

COMP.5202 Fundamentals of Programming and Problem Solving

Mathematics Algebra

Algebra Review Questions

A. Simplify the following:

1.
$$x^2 + 7x + 2x^2 - 4x$$

2.
$$3bx^2 - 8 + 5ay + 9bx^2 - 2ay + 6$$

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

4.
$$6t^2 + 7 + 3a^2z - 2t^2 - 1 - 5a^2z$$

5.
$$2py + 4y^2 - 4 + 2p - 2y^2 - 3 - 5py$$

B. Simplify the following by removing the brackets:

1.
$$3yp^2(5y^2p^4)$$

3.
$$(-3y + 2)(3 - 2y)$$

4.
$$(3ax + 4)(3 - 4x)$$

5.
$$y(4 - y) + 3(4 + 2y) + (y - 1)^2$$

C. Simplify the following:

2.
$$\frac{20x^3y^6}{-5x^5y^2}$$

3.
$$\frac{9p^4 - 6p^2}{3p}$$

4.
$$10x^2 - 4x^3$$
 $-2x$

D. Factorise the following by finding the common factors:

1.
$$-10bx^2 - 5ax$$

2.
$$3p + 12p^2 - 6pq$$

3.
$$16xy - 32x + 8axy$$

4.
$$-2xy + 14y^2$$

5.
$$3y^3 - 9b^3$$

6.
$$3y^3z - 9ay^2 + 12by^3 + 6cy^2$$

E. Factorise the following by grouping:

1.
$$4px + 2ax + 6p + 3a$$

2.
$$6x^2 - 4x + 9x - 6$$

3.
$$12xy + 9y - 8x - 6$$

4.
$$3ax + 4bx - 6ay - 8by$$

5.
$$6ap^2 - 9p - 4a^2p + 6a$$

F. Solve the following Linear Equations to find the value of x:

1.
$$2x - 13 = 17$$

2.
$$3 - \frac{2x}{5} = -5$$

3.
$$\frac{5x}{2} - 6 = 4$$

4.
$$4 + 2x = -2x$$

5.
$$3x - 10 = -2x + 5$$

6.
$$30 = 7x + 3x$$

G. Factorise the following Quadratic equations:

1.
$$x^2 + 4x - 21$$

2.
$$x^2 - 3x - 54$$

3.
$$x^2 - 36$$

4.
$$x^2 - 17x$$

5.
$$x^2 + 22x + 72$$

6.
$$x^2 - 22x + 121$$

H. Solve the following quadratic equations to find the values of x (ie. find the "roots"):

1.
$$x^2 - 6x - 27 = 0$$

2.
$$x^2 - 2x = 24$$

3.
$$x^2 = 144$$

4.
$$x^2 = 22x$$

5.
$$x^2 + 49 = -14x$$