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## FUNDAMENTALS OF ALGEBRA

## 1.1 Real Numbers

## Concept Questions

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- The set of natural numbers is  $N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ ; the set of whole numbers is  $W = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ ; the set of integers is  $I = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ ; the set of rational numbers is  $Q = \{a/b \mid a \text{ and } b \text{ are integers and } b \neq 0\}$  (example:  $1/2$ ), and the set of irrational numbers contains all real numbers that cannot be expressed in the form  $a/b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers and  $b \neq 0$  (example:  $\pi$ ). The set of real numbers contains all irrational and rational numbers.
- The associative law of addition states that  $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$ .
  - The distributive law states that  $ab + ac = a(b + c)$ .
- If  $ab \neq 0$ , then neither  $a$  nor  $b$  is equal to zero. If  $abc \neq 0$ , then none of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  is equal to zero.

## Exercises

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- The number  $-3$  is an integer, a rational number, and a real number.
- The number  $-420$  is an integer, a rational number, and a real number.
- The number  $\frac{3}{8}$  is a rational real number.
- The number  $-\frac{4}{125}$  is a rational real number.
- The number  $\sqrt{11}$  is an irrational real number.
- The number  $-\sqrt{5}$  is an irrational real number.
- The number  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  is an irrational real number.
- The number  $\frac{2}{\pi}$  is an irrational real number.
- The number  $2.\overline{421}$  is a rational real number.
- The number  $2.71828\dots$  is an irrational real number.
- False.  $-2$  is not a whole number.
- True.
- True.
- True.
- False. No natural number is irrational.
- True.
- $(2x + y) + z = z + (2x + y)$ : The Commutative Law of Addition.
- $3x + (2y + z) = (3x + 2y) + z$ : The Associative Law of Addition.
- $u(3v + w) = (3v + w)u$ : The Commutative Law of Multiplication.
- $a^2(b^2c) = (a^2b^2)c$ : The Associative Law of Multiplication.

21.  $u(2v + w) = 2uv + uw$ : The Distributive Law.
22.  $(2u + v)w = 2uw + vw$ : The Distributive Law.
23.  $(2x + 3y) + (x + 4y) = 2x + [3y + (x + 4y)]$ : The Associative Law of Addition.
24.  $(a + 2b)(a - 3b) = a(a - 3b) + 2b(a - 3b)$ : The Distributive Law.
25.  $a - [-(c + d)] = a + (c + d)$ : Property 1 of negatives.
26.  $-(2x + y)[-(3x + 2y)] = (2x + y)(3x + 2y)$ : Property 3 of negatives.
27.  $0(2a + 3b) = 0$ : Property 1 involving zero.
28. If  $(x - y)(x + y) = 0$ , then  $x = y$  or  $x = -y$ . Property 2 involving zero.
29. If  $(x - 2)(2x + 5) = 0$ , then  $x = 2$ , or  $x = -\frac{5}{2}$ . Property 2 involving zero.
30. If  $x(2x - 9) = 0$ , then  $x = 0$  or  $x = \frac{9}{2}$ . Property 2 involving zero.
31.  $\frac{(x + 1)(x - 3)}{(2x + 1)(x - 3)} = \frac{x + 1}{2x + 1}$ . Property 2 of quotients.
32.  $\frac{(2x + 1)(x + 3)}{(2x - 1)(x + 3)} = \frac{2x + 1}{2x - 1}$ . Property 2 of quotients.
33.  $\frac{a + b}{b} \div \frac{a - b}{ab} = \frac{a(a + b)}{a - b}$ . Properties 2 and 5 of quotients.
34.  $\frac{x + 2y}{3x + y} \div \frac{x}{6x + 2y} = \frac{x + 2y}{3x + y} \cdot \frac{2(3x + y)}{x} = \frac{2(x + 2y)}{x}$ . Properties 2 and 5 of quotients and the Distributive Law.
35.  $\frac{a}{b + c} + \frac{c}{b} = \frac{ab + bc + c^2}{b(b + c)}$ . Property 6 of quotients and the Distributive Law.
36.  $\frac{x + y}{x + 1} - \frac{y}{x} = \frac{x^2 - y}{x(x + 1)}$ . Property 7 of quotients and the Distributive Law.
37. False. Consider  $a = 2$  and  $b = \frac{1}{2}$ . Then  $ab = 1$ , but  $a \neq 1$  and  $b \neq 1$ .
38. True. Multiplying both sides of the equation by  $\frac{1}{a}$  (which exists because  $a \neq 0$ ), we have  $\frac{1}{a}(ab) = \frac{1}{a}(0)$ , or  $b = 0$ .
39. False. Consider  $a = 3$  and  $b = 2$ . Then  $a - b = 3 - 2 \neq b - a = 2 - 3 = -1$ .
40. False. Consider  $a = 3$  and  $b = 2$ . Then  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{3}{2} \neq \frac{b}{a} = \frac{2}{3}$ .
41. False. Consider  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 2$ , and  $c = 3$ . Then  $(a - b) - c = (1 - 2) - 3 = -4 \neq a - (b - c) = 1 - (2 - 3) = 2$ .
42. False. Consider  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 2$ , and  $c = 3$ . Then  $\frac{a}{b/c} = \frac{1}{2/3} = \frac{3}{2} \neq \frac{a/b}{c} = \frac{1/2}{3} = \frac{1}{6}$ .

## 1.2 Polynomials

### Concept Questions

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1. A polynomial of degree  $n$  in  $x$  is an expression of the form  $a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 x + a_0$ , where  $n$  is a nonnegative integer and  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n$  are real numbers with  $a_n \neq 0$ . One polynomial of degree 4 in  $x$  is  $x^4 + 2x^3 - 2x^2 - 5x - 7$ .

2. (a)  $1 + 2b + b^2$

b.  $a^2 - 2ab + b^2$

c.  $a^2 - b^2$

### Exercises

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1.  $3^4 = 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 = 81$ .

2.  $(-2)^5 = (-2)(-2)(-2)(-2)(-2) = -32$ .

3.  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{8}{27}$

4.  $\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right) = \frac{9}{16}$ .

5.  $-3^4 = -3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 = -81$ .

6.  $-\left(-\frac{4}{5}\right)^3 = -\left(-\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(-\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(-\frac{4}{5}\right) = \frac{64}{125}$ .

7.  $-3\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^3 = (-3)\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = -\frac{81}{125}$ .

8.  $\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)\left(-\frac{27}{64}\right) = -\frac{3}{16}$ .

9.  $2^3 \cdot 2^5 = 2^8 = 256$ .

10.  $(-3)^2 \cdot (-3)^3 = (-3)^5 = -243$ .

11.  $(3y)^2 (3y)^3 = (3y)^5 = 243y^5$ .

12.  $(-2x)^3 (-2x)^2 = (-2x)^5 = -32x^5$ .

13.  $(2x + 3) + (4x - 6) = 2x + 3 + 4x - 6 = 6x - 3$ .      14.  $(-3x + 2) - (4x - 3) = -3x + 2 - 4x + 3 = -7x + 5$ .

15.  $(7x^2 - 2x + 5) + (2x^2 + 5x - 4) = 7x^2 - 2x + 5 + 2x^2 + 5x - 4 = 7x^2 + 2x^2 - 2x + 5x + 5 - 4 = 9x^2 + 3x + 1$ .

16.  $(3x^2 + 5xy + 2y) + (4 - 3xy - 2x^2) = x^2 + 2xy + 2y + 4$ .

17.  $(5y^2 - 2y + 1) - (y^2 - 4y - 8) = 5y^2 - 2y + 1 - y^2 + 4y + 8 = 5y^2 - y^2 - 2y + 4y + 1 + 8 = 4y^2 + 2y + 9$ .

18.  $(2x^2 - 3x + 4) - (-x^2 + 2x - 6) = 2x^2 - 3x + 4 + x^2 - 2x + 6 = 3x^2 - 5x + 10$ .

19.  $(2.4x^3 - 3x^2 + 1.7x - 6.2) - (1.2x^3 + 1.2x^2 - 0.8x + 2) = 2.4x^3 - 3x^2 + 1.7x - 6.2 - 1.2x^3 - 1.2x^2 + 0.8x - 2$   
 $= 1.2x^3 - 4.2x^2 + 2.5x - 8.2$ .

20.  $(1.4x^3 - 1.2x^2 + 3.2) - (-0.8x^3 - 2.1x - 1.8) = 1.4x^3 - 1.2x^2 + 3.2 + 0.8x^3 + 2.1x + 1.8$   
 $= 2.2x^3 - 1.2x^2 + 2.1x + 5$ .

21.  $(3x^2)(2x^3) = 6x^5$ .

22.  $(-2rs^2)(4r^2s^2)(2s) = -16r^3s^5$ .

23.  $-2x(x^2 - 2) + 4x^3 = -2x^3 + 4x + 4x^3 = 2x^3 + 4x$ .

$$24. xy(2y - 3x) = 2xy^2 - 3x^2y.$$

$$25. 2m(3m - 4) + m(m - 1) = 6m^2 - 8m + m^2 - m = 7m^2 - 9m.$$

$$26. -3x(2x^2 + 3x - 5) + 2x(x^2 - 3) = -6x^3 - 9x^2 + 15x + 2x^3 - 6x = -4x^3 - 9x^2 + 9x.$$

$$27. 3(2a - b) - 4(b - 2a) = 6a - 3b - 4b + 8a = 6a + 8a - 3b - 4b = 14a - 7b.$$

$$28. 2(3m - 1) - 3(-4m + 2n) = 6m - 2 + 12m - 6n = 18m - 6n - 2.$$

$$29. (2x + 3)(3x - 2) = 2x(3x - 2) + 3(3x - 2) = 6x^2 - 4x + 9x - 6 = 6x^2 + 5x - 6.$$

$$30. (3r - 1)(2r + 5) = 3r(2r + 5) - (2r + 5) = 6r^2 + 15r - 2r - 5 = 6r^2 + 13r - 5.$$

$$31. (2x - 3y)(3x + 2y) = 2x(3x + 2y) - 3y(3x + 2y) = 6x^2 + 4xy - 9xy - 6y^2 = 6x^2 - 5xy - 6y^2.$$

$$32. (5m - 2n)(5m + 3n) = 5m(5m + 3n) - 2n(5m + 3n) = 25m^2 + 15mn - 10mn - 6n^2 = 25m^2 + 5mn - 6n^2.$$

$$33. (3r + 2s)(4r - 3s) = 3r(4r - 3s) + 2s(4r - 3s) = 12r^2 - 9rs + 8rs - 6s^2 = 12r^2 - rs - 6s^2.$$

$$34. (2m + 3n)(3m - 2n) = 2m(3m - 2n) + 3n(3m - 2n) = 6m^2 - 4mn + 9mn - 6n^2 = 6m^2 + 5mn - 6n^2.$$

$$35. (0.2x + 1.2y)(0.3x - 2.1y) = 0.2x(0.3x - 2.1y) + 1.2y(0.3x - 2.1y) = 0.06x^2 - 0.42xy + 0.36xy - 2.52y^2 \\ = 0.06x^2 - 0.06xy - 2.52y^2.$$

$$36. (3.2m - 1.7n)(4.2m + 1.3n) = 3.2m(4.2m + 1.3n) - 1.7n(4.2m + 1.3n) \\ = 13.44m^2 + 4.16mn - 7.14mn - 2.21n^2 = 13.44m^2 - 2.98mn - 2.21n^2.$$

$$37. (2x - y)(3x^2 + 2y) = 2x(3x^2 + 2y) - y(3x^2 + 2y) = 6x^3 - 3x^2y + 4xy - 2y^2.$$

$$38. (3m - 2n^2)(2m^2 + 3n) = 3m(2m^2 + 3n) - 2n^2(2m^2 + 3n) = 6m^3 + 9mn - 4m^2n^2 - 6n^3.$$

$$39. (2x + 3y)^2 = (2x)^2 + 2(2x)(3y) + (3y)^2 = 4x^2 + 12xy + 9y^2.$$

$$40. (3m - 2n)^2 = (3m)^2 - 2(3m)(2n) + (2n)^2 = 9m^2 - 12mn + 4n^2.$$

$$41. (2u - v)(2u + v) = (2u)^2 - v^2 = 4u^2 - v^2.$$

$$42. (3r + 4s)(3r - 4s) = (3r)^2 - (4s)^2 = 9r^2 - 16s^2.$$

$$43. (2x - 1)^2 + 3x - 2(x^2 + 1) + 3 = 4x^2 - 4x + 1 + 3x - 2x^2 - 2 + 3 = 2x^2 - x + 2.$$

$$44. (3m + 2)^2 - 2m(1 - m) - 4 = 9m^2 + 12m + 4 - 2m + 2m^2 - 4 = 11m^2 + 10m.$$

$$45. (2x + 3y)^2 - (2y + 1)(3x - 2) + 2(x - y) = 4x^2 + 12xy + 9y^2 - 6xy - 3x + 4y + 2 + 2x - 2y \\ = 4x^2 + 6xy + 9y^2 - x + 2y + 2.$$

$$46. (x - 2y)(y + 3x) - 2xy + 3(x + y - 1) = xy + 3x^2 - 2y^2 - 6xy - 2xy + 3x + 3y - 3 = 3x^2 - 7xy - 2y^2 + 3x + 3y - 3.$$

$$47. (t^2 - 2t + 4)(2t^2 + 1) = (t^2 - 2t + 4)(2t^2) + (t^2 - 2t + 4)(1) = 2t^4 - 4t^3 + 8t^2 + t^2 - 2t + 4 \\ = 2t^4 - 4t^3 + 9t^2 - 2t + 4.$$

$$48. (3m^2 - 1)(2m^2 + 3m - 4) = 3m^2(2m^2 + 3m - 4) - (2m^2 + 3m - 4) = 6m^4 + 9m^3 - 12m^2 - 2m^2 - 3m + 4 \\ = 6m^4 + 9m^3 - 14m^2 - 3m + 4.$$

$$49. 2x - \{3x - [x - (2x - 1)]\} = 2x - \{3x - [x - 2x + 1]\} = 2x - [3x - (-x + 1)] = 2x - (3x + x - 1) \\ = 2x - (4x - 1) = 2x - 4x + 1 = -2x + 1.$$

$$50. 3m - 2\{m - 3[2m - (m - 5)] + 4\} = 3m - 2[m - 3(2m - m + 5) + 4] = 3m - 2[m - 3(m + 5) + 4] \\ = 3m - 2(m - 3m - 15 + 4) = 3m - 2(-2m - 11) = 3m + 4m + 22 = 7m + 22.$$

$$51. x - \{2x - [-x - (1 + x)]\} = x - [2x - (-x - 1 - x)] = x - [2x - (-2x - 1)] = x - (2x + 2x + 1) \\ = x - 4x - 1 = -3x - 1.$$

$$52. 3x^2 - \{x^2 + 1 - x[x - (2x - 1)]\} + 2 = 3x^2 - [x^2 + 1 - x(x - 2x + 1)] + 2 \\ = 3x^2 - [x^2 + 1 - x(-x + 1)] + 2 = 3x^2 - (x^2 + 1 + x^2 - x) + 2 = 3x^2 - 2x^2 - 1 + x + 2 = x^2 + x + 1.$$

$$53. (2x - 3)^2 - 3(x + 4)(x - 4) + 2(x - 4) + 1 = (2x)^2 - 2(2x)(3) + 3^2 - 3(x^2 - 16) + 2x - 8 + 1 \\ = 4x^2 - 12x + 9 - 3x^2 + 48 + 2x - 7 = x^2 - 10x + 50.$$

$$54. (x - 2y)^2 + 2(x + y)(x - 3y) + x(2x + 3y + 2) \\ = x^2 - 2x(2y) + (2y)^2 + 2(x^2 - 3xy + xy - 3y^2) + 2x^2 + 3xy + 2x \\ = x^2 - 4xy + 4y^2 + 2x^2 - 4xy - 6y^2 + 2x^2 + 3xy + 2x = 5x^2 - 5xy - 2y^2 + 2x.$$

$$55. 2x\{3x[2x - (3 - x)] + (x + 1)(2x - 3)\} = 2x[3x(2x - 3 + x) + 2x^2 - 3x + 2x - 3] \\ = 2x[3x(3x - 3) + 2x^2 - x - 3] = 2x(9x^2 - 9x + 2x^2 - x - 3) = 2x(11x^2 - 10x - 3) = 22x^3 - 20x^2 - 6x.$$

$$56. -3[(x + 2y)^2 - (3x - 2y)^2 + (2x - y)(2x + y)] = -3[x^2 + 4xy + 4y^2 - (9x^2 - 12xy + 4y^2) + (4x^2 - y^2)] \\ = -3(x^2 + 4xy + 4y^2 - 9x^2 + 12xy - 4y^2 + 4x^2 - y^2) \\ = -3(-4x^2 + 16xy - y^2) = 12x^2 - 48xy + 3y^2.$$

57. The total weekly profit is given by the revenue minus the cost:

$$(-0.04x^2 + 2000x) - (0.000002x^3 - 0.02x^2 + 1000x + 120,000) \\ = -0.04x^2 + 2000x - 0.000002x^3 + 0.02x^2 - 1000x - 120,000 \\ = -0.000002x^3 - 0.02x^2 + 1000x - 120,000.$$

58. The total revenue is given by  $xp = x(-0.0004x + 10) = -0.0004x^2 + 10x$ . Therefore, the total profit is given by the revenue minus the cost:  $-0.0004x^2 + 10x - (0.0001x^2 + 4x + 400) = -0.0005x^2 + 6x - 400$ .

59. The total revenue is given by  $(0.2t^2 + 150t) + (0.5t^2 + 200t) = 0.7t^2 + 350t$  thousand dollars  $t$  months from now, where  $0 \leq t \leq 12$ .

