

Factorise the following (1 to 8) polynomials:

Question 1.

(i) $8xy^3 + 12x^2y^2$

(ii) $15ax^3 - 9ax^2$

Solution:

(i) $8xy^3 + 12x^2y^2 = 4xy^2(2y + 3x)$

(ii) $15ax^3 - 9ax^2 = 3ax^2(5x - 3)$

Question 2.

(i) $21py^2 - 56py$

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

Solution:

(i) $21py^2 - 56py = 7py(3y - 8)$

(ii) $4x^3 - 6x^2 = 2x^2(2x - 3)$

Question 3.

(i) $25abc^2 - 15a^2b^2c$

(ii) $x^2yz + xy^2z + xyz^2$

Solution:

(i) $25abc^2 - 15a^2b^2c = 5abc(5c - 3ab)$

(ii) $x^2yz + xy^2z + xyz^2 = xyz(x + y + z)$

Question 4.

(i) $8x^3 - 6x^2 + 10x$

(ii) $14mn + 22m - 62p$

Solution:

(i) $8x^3 - 6x^2 + 10x = 2x(4x^2 - 3x + 5)$

(ii) $14mn + 22m - 62p = 2(7mn + 11m - 31p)$

Question 5.

(i) $18p^2q^2 - 24pq^2 + 30p^2q$

(ii) $27a^3b^3 - 18a^2b^3 + 75a^3b^2$

Solution:

(i) $18p^2q^2 - 24pq^2 + 30p^2q$

$$= 6pq (3pq - 4q + 5p)$$

(ii) $27a^3b^3 - 18a^2b^3 + 75a^3b^2$

$$= 3a^2b^2 (9ab - 6b + 25a)$$

Question 6.

(i) $15a (2p - 3q) - 10b (2p - 3q)$

(ii) $3a (x^2 + y^2) + 6b (x^2 + y^2)$

Solution:

(i) $15a (2p - 3q) - 10b (2p - 3q)$

$$= (2p - 3q)(15a - 10b)$$

$$= (2p - 3q) (5) (3a - 2b)$$

$$= 5 (2p - 3q) (3a - 2b)$$

(ii) $3a (x^2 + y^2) + 6b (x^2 + y^2)$

$$= (x^2 + y^2) (3a + 6b)$$

$$= (x^2 + y^2) (3) (a + 2b)$$

$$= 3 (x^2 + y^2) (a + 2b)$$

Question 7.

(i) $6(x + 2y)^3 + 8(x + 2y)^2$

(ii) $14(a - 3b)^3 - 21p(a - 3b)$

Solution:

(i) $6(x + 2y)^3 + 8(x + 2y)^2$

$$(x + 2y)^2 [6(x + 2y) + 8]$$

$$= (x + 2y)^2 [6x + 12y + 8]$$

$$= (x + 2y)^2 (2) (3x + 6y + 4)$$

$$= 2(x + 2y)^2 (3x + 6y + 4)$$

(ii) $14(a - 3b)^3 - 21p(a - 3b)$

$$= 7[2(a - 3b)^3 - 3p(a - 3b)]$$

$$= 7[(a - 3b) \{2(a - 3b)^2 - 3p\}]$$

$$= 7(a - 3b)[2(a - 3b)^2 - 3p]$$

Question 8.

$$10a(2p + q)^3 - 15b(2p + q)^2 + 35(2p + q)$$

Solution:

$$10a(2p + q)^3 - 15b(2p + q)^2 + 35(2p + q)$$

$$= 5[2a(2p + q)^3 - 3b(2p + q)^2 + 7(2p + q)]$$

$$= 5(2p + q)[2a(2p + q)^2 - 3b(2p + q) + 7]$$