



Factorisation of Algebraic Expressions Ex 5.2 Q22

Answer :

The given expression to be factorized is

$$a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3 - 8$$

Recall the well known formula

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

The given expression can be written as

$$a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3 - 8 = (a + b)^3 - (2)^3$$

Recall the formula for difference of two cubes

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

Using the above formula and taking common -2 from the last two terms, we get

$$\begin{aligned} a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3 - 8 &= \{(a + b) - 2\} \{(a + b)^2 + (a + b) \cdot 2 + (2)^2\} \\ &= (a + b - 2) \{(a)^2 + 2 \cdot a \cdot b + (b)^2\} + (2a + 2b) + 4 \\ &= (a + b - 2)(a^2 + 2ab + b^2 + 2a + 2b + 4) \end{aligned}$$

We cannot further factorize the expression.

So, the required factorization of $a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3 - 8$ is $(a + b - 2)(a^2 + 2ab + b^2 + 2a + 2b + 4)$.

Factorisation of Algebraic Expressions Ex 5.2 Q23

Answer :

The given expression to be factorized is

$$8a^3 - b^3 - 4ax + 2bx$$

The given expression can be written as

$$8a^3 - b^3 - 4ax + 2bx = \{(2a)^3 - (b)^3\} - 4ax + 2bx$$

Recall the formula for difference of two cubes

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

Using the above formula and taking common $-2x$ from the last two terms, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 8a^3 - b^3 - 4ax + 2bx &= (2a - b) \{(2a)^2 + 2a \cdot b + (b)^2\} - 2x(2a - b) \\ &= (2a - b)(4a^2 + 2ab + b^2) - 2x(2a - b) \end{aligned}$$

Take common $(2a - b)$. Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} 8a^3 - b^3 - 4ax + 2bx &= (2a - b) \{(4a^2 + 2ab + b^2) - 2x\} \\ &= (2a - b)(4a^2 + 2ab + b^2 - 2x) \end{aligned}$$

We cannot further factorize the expression.

So, the required factorization of $8a^3 - b^3 - 4ax + 2bx$ is $(2a - b)(4a^2 + 2ab + b^2 - 2x)$.

Factorisation of Algebraic Expressions Ex 5.2 Q24

Answer :

(i) The given expression is

$$\frac{173 \times 173 \times 173 + 127 \times 127 \times 127}{173 \times 173 - 173 \times 127 + 127 \times 127}$$

Assume $a = 173$ and $b = 127$. Then the given expression can be rewritten as

$$\frac{a^3 + b^3}{a^2 - ab + b^2}$$

Recall the formula for sum of two cubes

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

Using the above formula, the expression becomes

$$\frac{a^3 + b^3}{a^2 - ab + b^2} = \frac{(a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)}{a^2 - ab + b^2}$$

Note that both a and b are positive. So, neither $a^3 + b^3$ nor any factor of it can be zero.

Therefore we can cancel the term $(a^2 - ab + b^2)$ from both numerator and denominator. Then the expression becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)}{a^2 - ab + b^2} &= a + b \\ &= 173 + 127 \\ &= \boxed{300} \end{aligned}$$

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