

# Unit 1: FACTORS and PRODUCTS

## 1.1 Factors and Multiples of Whole Numbers

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**Factor:** a whole number that a value is evenly divisible by (e.g. 4 & 5 are factors of 20)

**Product:** the result when you multiply 2 or more numbers (18 is the product of  $2 \times 9$ )

**Multiple:** the product of a # and any natural # (4, 8, 16 are multiples of 2)

**Prime Number:** a # that is only divisible by 1 and itself (e.g. 7)

**Composite Number:** a # that is divisible by 3 or more factors (not prime)

Circle all the prime numbers and put an X through all the composite numbers in the 100 chart below.

1	2	3	X	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	X	13	X	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	X	23	X	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	X	33	X	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	X	43	X	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	X	53	X	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	X	63	X	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	X	73	X	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	X	83	X	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	X	93	X	95	96	97	98	99	100

What about 0 and 1?

Not prime or composite

**Prime Factorization:**

A number written as the product of its prime factors

**Greatest Common Factor:** greatest factor that 2 #s have in common

**Least Common Multiple:** the least # that is divisible by 2 or more #s

**Example 1: Determining the Prime Factors of a Whole Number**

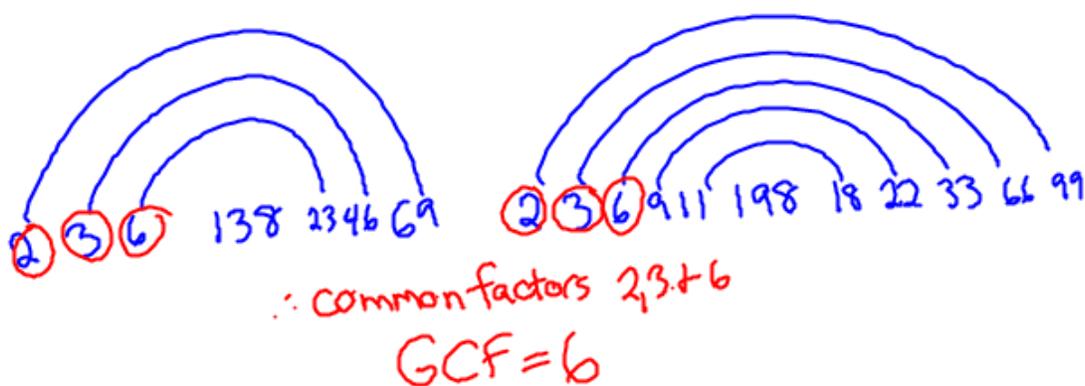
Write the prime factorization of 3300.



$$\begin{aligned}\therefore 3300 &= 2 \times 5 \times 3 \times 11 \times 2 \times 5 \\ &= 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 5 \times 11 \\ &= 2^2 \times 3 \times 5^2 \times 11\end{aligned}$$

**Example 2: Determining the Greatest Common Factor**

Determine the GCF of 138 and 198.



**Example 3: Determining the Least Common Multiple**

Determine the LCM of 18, 20, and 30.

$18 \rightarrow 36, 54, 72, 90, 108, 126, 144, 162, 180$

180 is a multiple of 18, 20 + 30

$\therefore 180$  is the LCM

**Example 4: Problems involving GCF and LCM**

- a. What is the side length of the smallest square that could be tiled with rectangles that measure 16 cm by 40 cm? Assume the rectangles cannot be cut.

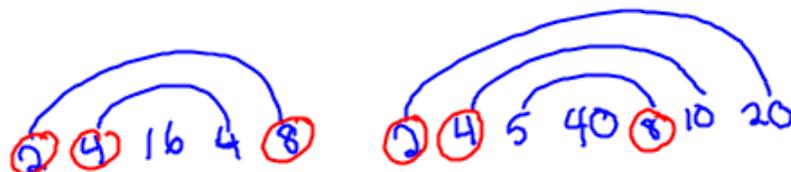
$\therefore$  find the LCM of 16 + 40

$16 \rightarrow 32, 48, 64, 80$

$\therefore 80$  is the LCM of 16 + 40.