60. In month  $t$ , the revenue of the second gas station will exceed that of the first gas station by  $(0.5t^2 + 200t) - (0.2t^2 + 150t) = 0.3t^2 + 50t$  thousand dollars, where  $0 < t \leq 12$ .
61. The gap is given by  $(3.5t^2 + 26.7t + 436.2) - (24.3t + 365) = 3.5t^2 + 2.4t + 71.2$ .
62. The difference is given by  $(2.5t^2 + 18.5t + 509) - (-1.1t^2 + 29.1t + 429) = 3.6t^2 - 10.6t + 80$  dollars. The difference at the beginning of 1998 is obtained by replacing  $t$  with 4, giving  $3.6(4)^2 - 10.6(4) + 80 = 95.2$ , or \$95.20. The difference at the beginning of 2000 is given by  $3.6(6)^2 - 10.6(6) + 80 = 146$ , or \$146.
63. False. Let  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 3$ ,  $m = 3$ , and  $n = 2$ . Then  $2^3 \cdot 3^2 = 8 \cdot 9 = 72 \neq (2 \cdot 3)^{3+2} = 6^5$ .
64. True.
65. False. For example,  $x^2 + 1$  is a polynomial of degree 2 and  $x$  is a polynomial of degree 1, but  $(x^2 + 1)x = x^3 + x$  is a polynomial of degree 3, not 2.
66. False. For example,  $p = x^3 + x + 1$  is a polynomial of degree 3 and  $q = -x^3 + 2$  is a polynomial of degree 3, but  $p + q = x^3 + x + 1 + (-x^3 + 2) = x + 3$  is a polynomial of degree 1.
67. The degree of  $p - q$  is  $m$ . To see this, suppose that  $p = a_mx^m + \cdots + a_nx^n + \cdots + a_0$  and  $q = b_nx^n + \cdots + b_0$ . Because  $m > n$ ,  $p - q = a_mx^m + \cdots + (a_n - b_n)x^n + \cdots + (a_0 - b_0)$  has degree  $m$ .

## 1.3 Factoring Polynomials

### Concept Questions

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1. A polynomial is completely factored over the set of integers if it is expressed as a product of prime polynomials with integral coefficients. An example is  $4x^2 - 9y^2 = (2x - 3y)(2x + 3y)$ .

2. a.  $(a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$

b.  $(a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$

### Exercises

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- $6m^2 - 4m = 2m(3m - 2)$ .
- $4t^4 - 12t^3 = 4t^3(t - 3)$ .
- $9ab^2 - 6a^2b = 3ab(3b - 2a)$ .
- $12x^3y^5 + 16x^2y^3 = 4x^2y^3(3xy^2 + 4)$ .
- $10m^2n - 15mn^2 + 20mn = 5mn(2m - 3n + 4)$ .
- $6x^4y - 4x^2y^2 + 2x^2y^3 = 2x^2y(3x^2 - 2y + y^2)$ .
- $3x(2x + 1) - 5(2x + 1) = (2x + 1)(3x - 5)$ .
- $2u(3v^2 + w) + 5v(3v^2 + w) = (3v^2 + w)(2u + 5v)$ .
- $(3a + b)(2c - d) + 2a(2c - d)^2 = (2c - d)[3a + b + 2a(2c - d)] = (2c - d)(3a + b + 4ac - 2ad)$ .
- $4uv^2(2u - v) + 6u^2v(v - 2u) = (4uv^2 - 6u^2v)(2u - v) = 2uv(2u - v)(2v - 3u)$ .
- $2m^2 - 11m - 6 = (2m + 1)(m - 6)$ .
- $6x^2 - x - 1 = (3x + 1)(2x - 1)$ .
- $x^2 - xy - 6y^2 = (x - 3y)(x + 2y)$ .
- $2u^2 + 5uv - 12v^2 = (2u - 3v)(u + 4v)$ .

15.  $x^2 - 3x - 1$  is prime.

16.  $m^2 + 2m + 3$  is prime.

17.  $4a^2 - b^2 = (2a - b)(2a + b)$ .

18.  $12x^2 - 3y^2 = 3(4x^2 - y^2) = 3(2x - y)(2x + y)$ .

19.  $u^2v^2 - w^2 = (uv)^2 - w^2 = (uv - w)(uv + w)$ .

20.  $4a^2b^2 - 25c^2 = (2ab)^2 - (5c)^2 = (2ab - 5c)(2ab + 5c)$ .

21.  $z^2 + 4$  is prime.

22.  $u^2 + 25v^2$  is prime.

23.  $x^2 + 6xy + y^2$  is prime.

24.  $4u^2 - 12uv + 9v^2 = (2u - 3v)^2$ .

25.  $x^2 + 3x - 4 = (x + 4)(x - 1)$ .

26.  $3m^3 + 3m^2 - 18m = 3m(m^2 + m - 6) = 3m(m + 3)(m - 2)$ .

27.  $12x^2y - 10xy - 12y = 2y(6x^2 - 5x - 6) = 2y(3x + 2)(2x - 3)$ .

28.  $12x^2y - 2xy - 24y = 2y(6x^2 - x - 12) = 2y(3x + 4)(2x - 3)$ .

29.  $35r^2 + r - 12 = (7r - 4)(5r + 3)$ .

30.  $6uv^2 + 9uv - 6v = 3v(2uv + 3u - 2)$ .

31.  $9x^3y - 4xy^3 = xy(9x^2 - 4y^2) = xy[(3x)^2 - (2y)^2] = xy(3x - 2y)(3x + 2y)$ .

32.  $4u^4v - 9u^2v^3 = u^2v(4u^2 - 9v^2) = u^2v[(2u)^2 - (3v)^2] = u^2v(2u - 3v)(2u + 3v)$ .

33.  $x^4 - 16y^2 = (x^2)^2 - (4y)^2 = (x^2 - 4y)(x^2 + 4y)$ .

34.  $16u^4v - 9v^3 = v(16u^4 - 9v^2) = v[(4u^2)^2 - (3v)^2] = v(4u^2 - 3v)(4u^2 + 3v)$ .

35.  $(a - 2b)^2 - (a + 2b)^2 = [(a - 2b) - (a + 2b)][(a - 2b) + (a + 2b)] = (-4b)(2a) = -8ab$ .

36.  $2x(x + y)^2 - 8x(x + y^2)^2 = 2x[(x + y)^2 - 4(x + y^2)^2] = 2x[(x + y) - 2(x + y^2)][(x + y) + 2(x + y^2)]$   
 $= 2x(y - x - 2y^2)(3x + y + 2y^2)$ .

37.  $8m^3 + 1 = (2m)^3 + 1 = (2m + 1)(4m^2 - 2m + 1)$ .

38.  $27m^3 - 8 = (3m)^3 - 2^3 = (3m - 2)(9m^2 + 6m + 4)$ .

39.  $8r^3 - 27s^3 = (2r)^3 - (3s)^3 = (2r - 3s)(4r^2 + 6rs + 9s^2)$ .

40.  $x^3 + 64y^3 = x^3 + (4y)^3 = (x + 4y)(x^2 - 4xy + 16y^2)$ .

41.  $u^2v^6 - 8u^2 = u^2(v^6 - 8) = u^2(v^2 - 2)(v^4 + 2v^2 + 4)$ .

$$42. r^6 s^6 + 8s^3 = s^3 (r^6 s^3 + 8) = s^3 [(r^2 s)^3 + 2^3] = s^3 (r^2 s + 2)(r^4 s^2 - 2r^2 s + 4).$$

$$43. 2x^3 + 6x + x^2 + 3 = 2x(x^2 + 3) + (x^2 + 3) = (x^2 + 3)(2x + 1).$$

$$44. 2u^4 - 4u^2 + 2u^2 - 4 = 2u^4 - 2u^2 - 4 = 2(u^4 - u^2 - 2) = 2(u^2 + 1)(u^2 - 2).$$

$$45. 3ax + 6ay + bx + 2by = 3a(x + 2y) + b(x + 2y) = (x + 2y)(3a + b).$$

$$46. 6ux - 4uy + 3vx - 2vy = 2u(3x - 2y) + v(3x - 2y) = (3x - 2y)(2u + v).$$

$$47. u^4 - v^4 = (u^2)^2 - (v^2)^2 = (u^2 - v^2)(u^2 + v^2) = (u - v)(u + v)(u^2 + v^2).$$

$$48. u^4 - u^2 v^2 - 6v^4 = (u^2 - 3v^2)(u^2 + 2v^2).$$

$$49. 4x^3 - 9xy^2 + 4x^2 y - 9y^3 = x(4x^2 - 9y^2) + y(4x^2 - 9y^2) = [(2x)^2 - (3y)^2](x + y) \\ = (2x - 3y)(2x + 3y)(x + y).$$

$$50. 4u^4 + 11u^2 v^2 - 3v^4 = (4u^2 - v^2)(u^2 + 3v^2) = (2u - v)(2u + v)(u^2 + 3v^2).$$

$$51. x^4 + 3x^3 - 2x - 6 = x^3(x + 3) - 2(x + 3) = (x + 3)(x^3 - 2).$$

$$52. a^2 - b^2 + a + b = (a - b)(a + b) + (a + b) = (a + b)(a - b + 1).$$

$$53. au^2 + (a + c)u + c = au^2 + au + cu + c = au(u + 1) + c(u + 1) = (u + 1)(au + c).$$

$$54. ax^2 - (1 + ab)xy + by^2 = ax^2 - xy - abxy + by^2 = ax(x - by) - y(x - by) = (x - by)(ax - y).$$

$$55. P + Prt = P(1 + rt).$$

$$56. -t^3 + 6t^2 + 15t = -t(t^2 - 6t - 15).$$

$$57. 8000x - 100x^2 = 100x(80 - x).$$

$$58. R = kQx - kx^2 = kx(Q - x).$$

$$59. kMx - kx^2 = kx(M - x).$$

$$60. -0.1x^2 + 500x = -0.1x(x - 5000).$$

$$61. V = V_0 + \frac{V_0}{273}T = \frac{V_0}{273}(273 + T).$$

$$62. \frac{kD^2}{2} - \frac{D^3}{3} = D^2\left(\frac{k}{2} - \frac{D}{3}\right).$$

## 1.4 Rational Expressions

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1. a. Quotients of polynomials are rational expressions;  $\frac{2x^2 + 1}{3x^2 - 3x + 4}$ .

b. Any polynomial  $P$  can be written in the form  $\frac{P}{1}$ , but not all rational expressions can be written as a polynomial.

2. a.  $\frac{PR}{QS}; \frac{PS}{RQ}$ .

b.  $\frac{P + Q}{R}; \frac{P - Q}{R}$ .

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1.  $\frac{28x^2}{7x^3} = \frac{4}{x}$ .
2.  $\frac{3y^4}{18y^2} = \frac{1}{6}y^2$ .
3.  $\frac{4x+12}{5x+15} = \frac{4(x+3)}{5(x+3)} = \frac{4}{5}$ .
4.  $\frac{12m-6}{18m-9} = \frac{6(2m-1)}{9(2m-1)} = \frac{2}{3}$ .
5.  $\frac{6x^2-3x}{6x^2} = \frac{3x(2x-1)}{6x^2} = \frac{2x-1}{2x}$ .
6.  $\frac{8y^2}{4y^3-4y^2+8y} = \frac{8y^2}{4y(y^2-y+2)} = \frac{2y}{y^2-y+2}$ .
7.  $\frac{x^2+x-2}{x^2+3x+2} = \frac{(x+2)(x-1)}{(x+2)(x+1)} = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$ .
8.  $\frac{2y^2-y-3}{2y^2+y-1} = \frac{(2y-3)(y+1)}{(2y-1)(y+1)} = \frac{2y-3}{2y-1}$ .
9.  $\frac{x^2-9}{2x^2-5x-3} = \frac{(x-3)(x+3)}{(2x+1)(x-3)} = \frac{x+3}{2x+1}$ .
10.  $\frac{6y^2+11y+3}{4y^2-9} = \frac{(3y+1)(2y+3)}{(2y-3)(2y+3)} = \frac{3y+1}{2y-3}$ .
11.  $\frac{x^3+y^3}{x^2-xy+y^2} = \frac{(x+y)(x^2-xy+y^2)}{x^2-xy+y^2} = x+y$ .
12.  $\frac{8r^3-s^3}{2r^2+rs-s^2} = \frac{(2r-s)(4r^2+2rs+s^2)}{(2r-s)(r+s)} = \frac{4r^2+2rs+s^2}{r+s}$ .
13.  $\frac{6x^3}{32} \cdot \frac{8}{3x^2} = \frac{1}{2}x$ .
14.  $\frac{25y^4}{12y} \cdot \frac{3y^2}{5y^3} = \frac{5}{4}y^2$ .
15.  $\frac{3x^3}{8x^2} \div \frac{15x^4}{16x^5} = \frac{3x^3}{8x^2} \cdot \frac{16x^5}{15x^4} = \frac{2x^8}{5x^6} = \frac{2}{5}x^2$ .
16.  $\frac{6x^5}{21x^2} \div \frac{4x}{7x^3} = \frac{6x^5}{21x^2} \cdot \frac{7x^3}{4x} = \frac{1}{2}x^5$ .
17.  $\frac{3x}{x+2y} \cdot \frac{5x+10y}{6} = \frac{(3x)5(x+2y)}{6(x+2y)} = \frac{5x}{2}$ .
18.  $\frac{4y+12}{y+2} \cdot \frac{3y+6}{2y-1} = \frac{4(y+3)3(y+2)}{(y+2)(2y-1)} = \frac{12(y+3)}{2y-1}$ .
19.  $\frac{2m+6}{3} \div \frac{3m+9}{6} = \frac{2(m+3)}{3} \cdot \frac{6}{3(m+3)} = \frac{4}{3}$ .
20.  $\frac{3y-6}{4y+6} \div \frac{6y+24}{8y+12} = \frac{3(y-2)}{2(2y+3)} \cdot \frac{4(2y+3)}{6(y+4)} = \frac{y-2}{y+4}$ .
21.  $\frac{6r^2-r-2}{2r+4} \cdot \frac{6r+12}{4r+2} = \frac{(3r-2)(2r+1)6(r+2)}{2(r+2)2(2r+1)} = \frac{3(3r-2)}{2}$ .
22.  $\frac{x^2-x-6}{2x^2+7x+6} \cdot \frac{2x^2-x-6}{x^2+x-6} = \frac{(x-3)(x+2)(2x+3)(x-2)}{(2x+3)(x+2)(x+3)(x-2)} = \frac{x-3}{x+3}$ .
23.  $\frac{k^2-2k-3}{k^2-k-6} \div \frac{k^2-6k+8}{k^2-2k-8} = \frac{(k-3)(k+1)}{(k-3)(k+2)} \cdot \frac{(k-4)(k+2)}{(k-4)(k-2)} = \frac{k+1}{k-2}$ .
24.  $\frac{6y^2-5y-6}{6y^2+13y+6} \div \frac{6y^2-13y+6}{9y^2-12y+4} = \frac{(3y+2)(2y-3)}{(3y+2)(2y+3)} \cdot \frac{(3y-2)(3y-2)}{(3y-2)(2y-3)} = \frac{3y-2}{2y+3}$ .
25.  $\frac{2}{2x+3} + \frac{3}{2x-1} = \frac{2(2x-1)+3(2x+3)}{(2x+3)(2x-1)} = \frac{4x-2+6x+9}{(2x+3)(2x-1)} = \frac{10x+7}{(2x+3)(2x-1)}$ .
26.  $\frac{2x-1}{x+2} - \frac{x+3}{x-1} = \frac{(2x-1)(x-1)-(x+3)(x+2)}{(x+2)(x-1)} = \frac{2x^2-3x+1-x^2-5x-6}{(x+2)(x-1)} = \frac{x^2-8x-5}{(x+2)(x-1)}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 27. \frac{3}{x^2 - x - 6} + \frac{2}{x^2 + x - 2} &= \frac{3}{(x-3)(x+2)} + \frac{2}{(x+2)(x-1)} = \frac{3(x-1) + 2(x-3)}{(x-3)(x+2)(x-1)} \\
 &= \frac{3x - 3 + 2x - 6}{(x-3)(x+2)(x-1)} = \frac{5x - 9}{(x-3)(x+2)(x-1)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 28. \frac{4}{x^2 - 9} - \frac{5}{x^2 - 6x + 9} &= \frac{4}{(x-3)(x+3)} - \frac{5}{(x-3)^2} = \frac{4(x-3) - 5(x+3)}{(x+3)(x-3)^2} = \frac{4x - 12 - 5x - 15}{(x+3)(x-3)^2} \\
 &= -\frac{x + 27}{(x+3)(x-3)^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 29. \frac{2m}{2m^2 - 2m - 1} + \frac{3}{2m^2 - 3m + 3} &= \frac{2m(2m^2 - 3m + 3) + 3(2m^2 - 2m - 1)}{(2m^2 - 2m - 1)(2m^2 - 3m + 3)} \\
 &= \frac{4m^3 - 6m^2 + 6m + 6m^2 - 6m - 3}{(2m^2 - 2m - 1)(2m^2 - 3m + 3)} = \frac{4m^3 - 3}{(2m^2 - 2m - 1)(2m^2 - 3m + 3)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 30. \frac{t}{t^2 + t - 2} - \frac{2t - 1}{2t^2 + 3t - 2} &= \frac{t}{(t+2)(t-1)} - \frac{2t-1}{(t+2)(2t-1)} = \frac{t}{(t+2)(t-1)} - \frac{1}{t+2} \\
 &= \frac{t-1(t-1)}{(t+2)(t-1)} = \frac{t-t+1}{(t+2)(t-1)} = \frac{1}{(t+2)(t-1)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$31. \frac{x}{1-x} + \frac{2x+3}{x^2-1} = -\frac{x}{x-1} + \frac{2x+3}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{-x(x+1) + 2x+3}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{-x^2 - x + 2x + 3}{(x+1)(x-1)} = -\frac{x^2 - x - 3}{(x+1)(x-1)}.$$

