

ALGEBRAIC MULTIPLICATION AND DIVISIONTRANSCRIPT

Multiplication of brackets with more than 2 terms:

Ex1

$$(x^2 + 7x - 3)(2x - 5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2x^3 + 14x^2 - 6x \\ &\quad - 5x^2 - 35x + 15 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2x^3 + 9x^2 - 41x + 15$$


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Ex2

$$(x^2 + 3x - 2)(2x^2 - 5x + 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2x^4 + 6x^3 - 4x^2 \\ &\quad - 5x^3 - 15x^2 + 10x \\ &\quad + x^2 + 3x - 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2x^4 + x^3 - 18x^2 + 13x - 2$$


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Reminder of number long division:  $3822 \div 14$

$$1 \times 14 = 14$$

$$2 \times 14 = 28$$

$$3 \times 14 = 42$$

$$4 \times 14 = 56$$

$$5 \times 14 = 70$$

$$6 \times 14 = 84$$

$$7 \times 14 = 98$$

$$8 \times 14 = 112$$

$$9 \times 14 = 126$$

$$10 \times 14 = 140$$

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Answer 273

Algebraic long division examples

Ex3  $x^3 + 8x^2 + 17x + 6 \div (x + 3)$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + 5x + 2 \\
 \hline
 x+3 \Big| x^3 + 8x^2 + 17x + 6 \\
 x^3 + 3x^2 \\
 \hline
 + 5x^2 + 17x \\
 + 5x^2 + 15x \\
 \hline
 + 2x + 6 \\
 + 2x + 6 \\
 \hline
 \end{array}$$

Answer  $x^2 + 5x + 2$

Ex4  $2x^3 - 7x^2 + 11x - 4 \div (2x - 1)$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 - 3x + 4 \\
 \hline
 2x-1 \Big| 2x^3 - 7x^2 + 11x - 4 \\
 2x^3 - x^2 \\
 \hline
 - 6x^2 + 11x \\
 - 6x^2 + 3x \\
 \hline
 + 8x - 4 \\
 + 8x - 4 \\
 \hline
 \end{array}$$

Answer  $x^2 - 3x + 4$

An example not on the A-level syllabus, dividing by a quadratic factor

E×5  $x^4 - 3x^3 + 7x^2 - 7x + 6 \div (x^2 - 2x + 3)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - x + 2 \\ \hline x^2 - 2x + 3 \left| \begin{array}{r} x^4 - 3x^3 + 7x^2 - 7x + 6 \\ x^4 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 \\ \hline -x^3 + 4x^2 - 7x \\ -x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x \\ \hline + 2x^2 - 4x + 6 \\ + 2x^2 - 4x + 6 \\ \hline \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

Answer  $x^2 - x + 2$

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