- b. What is the side length of the largest square that could be used to tile a rectangle that measures 16 cm by 40 cm? Assume that the squares cannot be cut.

$\therefore$  find the GCF of 16 + 40



$\therefore$  GCF is 8.

## 1.2 Perfect Squares, Perfect Cubes, and Their Roots

Perfect Square Number: a number written as a power with an integer base and an exponent of 2

Perfect Cube Number: a # written as a power with an integer base and an exponent of 3 ( $4^2=16$ ,  $5^2=25$ )  
( $1^3=1$ ,  $2^3=8$ )

Which numbers from 1 to 100 are perfect squares and which are perfect cubes? In the hundred chart below, put a circle around the perfect squares and an X through the perfect cubes.

<del>1</del>	2	3	4	5	6	7	<del>8</del>	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	<del>27</del>	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	<del>64</del>	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

D. Continue this investigation for the numbers from 101 to 200. Which numbers are perfect squares and which are perfect cubes?

Positive Integers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Perfect Square Numbers	1	4	9	16	25	36	49	64	81	100	121	144	169	196	225
Perfect Cube Numbers	1	8	27	64	125	216	343	512	729	1000	1331	1728	2197	2744	3375

**Example 1: Determining Perfect Squares**

Is 40 a perfect square? Explain.

No.

$6 \times 6 = 36$   
 $7 \times 7 = 49$  } No # between 6 & 7  $\therefore$  40 is not a perfect square

OR

$$\sqrt{40} = 6.32\dots$$

↑  
This is a decimal, not an integer.

**Example 2: Determining Perfect Cubes**

Is 1728 a perfect cube number? Explain

$1728 = 12^3 \therefore$  it is a perfect cube.

OR

$$\sqrt[3]{1728} = 12$$

Square Root:  $\sqrt{n}$ , a number whose square is n.

Cube Root:  $\sqrt[3]{n}$ , a number whose cube is n.

**Example 3: Determining the Square Root of a Whole Number**

Determine the square root of 1296.

$$\sqrt{1296} = 36$$

**Example 4: Determining the Cube Root of a Whole Number**

Determine the cube root of ~~1728~~.

4210.

$$\sqrt[3]{4210} = 16.147\dots$$

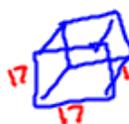
$\therefore$  4210 is not a perfect cube.

**Example 5: Using Roots to Solve a Problem**

A cube has a volume of 4913 cubic inches. What is the surface area of the cube?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volume} &= l \times l \times l \\ l^3 &= 4913 \text{ in}^3 \\ l^3 &= 4913 \text{ in}^3 \\ l &= \sqrt[3]{4913} \\ l &= 17 \text{ inches} \end{aligned}$$

Side length of cube is 17 inches.



6 sides of a cube.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{S.A. of one side} &= 17 \times 17 \\ &= 289 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{S.A. of whole cube} &= 289 \times 6 \\ &= 1734 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

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# 4, 5, 7, 8, 12

## 1.3 Multiplying Polynomials

**Polynomial:** one term or the sum of terms containing variables & whole number exponents (e.g.,  $3x^2 + 7$ )

**Monomial:** a polynomial w/ one term

**Binomial:** a polynomial w/ 2 terms

**Trinomial:** a polynomial w/ 3 terms

**Constant:** a # that doesn't change & is not attached to a variable

**Descending Order of Powers:**  $7x^4 + 6x^3 - 2x^2 + x + 8$

**Naming Polynomials:**

- Degree 1:  $x^1$  or  $x \rightarrow$  Linear
  - Degree 2:  $x^2 \rightarrow$  Quadratic
  - Degree 3:  $x^3 \rightarrow$  Cubic
  - Degree 4:  $x^4 \rightarrow$  Quartic
  - Degree 5:  $x^5 \rightarrow$  Quintic
- } Most important!

