



Multiplying Polynomials - Box Method

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Multiply the polynomials using box method.

1) $(5k^2 + 9k - 3)(2k^3 - 5k^2 - 4k + 1) =$ _____

	$2k^3$	$-5k^2$	$-4k$	1
$5k^2$				
9k				
-3				

2) $(4x^4 - x^3 - 2x^2)(x^5 + 3x^4 + x^3 - 4x^2) =$ _____

	x^5	$3x^4$	x^3	$-4x^2$
$4x^4$				
$-x^3$				
$-2x^2$			-	

3) $(m^2 - 5m + 6)(m^4 - 2m^3 + m^2 - m) =$ _____

	m^4	$-2m^3$	m^2	-m
m^2				
-5m				
6				



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1) $(5k^2 + 9k - 3)(2k^3 - 5k^2 - 4k + 1) = \underline{10k^5 - 7k^4 - 71k^3 - 16k^2 + 21k - 3}$

	$2k^3$	$-5k^2$	$-4k$	1
$5k^2$	$10k^5$	$-25k^4$	$-20k^3$	$5k^2$
$9k$	$18k^4$	$-45k^3$	$-36k^2$	$9k$
-3	$-6k^3$	$15k^2$	$12k$	-3

2) $(4x^4 - x^3 - 2x^2)(x^5 + 3x^4 + x^3 - 4x^2) = \underline{4x^9 + 11x^8 - x^7 - 23x^6 + 2x^5 + 8x^4}$

	x^5	$3x^4$	x^3	$-4x^2$
$4x^4$	$4x^9$	$12x^8$	$4x^7$	$-16x^6$
$-x^3$	$-x^8$	$-3x^7$	$-x^6$	$4x^5$
$-2x^2$	$-2x^7$	$-6x^6$	$-2x^5$	$8x^4$

3) $(m^2 - 5m + 6)(m^4 - 2m^3 + m^2 - m) = \underline{m^6 - 7m^5 + 15m^4 - 18m^3 + 11m^2 - 6m}$

	m^4	$-2m^3$	m^2	$-m$
m^2	m^6	$-2m^5$	$-m^4$	$-m^3$
$-5m$	$-5m^5$	$10m^4$	$-5m^3$	$5m^2$
6	$6m^4$	$-12m^3$	$6m^2$	$-6m$