

Algebra I

Lesson 8-5

- I can add polynomials.
- I can subtract polynomials.

To add polynomials, group like terms
horizontally or write them in column form,
 aligning like terms.

Find $(3x^2 - 4x + 8) + (2x - 7x^2 - 5)$

Method 1

$$\begin{array}{l} 3x^2 - 7x^2 - 4x + 2x + 8 - 5 \\ -4x^2 - 2x + 3 \end{array}$$

Method 2

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^2 - 4x + 8 \\ (+) -7x^2 + 2x - 5 \\ \hline -4x^2 - 2x + 3 \end{array}$$

To subtract polynomials, add the additive inverse; replace each term with its additive inverse or opposite.

Find $(3n^2 + 13n^3 + 5n) - (7n + 4n^3)$

Method 1

$$\begin{array}{r} 3n^2 + 13n^3 - 4n^3 + 5n - 7n \\ 3n^2 + 9n^3 - 2n \end{array}$$

Method 2

$$\begin{array}{r} 3n^2 + 13n^3 + 5n \\ (-) \quad \quad \quad 4n^3 + 7n \\ \hline 3n^2 + 9n^3 - 2n \end{array}$$

The total number of public school teachers T consists of two groups, elementary E and secondary S . From 1985 to 1998, the number (in thousands) of secondary teachers and total teachers could be modeled by the following equations, where n is the number of years since 1985.

$$\begin{aligned} S &= 11n + 942 \\ T &= 44n + 2216 \end{aligned}$$

Find an equation that models the number of elementary teachers E for this time period.

$$\begin{array}{r} T \quad 44n + 2216 \\ -S \quad (-) \quad 11n + 942 \\ \hline E = 33n + 1274 \end{array}$$

Use the equation to predict the number of elementary teachers in the year 2010.

$$\begin{aligned} E &= 33(25) + 1274 \\ &= 825 + 1274 \\ &= 2,099,000 \end{aligned}$$

Assignment

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