$$32. 2 + \frac{1}{a+2} - \frac{2a}{a-2} = \frac{2(a+2)(a-2) + a - 2 - 2a(a+2)}{(a+2)(a-2)} = \frac{2a^2 - 8 + a - 2 - 2a^2 - 4a}{(a+2)(a-2)} = -\frac{3a + 10}{(a+2)(a-2)}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 33. x - \frac{x^2}{x+2} + \frac{2}{x-2} &= \frac{x(x+2)(x-2) - x^2(x-2) + 2(x+2)}{(x+2)(x-2)} = \frac{x^3 - 4x - x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x + 4}{(x+2)(x-2)} \\
 &= \frac{2x^2 - 2x + 4}{(x+2)(x-2)} = \frac{2(x^2 - x + 2)}{(x+2)(x-2)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 34. \frac{y}{y^2-1} + \frac{y-1}{y+1} - \frac{2y}{1-y} &= \frac{y}{(y+1)(y-1)} + \frac{y-1}{y+1} + \frac{2y}{y-1} = \frac{y + (y-1)(y-1) + 2y(y+1)}{(y+1)(y-1)} \\
 &= \frac{y + y^2 - 2y + 1 + 2y^2 + 2y}{(y+1)(y-1)} = \frac{3y^2 + y + 1}{(y+1)(y-1)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 35. \frac{x}{x^2 + 5x + 6} + \frac{2}{x^2 - 4} - \frac{3}{x^2 + 3x + 2} &= \frac{x}{(x+3)(x+2)} + \frac{2}{(x-2)(x+2)} - \frac{3}{(x+1)(x+2)} \\
 &= \frac{x(x-2)(x+1) + 2(x+3)(x+1) - 3(x+3)(x-2)}{(x+3)(x+2)(x-2)(x+1)} = \frac{x^3 - x^2 - 2x + 2x^2 + 8x + 6 - 3x^2 - 3x + 18}{(x+3)(x+2)(x-2)(x+1)} \\
 &= \frac{x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x + 24}{(x+3)(x+2)(x-2)(x+1)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 36. \frac{2x+1}{2x^2-x-1} - \frac{x+1}{2x^2+3x+1} + \frac{4}{x^2+2x-3} &= \frac{2x+1}{(2x+1)(x-1)} - \frac{x+1}{(2x+1)(x+1)} + \frac{4}{(x+3)(x-1)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{x-1} - \frac{1}{2x+1} + \frac{4}{(x+3)(x-1)} = \frac{(2x+1)(x+3) - (x-1)(x+3) + 4(2x+1)}{(x-1)(2x+1)(x+3)} \\
 &= \frac{2x^2 + 7x + 3 - x^2 - 2x + 3 + 8x + 4}{(x-1)(2x+1)(x+3)} = \frac{x^2 + 13x + 10}{(x-1)(2x+1)(x+3)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$37. \frac{x}{ax - ay} + \frac{y}{by - bx} = \frac{x}{a(x - y)} - \frac{y}{b(x - y)} = \frac{bx - ay}{ab(x - y)}.$$

$$38. \frac{ax + by}{ax - bx} + \frac{ay - bx}{by - ay} = \frac{ax + by}{x(a - b)} + \frac{ay - bx}{-y(a - b)} = \frac{-y(ax + by) + x(ay - bx)}{-(a - b)xy} = \frac{-by^2 - bx^2}{-(a - b)xy}$$

$$= \frac{-b(x^2 + y^2)}{-xy(a - b)} = \frac{b(x^2 + y^2)}{(a - b)xy}.$$

$$39. \frac{1 + \frac{1}{x}}{1 - \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{\frac{x+1}{x}}{\frac{x-1}{x}} = \frac{x+1}{x} \cdot \frac{x}{x-1} = \frac{x+1}{x-1}.$$

$$40. \frac{2 + \frac{2}{x}}{x - \frac{2}{x}} = \frac{\frac{2x+2}{x}}{\frac{x^2-2}{x}} = \frac{2(x+1)}{x} \cdot \frac{x}{x^2-2} = \frac{2(x+1)}{x^2-2}.$$

$$41. \frac{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}}{1 - \frac{1}{xy}} = \frac{\frac{y+x}{xy}}{\frac{xy-1}{xy}} = \frac{y+x}{xy} \cdot \frac{xy}{xy-1} = \frac{y+x}{xy-1}.$$

$$42. \frac{1 + \frac{x}{y}}{1 - \frac{x^2}{y^2}} = \frac{\frac{y+x}{y}}{\frac{y^2-x^2}{y^2}} = \frac{x+y}{y} \cdot \frac{y^2}{(y-x)(y+x)} = \frac{y}{y-x}.$$

$$43. \frac{\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{y^2}}{x + y} = \frac{\frac{y^2 - x^2}{x^2 y^2}}{x + y} = \frac{(y+x)(y-x)}{x^2 y^2} \cdot \frac{1}{x+y} = \frac{y-x}{x^2 y^2}.$$

$$44. \frac{\frac{1}{x^3} - \frac{1}{y^3}}{\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y}} = \frac{\frac{y^3 - x^3}{x^3 y^3}}{\frac{y-x}{xy}} = \frac{y^3 - x^3}{x^3 y^3} \cdot \frac{xy}{y-x} = \frac{(y-x)(y^2 + xy + x^2)}{x^2 y^2 (y-x)} = \frac{y^2 + xy + x^2}{x^2 y^2}.$$

$$45. \frac{\frac{1}{2(x+h)} - \frac{1}{2x}}{h} = \frac{\frac{x - (x+h)}{2x(x+h)}}{h} = -\frac{h}{2x(x+h)} \cdot \frac{1}{h} = -\frac{1}{2x(x+h)}.$$

$$46. \frac{\frac{1}{(x+h)^2} - \frac{1}{x^2}}{h} = \frac{\frac{x^2 - (x+h)^2}{x^2(x+h)^2}}{h} = \frac{x^2 - x^2 - 2xh - h^2}{x^2(x+h)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{h} = -\frac{2x+h}{x^2(x+h)^2}.$$

$$47. \text{ a. } 2.2 + \frac{2500}{x} = \frac{2.2x + 2500}{x}.$$

$$\text{ b. The total cost is } x \left( \frac{2.2x + 2500}{x} \right) = 2.2x + 2500.$$

$$48. A = \frac{km}{q} + cm + \frac{hq}{2} = \frac{2km + 2cmq + hq^2}{2q}.$$

$$49. P = \frac{R}{i} - \frac{R}{i(1+i)^n} = \frac{R(1+i)^n - R}{i(1+i)^n} = \frac{R[(1+i)^n - 1]}{i(1+i)^n}.$$

$$50. P = \frac{kT}{V-b} + \frac{ab}{V^2(V-b)} - \frac{a}{V(V-b)} = \frac{kTV^2 + ab - aV}{V^2(V-b)}.$$

$$51. A = \frac{136}{1 + 0.25(t - 4.5)^2} + 28 = \frac{136 + 28[1 + 0.25(t - 4.5)^2]}{1 + 0.25(t - 4.5)^2} = \frac{164 + 7(t - 4.5)^2}{1 + 0.25(t - 4.5)^2}.$$

## 1.5 Integral Exponents

### Concept Questions

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1. If  $a$  is any real number and  $n$  is a natural number, then the expression  $a^n$  is defined as the number  $a^n = \underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot a \cdots a}_{n \text{ factors}}$ , where the number  $a$  is the base and the superscript  $n$  is the exponent, or power, to which the

base is raised. For any real number  $a$ ,  $a^0 = 1$ . If  $n$  is a negative number and  $a \neq 0$ , then  $a^n = \frac{1}{a^{-n}}$ .

2. a.  $a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}$ . For example,  $2x^2 \cdot x^7 = 2x^{2+7} = 2x^9$ .  
 b.  $\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$ . For example,  $\frac{y^6}{2y^3} = \frac{1}{2}y^{6-3} = \frac{1}{2}y^3$ .  
 c.  $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$ . For example,  $(2^4)^3 = 2^{4 \cdot 3} = 2^{12}$ .  
 d.  $(ab)^n = a^n \cdot b^n$ . For example,  $(3 \cdot 2)^4 = 3^4 \cdot 2^4 = 81 \cdot 16 = 1296$ .  
 e.  $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n = \frac{a^n}{b^n}$ . For example,  $\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^5 = \frac{3^5}{2^5} = \frac{243}{32}$ .

### Exercises

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1.  $(-2)^3 = -8$ .
2.  $\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 = \frac{16}{81}$ .
3.  $7^{-2} = \frac{1}{7^2} = \frac{1}{49}$ .
4.  $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{-2} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2} = \frac{16}{9}$ .
5.  $- \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-2} = - \frac{1}{\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^2} = - \frac{1}{\frac{1}{16}} = -16$ .
6.  $-4^2 = -16$ .
7.  $2^{-2} + 3^{-1} = \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{7}{12}$ .
8.  $-3^{-2} - \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = -\frac{1}{9} - \frac{4}{9} = -\frac{5}{9}$ .
9.  $(0.03)^2 = 0.0009$ .
10.  $(-0.3)^{-2} = 11.111\bar{1}$ .
11.  $1996^0 = 1$ .
12.  $(18 + 25)^0 = 1$ .
13.  $(ab^2)^0 = 1$ .
14.  $(3x^2y^3)^0 = 1$ .
15.  $\frac{2^3 \cdot 2^5}{2^4 \cdot 2^9} = 2^{3+5-4-9} = 2^{-5} = \frac{1}{2^5} = \frac{1}{32}$ .
16.  $\frac{6 \cdot 10^4}{3 \cdot 10^2} = 2 \cdot 10^2 = 200$ .
17.  $\frac{2^{-3} \cdot 2^{-4}}{2^{-5} \cdot 2^{-2}} = 2^{-3-4+5+2} = 2^0 = 1$ .
18.  $\frac{4 \cdot 2^{-3}}{2 \cdot 4^{-2}} = \frac{2^2 \cdot 2^{-3}}{2 \cdot (2^2)^{-2}} = \frac{2^2 2^{-3}}{2 \cdot 2^{-4}} = 2^{2-3-1+4} = 2^2 = 4$ .

$$19. \left(\frac{3^4 \cdot 3^{-3}}{3^{-2}}\right)^{-1} = (3^{4-3+2})^{-1} = (3^3)^{-1} = \frac{1}{3^3} = \frac{1}{27}. \quad 20. \left(\frac{5^{-2} \cdot 5^{-2}}{5^{-5}}\right)^{-2} = (5^{-2-2+5})^{-2} = (5)^{-2} = \frac{1}{25}.$$

$$21. (2x^3) \left(\frac{1}{8}x^2\right) = \frac{1}{4}x^5.$$

$$22. (-2x^2)(3x^{-4}) = -6x^{-2} = -\frac{6}{x^2}.$$

$$23. \frac{3x^3}{2x^4} = \frac{3}{2x}.$$

$$24. \frac{(3x^2)(4x^3)}{2x^4} = 6x^{2+3-4} = 6x.$$

$$25. (a^{-2})^3 = a^{-6} = \frac{1}{a^6}.$$

$$26. (-a^2)^{-3} = (-1)^{-3}(a^2)^{-3} = -a^{-6} = -\frac{1}{a^6}.$$

$$27. (2x^{-2}y^2)^3 = 8x^{-6}y^6 = \frac{8y^6}{x^6}.$$

$$28. (3u^{-1}v^{-2})^{-3} = 3^{-3}u^3v^6 = \frac{u^3v^6}{27}.$$

$$29. (4x^2y^{-3})(2x^{-3}y^2) = 8x^{-1}y^{-1} = \frac{8}{xy}.$$

$$30. \left(\frac{1}{2}u^{-2}v^3\right)(4v^3) = 2u^{-2}v^6 = \frac{2v^6}{u^2}.$$

$$31. (-x^2y)^3 \left(\frac{2y^2}{x^4}\right) = -\frac{2x^6y^3y^2}{x^4} = -2x^2y^5.$$

$$32. \left(-\frac{1}{2}x^2y\right)^{-2} = \frac{(-1)^{-2}}{2^{-2}}x^{-4}y^{-2} = \frac{4}{x^4y^2}.$$

$$33. \left(\frac{2u^2v^3}{3uv}\right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{2uv^2}{3}\right)^{-1} = \frac{3}{2uv^2}.$$

$$34. \left(\frac{a^{-2}}{2b^2}\right)^{-3} = \frac{a^6}{2^{-3}b^{-6}} = 8a^6b^6.$$

$$35. (3x^{-2})^3(2x^2)^5 = (27x^{-6})(32x^{10}) = 864x^4.$$

$$36. (2^{-1}r^3)^{-2}(3s^{-1})^2 = 2^2r^{-6}3^2s^{-2} = \frac{36}{r^6s^2}.$$

$$37. \frac{3^0 \cdot 4x^{-2}}{16 \cdot (x^2)^3} = \frac{4x^{-2}}{16x^6} = \frac{1}{4x^8}.$$

$$38. \frac{5x^2(3x^{-2})}{(4x^{-1})(x^3)^{-2}} = \frac{15x^0}{4x^{-1}x^{-6}} = \frac{15x^7}{4}.$$

$$39. \frac{2^2u^{-2}(v^{-1})^3}{3^2(u^{-3}v)^2} = \frac{4u^{-2}v^{-3}}{9u^{-6}v^2} = \frac{4u^4}{9v^5}.$$

$$40. \frac{(3a^{-1}b^2)^{-2}}{(2a^2b^{-1})^{-3}} = \frac{3^{-2}a^2b^{-4}}{2^{-3}a^{-6}b^3} = \frac{8a^8}{9b^7}.$$

$$41. (-2x)^{-2}(3y)^{-3}(4z)^{-2} = (-2)^{-2}x^{-2}3^{-3}y^{-3}4^{-2}z^{-2} = \frac{1}{4 \cdot 27 \cdot 16x^2y^3z^2} = \frac{1}{1728x^2y^3z^2}.$$

$$42. (3x^{-1})^2(4y^{-1})^3(2z)^{-2} = 3^2x^{-2}4^3y^{-3}2^{-2}z^{-2} = \frac{9 \cdot 64}{4x^2y^3z^2} = \frac{144}{x^2y^3z^2}.$$

$$43. (a^2b^{-3})^2(a^{-2}b^2)^{-3} = a^4b^{-6}a^6b^{-6} = \frac{a^{10}}{b^{12}}.$$

$$44. (5u^2v^{-3})^{-1} \cdot 3(2u^2v^2)^{-2} = 5^{-1}u^{-2}v^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 2^{-2}u^{-4}v^{-4} = \frac{3}{20u^6v}.$$

$$45. \left[\left(\frac{a^{-2}b^{-2}}{3a^{-1}b^2}\right)^2\right]^{-1} = \left[\left(\frac{1}{3ab^4}\right)^2\right]^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{9a^2b^8}\right)^{-1} = 9a^2b^8.$$

$$46. \left[\left(\frac{x^2y^{-3}z^{-4}}{x^{-2}y^{-1}z^2}\right)^{-2}\right]^3 = (x^4y^{-2}z^{-6})^{-6} = x^{-24}y^{12}z^{36} = \frac{y^{12}z^{36}}{x^{24}}.$$

$$47. \left( \frac{3^2 u^{-2} v^2}{2^2 u^3 v^{-3}} \right)^{-2} \left( \frac{3^2 v^5}{4^2 u} \right)^2 = (3^2 2^{-2} u^{-5} v^5)^{-2} (3^2 4^{-2} v^5 u^{-1})^2 = 3^{-4} 2^4 u^{10} v^{-10} 3^4 4^{-4} v^{10} u^{-2} = 2^{-4} u^8 v^0 = \frac{u^8}{16}.$$

$$48. \left[ \left( -\frac{2^2 x^{-2} y^0}{3^2 x^3 y^{-2}} \right)^{-2} \right]^{-2} = (-2^2 \cdot 3^{-2} x^{-5} y^2)^4 = 2^8 \cdot 3^{-8} x^{-20} y^8 = \frac{256 y^8}{6561 x^{20}}.$$

$$49. \frac{x^{-1} - 1}{x^{-1} + 1} = \frac{\frac{1}{x} - 1}{\frac{1}{x} + 1} = \frac{\frac{1-x}{x}}{\frac{1+x}{x}} = \frac{1-x}{1+x}.$$

$$50. \frac{x^{-1} - y^{-1}}{x^{-1} + y^{-1}} = \frac{\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y}}{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}} = \frac{\frac{y-x}{xy}}{\frac{y+x}{xy}} = \frac{y-x}{y+x}.$$

$$51. \frac{u^{-1} - v^{-1}}{v - u} = \frac{\frac{1}{u} - \frac{1}{v}}{v - u} = \frac{\frac{v-u}{uv}}{v-u} = \frac{v-u}{uv} \cdot \frac{1}{v-u} = \frac{1}{uv}.$$

$$52. \frac{(uv)^{-1}}{u^{-1} + v^{-1}} = \frac{\frac{1}{uv}}{\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v}} = \frac{\frac{1}{uv}}{\frac{v+u}{uv}} = \frac{1}{uv} \cdot \frac{uv}{v+u} = \frac{1}{v+u}.$$

$$53. \left( \frac{a^{-1} - b^{-1}}{a^{-1} + b^{-1}} \right)^{-1} = \frac{a^{-1} + b^{-1}}{a^{-1} - b^{-1}} = \frac{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}}{\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}} = \frac{\frac{b+a}{ab}}{\frac{b-a}{ab}} = \frac{b+a}{b-a}.$$

$$54. [(a^{-1} + b^{-1})(a^{-1} - b^{-1})]^{-2} = (a^{-2} - b^{-2})^{-2} = \left( \frac{1}{a^2} - \frac{1}{b^2} \right)^{-2} = \left( \frac{b^2 - a^2}{a^2 b^2} \right)^{-2} = \frac{a^4 b^4}{(b^2 - a^2)^2}.$$

55. False. For example, if  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 3$ ,  $m = 2$ , and  $n = 3$ , then  $a^m b^n = 2^2 \cdot 3^3 = 108$ , and this is not equal to  $(ab)^{mn} = 6^6 = 46,656$ .

56. False. For example, if  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 2$ ,  $m = 3$ , and  $n = 2$ , then we have  $\frac{a^m}{b^n} = \frac{1^3}{2^2} = \frac{1}{4}$ , whereas

$$\left( \frac{a}{b} \right)^{m-n} = \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{3-2} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

57. False. For example, if  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 2$ , and  $n = 2$ , then  $(a+b)^n = (1+2)^2 = 3^2 = 9$ , whereas  $a^n + b^n = 1^2 + 2^2 = 5$ .

## 1.6 Solving Equations

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1. An equation is a statement that two mathematical expressions are equal. A solution of an equation involving one variable is a number that renders the equation a true statement when it is substituted for the variable. The solution set of an equation is the set of all solutions to the equation.

One example:  $2x = 3$  is an equation. Its solution is  $x = \frac{3}{2}$  because  $2\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 3$ .

Another example:  $\frac{5x}{2} = 10$  is an equation. Its solution is  $x = 4$  because  $\frac{5 \cdot 4}{2} = \frac{20}{2} = 10$ .

2. a. If  $a = b$ , then  $a + c = b + c$  and  $a - c = b - c$ . Example: If  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 2$ , and  $c = 3$ , then  $a + c = 2 + 3 = 5 = b + c$  and  $a - c = 2 - 3 = -1 = b - c$ .

b. If  $a = b$  and  $c \neq 0$ , then  $ca = cb$  and  $\frac{a}{c} = \frac{b}{c}$ . Example: If  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 2$ , and  $c = 4$ , then  $ca = 2 \cdot 4 = cb$  and  $\frac{a}{c} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{b}{c}$ .

