

$$p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_mx^m + a_{m+1}x^{m+1} + \cdots + a_nx^n$$

$$q(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \cdots + b_mx^m$$

$$p(x) + q(x) = (a_0 + b_0) + (a_1 + b_1)x + \cdots + (a_m + b_m)x^m + a_{m+1}x^{m+1} + \cdots + a_nx^n$$