

Objective 7: Use multiple operations to simplify a polynomial.

To do these problems, use the order of operations. The pneumonic PEMDAS will help you remember what to do.

P – Parentheses are always done first.

E – Exponents are done second.

MD – Multiplication and Division are done third. Do these operations as they are seen in the problem, reading left to right.

AS – Addition and Subtraction are done last. Do these operations as they are seen in the problem, reading from left to right.

Ex $2x(x - 4) + 4x(2x^2 - 3) = 2x^2 - 8x + 8x^3 - 12x$ **Eliminate Parentheses.**

$$= 8x^3 + 2x^2 - 20x \quad \text{Add like terms.}$$

Ex $3 - 8(3x + 4) = 3 - 24x - 32$ **Eliminate Parentheses.**

$$= -24x - 29 \quad \text{Add like terms.}$$

Ex $2(4x - 3x^2) - 5x(-2x^2 + 3x - 1) = 8x - 6x^2 + 10x^3 - 15x^2 + 5x$

Eliminate Parentheses.

$$= 10x^3 - 21x^2 + 13x \quad \text{Add like terms.}$$

Use the order of operations to simplify each expression.

1. $-3(2x + 4) + 2(-5x - 3)$

2. $6 - 2(5x + 10)$

3. $4x(x^2 - 5x + 8) + 8x - 12$

4. $3x - 9x(4x - 8)$

5. $2(3x - 4) + 3(3x^2 - 6x + 1)$

6. $9x - (7x^2 - 3x + 8)$

7. $5(2x^2 - 6x - 10) - 4(x^2 + 8x + 3) + 3(2x^2 - 8x + 2)$

8. $5x^3 - 7x(7x + 10) - 2x^2(9x - 11)$

9. $x^2 - 4x^2(3x + 9) + 6x$

10. $-3(x^2 - 4x + 7) - 7(2x^2 + 6)$

11. $-(6x^3 - 4x - 3) + 3x - 4(5x^2 - 8x + 2)$

12. $2x(x + 3) - 5x(3 - 2x) + 8x(4x - 1)$

13. $9 - 2(3x - 7) + 8(x - 8)$

14. $4x(3x - 5x^3 - 6) + 7(2x^2 - 4x)$

15. $-3 + 6(7x^3 - 8x + 2) - 4x + 3x(2 - x^2)$