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Sign Patterns of $ax^2 + bx + c$, where a is always positive

- ① $ax^2 + bx + c$; ② Both numbers have the same "sign" ③ Both numbers are positive
 $(x+3)(x+4)$
 $x^2 + 4x + 3x + 12$
 $x^2 + 7x + 12$
- ④ $ax^2 + bx + c$; Some signs, both neg.
 $(x-3)(x-4)$
 $x^2 - 4x - 3x + 12$
 $x^2 - 7x + 12$
- ⑤ $ax^2 + bx - c$; opposite signs, and the large number is positive
 $(x-3)(x+4)$
 $x^2 + 4 - 3x - 12$
 $x^2 + x - 12$
- ⑥ $ax^2 + bx - c$; opposite signs, and the larger number is negative
 $(x+3)(x-4)$
 $x^2 - 4x + 3x - 12$
 $x^2 - x - 12$

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① $y^2 - 12y + 11$

② $x^2 + 6x + 8$

③ $x^2 + 5x + 2$ $ac = 1 \cdot 2 = 2$ $b = 5$
Relatively Prime $+ | +$ ac b
 $x^2 - 2x^2 - 15$ $x = -2$
 $a^4 - 5a^2 + 3a^2 - 15$ $- | +$
 $a^2(a^2 - 5) + 3(a^2 - 5)$ $5 | 3$
 $(a^2 - 3)(a^2 + 3)$
 $a^4 + 3a^2 - 5a^2 - 15$
 $a^4 - 2a^2 - 15$

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① $y^2 - 12y + 11$ $ac(\text{product}) = 1 \cdot 11 = 11$
 $b(\text{sum}) = -12$

$y^2 - 11y - y + 11$ $- | -$ ac b
 $y(y-11) - 1(y-11)$ $11 | 1$ \checkmark \checkmark
 $(y-11)(y-1)$

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9. 6. 3 #1 - 3b m3

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