MTH 28 LECTURE NOTES (Ojakian)

Topic 8: Factoring - Putting it all together

OUTLINE

References: 6.4

1. General Strategy

- (a) First, pull out GCD.
- (b) Then look for difference of squares (2 terms).
- (c) Then look for trinomials to factor (3 terms).
- (d) Then look for fact by grouping (4 terms).

PROBLEM 1. Factor the following:

- (a) $12x^2y^4 27x^4y^2$
- (b) $10a^2b^2 70ab^2 180b^2$
- (c) More Problems (Section 6.4): 235, 247, 247 (with x^4 changed to x^3), 249, 263, 264.