3. A linear equation in the variable  $x$  is an equation that can be written in the form  $ax + b = 0$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants with  $a \neq 0$ . Example:  $3x + 4 = 5$ . Solving for  $x$ , we have  $3x = 1$ , so  $x = \frac{1}{3}$ .

## Exercises

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1.  $3x = 12$

$$\frac{1}{3}(3x) = \frac{1}{3}(12)$$

$$x = 4.$$

2.  $2x = 0$

$$\frac{1}{2}(2x) = \frac{1}{2}(0)$$

$$x = 0.$$

3.  $0.3y = 2$

$$\frac{1}{0.3}(0.3y) = \frac{1}{0.3}(2)$$

$$y = \frac{2}{0.3}$$

$$= \frac{20}{3}.$$

4.  $2x + 5 = 11$

$$2x = 6$$

$$x = 3.$$

5.  $3x + 4 = 2$

$$3x + 4 - 4 = 2 - 4$$

$$3x = -2$$

$$\frac{1}{3}(3x) = \frac{1}{3}(-2)$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{3}.$$

6.  $2 - 3y = 8$

$$2 - 3y - 2 = 8 - 2$$

$$-3y = 6$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)(-3y) = \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)6$$

$$y = -2.$$

7.  $-2y + 3 = -7$

$$-2y + 3 - 3 = -7 - 3$$

$$-2y = -10$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}(-2y) = -\frac{1}{2}(-10)$$

$$y = 5.$$

8.  $\frac{1}{3}k + 1 = \frac{1}{4}k - 2$

$$12\left(\frac{1}{3}k + 1\right) = 12\left(\frac{1}{4}k - 2\right)$$

$$4k + 12 = 3k - 24$$

$$4k + 12 - 12 = 3k - 24 - 12$$

$$4k = 3k - 36$$

$$4k - 3k = 3k - 36 - 3k$$

$$k = -36.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 9. \quad & \frac{1}{5}p - 3 = -\frac{1}{3}p + 5 \\
 & 15\left(\frac{1}{5}p - 3\right) = 15\left(-\frac{1}{3}p + 5\right) \\
 & 3p - 45 = -5p + 75 \\
 & 3p - 45 + 45 = -5p + 75 + 45 \\
 & 3p = -5p + 120 \\
 & 8p = 120 \\
 & p = 15.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 11. \quad & 0.4 - 0.3p = 0.1(p + 4) \\
 & 0.4 - 0.3p = 0.1p + 0.4 \\
 & 0.4 - 0.3p - 0.4 = 0.1p + 0.4 - 0.4 \\
 & -0.3p = 0.1p \\
 & -0.3p - 0.1p = 0.1p - 0.1p \\
 & -0.4p = 0 \\
 & p = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 13. \quad & \frac{3}{5}(k + 1) = \frac{1}{4}(2k + 4) \\
 & 12(k + 1) = 5(2k + 4) \\
 & 12k + 12 = 10k + 20 \\
 & 2k = 8 \\
 & k = 4.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 15. \quad & \frac{2x-1}{3} + \frac{3x+4}{4} = \frac{7(x+3)}{10} \\
 & 60\left(\frac{2x-1}{3} + \frac{3x+4}{4}\right) = 60\left[\frac{7(x+3)}{10}\right] \\
 & 20(2x - 1) + 15(3x + 4) = 42(x + 3) \\
 & 40x - 20 + 45x + 60 = 42x + 126 \\
 & 85x + 40 = 42x + 126 \\
 & 85x = 42x + 86 \\
 & 43x = 86 \\
 & x = 2.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 10. \quad & 3.1m + 2 = 3 - 0.2m \\
 & 3.1m + 2 - 2 = 3 - 0.2m - 2 \\
 & 3.1m = 1 - 0.2m \\
 & 3.1m + 0.2m = 1 - 0.2m + 0.2m \\
 & 3.3m = 1 \\
 & \frac{1}{3.3}(3.3m) = \frac{1}{3.3}(1) \\
 & m = \frac{1}{3.3} = \frac{1}{3.3} \cdot \frac{10}{10} = \frac{10}{33}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 12. \quad & \frac{1}{3}k + 4 = -2\left(k + \frac{1}{3}\right) \\
 & \frac{1}{3}k + 4 = -2k - \frac{2}{3} \\
 & 3\left(\frac{1}{3}k + 4\right) = 3\left(-2k - \frac{2}{3}\right) \\
 & k + 12 = -6k - 2 \\
 & 7k = -14 \\
 & k = -2.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 14. \quad & 3\left(\frac{3m}{4} - 1\right) + \frac{m}{5} = \frac{42-m}{4} \\
 & \frac{9m}{4} - 3 + \frac{m}{5} = \frac{42-m}{4} \\
 & 20\left(\frac{9m}{4} - 3 + \frac{m}{5}\right) = 20\left(\frac{42-m}{4}\right) \\
 & 45m - 60 + 4m = 210 - 5m \\
 & 54m = 270 \\
 & m = \frac{270}{54} = 5.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 16. \quad & \frac{w-1}{3} + \frac{w+1}{4} = -\frac{w+1}{6} \\
 & 12\left(\frac{w-1}{3} + \frac{w+1}{4}\right) = -12\left(\frac{w+1}{6}\right) \\
 & 4(w - 1) + 3(w + 1) = -2(w + 1) \\
 & 4w - 4 + 3w + 3 = -2w - 2 \\
 & 9w = -1 \\
 & w = -\frac{1}{9}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 17. \quad & \frac{1}{2} [2x - 3(x - 4)] = \frac{2}{3} (x - 5) \\
 & 6 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} [2x - 3(x - 4)] \right\} = 6 \left[ \frac{2}{3} (x - 5) \right] \\
 & 3(2x - 3x + 12) = 4(x - 5) \\
 & 3(-x + 12) = 4x - 20 \\
 & -3x + 36 = 4x - 20 \\
 & -7x + 36 = -20 \\
 & -7x = -56 \\
 & x = 8.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 19. \quad & (2x + 1)^2 - (3x - 2)^2 = 5x(2 - x) \\
 & (4x^2 + 4x + 1) - (9x^2 - 12x + 4) = 10x - 5x^2 \\
 & 4x^2 + 4x + 1 - 9x^2 + 12x - 4 = 10x - 5x^2 \\
 & -5x^2 + 16x - 3 = 10x - 5x^2 \\
 & 16x - 3 = 10x \\
 & 6x - 3 = 0 \\
 & 6x = 3 \\
 & x = \frac{1}{2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 21. \quad & \frac{8}{x} = 24 \\
 & 8 = 24x \\
 & \frac{1}{3} = x.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 23. \quad & \frac{2}{y-1} = 4 \\
 & 2 = 4(y-1) \\
 & 2 = 4y - 4 \\
 & 6 = 4y \\
 & \frac{3}{2} = y.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 18. \quad & \frac{1}{3} [2 - 3(x + 2)] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ (-3x + 1) + \frac{1}{2}x \right] \\
 & 4(2 - 3x - 6) = 3 \left( -3x + 1 + \frac{1}{2}x \right) \\
 & 4(-3x - 4) = 3 \left( -\frac{5}{2}x + 1 \right) \\
 & -12x - 16 = -\frac{15}{2}x + 3 \\
 & -\frac{9}{2}x = 19 \\
 & x = -\frac{38}{9}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 20. \quad & x[(2x - 3)^2 + 5x^2] = 3x^2(3x - 4) + 18 \\
 & x(4x^2 - 12x + 9 + 5x^2) = 9x^3 - 12x^2 + 18 \\
 & x(9x^2 - 12x + 9) = 9x^3 - 12x^2 + 18 \\
 & 9x^3 - 12x^2 + 9x = 9x^3 - 12x^2 + 18 \\
 & -12x^2 + 9x = -12x^2 + 18 \\
 & 9x = 18 \\
 & x = 2.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 22. \quad & \frac{1}{x} + \frac{2}{x} = 6 \\
 & \frac{3}{x} = 6 \\
 & 3 = 6x \\
 & \frac{1}{2} = x.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 24. \quad & \frac{1}{x+3} = 0 \\
 & 1 = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

But this is impossible, and so there is no solution.

$$\begin{aligned}
 25. \quad & \frac{2x-3}{x+1} = \frac{2}{5} \\
 & 5(x+1) \left( \frac{2x-3}{x+1} \right) = 5(x+1) \left( \frac{2}{5} \right) \\
 & 5(2x-3) = 2(x+1) \\
 & 10x-15 = 2x+2 \\
 & 10x = 2x+17 \\
 & 8x = 17 \\
 & x = \frac{17}{8}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 26. \quad & \frac{r}{3r-1} = 4 \\
 & (3r-1) \left( \frac{r}{3r-1} \right) = 4(3r-1) \\
 & r = 12r-4 \\
 & 4 = 11r \\
 & \frac{4}{11} = r.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 27. \quad & \frac{2}{q-1} = \frac{3}{q-2} \\
 & (q-1)(q-2) \left( \frac{2}{q-1} \right) = (q-1)(q-2) \left( \frac{3}{q-2} \right) \\
 & (q-2)2 = (q-1)3 \\
 & 2q-4 = 3q-3 \\
 & -4 = q-3 \\
 & -1 = q. \\
 28. \quad & \frac{y}{3} - \frac{2}{y+1} = \frac{1}{3}(y-3) \\
 & 3(y+1) \left( \frac{y}{3} - \frac{2}{y+1} \right) = 3(y+1) \left[ \frac{1}{3}(y-3) \right] \\
 & (y+1)y-6 = (y+1)(y-3) \\
 & y^2+y-6 = y^2-2y-3 \\
 & y-6 = -2y-3 \\
 & y = -2y+3 \\
 & 3y = 3 \\
 & y = 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 29. \quad & \frac{3k-2}{4} - \frac{3k}{4} = \frac{k+3}{k} \\
 & -\frac{1}{2} = \frac{k+3}{k} \\
 & -k = 2k+6 \\
 & -3k = 6 \\
 & k = -2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 30. \quad & \frac{2x-1}{3x+2} = \frac{2x+1}{3x+1} \\
 & (3x+2)(3x+1) \left( \frac{2x-1}{3x+2} \right) = (3x+2)(3x+1) \left( \frac{2x+1}{3x+1} \right) \\
 & (3x+1)(2x-1) = (3x+2)(2x+1) \\
 & 6x^2-x-1 = 6x^2+7x+2 \\
 & -x-1 = 7x+2 \\
 & -x = 7x+3 \\
 & -8x = 3 \\
 & x = -\frac{3}{8}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$31. \frac{m-2}{m} + \frac{2}{m} = \frac{m+3}{m-3}$$

$$1 - \frac{2}{m} + \frac{2}{m} = \frac{m+3}{m-3}$$

$$1 = \frac{m+3}{m-3}$$

$$m-3 = m+3$$

$$-3 = 3$$

which is impossible. Thus, there is no solution.

$$33. I = Prt, \text{ so } r = \frac{I}{Pt}.$$

$$34. ax + by + c = 0, \text{ so } by = -ax - c. \text{ Thus, } y = \frac{-ax - c}{b} = -\frac{a}{b}x - \frac{c}{b}.$$

$$35. p = -3q + 1, \text{ so } -3q = p - 1. \text{ Thus, } q = \frac{p-1}{-3} = -\frac{1}{3}p + \frac{1}{3}.$$

$$36. w = \frac{kuv}{s^2}, \text{ so } \frac{ws^2}{kv} = u.$$

$$37. iS = R[(1+i)^n - 1], \text{ so } R = \frac{iS}{(1+i)^n - 1}.$$

$$38. iS = R(1+i)[(1+i)^n - 1], \text{ so } R = \frac{iS}{(1+i)[(1+i)^n - 1]}.$$

$$39. V = \frac{ax}{x+b}$$

$$V(x+b) = ax$$

$$Vx + Vb = ax$$

$$Vx - ax = -Vb$$

$$x(V-a) = -Vb$$

$$x = -\frac{Vb}{V-a}$$

$$= \frac{Vb}{a-V}.$$

$$41. r = \frac{2mI}{B(n+1)}$$

$$rB(n+1) = 2mI$$

$$m = \frac{rB(n+1)}{2I}.$$

$$32. \frac{4}{x(x-2)} = \frac{2}{x-2}$$

$$x(x-2) \left[ \frac{4}{x(x-2)} \right] = x(x-2) \left( \frac{2}{x-2} \right)$$

$$4 = 2x$$

$$2 = x.$$

But the original equation is not defined for  $x = 2$ , so there is no solution.

$$40. V = C \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right)$$

$$= C - \frac{Cn}{N}$$

$$V - C = -\frac{Cn}{N}$$

$$n = -\frac{N}{C}(V - C)$$

$$= \frac{N}{C}(C - V).$$

$$42. p = \frac{x+10}{x+4}$$

$$p(x+4) = x+10$$

$$px + 4p = x + 10$$

$$px - x = 10 - 4p$$

$$x(p-1) = 10 - 4p$$

$$x = \frac{2(5-2p)}{p-1}.$$

$$43. \quad r = \frac{2mI}{B(n+1)}$$

$$rBn + rB = 2mI$$

$$rBn = 2mI - rB$$

$$n = \frac{2mI - rB}{rB}.$$

$$44. \quad y = 10 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{1+2x} \right)$$

$$= \frac{10(1+2x-1)}{1+2x}$$

$$= \frac{20x}{1+2x}$$

$$y(1+2x) = 20x$$

$$y + 2yx = 20x$$

$$y = 20x - 2yx$$

$$= 2x(10 - y)$$

$$x = \frac{y}{2(10 - y)}.$$

$$45. \quad \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{q}$$

$$= \frac{q - f}{fq}$$

$$p = \frac{fq}{q - f}.$$

$$46. \quad \frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_3} = \frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2}$$

$$= \frac{R_1 R_2 - R R_2 - R R_1}{R R_1 R_2}$$

$$R_3 = \frac{R R_1 R_2}{R_1 R_2 - R R_2 - R R_1}.$$

$$47. \quad I = Prt, \text{ so } t = \frac{I}{Pr}. \text{ If } I = 90, P = 1000, \text{ and } r = 6\% = 0.06, \text{ then } t = \frac{90}{(0.06)(1000)} = 1.5, \text{ or } 1.5 \text{ years.}$$

$$48. \quad F = \frac{9}{5}C + 32, \text{ so } \frac{9}{5}C = F - 32 \text{ and } C = \frac{5}{9}(F - 32). \text{ If } F = 70, \text{ then } C = \frac{5}{9}(70 - 32) = \frac{190}{9} \approx 21.11, \text{ or about } 21.11^\circ\text{C.}$$

$$49. \quad S = \frac{a}{t} + b = \frac{a + bt}{t}, \text{ so } tS = a + bt, tS - bt = a, (S - b)t = a, \text{ and } t = \frac{a}{S - b}.$$

$$50. \quad V = \frac{ax}{x + b}, \text{ so } V(x + b) = ax, Vx + Vb = ax, Vx - ax = -Vb, (V - a)x = -Vb, \text{ and}$$

$$x = -\frac{Vb}{V - a} = \frac{Vb}{a - V}.$$

$$51. \quad \text{a. } V = C - \left( \frac{C - S}{N} \right)t, \text{ so } V - \frac{St}{N} = C \left( 1 - \frac{t}{N} \right) \text{ and } C = \frac{\frac{NV - St}{N}}{1 - \frac{t}{N}} = \frac{NV - St}{N - t}.$$

$$\text{b. If } N = 5, t = 3, S = 40,000, \text{ and } V = 70,000, \text{ we have } C = \frac{70,000(5) - 40,000(3)}{5 - 3} = \frac{230,000}{2} = 115,000, \text{ or } \$115,000.$$

$$52. \quad \text{a. } v^2 = u^2 + 2as, \text{ so } 2as = v^2 - u^2 \text{ and } a = \frac{v^2 - u^2}{2s}.$$

$$\text{b. If } v = 88, u = 0, \text{ and } s = 1320, \text{ we have } a = \frac{(88)^2 - 0}{2(1320)} = \frac{44}{15}, \text{ or approximately } 2.93 \text{ ft/sec}^2.$$

53. a.  $c = \left(\frac{t+1}{24}\right)a$ , so  $\frac{t+1}{24} = \frac{c}{a}$ ,  $t+1 = \frac{24c}{a}$ , and  $t = \frac{24c}{a} - 1 = \frac{24c-a}{a}$ .

b. Here  $a = 500$  and  $c = 125$ , so the child's age is  $t = \frac{24(125)-500}{500} = 5$ , or 5 years.

54. a.  $T = \frac{0.8t}{t+4.1}$ , so  $(t+4.1)T = 0.8t$ ,  $tT + 4.1T = 0.8t$ ,  $0.8t - tT = 4.1T$ ,  $(0.8 - T)t = 4.1T$ , and  $t = \frac{4.1T}{0.8 - T}$ .

b. If  $T = 0.4$ , then the time taken is  $t = \frac{4.1 \cdot 0.4}{0.8 - 0.4} = 4.1$ , or 4.1 hours.

## 1.7 Rational Exponents and Radicals

### Concept Questions

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1. If  $n$  is a natural number and  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers such that  $a^n = b$ , then  $a$  is the  $n$ th root of  $b$ . For example, 3 is the 4th root of 81; that is  $\sqrt[4]{81} = 3$ .
2. The principal  $n$ th root of a positive real number  $b$ , when  $n$  is even, is the positive root of  $b$ . If  $n$  is odd, it is the unique  $n$ th root of  $b$ . The principal 4th root of 16 is 2, and the principal (and only) 3rd root of 8 is 2.
3. The process of eliminating a radical from the denominator of an algebraic expression is referred to as rationalizing the denominator. For example,  $\frac{1}{1-\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{1-\sqrt{6}} \cdot \frac{1+\sqrt{6}}{1+\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1+\sqrt{6}}{1-6} = -\frac{1}{5}(1+\sqrt{6})$ .

