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MATH 101

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HW 10: Due 11/05

*“Our virtues and our failures are inseparable, like force and matter.  
When they separate, man is no more.”*

*—Nikola Tesla*

**Problem 1.** (10pt) Factor  $x^2 + 7x - 30$ . Show all your work.

**Solution.**

30

$$1 \cdot -30 \quad -29$$

$$-1 \cdot 30 \quad 29$$

$$2 \cdot -15 \quad -13$$

$$-2 \cdot 15 \quad 13$$

$$3 \cdot -10 \quad -7$$

$-3 \cdot 10$	$7$
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$$5 \cdot -6 \quad -1$$

$$-5 \cdot 6 \quad 1$$

Therefore,

$$x^2 + 7x - 30 = (x - 3)(x + 10)$$

**Problem 2.** (10pt) Factor  $x^2 - 12x + 36$ . Show all your work.

**Solution.**

<u>36</u>		
1 · 36	37	
−1 · −36	−37	
2 · 18	20	
−2 · −18	−20	
3 · 12	15	
−3 · −12	−15	
4 · 9	13	
−4 · −9	−13	
6 · 6	12	
−6 · −6	−12	

Therefore,

$$x^2 - 12x + 36 = (x - 6)(x - 6) = (x - 6)^2$$

**Problem 3.** (10pt) Factor  $x^2 + 2x - 24$ . Show all your work.

**Solution.**

24

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$-4 \cdot 6$	$2$
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Therefore,

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

**Problem 4.** (10pt) Factor  $2x^2 + 9x - 18$ . Show all your work.

**Solution.**

18

$$1 \cdot -18$$

$$-1 \cdot 18$$

$$2 \cdot -9$$

$$-2 \cdot 9$$

$$3 \cdot -6$$

$$-3 \cdot 6$$

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

$$\begin{array}{cc} \begin{array}{c} 1 \cdot -18 \\ 1, 2 \quad 2, 1 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ 1, -36 \quad 2, -18 \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} -1 \cdot 18 \\ 1, 2 \quad 2, 1 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ -1, 36 \quad -2, 18 \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \begin{array}{c} 2 \cdot -9 \\ 1, 2 \quad 2, 1 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ 2, -18 \quad 4, -9 \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} -2 \cdot 9 \\ 1, 2 \quad 2, 1 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ -2, 18 \quad -4, 9 \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \begin{array}{c} 3 \cdot -6 \\ 1, 2 \quad 2, 1 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ 3, -12 \quad 6, -6 \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \boxed{-3 \cdot 6} \\ 1, 2 \quad 2, 1 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \boxed{-3, 12} \quad -6, 6 \end{array} \end{array}$$

Therefore,

$$2x^2 + 9x - 18 = (2x - 3)(x + 6)$$

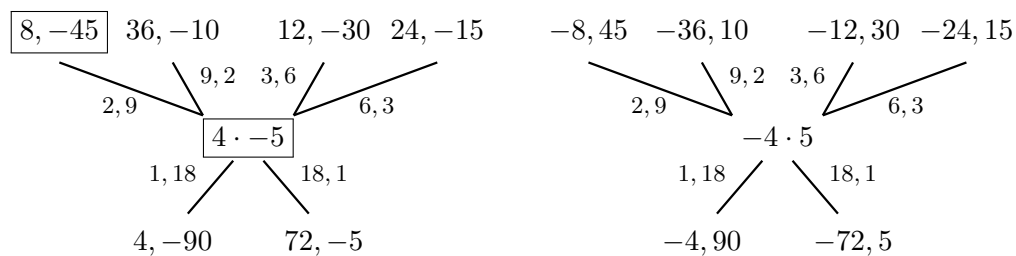
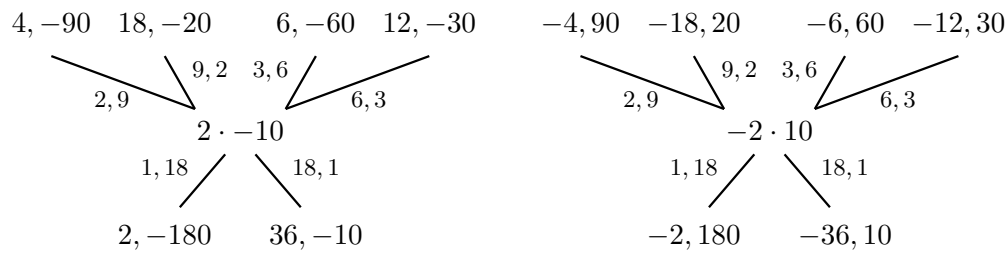
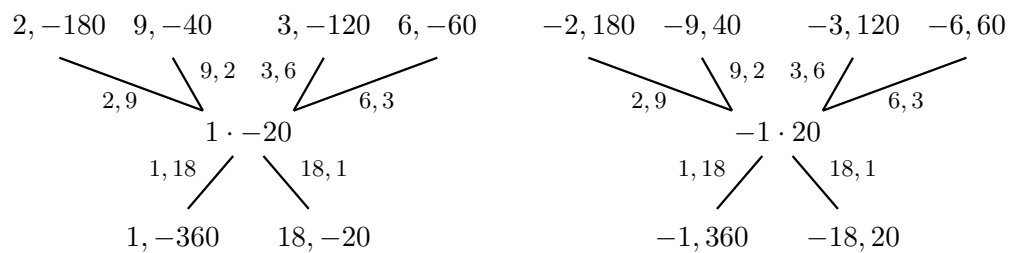
**Problem 5.** (10pt) Factor  $18x^2 - 37x - 20$ . Show all your work.

**Solution.**

20

$1 \cdot -20$   
 $-1 \cdot 20$   
 $2 \cdot -10$   
 $-2 \cdot 10$   
 $4 \cdot -5$   
 $-4 \cdot 5$

Then as  $18 = 1 \cdot 18$ ,  $18 = 2 \cdot 9$ , or  $18 = 3 \cdot 6$ , we have...



Therefore,

$$18x^2 - 37x - 20 = (2x - 5)(9x + 4)$$