

Adding/Subtracting Polynomials Practice

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Simplify each expression.

1) $(2x^2 - 8x^4) - (4x^2 - 8)$

$$\begin{array}{r} \downarrow \\ 2) \quad \underline{3 - 3b^4} + \underline{8b^4 + 7b^2} \\ 5b^4 + 7b^2 + 3 \end{array}$$

We will focus on adding for now.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3) \quad \underline{4x^4 + 6x^3} + \underline{6x^3 + 8x^4} \\ 12x^4 + 12x^3 \end{array}$$

4) $(6n^4 - 8) - (7 - 5n^4 - 7n^3)$

• When adding you are combining like terms.

• You know you are adding because of the plus sign in the middle of the parenthesis

5) $(6k^2 - 7k^3) - (k - 7k^3 + 4k^2)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6) \quad \underline{5x^3 + x} + \underline{x - 3x^3 - 3} \\ 2x^3 + 2x - 3 \end{array}$$

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Subtract

1) $(2x^2 - 8x^4) - (4x^2 - 8)$

① Dist. Neg

2) $(3 - 3b^4) + (8b^4 + 7b^2)$

$$\underline{2x^2} - \underline{8x^4} - \underline{4x^2} + \underline{8}$$

② Rewrite Expression

$$-8x^4 - 2x^2 + 8$$

③ Combine like terms

3) $(4x^4 + 6x^3) + (6x^3 + 8x^4)$

4) $(6n^4 - 8) - (7 - 5n^4 - 7n^3)$

$$\underline{6n^4} - 8 - 7 + \underline{5n^4} + \underline{7n^3}$$

$$11n^4 + 7n^3 - 15$$

5) $(6k^2 - 7k^3) - (k - 7k^3 + 4k^2)$

$$\underline{6k^2} - \underline{7k^3} - \underline{k} + \underline{7k^3} - \underline{4k^2}$$

$$2k^2 - k$$

6) $(5x^3 + x) + (x - 3x^3 - 3)$

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

8) $(5a^4 + 7 - 6a) - (8 + 8a^3 + 2a^4)$