### Exercises

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1.  $\sqrt{81} = 9$ .
2.  $\sqrt[3]{-27} = -3$ .
3.  $\sqrt[4]{256} = 4$ .
4.  $\sqrt[5]{-32} = -2$ .
5.  $16^{1/2} = 4$ .
6.  $625^{1/4} = 5$ .
7.  $8^{2/3} = 2^2 = 4$ .
8.  $32^{2/5} = 2^2 = 4$ .
9.  $-25^{1/2} = -5$ .
10.  $-16^{3/2} = -4^3 = -64$ .
11.  $(-8)^{2/3} = (-2)^2 = 4$ .
12.  $(-32)^{3/5} = (-2)^3 = -8$ .
13.  $\left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^{1/2} = \frac{2}{3}$ .
14.  $\left(\frac{9}{25}\right)^{3/2} = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^3 = \frac{27}{125}$ .
15.  $\left(\frac{27}{8}\right)^{2/3} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{4}$ .
16.  $\left(-\frac{8}{125}\right)^{1/3} = -\frac{2}{5}$ .
17.  $8^{-2/3} = \frac{1}{8^{2/3}} = \frac{1}{2^2} = \frac{1}{4}$ .
18.  $81^{-1/4} = \frac{1}{81^{1/4}} = \frac{1}{3}$ .

$$19. -\left(\frac{27}{8}\right)^{-1/3} = -\left(\frac{8}{27}\right)^{1/3} = -\frac{2}{3}.$$

$$20. -\left(-\frac{8}{27}\right)^{-2/3} = -\frac{1}{\left(-\frac{8}{27}\right)^{2/3}} = -\frac{1}{\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2} = -\frac{1}{\frac{4}{9}} = -\frac{9}{4}.$$

$$21. 3^{1/3} \cdot 3^{5/3} = 3^{(1/3)+(5/3)} = 3^2 = 9.$$

$$22. 2^{6/5} \cdot 2^{-1/5} = 2^{(6/5)-(1/5)} = 2^1 = 2.$$

$$23. \frac{3^{1/2}}{3^{5/2}} = \frac{1}{3^2} = \frac{1}{9}.$$

$$24. \frac{3^{-5/4}}{3^{-1/4}} = \frac{1}{3^{-1/4+5/4}} = \frac{1}{3^1} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

$$25. \frac{2^{-1/2} \cdot 3^{2/3}}{2^{3/2} \cdot 3^{-1/3}} = \frac{3^{(2/3)+(1/3)}}{2^{(3/2)+(1/2)}} = \frac{3^1}{2^2} = \frac{3}{4}.$$

$$26. \frac{4^{1/3} \cdot 4^{-2/5}}{4^{2/3}} = 4^{(1/3)-(2/5)-(2/3)} = 4^{(5-6-10)/15} = 4^{-11/15} = \frac{1}{4^{11/15}}.$$

$$27. (2^{3/2})^4 = 2^{(3/2)4} = 2^6 = 64.$$

$$28. [(-3)^{1/3}]^2 = (-3)^{2/3} = 3^{2/3}.$$

$$29. x^{2/5} \cdot x^{-1/5} = x^{1/5}.$$

$$30. y^{-3/8} \cdot y^{1/4} = y^{(-3/8)+(1/4)} = y^{-1/8} = \frac{1}{y^{1/8}}.$$

$$31. \frac{x^{3/4}}{x^{-1/4}} = x^{(3/4)+(1/4)} = x.$$

$$32. \frac{x^{7/3}}{x^{-2}} = x^{(7/3)+2} = x^{13/3}.$$

$$33. \left(\frac{x^3}{-27x^{-6}}\right)^{-2/3} = \left(\frac{x^9}{-27}\right)^{-2/3} = \frac{x^{-18/3}}{\frac{1}{9}} = 9x^{-6} = \frac{9}{x^6}.$$

$$34. \left(\frac{27x^{-3}y^2}{8x^{-2}y^{-5}}\right)^{1/3} = \frac{3x^{-1}y^{2/3}}{2x^{-2/3}y^{-5/3}} = \frac{3y^{7/3}}{2x^{1/3}}.$$

$$35. \left(\frac{x^{-3}}{y^{-2}}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^{3/2} = \frac{x^{-3/2}y^{3/2}}{y^{-1}x^{3/2}} = \frac{y^{5/2}}{x^3}.$$

$$36. \left(\frac{r^n}{r^{5-2n}}\right)^4 = \frac{r^{4n}}{r^{20-8n}} = r^{12n-20}.$$

$$37. x^{2/5} (x^2 - 2x^3) = x^{12/5} - 2x^{17/5}.$$

$$38. s^{1/3} (2s - s^{1/4}) = 2s^{4/3} - s^{7/12}.$$

$$39. 2p^{3/2} (2p^{1/2} - p^{-1/2}) = 4p^2 - 2p.$$

$$40. 3y^{1/3} (y^{2/3} - 1)^2 = 3y^{1/3} (y^{4/3} - 2y^{2/3} + 1) = 3y^{5/3} - 6y + 3y^{1/3}.$$

$$41. \sqrt{32} = \sqrt{4^2 \cdot 2} = 4\sqrt{2}.$$

$$42. \sqrt{45} = \sqrt{3^2 \cdot 5} = 3\sqrt{5}.$$

$$43. \sqrt[3]{-54} = \sqrt[3]{(-1)(3^3)(2)} = -3\sqrt[3]{2}.$$

$$44. -\sqrt[4]{48} = -\sqrt[4]{2^4 \cdot 3} = -2\sqrt[4]{3}.$$

$$45. \sqrt{16x^2y^3} = \sqrt{4^2x^2y^2y} = 4xy\sqrt{y}.$$

$$46. \sqrt{40a^3b^4} = \sqrt{4 \cdot 10 \cdot a^2 \cdot a \cdot b^4} = 2ab^2\sqrt{10a}.$$

$$47. \sqrt[3]{m^6n^3p^{12}} = \sqrt[3]{(m^2)^3n^3(p^4)^3} = m^2np^4.$$

$$48. \sqrt[3]{-27p^2q^3r^4} = \sqrt[3]{(-1)(3^3)p^2q^3r^4} = -3qr\sqrt[3]{p^2r}.$$

$$49. \sqrt[3]{\sqrt{9}} = \sqrt[3]{3}.$$

$$50. \sqrt[5]{\sqrt[3]{9}} = \sqrt[15]{9}.$$

$$51. \sqrt[3]{\sqrt{x}} = \sqrt[6]{x}.$$

$$53. \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}.$$

$$55. \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{3\sqrt{x}}{2x}.$$

$$57. \frac{2y}{\sqrt{3y}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3y}}{\sqrt{3y}} = \frac{2y\sqrt{3y}}{3y} = \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{3y}.$$

$$59. \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}{\sqrt[3]{x^3}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}{x}.$$

$$61. \frac{2}{1+\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{1-\sqrt{3}}{1-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2(1-\sqrt{3})}{1-3} = \frac{2(1-\sqrt{3})}{-2} = \sqrt{3}-1.$$

$$62. \frac{3}{1-\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{1+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3(1+\sqrt{2})}{1-2} = -3(1+\sqrt{2}).$$

$$63. \frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{1-\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{1+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{(1+\sqrt{2})^2}{1-2} = -(1+\sqrt{2})^2.$$

$$64. \frac{9+\sqrt{2}}{3-\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{3+\sqrt{2}}{3+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{(9+\sqrt{2})(3+\sqrt{2})}{9-2} = \frac{1}{7}(9+\sqrt{2})(3+\sqrt{2}) = \frac{1}{7}(27+3\sqrt{2}+9\sqrt{2}+2) \\ = \frac{1}{7}(29+12\sqrt{2}).$$

$$65. \frac{q}{\sqrt{q}-1} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{q}+1}{\sqrt{q}+1} = \frac{q(\sqrt{q}+1)}{q-1}.$$

$$67. \frac{y}{\sqrt[3]{x^2z}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{xz^2}}{\sqrt[3]{xz^2}} = \frac{y\sqrt[3]{xz^2}}{\sqrt[3]{x^3z^3}} = \frac{y\sqrt[3]{xz^2}}{xz}.$$

$$69. \sqrt{\frac{16}{3}} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3}.$$

$$71. \sqrt[3]{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{2}}{\sqrt[3]{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{3^2}}{\sqrt[3]{3^2}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{18}}{3}.$$

$$73. \sqrt{\frac{3}{2x^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{x\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2x}.$$

$$75. \sqrt[3]{\frac{2y^2}{3}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{2y^2}}{\sqrt[3]{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{3^2}}{\sqrt[3]{3^2}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{18y^2}}{3}.$$

$$52. \sqrt[3]{-\sqrt[4]{x^3}} = \sqrt[12]{-x^3} = -\sqrt[4]{x}.$$

$$54. \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{5}.$$

$$56. \frac{3}{\sqrt{xy}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{xy}}{\sqrt{xy}} = \frac{3\sqrt{xy}}{xy}.$$

$$58. \frac{5x^2}{\sqrt{3x}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3x}}{\sqrt{3x}} = \frac{5x^2\sqrt{3x}}{3x} = \frac{5x}{3}\sqrt{3x}.$$

$$60. \sqrt{\frac{2x}{y}} = \frac{\sqrt{2x}}{\sqrt{y}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{y}} = \frac{\sqrt{2xy}}{y}.$$

$$66. \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y}} = \frac{xy(\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y})}{x-y}.$$

$$68. \frac{2x}{\sqrt[3]{xy^2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2y}}{\sqrt[3]{x^2y}} = \frac{2x\sqrt[3]{x^2y}}{\sqrt[3]{x^3y^3}} = \frac{2x\sqrt[3]{x^2y}}{xy} = \frac{2\sqrt[3]{x^2y}}{y}.$$

$$70. -\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} = -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = -\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{3}.$$

$$72. \sqrt[3]{\frac{81}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{81}}{\sqrt[3]{4}} = \frac{3\sqrt[3]{3}}{\sqrt[3]{2^2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{2}}{\sqrt[3]{2}} = \frac{3\sqrt[3]{3}\sqrt[3]{2}}{2} = \frac{3\sqrt[3]{6}}{2}.$$

$$74. \sqrt{\frac{x^3y^5}{4}} = \frac{xy^2\sqrt{xy}}{2}.$$

$$76. \sqrt[3]{\frac{3a^3}{b^2}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{3a^3}}{\sqrt[3]{b^2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{b}}{\sqrt[3]{b}} = \frac{a\sqrt[3]{3}}{\sqrt[3]{b^2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{b}}{\sqrt[3]{b}} = \frac{a\sqrt[3]{3b}}{b}.$$

$$77. \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} + \sqrt{a} = \frac{1+a}{\sqrt{a}} = \frac{1+a}{\sqrt{a}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{a}} = \frac{\sqrt{a}(1+a)}{a}.$$

$$78. \frac{x}{\sqrt{x-y}} - \sqrt{x-y} = \frac{x-(x-y)}{\sqrt{x-y}} = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x-y}} = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x-y}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x-y}}{\sqrt{x-y}} = \frac{y\sqrt{x-y}}{x-y}.$$

$$79. \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}} + \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}} = \frac{\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}) + \sqrt{y}(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})}{(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y})} = \frac{x - \sqrt{xy} + \sqrt{xy} + y}{x - y} = \frac{x+y}{x-y}.$$

$$80. \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}} - \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}}{a} = \frac{a^2 - (a^2 - b^2)}{a\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}} = \frac{b^2}{a\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}}{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}} = \frac{b^2\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}}{a(a^2 - b^2)}.$$

$$81. (x+1)^{1/2} + \frac{1}{2}x(x+1)^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2}(x+1)^{-1/2}[2(x+1) + x] = \frac{1}{2}(x+1)^{-1/2}(3x+2) = \frac{\sqrt{x+1}(3x+2)}{2(x+1)}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} 82. \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}(x+y)^{1/3} + \frac{1}{3}x^{1/2}(x+y)^{-2/3} &= \frac{1}{6}x^{-1/2}(x+y)^{-2/3}[3(x+y) + 2x] \\ &= \frac{5x+3y}{6x^{1/2}(x+y)^{2/3}} = \frac{x^{1/2}(x+y)^{1/3}(5x+3y)}{6x(x+y)}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 83. \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1+x^{1/3})x^{-1/2} - \frac{1}{3}x^{1/2} \cdot x^{-2/3}}{(1+x^{1/3})^2} &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/6} - \frac{1}{3}x^{-1/6}}{(1+x^{1/3})^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{6}x^{-1/6}}{(1+x^{1/3})^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{6}x^{-1/2}(3+x^{1/3})}{(1+x^{1/3})^2} \\ &= \frac{3+x^{1/3}}{6x^{1/2}(1+x^{1/3})^2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$84. \frac{\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}(x+y)^{1/2} - \frac{1}{2}x^{1/2}(x+y)^{-1/2}}{x+y} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}(x+y)^{-1/2}[(x+y) - x]}{x+y} = \frac{y}{2x^{1/2}(x+y)^{3/2}}.$$

$$85. \sqrt{3x+1} = 2$$

$$3x+1=4$$

$$3x=3$$

$$x=1.$$

$$\text{Check: } \sqrt{3(1)+1} \stackrel{?}{=} 2.$$

Yes,  $x=1$  is a solution.

$$86. \sqrt{2x-3} = 3$$

$$2x-3=9$$

$$2x=12$$

$$x=6.$$

$$\text{Check: } \sqrt{2(6)-3} \stackrel{?}{=} 3.$$

Yes,  $x=6$  is a solution.

87.  $\sqrt{k^2 - 4} = 4 - k$

$$k^2 - 4 = 16 - 8k + k^2$$

$$-4 = 16 - 8k$$

$$8k = 20$$

$$k = \frac{20}{8} = \frac{5}{2}.$$

Check:  $\sqrt{\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 - 4} \stackrel{?}{=} 4 - \frac{5}{2}$

$$\frac{3}{2} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{3}{2}.$$

Yes,  $k = \frac{5}{2}$  is a solution.

89.  $\sqrt{k+1} + \sqrt{k} = 3\sqrt{k}$

$$\sqrt{k+1} = 2\sqrt{k}$$

$$k+1 = 4k$$

$$3k = 1$$

$$k = \frac{1}{3}.$$

Check:  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}+1} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{?}{=} 3\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$

$$\sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{?}{=} 2\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$3\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \stackrel{?}{=} 3\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}.$$

Yes,  $k = \frac{1}{3}$  is a solution.

88.  $\sqrt{4k^2 - 3} = 2k + 1$

$$4k^2 - 3 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1$$

$$4k = -4$$

$$k = -1.$$

Check:  $\sqrt{4(-1)^2 - 3} = 1 \neq 2(-1) + 1 = -1$ .  
Therefore there is no solution.

90.  $\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{4x-3}$

$$x+1 - 2\sqrt{x^2+x} + x = 4x-3$$

$$-2\sqrt{x^2+x} = 2x-4 = 2(x-2)$$

$$\sqrt{x^2+x} = -x+2$$

$$x^2+x = x^2-4x+4$$

$$5x = 4$$

$$x = \frac{4}{5}.$$

Check:  $\sqrt{\frac{4}{5}+1} - \sqrt{\frac{4}{5}} \stackrel{?}{=} \sqrt{4 \cdot \frac{4}{5} - 3}$

$$\sqrt{\frac{9}{5}} - \sqrt{\frac{4}{5}} \stackrel{?}{=} 3\sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} - 2\sqrt{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} \stackrel{?}{=} \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}}.$$

Yes,  $x = \frac{4}{5}$  is a solution.

91.  $x = \sqrt{144-p}$ , so  $x^2 = 144-p$  and  $p = 144-x^2$ .

92.  $x = 10\sqrt{\frac{50-p}{p}}$ , so  $\frac{x}{10} = \sqrt{\frac{50-p}{p}}$ ,  $\frac{x^2}{100} = \frac{50-p}{p}$ ,  $x^2p = 100(50-p) = 5000 - 100p$ ,  $x^2p + 100p = 5000$ ,  
 $(x^2 + 100)p = 5000$ , and  $p = \frac{5000}{x^2 + 100}$ .

93. True

94. False

95. True

96. False

## 1.8 Quadratic Equations

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1. A quadratic equation in the variable  $x$  is any equation that can be written in the form  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ . For example,  $4x^2 + 3x - 4 = 0$  is a quadratic equation.

2. Step 1 Write the equation in the form  $x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x = -\frac{c}{a}$  where the coefficient of  $x^2$  is 1 and the constant term is on the right side of the equation. For example,  $3x^2 + 2x - 3 = 0$  can be written as  $x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x = 1$ .

Step 2 Square half of the coefficient of  $x$ . Continuing our example,  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{9}$ .

Step 3 Add the number obtained in step 2 to both sides of the equation, factor, and solve for  $x$ .

Continuing our example,  $x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{9} = 1 + \frac{1}{9}$ , so  $\left(x + \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = \sqrt{\frac{10}{9}}$ , and therefore

$$x = -\frac{1}{3} \pm \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{10} = \frac{1}{3}(-1 \pm \sqrt{10}).$$

3. The quadratic formula is  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ . Using it to solve  $2x^2 - 3x - 5 = 0$  for  $x$ , we substitute  $a = 2$ ,

$b = -3$ , and  $c = -5$ , obtaining  $x = \frac{-(-3) \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(2)(-5)}}{2(2)} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{49}}{4}$ . Simplifying, the solutions are

$$x = \frac{5}{2} \text{ and } x = -1.$$

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- $(x + 2)(x - 3) = 0$ . So  $x + 2 = 0$  or  $x - 3 = 0$ ; that is,  $x = -2$  or  $x = 3$ .
- Here  $y - 3 = 0$  or  $y - 4 = 0$ , and so  $y = 3$  or  $y = 4$ .
- $x^2 - 4 = (x - 2)(x + 2) = 0$ , so  $x = 2$  or  $x = -2$ .
- $2m^2 - 32 = 2(m^2 - 16) = 2(m + 4)(m - 4) = 0$ , so  $m = -4$  or  $m = 4$ .
- $x^2 + x - 12 = (x + 4)(x - 3) = 0$ , so  $x = -4$  or  $x = 3$ .
- $3x^2 - x - 4 = (3x - 4)(x + 1) = 0$ , so  $x = -1$  or  $x = \frac{4}{3}$ .
- $4t^2 + 2t - 2 = 2(t + 1)(2t - 1) = 0$ , so  $t = -1$  or  $t = \frac{1}{2}$ .
- $-6x^2 + x + 12 = 0$  is equivalent to  $6x^2 - x - 12 = 0$ . Factoring, we have  $(3x + 4)(2x - 3) = 0$ , and so  $x = -\frac{4}{3}$  or  $x = \frac{3}{2}$ .
- $\frac{1}{4}x^2 - x + 1 = 0$  is equivalent to  $x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0$ , or  $(x - 2)^2 = 0$ . So  $x = 2$  is a double root.
- $\frac{1}{2}a^2 + a - 12 = 0$  is equivalent to  $a^2 + 2a - 24 = 0$ , or  $(a + 6)(a - 4) = 0$ , and so  $a = -6$  or  $a = 4$ .
- Rewrite the given equation in the form  $2m^2 - 7m + 6 = 0$ . Then  $(2m - 3)(m - 2) = 0$  and  $m = \frac{3}{2}$  or  $m = 2$ .
- Rewrite the given equation in the form  $6x^2 + 5x - 6 = 0$ . Factoring, we have  $(3x - 2)(2x + 3) = 0$ , and so  $x = \frac{2}{3}$  or  $x = -\frac{3}{2}$ .
- $4x^2 - 9 = (2x)^2 - 3^2 = (2x + 3)(2x - 3) = 0$ , and so  $x = -\frac{3}{2}$  or  $x = \frac{3}{2}$ .
- $8m^2 + 64m = 8m(m + 8) = 0$ , and so  $m = -8$  or  $m = 0$ .
- $z(2z + 1) = 6$  is equivalent to  $2z^2 + z - 6 = 0$ , so  $(2z - 3)(z + 2) = 0$ . Thus,  $z = \frac{3}{2}$  or  $z = -2$ .