Polynomial	# of Terms	Polynomial Name	Degree	Degree Name	Variables	Coefficients	Constants
$1x^2$	1	monomial	2	quadratic	$x$	1	0
$-4y^3$	1	monomial	3	cubic	$y$	-4	0
$5x^2 - 1$	2	binomial	2	quadratic	$x$	5	-1
$8r^2 - 4r + 2$	3	trinomial	2	quadratic	$r$	8, -4	2
$9m^4 + m^2 - 3$	3	trinomial	4	quartic	$m$	9, 1	-3
$-6r^5 + 2r^3 - k - 10$	4	polynomial	5	quintic	$r, k$	-6, 2, -1	-10

**Example 1: Polynomial Review: Adding and Subtracting**

Simplify.

a.  $3y + 2x + 7y - x =$

$10y + x$

b.  $-3x^2 + 2x^2 + 7x - 2x =$

$-x^2 + 5x$

c.  $(3x + 2) + (2x + 2) =$

$3x + 2x + 2 + 2 = 5x + 4$

d.  $(-3x - 2) - (2x + 7y) =$

$-3x - 2 - 2x - 7y = -5x - 7y - 2$

Remember, when you multiply two powers that have the same base, you add the exponents.

$(x^2)(x^6) = x^8$

**Example 2: Polynomial Review: Multiplying**

Simplify.

a.  $(2x)(7y) = 14xy$

b.  $(-3a)(2bc) = -6abc$

c.  $(3x^2)(4x^3) = 12x^5$

d.  $(-8xy^4)(3xy) = -24x^2y^5$

e.  $(x^2)^3 = x^6$

f.  $(3x^2)^3 = 3^3 x^6$   
 $= 27x^6$

g.  $2x(3x + 1) = 6x^2 + 2x$

h.  $-3x^2y(2x + 7xy - 2) = -6x^3y - 21x^3y^2 + 6x^2y$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{i. } & 5m(m^2 - 4) - 2m^2(m + 1) = \\
 & \underbrace{5m^3}_{3m^3} - \underbrace{20m}_{2m^2} - \underbrace{2m^3}_{20m} - \underbrace{2m^2}_{2m^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 3: Polynomial Review: Dividing**  
Simplify.

$$\frac{4x^2 + 2x}{2x} =$$

$$\frac{-18r^5t^2 + 12r^3t + 3rt}{6rt} =$$

**The Distributive Property:** Recall:  $2(x - 4) = 2x - 8$

**The Distributive Property for Binomials:**  $(x+2)(2x-1)$

$$(ax + b)(cx + d) =$$

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

**The BOX Method:**

	x	+3	
2x	2x <sup>2</sup>	6x	$2x^2 + 6x - x - 3$ $= 2x^2 + 5x - 3$
-1	-x	-3	

**FOIL:** First Outside Inside Last

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (x+3)(2x-1) \\
 & 2x^2 - x + 6x - 3 \\
 & = 2x^2 + 5x - 3
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 4: The Distributive Property**

Expand and simplify.

a.  $(x + 2)(x + 3) =$

$$x^2 + 3x + 2x + 6$$

$$= x^2 + 5x + 6$$

b.  $(2x + 1)(x + 8) =$

$$2x^2 + 16x + x + 8$$

$$= 2x^2 + 17x + 8$$

c.  $(x + 7)^2 = (x+7)(x+7)$

$$= x^2 + 7x + 7x + 49$$

$$= x^2 + 14x + 49$$

d.  $(x - 5)(x + 5) =$

$$x^2 + 5x - 5x - 25$$

$$= x^2 - 25$$

e.  $(x + 4)(x^2 + 4x + 2) =$

$$x^3 + 4x^2 + 2x + 4x^2 + 16x + 8$$

$$x^3 + 8x^2 + 18x + 8$$

f.  $(x^2 + 3x - 4)(2x^2 - 2x + 5) =$

$$2x^4 - 2x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x^3 - 6x^2 + 15x - 8x^2 + 8x - 20$$

$$2x^4 + 4x^3 - 9x^2 + 23x - 20$$

g.  $(x + 2)^3 =$

**Example 4: The Distributive Property**

Expand and simplify.

