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$5x$ is the GCF of $5x^3 - 40x^2 + 75x$.

$$5x^3 - 40x^2 + 75x = 5x(x^2 - 8x + 15)$$

The integers -5 and -3 have a product of 15 and a sum of -8 .

$$5x(x^2 - 8x + 15) = 5x(x - 5)(x - 3)$$

b. $2x^2 + 3xy - 2y^2$

$$ac = -4 \text{ and } b = 3$$

The integers 4 and -1 have a product of -4 and a sum of 3 .

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^2 + 3xy - 2y^2 &= 2x^2 + 4xy - xy - 2y^2 \\ &= (2x^2 + 4xy) + (-xy - 2y^2) \\ &= 2x(x + 2y) - y(x + 2y) \\ &= (x + 2y)(2x - y) \end{aligned}$$