16. Rewrite the given equation in the form  $6m^2 + 13m + 5 = 0$ . Then  $(2m + 1)(3m + 5) = 0$ , and so  $m = -\frac{1}{2}$  or  $m = -\frac{5}{3}$ .
17.  $x^2 + 2x + (1)^2 = 8 + 1$ , so  $(x + 1)^2 = 9$ ,  $x + 1 = \pm 3$ , and the solutions are  $x = -4$  and  $x = 2$ .
18.  $x^2 - x + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 6 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$ , so  $\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{25}{4}$  and  $x - \frac{1}{2} = \pm \frac{5}{2}$ . Thus,  $x = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{5}{2} = -2$  or  $x = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{5}{2} = 3$ .
19. Rewrite the given equation in the form  $6[x^2 - 2x + (-1)^2] = 3 + 6(-1)^2$ . Then  $6(x - 1)^2 = 9$ ,  $(x - 1)^2 = \frac{3}{2}$ , and  $x - 1 = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} = \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{6}$ . Therefore,  $x = 1 - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$  or  $x = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$ .
20. Rewrite the given equation as  $2\left[x^2 - 3x + \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^2\right] = 20 + 2\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^2$ , so  $2\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = 20 + \frac{9}{2} = \frac{49}{2}$ ,  $\left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{49}{4}$ , and  $x - \frac{3}{2} = \pm \frac{7}{2}$ . Therefore,  $x = -2$  or  $x = 5$ .
21.  $m^2 + m = 3$ , so  $m^2 + m + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 3 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$ ,  $\left(m + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{13}{4}$ , and  $m + \frac{1}{2} = \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{13}$ . Therefore,  $m = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{13}$  or  $m = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{13}$ .
22.  $p^2 + 2p = 4$ , so  $p^2 + 2p + (1)^2 = 4 + 1$ ,  $(p + 1)^2 = 5$ , and  $p + 1 = \pm\sqrt{5}$ . Therefore,  $p = -1 - \sqrt{5}$  or  $p = -1 + \sqrt{5}$ .
23.  $2x^2 + 3x = 4$ , so  $2\left[x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x + \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2\right] = 4 + 2\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2$ ,  $2\left(x + \frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = 4 + \frac{9}{8} = \frac{41}{8}$ ,  $\left(x + \frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{41}{16}$ , and  $x + \frac{3}{4} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{41}}{4}$ . Therefore,  $x = -\frac{3}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{41}}{4}$  or  $x = -\frac{3}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{41}}{4}$ .
24.  $4x^2 - 10x = -5$ ,  $4\left[x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x + \left(-\frac{5}{4}\right)^2\right] = -5 + 4\left(-\frac{5}{4}\right)^2 = -5 + \frac{25}{4} = \frac{5}{4}$ . Thus,  $4\left(x - \frac{5}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{5}{4}$ ,  $\left(x - \frac{5}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{5}{16}$ , and  $x - \frac{5}{4} = \pm \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{5}$ . Therefore,  $x = \frac{5}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}$  or  $x = \frac{5}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}$ .
25.  $4x^2 = 13$ , so  $x^2 = \frac{13}{4}$  and  $x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2}$ .
26.  $7p^2 = 20$ , so  $p^2 = \frac{20}{7}$  and  $p = \pm \sqrt{\frac{20}{7}} = \pm 2\sqrt{\frac{5}{7}}$ .
27. Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 2$ ,  $b = -1$ , and  $c = -6$ , we obtain  

$$x = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(2)(-6)}}{2(2)} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 48}}{4} = \frac{1 \pm 7}{4} = -\frac{3}{2} \text{ or } 2.$$
28. Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 6$ ,  $b = -7$ , and  $c = -3$ , we obtain  

$$x = \frac{-(-7) \pm \sqrt{(-7)^2 - 4(6)(-3)}}{2(6)} = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{49 + 72}}{12} = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{121}}{12} = \frac{7 \pm 11}{12} = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ or } \frac{3}{2}.$$
29. Rewrite the given equation in the form  $m^2 - 4m + 1 = 0$ . Then using the quadratic formula with  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -4$ , and  $c = 1$ , we obtain  $m = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(1)(1)}}{2(1)} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{12}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{3}$ .

30. Rewrite the given equation in the form  $2x^2 - 8x + 3 = 0$ . Then using the quadratic formula with  $a = 2$ ,  $b = -8$ , and

$$c = 3, \text{ we obtain } x = \frac{-(-8) \pm \sqrt{(-8)^2 - 4(2)(3)}}{2(2)} = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 24}}{4} = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{40}}{4} = \frac{8 \pm 2\sqrt{10}}{4} = 2 \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{10}.$$

31. Rewrite the given equation in the form  $8x^2 - 8x - 3 = 0$ . Then using the quadratic formula with  $a = 8$ ,  $b = -8$ , and  $c = -3$ , we obtain

$$x = \frac{-(-8) \pm \sqrt{(-8)^2 - 4(8)(-3)}}{2(8)} = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64 + 96}}{16} = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{160}}{16} = \frac{8 \pm 4\sqrt{10}}{16} = \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{10}.$$

32. Rewrite the given equation in the form  $p^2 - 6p + 6 = 0$ . Then using the quadratic formula with  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -6$ ,

$$\text{and } c = 6, \text{ we obtain } p = \frac{-(-6) \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4(1)(6)}}{2(1)} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 24}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{12}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{2} = 3 \pm \sqrt{3}.$$

33. Rewrite the given equation in the form  $2x^2 + 4x - 3 = 0$ . Then using the quadratic formula with  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 4$ , and

$$c = -3, \text{ we obtain } x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(2)(-3)}}{2(2)} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 24}}{4} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{40}}{4} = \frac{-4 \pm 2\sqrt{10}}{4} = -1 \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{10}.$$

34. Rewrite the given equation in the form  $2y^2 + 7y - 15 = 0$ . Then using the quadratic formula with  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 7$ ,

$$\text{and } c = -15, \text{ we obtain } y = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{49 - 4(2)(-15)}}{4} = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{169}}{4} = \frac{-7 \pm 13}{4} = -5 \text{ or } \frac{3}{2}.$$

35. Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 2.1$ ,  $b = -4.7$ , and  $c = -6.2$ , we obtain

$$x = \frac{4.7 \pm \sqrt{(-4.7)^2 - 4(2.1)(-6.2)}}{2(2.1)} = \frac{4.7 \pm \sqrt{74.17}}{4.2} \approx \frac{4.7 \pm 8.6122}{4.2} \approx -0.93 \text{ or } 3.17.$$

36. Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 0.2$ ,  $b = 1.6$ , and  $c = 1.2$ , we obtain

$$x = \frac{-1.6 \pm \sqrt{1.6^2 - 4(0.2)(1.2)}}{2(0.2)} = \frac{-1.6 \pm \sqrt{1.6}}{0.4} \approx \frac{-1.6 \pm 1.2649}{0.4} \approx -7.16 \text{ or } -0.84.$$

37.  $x^4 - 5x^2 + 6 = 0$ . Let  $m = x^2$ . Then the equation reads  $m^2 - 5m + 6 = 0$ . Now, factoring, we obtain

$$(m - 3)(m - 2) = 0, \text{ and so } m = 2 \text{ or } m = 3. \text{ Therefore, } x = \pm\sqrt{2} \text{ or } \pm\sqrt{3}.$$

38.  $m^4 - 13m^2 + 36 = 0$ . Let  $x = m^2$ . Then, we have  $x^2 - 13x + 36 = 0$ . Now, factoring, we obtain

$$(x - 9)(x - 4) = 0, \text{ and so } x = 4 \text{ or } 9. \text{ Therefore, } m = \pm 2 \text{ or } m = \pm 3.$$

39.  $y^4 - 7y^2 + 10 = 0$ . Let  $x = y^2$ . Then we have  $x^2 - 7x + 10 = 0$ . Factoring, we obtain  $(x - 2)(x - 5) = 0$ , and so

$$x = 2 \text{ or } 5. \text{ Therefore, } y = \pm\sqrt{2} \text{ or } y = \pm\sqrt{5}.$$

40.  $4x^4 - 21x^2 + 5 = 0$ . Let  $y = x^2$ . Then we have  $4y^2 - 21y + 5 = 0$ . Factoring, we obtain  $(4y - 1)(y - 5) = 0$ ,

$$\text{and so } y = \frac{1}{4} \text{ or } 5. \text{ Therefore, } x = \pm\frac{1}{2}, \text{ or } \pm\sqrt{5}.$$

41.  $6(x + 2)^2 + 7(x + 2) - 3 = 0$ . Let  $y = x + 2$ . Then we have  $6y^2 + 7y - 3 = 0$ . Factoring, we obtain

$$(2y + 3)(3y - 1) = 0, \text{ and so } y = -\frac{3}{2} \text{ or } \frac{1}{3}. \text{ Therefore, } x + 2 = -\frac{3}{2} \text{ or } \frac{1}{3}, \text{ and so } x = -\frac{7}{2} \text{ or } -\frac{5}{3}.$$

42.  $8(2m + 3)^2 + 14(2m + 3) - 15 = 0$ . Let  $x = 2m + 3$ . Then we have  $8x^2 + 14x - 15 = 0$ . Factoring, we obtain

$$(4x - 3)(2x + 5) = 0, \text{ and so } x = -\frac{5}{2} \text{ or } \frac{3}{4}. \text{ Therefore, } 2m + 3 = -\frac{5}{2} \text{ or } \frac{3}{4}, \text{ from which we obtain } m = -\frac{11}{4} \text{ and } m = -\frac{9}{8}.$$

43.  $6w - 13\sqrt{w} + 6 = 0$ . Let  $x = \sqrt{w}$ . Then  $6x^2 - 13x + 6 = 0$ ,  $(2x - 3)(3x - 2) = 0$ , and so  $x = \frac{3}{2}$  or  $x = \frac{2}{3}$ .

Then the solutions are  $w = x^2 = \frac{9}{4}$  or  $\frac{4}{9}$ .

Check  $w = \frac{4}{9}$ :  $6\left(\frac{4}{9}\right) - 13\sqrt{\frac{4}{9}} + 6 = \frac{24}{9} - 13 \cdot \frac{2}{3} + 6 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$ . Yes,  $\frac{4}{9}$  is a solution.

Check  $w = \frac{9}{4}$ :  $6\left(\frac{9}{4}\right) - 13\sqrt{\frac{9}{4}} + 6 = \frac{54}{4} - 13 \cdot \frac{3}{2} + 6 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$ . Yes,  $\frac{9}{4}$  is also a solution.

44.  $\left(\frac{t}{t-1}\right)^2 - \frac{2t}{t-1} - 3 = 0$ . Let  $x = \frac{t}{t-1}$ . Then  $x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$ ,  $(x-3)(x+1) = 0$ , and  $x = 3$  or  $x = -1$ .

Next, either  $\frac{t}{t-1} = 3$ , in which case  $3t - 3 = t$ ,  $2t = 3$ , and  $t = \frac{3}{2}$ ; or  $\frac{t}{t-1} = -1$ , in which case  $-t + 1 = t$ ,

$-2t = -1$ , and  $t = \frac{1}{2}$ . The solutions are  $t = \frac{3}{2}$  and  $t = \frac{1}{2}$ .

$$45. \quad \frac{2}{x+3} - \frac{4}{x} = 4$$

$$2(x) - 4(x+3) = 4(x)(x+3)$$

$$2x - 4x - 12 = 4x^2 + 12x$$

$$-2x - 12 = 4x^2 + 12x$$

$$4x^2 + 14x + 12 = 0$$

$$2x^2 + 7x + 6 = 0$$

$$(2x+3)(x+2) = 0.$$

Thus, the solutions are  $x = -\frac{3}{2}$  and  $x = -2$ .

$$46. \quad \frac{3y-1}{4} + \frac{4}{y+1} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$(3y-1)(y+1) + 16 = \frac{5}{2}(4)(y+1)$$

$$3y^2 + 2y - 1 + 16 = \frac{5}{2}(4)(y+1)$$

$$3y^2 + 2y - 1 + 16 = 10y + 10$$

$$3y^2 - 8y + 5 = 0$$

$$(3y-5)(y-1) = 0.$$

Thus,  $y = \frac{5}{3}$  or  $y = 1$ .

$$47. \quad x + 2 - \frac{3}{2x-1} = 0$$

$$x(2x-1) + 2(2x-1) - 3 = 0$$

$$2x^2 - x + 4x - 2 - 3 = 0$$

$$2x^2 + 3x - 5 = 0$$

$$(2x+5)(x-1) = 0.$$

Thus, the solutions are  $x = -\frac{5}{2}$  and  $x = 1$ .

$$48. \quad \frac{x^2}{x-1} = \frac{3-2x}{x-1}$$

Because the fractions on both sides of the equation have the same denominator, we can write

$$x^2 = 3 - 2x \text{ (for } x \neq 1\text{)}$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-1) = 0.$$

But because  $x = 1$  results in division by zero in the original equation, we discard it. Thus, the only solution is  $x = -3$ .

$$49. \quad 2 - \frac{7}{2y} - \frac{15}{y^2} = 0$$

$$4y^2 - 7y - 30 = 0$$

$$(y+2)(4y-15) = 0.$$

Thus,  $y = -2$  or  $y = \frac{15}{4}$ .

$$50. \quad 6 + \frac{1}{k} - \frac{2}{k^2} = 0$$

$$6k^2 + k - 2 = 0$$

$$(3k+2)(2k-1) = 0.$$

Thus,  $k = -\frac{2}{3}$  or  $k = \frac{1}{2}$ .

$$51. \frac{3}{x^2-1} + \frac{2x}{x+1} = \frac{7}{3}$$

$$9 + 6x(x-1) = 7(x^2-1)$$

$$9 + 6x^2 - 6x = 7x^2 - 7$$

$$x^2 + 6x - 16 = 0$$

$$(x+8)(x-2) = 0.$$

Thus,  $x = -8$  or  $x = 2$ .

$$52. \frac{m}{m-2} - \frac{27}{7} = \frac{2}{m^2-m-2} = \frac{2}{(m-2)(m+1)}$$

$$7m(m+1) - 27(m^2-m-2) = 2(7)$$

$$7m^2 + 7m - 27m^2 + 27m + 54 = 14$$

$$-20m^2 + 34m + 54 = 14$$

$$-20m^2 + 34m + 40 = 0$$

$$10m^2 - 17m - 20 = 0$$

$$(5m+4)(2m-5) = 0.$$

Thus,  $m = -\frac{4}{5}$  or  $m = \frac{5}{2}$ .

$$53. \frac{3x}{x-2} + \frac{4}{x+2} = \frac{24}{x^2-4}$$

$$3x(x+2) + 4(x-2) = 24$$

$$3x^2 + 6x + 4x - 8 = 24$$

$$3x^2 + 10x - 32 = 0$$

$$(3x+16)(x-2) = 0.$$

Thus,  $x = -\frac{16}{3}$  or  $x = 2$ . But because  $x = 2$  results in division by zero in the original equation, we discard it.

The only solution is  $x = -\frac{16}{3}$ .

$$54. \frac{3x}{x+1} + \frac{2}{x} + 5 = \frac{3}{x^2+x}$$

$$3x^2 + 2x + 2 + 5(x^2+x) = 3$$

$$3x^2 + 2x + 2 + 5x^2 + 5x = 3$$

$$8x^2 + 7x - 1 = 0$$

$$(8x-1)(x+1) = 0.$$

Thus,  $x = \frac{1}{8}$  or  $x = -1$ . But because division by zero is not allowed in the original equation, we discard

$x = -1$ . The only solution is  $x = \frac{1}{8}$ .

$$55. \frac{2t+1}{t-2} - \frac{t}{t+1} = -1$$

$$(2t+1)(t+1) - t(t-2) = -1(t-2)(t+1)$$

$$2t^2 + 3t + 1 - t^2 + 2t = -t^2 + t + 2$$

$$2t^2 + 4t - 1 = 0.$$

Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 4$ , and  $c = -1$ , we obtain

$$t = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4(2)(-1)}}{4} = -1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{24}}{4}$$

$$= -1 \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{6}.$$

$$56. \frac{x}{x+1} - \frac{3}{x-2} + \frac{2}{x^2-x-2} = 0$$

$$x(x-2) - 3(x+1) + 2 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 3x - 3 + 2 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 5x - 1 = 0.$$

Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -5$ , and  $c = -1$ , we obtain

$$x = \frac{+5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 4(1)(-1)}}{2} = \frac{+5 \pm \sqrt{29}}{2}$$

$$\approx 5.19 \text{ or } -0.19.$$

57.  $\sqrt{u^2 + u - 5} = 1$

$$u^2 + u - 5 = 1$$

$$u^2 + u - 6 = 0$$

$$(u + 3)(u - 2) = 0.$$

Thus,  $u = -3$  or  $u = 2$ .

Check  $u = -3$ :  $\sqrt{(-3)^2 - 3 - 5} = \sqrt{1} \stackrel{?}{=} 1$ . Yes, so  $u = -3$  is a solution.