a.  $(x + 2)(x + 3) =$

b.  $(2x + 1)(x + 8) =$

c.  $(x + 7)^2 =$

d.  $(x - 5)(x + 5) =$

e.  $(x + 4)(x^2 + 4x + 2) =$

f.  $(x^2 + 3x - 4)(2x^2 - 2x + 5) =$

g.  $(x + 2)^3 = \underbrace{(x+2)(x+2)}_{(x^2+2x+2x+4)}(x+2)$   
 $(x^2+4x+4)(x+2)$   
 $(x^3+4x^2+4x+2x^2+8x+8)$   
 $x^3 + 6x^2 + 12x + 8$

**Example 5: Simplifying Sums and Differences of Polynomial Products**

Expand and simplify.

a.  $(2c - 3)(c + 5) + 3(c - 3)(-3c + 1)$

$$(2c^2 + 10c - 3c - 15) + 3(-3c^2 + c + 9c - 3)$$

$$(2c^2 + 7c - 15) + 3(-3c^2 + 10c - 3)$$

$$(2c^2 + 7c - 15) + (-9c^2 + 30c - 9)$$

$$\boxed{-7c^2 + 37c - 24}$$

b.  $(3x + y - 1)(2x - 4) - (3x + 2y)^2$

$$(3x + y - 1)(2x - 4) - (3x + 2y)(3x + 2y)$$

$$(6x^2 + 2xy - 2x - 12x - 4y + 4) - (9x^2 + 6xy + 6xy + 4y^2)$$

$$(6x^2 + 2xy - 14x - 4y + 4) - (9x^2 + 12xy + 4y^2)$$

$$6x^2 + 2xy - 14x - 4y + 4 - 9x^2 - 12xy - 4y^2$$

$$\boxed{-3x^2 - 10xy - 14x - 4y - 4y^2 + 4}$$

## 1.4 Common Factors of a Polynomial

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Multiplying vs. Factoring:

Factoring is the "opposite" of multiplying.

Recall G.C.F: Find the GCF of each following set of numbers.

- a. 72 and 54

$$2, 3, 6, 9 \quad \text{GCF} = 9$$

- b.  $48x^2y^3$  and  $60x^3y$

$$12x^2y$$

**Common Factor:** The expression that 2 or more terms have in common, and they are evenly divisible by that expression.

**Example 1: Binomial GCF Factoring**

Factor each binomial.

- a.  $6n + 9$

$$3(2n+3)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \curvearrowright \quad \curvearrowright \\ 3(2n+3) \\ 6n+9 \end{array}$$

- b.  $6c + 4c^2$

$$2c(3+2c)$$

- c.  $72x^2 - 8x$

$$8x(9x-1)$$

- d.  $24x^2y - 12x^3y^3 + 36xyw$

$$12xy(2x - 1x^2y^2 + 3w)$$

- e.  $2(x-y) + 7x(x-y)$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2w + 7xw \\ w(2+7x) \end{array}$$

$$\text{Let } w = (x-y)$$

$$(x-y)(2+7x)$$

- f.  $3x^2 - 12x^3 + 15xy$

$$3x(x - 4x^2 + 5y)$$

GCF Factoring

1.  $8xy + 4xy^2$

$$4xy(2 + y)$$

2.  $9m^3 - 9m^2$

$$9m^2(m - 1)$$

$$(m)(m)(m)$$

$$(m)(m)$$

3.  $20a^2b^4c^2 - 5ab^3c^2$

$$5ab^3c^2(4ab - 1)$$

4.  $12w^3t^2 - 9wt^2 + 15w^2t^3$

$$3wt^2(4w^2 - 3 + 5wt)$$

5.  $9y^2z^2 - 81y^3z^2 - 90y^2z^4$

$$9y^2z^2(1 - 9y - 10z^2)$$

6.  $2(x + 1) + y(x + 1)$  Let  $w = x + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2w + yw \\ w(2 + y) &= (x + 1)(2 + y) \end{aligned}$$

