

2.9 Factorisation

1. Factorise the following:

(a) $2x + 4$

(b) $9 - 3x$

(c) $2 + 10x$

(d) $-5 - 15x$

(e) $x^2 + 2x$

(f) $x - 3x^2$

(g) $4x + 2x^2$

(h) $3x^2 - 9x$

(i) $10x - 5x^2$

(j) $7x^2 + 21$

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

(l) $2x + 8x^3$

(m) $2x^3 + 10x^2$

(n) $4x^2 - 4$

2. The following expressions have been partly factorised.

Complete the factorisation.

(a) $2x^2 - 4x = 2(x^2 - 2x) = ?$

(b) $10x - 5x^2 = x(10 - 5x) = ?$

(c) $4x^3 + 8x = 4(x^3 + 2x) = ?$

(d) $8xy + 16x^2 = x(8y + 16x) = ?$

(e) $5xy + 10x^2y^2 = 5(xy + 2x^2y^2) = ?$

3. Factorise the following:

(a) $10a - 15b$

(b) $50py - 120p$

(c) $24abc - 8ab$

(d) $6abc + 12bcd$

(e) $16m^2 + 12n^2$

(f) $p^2y + p^2y^2$

(g) $18s^2t - 12st^2$

(h) $10a + 15a^2$

(i) $c - c^2$

(j) $2a^2b^2 - 8a^2b$

(k) $m^2n - mnl$

(l) $6xy - 3y + 9x$

(m) $pqr + p^2 + pr$

(n) $abc + a^2b + bc$

(o) $8abc + 6ab^2c + 4abc^2$

(p) $5s^2t - 3st - 4st^2$