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Factoring Sum and Difference of Cubes

Factor each expression below.

1.

$$x^3 - y^3$$

2.

$$x^3 + 8$$

3.

$$125 + 8x^3$$

4.

$$27x^3 - 64$$

5.

$$64x^3 - 1$$

6.

$$216 + x^3$$

7.

$$8x^3 + 729$$

8.

$$1 - 125x^3$$

9.

$$x^3 - 512$$

10.

$$x^3 + y^3$$

11.

$$64x^3 + 27y^3$$

12.

$$x^3 - 1000$$

13.

$$x^3 - y^6$$

14.

$$x^6 + 1$$

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SOLUTIONS

1. $x^3 - y^3$
 $(x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$

2. $x^3 + 8$
 $(x + 2)(x^2 - 2x + 4)$

3. $125 + 8x^3$
 $(5 + 2x)(25 - 10x + 4x^2)$

4. $27x^3 - 64$
 $(3x - 4)(9x^2 + 12x + 16)$

5. $64x^3 - 1$
 $(4x - 1)(16x^2 + 4x + 1)$

6. $216 + x^3$
 $(6 + x)(36 - 6x + x^2)$

7. $8x^3 + 729$
 $(2x + 9)(4x^2 - 18x + 81)$

8. $1 - 125x^3$
 $(1 - 5x)(1 + 5x + 25x^2)$

9. $x^3 - 512$
 $(x - 8)(x^2 + 8x + 64)$

10. $x^3 + y^3$
 $(x + y)(x^2 - xy + y^2)$

11. $64x^3 + 27y^3$
 $(4x + 3y)(16x^2 - 12xy + 9y^2)$

12. $x^3 - 1000$
 $(x - 10)(x^2 + 10x + 100)$

13. $x^3 - y^6$
 $(x - y^2)(x^2 + xy^2 + y^4)$

14. $x^6 + 1$
 $(x^2 + 1)(x^4 - x^2 + 1)$