Check  $u = 2$ :  $\sqrt{2^2 + 2 - 5} = \sqrt{1} \stackrel{?}{=} 1$ . Yes, so  $u = 2$  is also a solution.

58.  $\sqrt{6x^2 - 5x} - 2 = 0$

$$\sqrt{6x^2 - 5x} = 2$$

$$6x^2 - 5x - 4 = 0$$

$$(3x - 4)(2x + 1) = 0.$$

Thus,  $x = \frac{4}{3}$  or  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ .

Check  $x = \frac{4}{3}$ :  $\sqrt{6\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2 - 5\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)} - 2 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$ . Yes, so

$x = \frac{4}{3}$  is a solution.

Check  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ :  $\sqrt{6\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 5\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)} - 2 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$ . Yes, so  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$  is also a solution.

59.  $\sqrt{2r + 3} = r$

$$2r + 3 = r^2$$

$$r^2 - 2r - 3 = 0$$

$$(r - 3)(r + 1) = 0.$$

Thus,  $r = 3$  or  $r = -1$ .

Check  $r = 3$ :  $\sqrt{2(3) + 3} \stackrel{?}{=} 3$ . Yes, so  $r = 3$  is a solution.

Check  $r = -1$ :  $\sqrt{2(-1) + 3} \stackrel{?}{=} -1$ . No, so  $r = -1$  is not a solution.

60.  $\sqrt{3 - 4x} = -2x$

$$3 - 4x = 4x^2$$

$$4x^2 + 4x - 3 = 0$$

$$(2x + 3)(2x - 1) = 0.$$

Thus,  $x = -\frac{3}{2}$  or  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ .

Check  $x = -\frac{3}{2}$ :  $\sqrt{3 - 4\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)} \stackrel{?}{=} -2\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) = 3$ . Yes,

so  $x = -\frac{3}{2}$  is a solution.

Check  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ :  $\sqrt{3 - 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} \stackrel{?}{=} -2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -1$ . No, so  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  is not a solution.

61.  $\sqrt{s - 2} - \sqrt{s + 3} + 1 = 0$

$$\sqrt{s - 2} = \sqrt{s + 3} - 1$$

$$s - 2 = s + 3 - 2\sqrt{s + 3} + 1$$

$$2\sqrt{s + 3} = 6$$

$$s + 3 = 3^2 = 9$$

$$s = 6.$$

Check:  $\sqrt{6 - 2} - \sqrt{6 + 3} + 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$ . Yes, so  $s = 6$  is the solution.

62.  $\sqrt{x + 1} - \sqrt{2x - 5} + 1 = 0$

$$\sqrt{x + 1} = \sqrt{2x - 5} - 1$$

$$x + 1 = 2x - 5 - 2\sqrt{2x - 5} + 1$$

$$x + 1 - 2x + 5 - 1 = -2\sqrt{2x - 5}$$

$$-x + 5 = -2\sqrt{2x - 5}$$

$$x^2 - 10x + 25 = 4(2x - 5)$$

$$x^2 - 10x - 8x + 25 + 20 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 18x + 45 = 0$$

$$(x - 15)(x - 3) = 0.$$

Thus,  $x = 15$  or  $x = 3$ .

Check  $x = 15$ :  $\sqrt{15 + 1} - \sqrt{2(15) - 5} + 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$ . Yes, so  $x = 15$  is a solution.

Check  $x = 3$ :  $\sqrt{3 + 1} - \sqrt{2(3) - 5} + 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$ . No, so  $x = 3$  is not a solution.

$$63. \quad \frac{1}{(x-3)^2} - \frac{10}{x-3} + 21 = 0$$

$$1 - 10(x-3) + 21(x-3)^2 = 0$$

$$31 - 10x + 21x^2 - 126x + 189 = 0$$

$$21x^2 - 136x + 220 = 0$$

$$(7x - 22)(3x - 10) = 0.$$

$$\text{Thus, } x = \frac{22}{7} \text{ or } x = \frac{10}{3}.$$

$$64. \quad \frac{2}{(2x-1)^2} - \frac{5}{2x-1} + 3 = 0$$

$$2 - 5(2x-1) + 3(2x-1)^2 = 0$$

$$7 - 10x + 12x^2 - 12x + 3 = 0$$

$$12x^2 - 22x + 10 = 0$$

$$2(6x-5)(x-1) = 0.$$

$$\text{Thus, } x = \frac{5}{6} \text{ or } x = 1.$$

65.  $x^2 - 6x + 5 = 0$ . Here  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -6$ , and  $c = 5$ .  $b^2 - 4ac = (-6)^2 - 4(1)(5) = 16 > 0$ , and so the equation has two real solutions.

66.  $2m^2 + 5m + 3 = 0$ . Here  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 5$ , and  $c = 3$ .  $b^2 - 4ac = 5^2 - 4(2)(3) = 1 > 0$ , and so the equation has two real solutions.

67.  $3y^2 - 4y + 5 = 0$ . Here  $a = 3$ ,  $b = -4$ , and  $c = 5$ .  $b^2 - 4ac = (-4)^2 - 4(3)(5) = -44 < 0$ , and so the equation has no real solution.

68.  $2p^2 + 5p + 6 = 0$ . Here  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 5$ , and  $c = 6$ .  $b^2 - 4ac = 5^2 - 4(2)(6) = -23 < 0$ , and so the equation has no real solution.

69.  $4x^2 + 12x + 9 = 0$ . Here  $a = 4$ ,  $b = 12$ , and  $c = 9$ .  $b^2 - 4ac = 12^2 - 4(4)(9) = 0$ , and so the equation has one real solution.

70.  $25x^2 - 80x + 64 = 0$ . Here  $a = 25$ ,  $b = -80$ , and  $c = 64$ .  $b^2 - 4ac = (-80)^2 - 4(25)(64) = 0$ , and so the equation has one real solution.

71.  $\frac{6}{k^2} + \frac{1}{k} - 2 = 0$ . Multiplying by  $k^2$ , we have  $6 + k - 2k^2 = 0$  or  $2k^2 - k - 6 = 0$ . Here  $a = 2$ ,  $b = -1$ , and  $c = -6$ , so the discriminant is  $b^2 - 4ac = (-1)^2 - 4(2)(-6) = 49 > 0$ , and the equation has two real solutions.

72.  $(2p+1)^2 - 3(2p+1) + 4 = 0$ . Let  $x = 2p+1$ . Then the equation becomes  $x^2 - 3x + 4 = 0$ . Here  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -3$ , and  $c = 4$ , so because  $b^2 - 4ac = (-3)^2 - 4(1)(4) = -7 < 0$ , the new equation has no real solution, and therefore the given equation also has no real solution.

73. The ball reaches the ground when  $h = 0$ ; that is, when  $16t^2 - 64t - 768 = 0$ , and

$t^2 - 4t - 48 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -4$ , and  $c = -48$ , we find

$$t = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{16 - 4(1)(-48)}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{208}}{2} \approx 9.21, \text{ or approximately 9.2 seconds. (We discard the negative root.)}$$

74. a. The rocket is at a height of 1284 ft when

$$h(t) = 1284.$$

$$-16t^2 + 384t - 1280 = 0$$

$$16t^2 - 384t + 1280 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 24t + 80 = 0$$

$$(t - 20)(t - 4) = 0.$$

Thus,  $t = 20$  seconds or 4 seconds.

- b. The rocket reaches the ground when  $h(t) = 0$ .

$$-16t^2 + 384t + 4 = 0$$

$$4t^2 - 96t - 1 = 0$$

Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 4$ ,  $b = -96$ , and  $c = -1$ , we obtain

$$t = \frac{96 \pm \sqrt{(96)^2 - 4(4)(-1)}}{8} \approx -0.01 \text{ or } 24.01.$$

Discarding the negative root, we see that the time of the flight is approximately 24.01 seconds.

75. Substituting  $u = 10$ ,  $a = 4$ , and  $v = 22$  into the equation  $v = ut + at^2$ , we have  $22 = 10t + 4t^2$ . Then  $4t^2 + 10t - 22 = 0$ , or  $2t^2 + 5t - 11 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 5$ , and  $c = -11$ , we have  $t = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 - 4(2)(-11)}}{2(2)} \approx \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{113}}{4} \approx 1.41 \text{ or } -3.91$ . We reject the negative root, so the time taken is approximately 1.41 seconds after passing the tree.

76. We solve the equation  $-0.0002x^2 + 3x + 50,000 = 60,800$ , rewriting it as  $0.0002x^2 - 3x + 10,800 = 0$ .

Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 0.0002$ ,  $b = -3$ , and  $c = 10,800$ , we have

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(0.0002)(10,800)}}{2(0.0002)} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{0.36}}{0.0004} = \frac{3 \pm 0.6}{0.0004} = 6000 \text{ or } 9000. \text{ Thus, a production level of either } 6000 + 10,000 = 16,000 \text{ or } 9000 + 10,000 = 19,000 \text{ will yield a profit of } \$60,800.$$

77. Substituting  $p = 10$  into  $p = \frac{30}{0.02x^2 + 1}$ , we have  $10(0.02x^2 + 1) = 30$ . Solving this equation for  $x$ , we have  $0.2x^2 + 10 = 30$ ,  $0.2x^2 = 20$ ,  $x^2 = 100$ , and  $x = \pm 10$ . Rejecting the negative root, we see that the quantity demanded is 10,000. (Remember that  $x$  is measured in units of one thousand.)

78. Substituting  $p = 6$  into  $p = \sqrt{-x^2 + 100}$ , we have  $6 = \sqrt{-x^2 + 100}$ . Solving this equation, we have  $36 = -x^2 + 100$ ,  $x^2 = 64$ , and  $x = \pm 8$ . We reject the negative root, and see that the quantity demanded is 8000.

79. Substituting  $p = 30$  into the equation  $p = \frac{1}{10}\sqrt{x} + 10$ , we have  $300 = \sqrt{x} + 100$ , so  $\sqrt{x} = 200$  and  $x = 200^2 = 40,000$ . Thus, 40,000 satellite radios will be made available at the unit price of \$30.

80. Substituting  $p = 20$  into the equation  $p = 0.1x^2 + 0.5x + 15$ , we have  $20 = 0.1x^2 + 0.5x + 15$ . Solving this equation, we have  $x^2 + 5x - 50 = 0$ , so  $(x + 10)(x - 5) = 0$  and  $x = -10$  or  $x = 5$ . We reject the negative root, and see that at a unit price of \$20, 5000 lamps will be made available.

81. We solve the equation  $100\left(\frac{t^2 + 10t + 100}{t^2 + 20t + 100}\right) = 80$ , obtaining  $5(t^2 + 10t + 100) = 4(t^2 + 20t + 100)$ ,  $5t^2 + 50t + 500 = 4t^2 + 80t + 400$ , and  $t^2 - 30t + 100 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -30$ , and  $c = 100$ , we get  $t = \frac{30 \pm \sqrt{30^2 - 4(1)(100)}}{2} = \frac{30 \pm \sqrt{500}}{2} \approx 3.82 \text{ or } 26.18$ . So the oxygen content first drops to 80% of its natural level approximately 4 days after the waste was dumped into the pond and is restored to that level approximately 26 days after the waste was dumped.

82. We solve the equation  $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{x+y}{x}$ . Let  $\frac{x}{y} = r$ . Then  $r = 1 + \frac{1}{r}$ ,  $r^2 = r + 1$ , and  $r^2 - r - 1 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -1$ , and  $c = -1$ , we obtain  $r = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(1)(-1)}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2} \approx 1.62$ . (We discard the negative root.)

83. The total surface area is given by

$$\begin{aligned} S &= (10 - 2x)(16 - 2x) + 2x(10 - 2x) + 2x(16 - 2x) = 160 - 20x - 32x + 4x^2 + 20x - 4x^2 + 32x - 4x^2 \\ &= -4x^2 + 160. \end{aligned}$$

Since the total surface area is to be 144 square inches, we have  $-4x^2 + 160 = 144$ ,  $4x^2 = 16$ , and  $x^2 = 4$ . Thus,  $x = 2$  because  $x$  must be positive. The dimensions are therefore  $12'' \times 6'' \times 2''$ .

84. Let  $x$  be the width of the garden, so that its length is  $2x$ . Then  $2x^2 = 200$ ,  $x^2 = 100$ , and  $x = \pm 10$ . Discarding the negative root, we see that  $x = 10$ , so the amount of fencing Carmen needs is  $2(2x + x) = 6x$ , or 60 feet.

85. Let  $x$  denote the length of one piece of fencing so that the second piece has length  $(120 - x)$  ft. The squares' side lengths are  $\frac{x}{4}$  and  $\frac{120 - x}{4}$ , and so the sum of the areas is

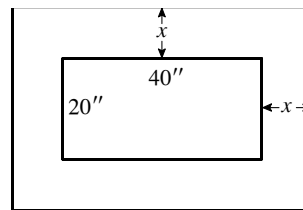
$$\begin{aligned} A &= \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{120 - x}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{16} [x^2 + (120 - x)^2] = \frac{1}{16} (x^2 + 14,400 - 240x + x^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{16} (2x^2 - 240x + 14,400). \end{aligned}$$

Since the sum of the areas of the two rectangles is to be  $562.5 \text{ ft}^2$ , we have  $\frac{1}{16} (2x^2 - 240x + 14,400) = 562.5$ ,  $2x^2 - 240x + 14,400 = 9000$ ,  $2x^2 - 240x + 5400 = 0$ ,  $x^2 - 120x + 2700 = 0$ , and  $(x - 30)(x - 90) = 0$ . Therefore  $x = 30$  or  $x = 90$ , and the lengths of the pieces of fencing are 30 ft and 90 ft.

86. Let  $x$  denote the width of the walkway. Then the area of the

walkway is given by  $4x^2 + 80x + 40x = 325$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} 4x^2 + 120x - 325 &= 0, (2x - 5)(2x + 65) = 0, \text{ and } x = \frac{5}{2} \text{ or} \\ x &= -\frac{65}{2}. \text{ We discard the negative root.} \end{aligned}$$



87. Let  $x$  denote the width and  $y$  the length. Then  $2x + y = 3000$ . The area is given by

$A = xy = x(3000 - 2x) = -2x^2 + 3000x$ . The quadratic function  $A = -2x^2 + 3000x$  has a maximum at  $x = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{3000}{2(-2)} = 750$ . Therefore,  $y = 3000 - 2(750) = 1500$ . The dimensions are 750 yards by 1500 yards.

88.  $S = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r h$ . Substituting  $S = 100$  and  $h = 3$ , we have  $100 = 2\pi r^2 + 6\pi r$ , so

$\pi r^2 + 3\pi r - 50 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula with  $a = \pi$ ,  $b = 3\pi$ , and  $c = -50$ , we find

$$r = \frac{-3\pi \pm \sqrt{9\pi^2 - 4(\pi)(-50)}}{2\pi} \approx \frac{-3\pi \pm \sqrt{717}}{2\pi} \approx 2.76. \text{ (We discard the negative root.) Thus, the radius is approximately 2.76 inches.}$$

89. We solve the equation  $2\pi r\ell + 4\pi r^2 = 28\pi$  with  $\ell = 4$ , obtaining  $28\pi = 8\pi r + 4\pi r^2$ ,  $4\pi r^2 + 8\pi r - 28\pi = 0$ , and  $r^2 + 2r - 7 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 2$ , and  $c = -7$ , we get

$$r = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 4(1)(7)}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 4\sqrt{2}}{2} = -1 \pm 2\sqrt{2}. \text{ Since } r \text{ must be positive, we discard the negative root.}$$

Thus,  $r = -1 + 2\sqrt{2} \approx 1.83$ , and the radius of each hemisphere is approximately 1.83 ft.

90. Let  $x$  denote the increase in the radius. Then  $10,000\pi + 4400\pi = (100 + x)^2\pi$ . Rewriting, we have  $14400 = 10000 + 200x + x^2$ ,  $x^2 + 200x - 4400 = 0$ , and so  $(x + 220)(x - 20) = 0$ . Because  $x$  cannot be negative, we discard the negative root and conclude that  $x = 20$ , so the radius had increased by 20 ft.

91. False. In fact both  $a$  and  $b$  must be nonzero.

92. True

93. True.

94. True.

## 1.9 Inequalities and Absolute Value

### Concept Questions

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1. Let  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  be any real numbers.

Property 1 If  $a < b$  and  $b < c$ , then  $a < c$ . Example:  $3 < 4$  and  $5 < 9$ , so  $3 < 9$ .

Property 2 If  $a < b$ , then  $a + c < b + c$ . Example:  $-6 < -2$ , so  $-6 + 3 < -2 + 3$ ; that is,  $-3 < 1$ .

Property 3 If  $a < b$  and  $c > 0$ , then  $ac < bc$ . Example:  $-7 < -2$  and  $3 > 0$ , so  $(-7)(3) < (-2)(3)$ ; that is,  $-21 < -6$ .

Property 4 If  $a < b$  and  $c < 0$ , then  $ac > bc$ . Example:  $-7 < -2$  and  $-3 < 0$ , so  $(-7)(-3) > (-2)(-3)$ ; that is,  $21 > 6$ .

2. The absolute value of a number  $a$  is defined as  $|a| = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a \geq 0 \\ -a & \text{if } a < 0 \end{cases}$  The absolute value of a number cannot be negative.

3. Let  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  be any real numbers.

Property 1  $|-a| = |a|$ . Example:  $|-5| = |5| = 5$ .

Property 2  $|ab| = |a||b|$ . Example:  $|(3)(-4)| = |(3)||(-4)| = 12$ .

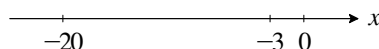
Property 3  $\left|\frac{a}{b}\right| = \frac{|a|}{|b|}$ . Example:  $\left|\frac{-4}{3}\right| = \frac{|-4|}{|3|} = \frac{4}{3}$ .

Property 4  $|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$ . Example:  $|9 + (-4)| = |5| = 5 \leq |9| + |-4| = 13$ .

### Exercises

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1. The statement is false because  $-3$  is greater than  $-20$ . See the number line below.



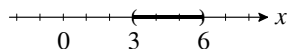
2. The statement is true because  $-5$  is equal to  $-5$ .

3. The statement is false because  $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{6}$  is less than  $\frac{5}{6}$ .

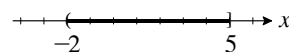


4. The statement is false because  $-\frac{5}{6} = -\frac{10}{12}$  is greater than  $-\frac{11}{12}$ .

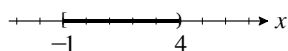
5. The interval  $(3, 6)$  is shown on the number line below. Note that this is an open interval indicated by “(” and “)”.



