 &\hookrightarrow (x^2 - 2)(3x + 8)
 \end{aligned}$$

## I Lowest Common Denominator

refer to I to see the gcd function.



## The Lowest Common Denominator

```
1 define nx_lcd(x, y) {  
2     return x * y / nx_euc(x, y)  
3 }
```

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{5} \Rightarrow \frac{3 \cdot 5}{4 \cdot 5} + \frac{2 \cdot 4}{5 \cdot 4} \Rightarrow \frac{15}{20} + \frac{8}{20} \Rightarrow \frac{15+8}{20} \Rightarrow \frac{23}{20}$$

$$\frac{5}{6} + \frac{4}{7} \Rightarrow \frac{5 \cdot 7}{6 \cdot 7} + \frac{4 \cdot 6}{7 \cdot 6} \Rightarrow \frac{35}{42} + \frac{24}{42} \Rightarrow \frac{35-24}{42} \Rightarrow \frac{11}{42}$$

$$\frac{7}{5} \cdot \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{7 \cdot 4}{5 \cdot 3} \Rightarrow \frac{28}{15} \Rightarrow 1\frac{13}{15}$$

$$(18, 20) \mapsto \gcd(18, 20) = 2$$

$$\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{6}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{3 \cdot 6}{5 \cdot 4} \Rightarrow \frac{18}{20} \Rightarrow \frac{\frac{18}{2}}{\frac{20}{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{9}{10}$$

$$(28, 63) \mapsto \gcd(28, 63) = 7$$

$$(56, 35) \mapsto \gcd(56, 35) = 7$$

$$\frac{28}{63} \cdot \frac{56}{35} \Rightarrow \frac{\frac{28}{7}}{\frac{63}{7}} \cdot \frac{\frac{56}{7}}{\frac{35}{7}} \Rightarrow \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{8}{5} \Rightarrow \frac{4 \cdot 8}{9 \cdot 5} \Rightarrow \frac{32}{45}$$

### Definition of Keep-Change-Flip

- ➊ **Keep**  $\Rightarrow$  Keep the first fraction exactly as it is
- ➋ **Change**  $\Rightarrow$  Change the division sign to multiplication
- ➌ **Flip**  $\Rightarrow$  Flip the second fraction (take its reciprocal)
- ➍ **Example**  $\Rightarrow$   $\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{2}{5}$
- ➎ **Outcome**  $\Rightarrow$   $\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{5}{2} = \frac{15}{8}$



$$\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{2}{5} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{5}{2}$$

### Using Keep-Change-Flip

- ➡ **Step 1** ⇒ Write the division problem
- ➡ **Step 2** ⇒ Keep the first fraction
- ➡ **Step 3** ⇒ Change division to multiplication
- ➡ **Step 4** ⇒ Flip the second fraction
- ➡ **Step 5** ⇒ Multiply across numerators and denominators
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Simplified fraction result

## I Brackets

### Curly Braces {}

- ➡ **Definition** ⇒ Used to denote sets or grouping in mathematics, e.g.  $\{1, 2, 3\}$
- ➡ **Programming** ⇒ Common in code to enclose blocks of statements
- ➡ **LATEX** ⇒ Used to group arguments for commands
- ➡ **Example** ⇒  $\{x \mid x > 0\}$  means the set of all positive  $x$
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Curly braces signal structured grouping or set notation

### Square Brackets []

- ➡ **Definition** ⇒ Used for intervals, optional elements, or matrices
- ➡ **Interval** ⇒  $[a, b]$  means all values between  $a$  and  $b$ , inclusive
- ➡ **Matrix** ⇒ Brackets often enclose arrays of numbers
- ➡ **Example** ⇒  $[2, 5]$  includes 2 and 5
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Square brackets emphasize inclusion or structured arrays



$$\begin{aligned}8[-6 + 8(-2 + 4)] &= 8[-6 + 8 \cdot 2] \\&= 8[-6 + 16] \\&= 8 \cdot 10 \\&= 80\end{aligned}$$

## Parentheses ()

- ⇒ **Definition** ⇒ Used for grouping, order of operations, or function arguments
- ⇒ **Math** ⇒  $(a + b)c$  ensures addition happens before multiplication
- ⇒ **Functions** ⇒  $f(x)$  shows input to a function
- ⇒ **Interval** ⇒  $(a, b)$  means values strictly between  $a$  and  $b$
- ⇒ **Outcome** ⇒ Parentheses control grouping and precedence in math and logic

$$\begin{aligned}-(-(1 - 2) + (5)) &= -(-(-1) + 5) \\&= -(1 + 5) \\&= -(6) \\&= -6\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}3 \cdot (6 - 3 + 1) - 4^2 &= 3 \cdot 4 - 16 \\&= 12 - 16 \\&= -4\end{aligned}$$

$$(10, 4) \mapsto \gcd(10, 4) = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2 \cdot (5 - 1) + 2}{4 \cdot (2 - 1)} &\Leftrightarrow (2 \cdot (5 - 1) + 2) \div (4 \cdot (2 - 1)) \\&= \frac{2 \cdot 4 + 2}{4 \cdot 1} \\&= \frac{8 + 2}{4} \\&= \frac{10}{4} \\&= \frac{\frac{10}{2}}{\frac{4}{2}} \\&= \frac{5}{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}5 + (1 \cdot 4 - (2 - 5) - 2) &= 4 - (-3) - 2 \\&= 7 - 2 \\&= 5\end{aligned}$$



