

Exercise 1.3

1 Write without brackets.

(a) $(x + 5)^2$

(b) $(3x - 2)^2$

(c) $(3x + 4)(3x - 4)$

2 Simplify the following equations into the form $ax + by + c = 0$.

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

(b) $(2x + 1)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = (2x + 3)^2 + (y + 1)^2$

3 Simplify the following where possible.

(a) $\sqrt{x^2 + 4}$

(b) $\sqrt{x^2 - 4x + 4}$

(c) $\sqrt{x^2 - 1}$

(d) $\sqrt{x^2 + 9x}$

(e) $\sqrt{x^2 - y^2}$

(f) $\sqrt{x^2 + 2xy + y^2}$

4 Write the following in the form $(x + a)^2 + b$.

(a) $x^2 + 8x + 19$

(b) $x^2 - 10x + 23$

(c) $x^2 - 5x - 6$

5 Factorise as fully as possible.

(a) $x^2 - 25$

(b) $4x^2 - 36$

(c) $4x^2 - 9y^4$

(d) $3x^2 - 7x + 2$

(e) $3x^2 - 5x + 2$

(f) $6x^2 - 5x - 6$

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6* Multiply out and simplify.

(a) $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2$

(b) $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)$

(c) $\left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right)\left(x - \frac{3}{x}\right)$

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$$\textcircled{1} \quad (\text{a}) \quad (x+5)^2 = x^2 + 5x + 5x + 25$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rr} x & x+5 \\ \hline x & x^2 + 5x \\ +5 & +5x + 25 \end{array} = \underbrace{x^2 + 10x + 25}$$

$$(\text{b}) \quad (3x-2)^2 = 9x^2 - 6x - 6x + 4$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rr} x & 3x-2 \\ \hline 3x & 9x^2 - 6x \\ -2 & -6x + 4 \end{array} = \underbrace{9x^2 - 12x + 4}$$

$$(\text{c}) \quad (3x+4)(3x-4) = 9x^2 + 12x - 12x - 16$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rr} x & 3x+4 \\ \hline 3x & 9x^2 + 12x \\ -4 & -12x - 16 \end{array} = \underbrace{9x^2 - 16}$$

Note: This is a difference of two squares so the answer can be written down without the intermediate step

$$\textcircled{2} \quad (a) \quad (x+3)^2 + (y+4)^2 = (x-2)^2 + (y-1)^2$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9 + y^2 + 8y + 16 = x^2 - 4x + 4 + y^2 - 2y + 1$$

$$(-x^2, -y^2) \quad 6x + 8y + 25 = -4x - 2y + 5$$

$$(4x, +2y-5) \quad 10x + 10y + 20 = 0$$

$$(\div 10) \quad \underbrace{x + y + 2}_{} = 0$$

$$(b) \quad (2x+1)^2 + (y-3)^2 = (2x+3)^2 + (y+1)^2$$

$$4x^2 + 4x + 1 + y^2 - 6y + 9 = 4x^2 + 12x + 9 + y^2 + 2y + 1$$

$$(-4x^2, -y^2) \quad 4x - 6y + 10 = 12x + 2y + 10$$

$$(-4x, +6y, -10) \quad 0 = 8x + 8y$$

$$(\div 8) \quad \underbrace{x+y}_{} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad (a) \quad \sqrt{x^2 + 4} \quad \text{cannot be simplified}$$

$$(b) \quad \sqrt{x^2 - 4x + 4} = \sqrt{(x-2)^2} = \underbrace{x-2}_{} \quad$$

$$(c) \quad \sqrt{x^2 - 1} \quad \text{cannot be simplified}$$

$$(d) \quad \sqrt{x^2 + 4x} \quad \text{cannot be simplified}$$

$$(e) \quad \sqrt{x^2 - y^2} \quad \text{cannot be simplified}$$

$$(f) \quad \sqrt{x^2 + 2xy + y^2} = \sqrt{(x+y)^2} = \underbrace{x+y}_{} \quad$$

(4)

$$(a) \quad x^2 + 8x + 19 = (x+4)^2 - 16 + 19 \\ = \underbrace{(x+4)^2 + 3}$$

$$(b) \quad x^2 - 10x + 23 = (x-5)^2 - 25 + 23 \\ = \underbrace{(x-5)^2 - 2}$$

$$(c) \quad x^2 - 5x - 6 = \left(x - \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{25}{4} - 6 \\ = \left(x - \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{25}{4} - \frac{24}{4} \\ = \underbrace{\left(x - \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{49}{4}}$$

(5)

$$(a) \quad x^2 - 25 = x^2 - 5^2 \quad \text{difference of}\\ = \underline{(x+5)(x-5)} \quad \text{two squares}$$

$$(b) \quad 4x^2 - 36 = 4(x^2 - 9) \\ = 4(x^2 - 3^2) \\ = \underline{4(x+3)(x-3)}$$

OR

$$4x^2 - 36 = (2x)^2 - 6^2 \\ = (2x+6)(2x-6) \\ = 2(x+3) \cdot 2(x-3) \\ = \underline{4(x+3)(x-3)}$$

$$(c) \quad 4x^2 - 9y^4 = (2x)^2 - (3y^2)^2 \\ = \underline{(2x + 3y^2)(2x - 3y^2)}$$

$$(d) \quad 3x^2 - 7x + 2 = 3x^2 - 6x - 1x + 2 \\ = 3x(x-2) - 1(x-2)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} P: 3x^2 = +6 \\ A: -7 \end{array} \right\} -6 \text{ and } -1 \\ = \underline{(x-2)(3x-1)}$$

$$(e) \quad 3x^2 - 5x + 2 = 3x^2 - 3x - 2x + 2 \\ = 3x(x-1) - 2(x-1) \\ = \underline{(x-1)(3x-2)}$$

$$(f) \quad 6x^2 - 5x - 6 = 6x^2 - 9x + 4x - 6 \\ = 3x(2x-3) + 2(2x-3) \\ = \underline{(2x-3)(3x+2)}$$

If you are not familiar with the method used above it is often called PAFF

P stands for product (multiply the coefficient of x^2 by the constant term). A stands for addition (this is the coefficient of x). We need to find two integers with product P and sum A. We then split the x term using these two integers. Then F (factorise) the first two terms and the last two terms. Then F (final factors).

$$\textcircled{6} \quad (a) \quad \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = x^2 + 2x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \\ = x^2 + 2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$(b) \quad \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) = x^2 - \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 \quad (\text{difference of two squares}) \\ = x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$(c) \quad \left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right)\left(x - \frac{3}{x}\right) = x^2 + 2 - 3 - \frac{6}{x^2} \\ = x^2 - 1 - \frac{6}{x^2}$$

x	$x + \frac{2}{x}$
x	$x^2 + 2$
$-\frac{3}{x}$	$-3 - \frac{6}{x^2}$