

Factoring (solve)

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Let's Solve This Stuff!

Last class we did a whole lot of factoring. But, we didn't actually solve any of the equations! That's what today is for.

Here's what we do:

1. Set our equation equal to zero
 - Sometimes you may need to rearrange the equation
2. Factor.
 - Completely. We must have all multiplied terms.
3. If everything is multiplied, we can make the claim that at least one of those things must be zero.
 - If $xy=0$ then either x or y must be zero.

Example time!

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ x^2 - 6x + 8 = 0 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ (x^2 - 4x) - (2x + 8) = 0 \\ \underline{x(x-4) - 2(x-4)} = 0 \\ \underline{(x-4)(x-2)} = 0 \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ x-4=0 \quad \text{or} \quad x-2=0 \\ \underline{x=4} \quad \quad \underline{x=2} \end{array} \\ & \begin{array}{c} ab = 8 \\ a+b = -6 \\ \underline{-4, -2} \end{array} \\ \\ & \begin{array}{c} 4x^2 + 12x = -9 \\ \rightarrow 4x^2 + 12x + 9 = 0 \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ (4x^2 + 6x) + (6x + 9) \\ \underline{2x(2x+3) + 3(2x+3)} \\ \underline{(2x+3)(2x+3)} = 0 \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \underline{(2x+3)^2} = 0 \\ \uparrow \\ 2x+3=0 \\ 2x = -3 \\ \underline{x = -\frac{3}{2}} \end{array} \\ & \begin{array}{c} ab = 9(4) = 36 \\ a+b = 12 \\ \underline{6, 6} \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{6x^2 + 2x} = 0$$

$$\underline{2x(3x+1)} = 0$$

$$2x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 3x+1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{0}{2} = 0$$

$$3x = -1 \\ x = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\rightarrow 2(4x-3)^2 + 7(4x-3) + 5 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } \underline{4x-3} = R$$

$$2R^2 + 7R + 5 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \swarrow & \leftrightarrow & \searrow \\ (2R^2 + 5R) & + & (2R + 5) = 0 \end{array}$$

$$R(2R+5) + (2R+5) = 0$$

$$\underline{(2R+5)(R+1)} = 0$$

$$(2[4x-3] + 5)([4x-3] + 1) = 0$$

$$(8x-6+5)(4x-3+1) = 0$$

$$(8x-1)(4x-2) = 0$$

$$8x-1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 4x-2 = 0$$

$$8x = 1$$

$$x = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$4x = 2$$

$$x = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$ab = 5(2) = 10$$

$$a+b = 7$$

$$5, 2$$

$$x(x-1) = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$x(x-1) = 2$$

$$x^2 - x - 2 = 0$$

$$x = 2, -1$$

$$\underline{Ax^2 + Bx + C = 0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\downarrow \\ &\rightarrow \frac{x}{3} + \frac{2}{6} = 5 \\ &\rightarrow \frac{2x+2}{6} = 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = 14$$

$$2x+2 = 6(5)$$

$$2(x+1) = 30$$

$$x+1 = \frac{30}{2}$$

$$x+1 = 15$$

$$x = 14$$

We could also ask you to find the quadratic equation that has specific roots...

Example: Write a quadratic equation with the given roots:

$$\underline{-5, -3} \rightarrow x = -5 \text{ or } x = -3$$

$$\underline{x+5=0}$$

$$\underline{x+3=0}$$

$$(x+5)(x+3) = 0$$

$$x^2 + 3x + 5x + 15 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 8x + 15 = 0$$

→ 4, -2 ←

$$x^2 - 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$\frac{-3}{2}, \frac{1}{4} \quad x = -\frac{3}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$(2x+3)(4x-1) = 0$$
$$2x = -3 \quad 4x = 1$$
$$2x+3 = 0 \quad 4x-1 = 0$$
$$8x^2 - 2x + 12x - 3 = 0$$
$$8x^2 + 10x - 3 = 0$$

Word Problem:

The Length of a lacrosse field is 10m less than twice the width.
The area of the field is 6,600m². Find the dimensions of the field.

$$A = 6,600 \text{ m}^2$$
$$l = 2w - 10$$

$$A = lw = (2w - 10)w = 6,600$$

$$2w^2 - 10w = 6,600$$

$$2w^2 - 10w - 6,600 = 0$$

$$2(w^2 - 5w - 3,300) = 0 \quad /2$$

$$w^2 - 5w - 3,300 = 0$$

$$(w^2 - 60w) + (55w - 3300) = 0$$

$$w(w - 60) + 55(w - 60) = 0$$

$$(w - 60)(w + 55) = 0$$

$$ab = -3300$$
$$a+b = -5$$
$$-60, 55$$

$$w - 60 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad w + 55 = 0$$

$$w = 60$$

~~$$w = -55$$~~

if $w = 60$ then

$$\begin{aligned} l &= 2w - 10 \\ &= 2(60) - 10 \\ &= 120 - 10 \\ &= 110_m \end{aligned}$$

Quiz on this next class

HW: pg230
#7,9-11,12a,19,30