7.  $3a(2 + y) + 4b(y + 2)$

$$3a(y + 2) + 4b(y + 2)$$

$$3aw + 4bw$$

$$w(3a + 4b)$$

$$w = y + 2$$

$$(y + 2)(3a + 4b)$$

## 1.5 Polynomial Factoring

Factoring Trinomials ( $ax^2 + bx + c$  where  $a = 1$ )

In this case, you are looking for a pair of numbers that multiply to c and add to b. "Break it up" in brackets and you are good to go!

Example 1: Factoring Trinomials.

Factor.

a.  $x^2 + 8x + 16$

$$(x+4)(x+4)$$

$$x^2 + 4x + 4x + 16$$

Two #'s that multiply to 16 and add to 8.

b.  $x^2 - 1x - 6$

$$(x-3)(x+2)$$

Two #'s that multiply to -6, and add to -1.

c.  $x^2 - 5x - 24$

$$(x-8)(x+3)$$

$$x^2 - 8x + 3x - 24$$

$$x^2 - 5x - 24$$

Two #'s that multiply to -24 & add -5.

d.  $x^2 - 7x + 12$

$$(x-3)(x-4)$$

Two #'s that multiply to 12 & add to -7.

$$-3x - 4 = 12$$

$$-3 + (-4) = -7$$

e.  $4x^2 - 20x - 24$

$$4(x^2 - 5x - 6)$$

$$4(x-6)(x+1)$$

Two #'s that multiply to -6 and add to -5.

~~$$-2 + -3 = -5$$~~

~~$$(-2)(-3) = 6$$~~

$$(-6)(1) = -6$$

$$-6 + 1 = -5 \checkmark$$

f.  $-12 - 10x + x^2$

$$x^2 - 10x - 12$$

Two #'s that multiply to -12 & add to -10.

Can't factor.

### Factoring Trinomials ( $ax^2 + bx + c$ ... where $a \neq 1$ )

In this case, look for a pair of numbers that multiply to  $ac$  and add to  $b$ . Rewrite the middle term using the two numbers you found. Now factor by grouping.

#### Example 2: Factoring Trinomials.

Factor.

a.  $2x^2 + 7x + 3$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2x^2 + 6x + 1x + 3 \\ & 2x(x+3) + 1(x+3) \\ & (x+3)(2x+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$2(3) = 6$$

b.  $8x^2 - 2x - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & 8x^2 - 4x + 2x - 1 \\ & 4x(2x-1) + 1(2x-1) \\ & (2x-1)(4x+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$8(-1) = -8 \rightarrow \text{Use } -4 + 2$$

c.  $3x^2 - 5x - 8$

$$\begin{aligned} & 3x^2 - 8x + 3x - 8 \\ & x(3x-8) + 1(3x-8) \\ & (3x-8)(x+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$3(-8) = -24$$

Use  $-8 + 3$

d.  $6x^2 + 8x - 8$

$$2(3x^2 + 4x - 4)$$

$$2(3x^2 + 6x - 2x - 4)$$

$$2(3x(x+2) - 2(x+2))$$

$$2(x+2)(3x-2)$$

$$3(-4) = -12$$

Use  $6 + 2$

$$\begin{aligned} & -2x - 4 \\ & -2(x+2) \end{aligned}$$

e.  $12x^2 + x - 6$

$$\begin{aligned} & 12x^2 + 9x - 8x - 6 \\ & 3x(4x+3) - 2(4x+3) \\ & (4x+3)(3x-2) \end{aligned}$$

$$12(-6) = -72$$

Use  $9 + -8$

f.  $-12 + 8a + 15a^2$

$$15a^2 + 8a - 12$$

$$15a^2 + 18a - 10a - 12$$

$$3a(5a+6) - 2(5a+6)$$

$$(15)(-12) = -180$$

Use  $18 + -10$

$$= (5a+6)(3a-2)$$

## 1.6 Special Polynomial Factoring

A trinomial that is a difference of squares will be in the form:

$$x^2 - y^2 = (x - y)(x + y)$$

- Both terms are perfect squares
- A minus sign means a difference

### Investigation:

Multiply the following binomials. What do you notice?

