

Show all necessary steps for full marks.

Question 1: (5 points): Given the polynomial $f(x) = (3x^2 - 2)^2 - (2x^2 - x - 3)(2x^2 - x + 3)$

(a): Write down the following:

(b): Write $f(x)$ in standard form.

The leading coefficient	The constant Term	The coefficient of x^2	Degree

Solution (a):

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= (3x^2 - 2)^2 - (2x^2 - x - 3)(2x^2 - x + 3) \\
 &= 9x^4 - 12x^2 + 4 - [(2x^2 - x) - 3][(2x^2 - x) + 3] \\
 &= 9x^4 - 12x^2 + 4 - [(2x^2 - x)^2 - 3^2] \\
 &= 9x^4 - 12x^2 + 4 - [4x^4 - 4x^3 + x^2 - 9] \\
 &= 5x^4 + 4x^3 - 13x^2 + 13
 \end{aligned}$$

(b):

The leading coefficient	The constant Term	The coefficient of x^2	Degree
5	13	-13	4

Question 2: (5 points): If $\frac{4x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 1}{x + 2} = 4x^2 + mx + 23 + \frac{n}{x + 2}$, find m and n .

Solution:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \overline{4x^2 - 11x + 23} \\
 x+2 \overline{) 4x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 1} \\
 \underline{4x^3 + 8x^2} \\
 -11x^2 + x \\
 \underline{-11x^2 - 22x} \\
 23x + 1 \\
 \underline{23x + 46} \\
 -45
 \end{array}$$

If $\frac{4x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 1}{x + 2} = 4x^2 - 11x + 23 + \frac{-45}{x + 2}$ find m and n .

$m = -11$, $n = -45$

Question 3: (4 points) (R.4 Textbook Exercise 23): Factor completely $p^2q^2 - 10 - 2q^2 + 5p^2$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 23. \quad & p^2q^2 - 10 - 2q^2 + 5p^2 \\
 & = p^2q^2 - 2q^2 + 5p^2 - 10 \\
 & = q^2(p^2 - 2) + 5(p^2 - 2) \\
 & = (p^2 - 2)(q^2 + 5)
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 4: (3 points) (R.4 Textbook Exercise 40): Factor completely $18x^5 + 15x^4z - 75x^3z^2$

Solution:

40. First, factor out the greatest common factor,

$$3x^3 :$$

$$18x^5 + 15x^4z - 75x^3z^2 = 3x^3(6x^2 + 5xz - 25z^2)$$

Now factor the trinomial by trial and

$$\text{error: } 6x^2 + 5xz - 25z^2 = (3x - 5z)(2x + 5z)$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
 18x^5 + 15x^4z - 75x^3z^2 & = 3x^3(6x^2 + 5xz - 25z^2) \\
 & = 3x^3(3x - 5z)(2x + 5z)
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 5: (3 points) (R.4 Textbook Exercise 97): Factor $64 + (3x + 2)^3$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 97. \quad & 64 + (3x + 2)^3 \\
 & = 4^3 + (3x + 2)^3 \\
 & = [4 + (3x + 2)][4^2 - (4)(3x + 2) + (3x + 2)^2] \\
 & = [4 + (3x + 2)] \left[\begin{array}{l} 4^2 - (4)(3x + 2) \\ + 9x^2 + 12x + 4 \end{array} \right] \\
 & = (4 + 3x + 2)(16 - 12x - 8 + 9x^2 + 12x + 4) \\
 & = (3x + 6)(9x^2 + 12) \\
 & = 3(x + 2)(3)(3x^2 + 4) = 9(x + 2)(3x^2 + 4)
 \end{aligned}$$