## Double Vertical Bars ||

- ➡ **Definition** ⇒ Used to denote absolute value or norm
- ➡ **Absolute Value** ⇒  $|x|$  is distance of  $x$  from 0
- ➡ **Norm** ⇒  $\|v\|$  is length of vector  $v$
- ➡ **Example** ⇒  $|-5| = 5$ ,  $\|(3, 4)\| = 5$
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Double bars measure magnitude or distance

$$4 + |3 - 9| = 4 + |-6| \tag{15}$$

$$= 4 + 6 \tag{16}$$

$$= 10 \tag{17}$$

## Floor Brackets []

- ➡ **Definition** ⇒ Used for the floor function
- ➡ **Floor** ⇒  $[x]$  = greatest integer less than or equal to  $x$
- ➡ **Example** ⇒  $[3.7] = 3$
- ➡ **Use** ⇒ Rounds down to nearest integer
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Floor brackets capture downward rounding



## Ceiling Brackets [ ]

- ➡ **Definition** ⇒ Used for the ceiling function
- ➡ **Ceiling** ⇒  $\lceil x \rceil$  = smallest integer greater than or equal to  $x$
- ➡ **Example** ⇒  $\lceil 3.2 \rceil = 4$
- ➡ **Use** ⇒ Rounds up to nearest integer
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Ceiling brackets capture upward rounding

## I Dividing

### Fraction Components

- ➡ **Numerator** ⇒ Top of the fraction, counts selected parts, e.g. in  $\frac{3}{4}$  the numerator is 3
- ➡ **Denominator** ⇒ Bottom of the fraction, defines total equal parts, e.g. in  $\frac{3}{4}$  the denominator is 4
- ➡ **Relationship** ⇒ Fraction = Numerator ÷ Denominator
- ➡ **Technique** ⇒ Numerator changes with quantity chosen, denominator fixes the partition size
- ➡ **Outcome** ⇒ Understanding both clarifies fraction meaning and operations



$$\frac{6 - 2^3}{2} = \frac{6 - 8}{2} \quad (18)$$

$$= \frac{-2}{2} \quad (19)$$

$$= -1 \quad (20)$$

### Verbose Floating-Point Multiplication

- ➊ Step 1 ⇒ Choose two floating-point numbers, e.g. 3.25 and 2.5
- ➋ Step 2 ⇒ Express them as fractions:  $3.25 = \frac{325}{100}$ ,  $2.5 = \frac{25}{10}$
- ➌ Step 3 ⇒ Multiply numerators:  $325 \times 25 = 8125$
- ➍ Step 4 ⇒ Multiply denominators:  $100 \times 10 = 1000$
- ➎ Step 5 ⇒ Form product fraction:  $\frac{8125}{1000}$
- ➏ Step 6 ⇒ Simplify fraction:  $\frac{8125}{1000} = 8.125$
- ➐ Step 7 ⇒ Restore decimal form: product is 8.125

$$\begin{aligned}
 10.4 &\Rightarrow \frac{10.4}{1} \cdot \frac{10.4}{1} \cdot 10 & \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \frac{104}{10} \\
 1.3 &\Rightarrow \frac{1.3}{1} & \Rightarrow \frac{1.3}{1} \cdot 10 \Rightarrow \frac{13}{10} \\
 1.5 &\Rightarrow \frac{1.5}{1} & \Rightarrow \frac{1.5}{1} \cdot 10 \Rightarrow \frac{15}{10} \\
 -2.35 &\Rightarrow \frac{-2.35}{1} \Leftrightarrow \frac{2.35}{-1} & \Rightarrow \frac{-2.35}{1} \cdot 100 \Rightarrow \frac{-235}{100}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(10056, 1950) \mapsto \sqrt{(10056, 1950)} = 26$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{10.3^2 - (-2.35)^2}{1.3(1.5)} &= \frac{106.09 - 5.522}{1.95} \\
 &= \frac{100.568}{1.95} \\
 &= \frac{100568}{1950} \\
 &= \frac{3868}{75}
 \end{aligned}$$



## I Multiply

$$\left(\frac{103}{10}\right)^2 \Rightarrow \frac{103}{10} \cdot \frac{103}{10} \Rightarrow$$

1	0	3
×	1	0
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	3	0
	0	0
+	1	0
1	0	6
	0	9

$$\frac{10609}{100} \Rightarrow 106.09$$

$$\left(\frac{-235}{100}\right)^2 \Rightarrow \frac{-235}{10} \cdot \frac{-235}{10} \Rightarrow$$

-	2	3	5
×	-	2	3
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1	0	5	1
	7	1	5
+	4	7	0
5	7	6	6
			5

$$\frac{57665}{100} \Rightarrow 576.65$$