a.  $(x + 3)(x - 3)$

$$x^2 - 9$$

b.  $(x - 6)(x + 6)$

$$x^2 + 6x - 6x - 36 = x^2 - 36$$

### Example 1: Factor a Difference of Squares

Factor.  $(x)^2 - (4)^2$

a.  $x^2 - 16$

Think: both terms are perfect squares. What value do you need to "square" to get each term. \*

$$(x + 4)(x - 4)$$

b.  $x^2 - 100$

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

$$(x + 10)(x - 10)$$

c.  $36m^2 - 81n^2$

$$(\underline{6m})^2 - (\underline{9n})^2$$

$$(6m + 9n)(6m - 9n)$$
$$36m^2 - 54mn + 54mn - 81n^2$$

d.  $16 - x^2$

$$(4)^2 - (x)^2$$

$$(4 + x)(4 - x)$$

e.  $m^{10} - x^8$

$$(\underline{m^5})^2 - (\underline{x^4})^2$$

$$(m^5 + x^4)(m^5 - x^4)$$

f.  $x^4 - 1$

$$(\underline{x^2})^2 - (\underline{1})^2$$

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

### Example 2: Factoring a Perfect Square Trinomial

Factor each trinomial. Verify by multiplying the factors.

a.  $4x^2 + 12x + 9$

$$(2x + 3)(2x + 3)$$

$$4x^2 + 6x + 6x + 9$$

$$\begin{aligned} &4x^2 + 12x + 9 \\ &\underline{4x^2 + 6x + 6x + 9} \\ &2x(2x+3) + 3(2x+3) \\ &(2x+3)(2x+3) \end{aligned}$$

$$4(9) = 36$$

b.  $4 - 20x + 25x^2$

$$25x^2 - 20x + 4$$

$$(5x - 2)(5x - 2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &25x^2 - 20x + 4 \\ &\underline{25x^2 - 10x - 10x + 4} \\ &5x(5x-2) - 2(5x-2) \\ &(5x-2)(5x-2) \end{aligned}$$

$$(25)(4) = 100$$

### Example 3: Factoring Trinomials in Two Variables

Factor each trinomial. Verify by multiplying the factors.

a.  $x^2 + 6xy + 5y^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &x^2 + 6xy + 5y^2 \\ &\underline{(x+5y)(x+y)} \end{aligned}$$

Think: What two numbers multiply to 5 and add to 6? (Ignore the y's for now!)

$$(x + 5y)(x + 1y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &x^2 + xy + 5xy + 5y^2 \\ &x^2 + 6xy + 5y^2 \end{aligned}$$

b.  $4x^2 + 4xy + y^2$

Think: What two numbers multiply to 4(1) = 4 and add to 4? (Ignore the y's for now!)

$$\begin{aligned} &4x^2 + 2xy + 2xy + y^2 \\ &2x(2x+y) + y(2x+y) \\ &(2x+y)(2x+y) \end{aligned}$$

c.  $2a^2 - 7ab + 3b^2$  <sup>-6 + -1</sup>

Think: What two numbers multiply to  $2(3) = 6$  and add to  $-7$ ? (Ignore the b's for now!)

$$2a^2 - 6ab - 1ab + 3b^2$$

$$2a(a - 3b) - b(a - 3b)$$

$$(2a - b)(a - 3b)$$

d.  $10c^2 - cd - 2d^2$  <sup>-5 + 4</sup>

Think: What two numbers multiply to  $10(-2) = -20$  and add to  $-1$ ? (Ignore the d's for now!)

$$10c^2 - 5cd + 4cd - 2d^2$$

$$5c(2c - d) + 2d(2c - d)$$

$$(5c + 2d)(2c - d)$$