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MATH 100

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HW 10: Due 11/08

*“Thankfully, perseverance is a great
substitute for talent.”*

— Steve Martin

Problem 1. (10pt) Factor $x^2 + 2x - 24$. Show all your work.

Solution.

24

$$1 \cdot -24: \quad -23$$

$$-1 \cdot 24: \quad 23$$

$$2 \cdot -12: \quad -10$$

$$-2 \cdot 12: \quad 10$$

$$3 \cdot -8: \quad -5$$

$$-3 \cdot 8: \quad 5$$

$$4 \cdot -6: \quad -2$$

$-4 \cdot 6: \quad 2$

Therefore,

$$x^2 + 2x - 24 = (x - 4)(x + 6)$$

Problem 2. (10pt) Factor $x^2 + 4x - 32$. Show all your work.

Solution.

32

$$1 \cdot -32: \quad -31$$

$$-1 \cdot 32: \quad 31$$

$$2 \cdot -16: \quad -14$$

$$-2 \cdot 16: \quad 14$$

$$4 \cdot -8: \quad -4$$

$-4 \cdot 8:$	4
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Therefore,

$$x^2 + 4x - 32 = (x - 4)(x + 8)$$

Problem 3. (10pt) Factor $x^2 + 4x$. Show all your work.

Solution. This quadratic expression factors as...

$$x^2 + 4x = x(x + 4)$$

Problem 4. (10pt) Factor $x^2 + 17x - 18$. Show all your work.

Solution.

$$\begin{array}{r} \underline{18} \\ 1 \cdot -18: \quad -17 \\ \boxed{-1 \cdot 18: \quad 17} \\ 2 \cdot -9: \quad -7 \\ -2 \cdot 9: \quad 7 \\ 3 \cdot -6: \quad -3 \\ -3 \cdot 6: \quad 3 \end{array}$$

Therefore,

$$x^2 + 17x - 18 = (x - 1)(x + 18)$$

Problem 5. (10pt) Factor $2x^2 - 11x + 15$. Show all your work.

Solution.

$$\begin{array}{c} \underline{15} \\ 1 \cdot 15 \\ -1 \cdot -15 \\ 3 \cdot 5 \\ -3 \cdot -5 \end{array}$$

Then as $2 = 1 \cdot 2$, we have...

$$\begin{array}{cc} \begin{array}{c} 1 \cdot 15 \\ 1, 2 \quad 2, 1 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 1, 30 \quad 2, 15 \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} -1 \cdot -15 \\ 1, 2 \quad 2, 1 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ -1, -30 \quad -2, -15 \end{array} \\ \\ \begin{array}{c} 3 \cdot 5 \\ 1, 2 \quad 2, 1 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 3, 10 \quad 6, 5 \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \boxed{-3 \cdot -5} \\ 1, 2 \quad 2, 1 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ -3, -10 \quad \boxed{-6, -5} \end{array} \end{array}$$

Therefore,

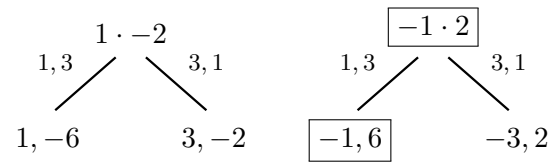
$$2x^2 - 11x + 15 = (2x - 5)(x - 3)$$

Problem 6. (10pt) Factor $3x^2 + 5x - 2$. Show all your work.

Solution.

$$\begin{array}{c} \underline{2} \\ 1 \cdot -2 \\ -1 \cdot 2 \end{array}$$

Then as $3 = 1 \cdot 3$, we have...



Therefore,

$$3x^2 + 5x - 2 = (x + 2)(3x - 1)$$

Problem 7. (10pt) Factor $x^2 - 6x + 9$. Show all your work.

Solution.

$$\begin{array}{r} \underline{9} \\ 1 \cdot 9: \quad 10 \\ -1 \cdot -9: \quad -10 \\ 3 \cdot 3: \quad 6 \\ \boxed{-3 \cdot -3: \quad -6} \end{array}$$

Therefore,

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

Problem 8. (10pt) Factor $x^2 + 10x + 16$. Show all your work.

Solution.

<u>16</u>	
$1 \cdot 16:$	17
$-1 \cdot -16:$	-17
$2 \cdot 8:$	10
$-2 \cdot -8:$	-10
$4 \cdot 4:$	8
$-4 \cdot -4:$	-8

Therefore,

$$x^2 + 10x + 16 = (x + 2)(x + 8)$$

Problem 9. (10pt) Factor $4x^2 - 4x - 3$. Show all your work.

Solution.

$$\begin{array}{c} \underline{3} \\ 1 \cdot -3 \\ -1 \cdot 3 \end{array}$$

Then as $4 = 1 \cdot 4$ or $4 = 2 \cdot 2$, we have...

$$\begin{array}{cc} \begin{array}{c} 1, -12 \qquad 4, -3 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 1, 4 \qquad 4, 1 \\ \boxed{1 \cdot -3} \\ 2, 2 \mid \\ \boxed{2, -6} \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} -1, 12 \qquad -4, 3 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 1, 4 \qquad 4, 1 \\ -1 \cdot 3 \\ 2, 2 \mid \\ -2, 6 \end{array} \end{array}$$

Therefore,

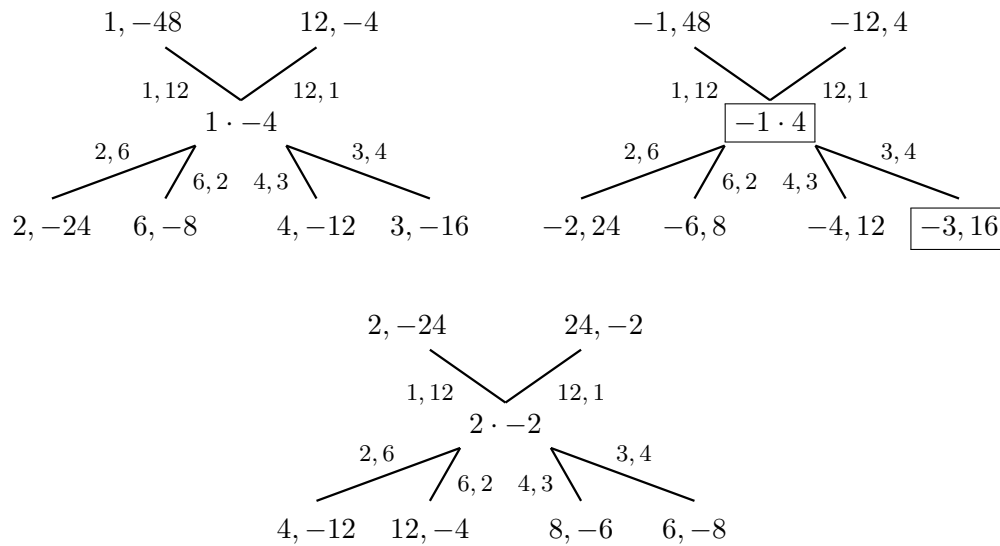
$$4x^2 - 4x - 3 = (2x - 3)(2x + 1)$$

Problem 10. (10pt) Factor $12x^2 + 13x - 4$. Show all your work.

Solution.

$$\begin{array}{c} \underline{4} \\ 1 \cdot -4 \\ -1 \cdot 4 \\ 2 \cdot -2 \end{array}$$

Then as $12 = 1 \cdot 12$, $12 = 2 \cdot 6$, or $12 = 3 \cdot 4$, we have...



Therefore,

$$12x^2 + 13x - 4 = (3x + 4)(4x - 1)$$