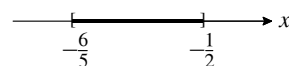
6. The interval  $(-2, 5]$  is shown on the number line below.



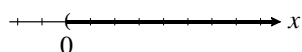
7. The interval  $[-1, 4)$  is shown on the number line below. Note that this is a half-open interval indicated by “[” (closed) and “)” (open).



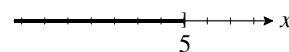
8. The closed interval  $\left[-\frac{6}{5}, -\frac{1}{2}\right]$  is shown on the number line below.



9. The infinite interval  $(0, \infty)$  is shown on the number line below.



10. The infinite interval  $(-\infty, 5]$  is shown on the number line below.

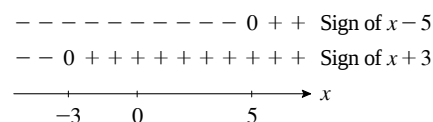


11. We are given  $2x + 2 < 8$ . Add  $-2$  to each side of the inequality to obtain  $2x < 6$ , then multiply each side of the inequality by  $\frac{1}{2}$  to obtain  $x < 3$ . We write this in interval notation as  $(-\infty, 3)$ .
12. We are given  $-6 > 4 + 5x$ . Add  $-4$  to each side of the inequality to obtain  $-6 - 4 > 5x$ , so  $-10 > 5x$ . Dividing by  $5$ , we obtain  $-2 > x$ , so  $x < -2$ . We write this in interval notation as  $(-\infty, -2)$ .
13. We are given the inequality  $-4x \geq 20$ . Multiply both sides of the inequality by  $-\frac{1}{4}$  and reverse the sign of the inequality to obtain  $x \leq -5$ . We write this in interval notation as  $(-\infty, -5]$ .
14.  $-12 \leq -3x \Rightarrow 4 \geq x$ , or  $x \leq 4$ . We write this in interval notation as  $(-\infty, 4]$ .
15. We are given the inequality  $-6 < x - 2 < 4$ . First add  $2$  to each member of the inequality to obtain  $-6 + 2 < x < 4 + 2$  and  $-4 < x < 6$ , so the solution set is the open interval  $(-4, 6)$ .
16. We add  $-1$  to each member of the given double inequality  $0 \leq x + 1 \leq 4$  to obtain  $-1 \leq x \leq 3$ , and the solution set is  $[-1, 3]$ .
17. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy at least one of the inequalities  $x + 1 > 4$  and  $x + 2 < -1$ . Adding  $-1$  to both sides of the first inequality, we obtain  $x + 1 - 1 > 4 - 1$ , so  $x > 3$ . Similarly, adding  $-2$  to both sides of the second inequality, we obtain  $x + 2 - 2 < -1 - 2$ , so  $x < -3$ . Therefore, the solution set is  $(-\infty, -3) \cup (3, \infty)$ .
18. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy at least one of the inequalities  $x + 1 > 2$  and  $x - 1 < -2$ . Solving these inequalities, we find that  $x > 1$  or  $x < -1$ , and the solution set is  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$ .

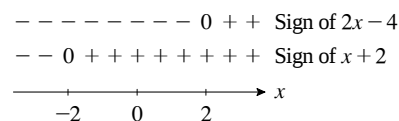
19. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy the inequalities  $x + 3 > 1$  and  $x - 2 < 1$ . Adding  $-3$  to both sides of the first inequality, we obtain  $x + 3 - 3 > 1 - 3$ , or  $x > -2$ . Similarly, adding 2 to each side of the second inequality, we obtain  $x - 2 + 2 < 1 + 2$ , so  $x < 3$ . Because both inequalities must be satisfied, the solution set is  $(-2, 3)$ .

20. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy the inequalities  $x - 4 \leq 1$  and  $x + 3 > 2$ . Solving these inequalities, we find that  $x \leq 5$  and  $x > -1$ , and the solution set is  $(-1, 5]$ .

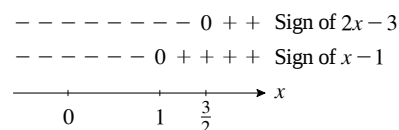
21. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy the inequality  $(x + 3)(x - 5) \leq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we see that the given inequality is satisfied when  $-3 \leq x \leq 5$ , that is, when the signs of the two factors are different or when one of the factors is equal to zero. The solution set is  $[-3, 5]$ .



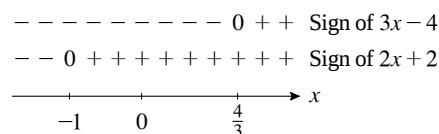
22. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy the inequality  $(2x - 4)(x + 2) \geq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we see that the given inequality is satisfied when  $x \leq -2$  or  $x \geq 2$ ; that is, when the signs of both factors are the same or one of the factors is equal to zero. The solution set is  $(-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty)$ .



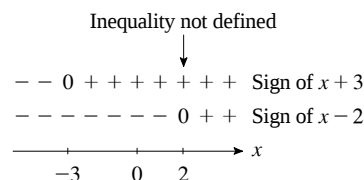
23. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy the inequality  $(2x - 3)(x - 1) \leq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we see that the given inequality is satisfied when  $x \geq 1$  and  $x \leq \frac{3}{2}$ ; that is, when the signs of the two factors differ or one of the two factors is 0. The solution set is  $\left[1, \frac{3}{2}\right]$ .



24. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy the inequality  $(3x - 4)(2x + 2) \leq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we see that the given inequality is satisfied when  $-1 \leq x \leq \frac{4}{3}$ , that is, when the signs of the two factors differ or when one of the factors is equal to zero. The solution set is  $\left[-1, \frac{4}{3}\right]$ .



25. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy the inequality  $\frac{x+3}{x-2} \geq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we see that the given inequality is satisfied when  $x \leq -3$  or  $x > 2$ , that is, when the signs of the two factors are the same. The solution set is  $(-\infty, -3] \cup (2, \infty)$ . Notice that  $x = 2$  is not included because the inequality is not defined at that value of  $x$ .



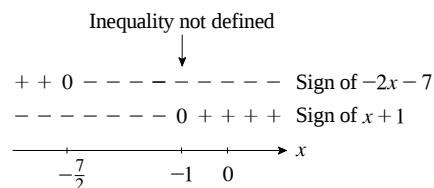
26. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy the inequality

$$\frac{2x-3}{x+1} \geq 4. \text{ We rewrite the inequality as } \frac{2x-3}{x+1} - 4 \geq 0,$$

$$\frac{2x-3-4x-4}{x+1} \geq 0, \text{ and } \frac{-2x-7}{x+1} \geq 0. \text{ From the sign diagram,}$$

we see that the given inequality is satisfied when  $-\frac{7}{2} \leq x < -1$ ;

that is, when the signs of the two factors are the same. The solution set is  $[-\frac{7}{2}, -1)$ . Notice that  $x = -1$  is not included because the inequality is not defined at that value of  $x$ .

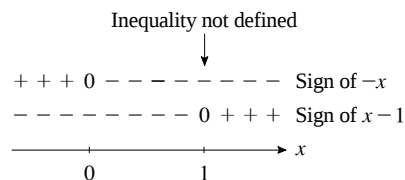


27. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy the inequality

$$\frac{x-2}{x-1} \leq 2. \text{ Subtracting 2 from each side of the given inequality}$$

$$\text{and simplifying gives } \frac{x-2}{x-1} - 2 \leq 0,$$

$\frac{x-2-2(x-1)}{x-1} \leq 0$ , and  $-\frac{x}{x-1} \leq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we see that the given inequality is satisfied when  $x \leq 0$  or  $x > 1$ ; that is, when the signs of the two factors differ. The solution set is  $(-\infty, 0] \cup (1, \infty)$ . Notice that  $x = 1$  is not included because the inequality is undefined at that value of  $x$ .



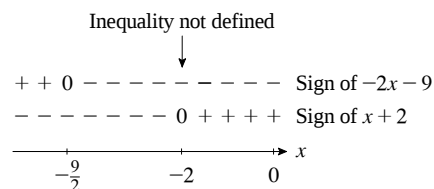
28. We want to find the values of  $x$  that satisfy the

$$\text{inequality } \frac{2x-1}{x+2} \leq 4. \text{ Subtracting 4 from each side of the given}$$

$$\text{inequality and simplifying gives } \frac{2x-1}{x+2} - 4 \leq 0,$$

$$\frac{2x-1-4(x+2)}{x+2} \leq 0, \frac{2x-1-4x-8}{x+2} \leq 0, \text{ and finally}$$

$\frac{-2x-9}{x+2} \leq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we see that the given inequality is satisfied when  $x \leq -\frac{9}{2}$  or  $x > -2$ . The solution set is  $(-\infty, -\frac{9}{2}] \cup (-2, \infty)$ .



29.  $|-6+2| = 4.$

30.  $4+|-4| = 4+4 = 8.$

31.  $\frac{|-12+4|}{|16-12|} = \frac{|-8|}{|4|} = 2.$

32.  $\left| \frac{0.2-1.4}{1.6-2.4} \right| = \left| \frac{-1.2}{-0.8} \right| = 1.5.$

33.  $\sqrt{3}|-2| + 3|-\sqrt{3}| = \sqrt{3}(2) + 3\sqrt{3} = 5\sqrt{3}.$

34.  $|-1| + \sqrt{2}|-2| = 1 + 2\sqrt{2}.$

35.  $|\pi-1| + 2 = \pi-1+2 = \pi+1.$

36.  $|\pi-6| - 3 = 6-\pi-3 = 3-\pi.$

37.  $|\sqrt{2}-1| + |3-\sqrt{2}| = \sqrt{2}-1+3-\sqrt{2} = 2.$

38.  $|2\sqrt{3}-3| - |\sqrt{3}-4| = 2\sqrt{3}-3 - (4-\sqrt{3}) = 3\sqrt{3}-7.$

39. False. If  $a > b$ , then  $-a < -b$ ,  $-a+b < -b+b$ , and  $b-a < 0$ .

40. False. Let  $a = -2$  and  $b = -3$ . Then  $a/b = \frac{-2}{-3} = \frac{2}{3} < 1$ .
41. False. Let  $a = -2$  and  $b = -3$ . Then  $a^2 = 4$  and  $b^2 = 9$ , and  $4 < 9$ . (Note that we need only provide a counterexample to show that the statement is not always true.)
42. False. Let  $a = -2$  and  $b = -3$ . Then  $\frac{1}{a} = -\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{b} = -\frac{1}{3}$ , and  $-\frac{1}{2} < -\frac{1}{3}$ .
43. True. There are three possible cases.  
*Case 1:* If  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ , then  $a^3 > b^3$ , since  $a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) > 0$ .  
*Case 2:* If  $a > 0$  and  $b < 0$ , then  $a^3 > 0$  and  $b^3 < 0$ , and it follows that  $a^3 > b^3$ .  
*Case 3:* If  $a < 0$  and  $b < 0$ , then  $a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) > 0$ , and we see that  $a^3 > b^3$ . (Note that  $a - b > 0$  and  $ab > 0$ .)
44. True. If  $a > b$ , then it follows that  $-a < -b$  because an inequality symbol is reversed when both sides of the inequality are multiplied by a negative number.
45.  $|x - a| < b$  is equivalent to  $-b < x - a < b$  or  $a - b < x < a + b$ .
46.  $|x - a| \geq b$  is equivalent to  $x - a \geq b$  or  $a - x \geq b$ ; that is,  $x \geq a + b$  or  $-x \geq b - a$ ; or  $x \geq a + b$  or  $x \leq a - b$ .
47. False. If we take  $a = -2$ , then  $|-a| = | -(-2) | = |2| = 2 \neq a$ .
48. True. If  $b < 0$ , then  $b^2 > 0$ , and  $|b^2| = b^2$ .
49. True. If  $a - 4 < 0$ , then  $|a - 4| = 4 - a = |4 - a|$ . If  $a - 4 > 0$ , then  $|4 - a| = a - 4 = |a - 4|$ .
50. False. If we let  $a = -2$ , then  $|a + 1| = |-2 + 1| = |-1| = 1 \neq |-2| + 1 = 3$ .
51. False. If we take  $a = 3$  and  $b = -1$ , then  $|a + b| = |3 - 1| = 2 \neq |a| + |b| = 3 + 1 = 4$ .
52. False. If we take  $a = 3$  and  $b = -1$ , then  $|a - b| = 4 \neq |a| - |b| = 3 - 1 = 2$ .
53. Simplifying  $5(C - 25) \geq 1.75 + 2.5C$ , we obtain  $5C - 125 \geq 1.75 + 2.5C$ ,  $5C - 2.5C \geq 1.75 + 125$ ,  $2.5C \geq 126.75$ , and finally  $C \geq 50.7$ . Therefore, the minimum cost is \$50.70.
54.  $6(P - 2500) \leq 4(P + 2400)$  can be rewritten as  $6P - 15,000 \leq 4P + 9600$ ,  $2P \leq 24,600$ , or  $P \leq 12,300$ . Therefore, the maximum profit is \$12,300.
55. If the car is driven in the city, then it can be expected to cover  $(18.1 \text{ gallons}) \left( 20 \frac{\text{miles}}{\text{gallon}} \right) = 362$  miles on a full tank.  
 If the car is driven on the highway, then it can be expected to cover  $(18.1 \text{ gallons}) \left( 27 \frac{\text{miles}}{\text{gallon}} \right) = 488.7$  miles on a full tank. Thus, the driving range of the car may be described by the interval  $[362, 488.7]$ .
56. a. We want to find a formula for converting Centigrade temperatures to Fahrenheit temperatures. Thus,  
 $C = \frac{5}{9}(F - 32) = \frac{5}{9}F - \frac{160}{9}$ . Therefore,  $\frac{5}{9}F = C + \frac{160}{9}$ ,  $5F = 9C + 160$ , and  $F = \frac{9}{5}C + 32$ . Calculating the lower temperature range, we have  $F = \frac{9}{5}(-15) + 32 = 5$ , or 5 degrees. Calculating the upper temperature range,  $F = \frac{9}{5}(-5) + 32 = 23$ , or 23 degrees. Therefore, the temperature range is  $5^\circ < F < 23^\circ$ .

b. For the lower temperature range,  $C = \frac{5}{9}(63 - 32) = \frac{155}{9} \approx 17.2$ , or 17.2 degrees. For the upper temperature range,  $C = \frac{5}{9}(80 - 32) = \frac{5}{9}(48) \approx 26.7$ , or 26.7 degrees. Therefore, the temperature range is  $17.2^\circ < C < 26.7^\circ$ .

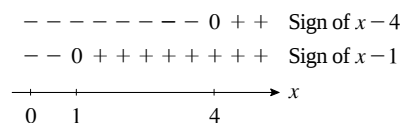
57. Let  $x$  represent the salesman's monthly sales in dollars. Then  $0.15(x - 12,000) \geq 6000$ ,  $15(x - 12,000) \geq 600,000$ ,  $15x - 180,000 \geq 600,000$ ,  $15x \geq 780,000$ , and  $x \geq 52,000$ . We conclude that the salesman must have sales of at least \$52,000 to reach his goal.

58. Let  $x$  represent the wholesale price of the car. Then  $\frac{\text{Selling price}}{\text{Wholesale price}} - 1 \geq \text{Markup}$ ; that is,  $\frac{11,200}{x} - 1 \geq 0.30$ , whence  $\frac{11,200}{x} \geq 1.30$ ,  $1.3x \leq 11,200$ , and  $x \leq 8615.38$ . We conclude that the maximum wholesale price is \$8615.38.

59. We want to solve the inequality  $-6x^2 + 30x - 10 \geq 14$ . (Remember that  $x$  is expressed in thousands.) Adding  $-14$  to both sides of this inequality, we have  $-6x^2 + 30x - 10 - 14 \geq 14 - 14$ , or  $-6x^2 + 30x - 24 \geq 0$ . Dividing both sides of the inequality by  $-6$  (which reverses the sign of the inequality), we have  $x^2 - 5x + 4 \leq 0$ . Factoring this last expression, we have  $(x - 4)(x - 1) \leq 0$ .

From the sign diagram, we see that  $x$  must lie between 1 and 4.

(The inequality is satisfied only when the two factors have different signs.) Because  $x$  is expressed in thousands of units, we see that the manufacturer must produce between 1000 and 4000 units of the commodity.

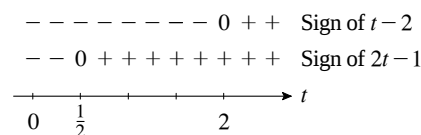


60. We solve the inequality  $\frac{0.2t}{t^2 + 1} \geq 0.08$ , obtaining  $0.08t^2 + 0.08 \leq 0.2t$ ,  $0.08t^2 - 0.2t + 0.08 \leq 0$ ,  $2t^2 - 5t + 2 \leq 0$ ,

and  $(2t - 1)(t - 2) \leq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we see that the

required solution is  $\left[\frac{1}{2}, 2\right]$ , so the concentration of the drug is

greater than or equal to 0.08 mg/cc between  $\frac{1}{2}$  hr and 2 hr after injection.



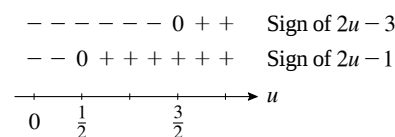
61. We solve the inequalities  $25 \leq \frac{0.5x}{100 - x} \leq 30$ , obtaining  $2500 - 25x \leq 0.5x \leq 3000 - 30x$ , which is equivalent to  $2500 - 25x \leq 0.5x$  and  $0.5x \leq 3000 - 30x$ . Simplifying further,  $25.5x \geq 2500$  and  $30.5x \leq 3000$ , so  $x \geq \frac{2500}{25.5} \approx 98.04$  and  $x \leq \frac{3000}{30.5} \approx 98.36$ . Thus, the city could expect to remove between 98.04% and 98.36% of the toxic pollutant.

62. We simplify the inequality  $20t - 40\sqrt{t} + 50 \leq 35$  to  $20t - 40\sqrt{t} + 15 \leq 0$  (1). Let  $u = \sqrt{t}$ . Then  $u^2 = t$ , so we have  $20u^2 - 40u + 15 \leq 0$ ,  $4u^2 - 8u + 3 \leq 0$ , and  $(2u - 3)(2u - 1) \leq 0$ .

From the sign diagram, we see that we must have  $u$  in  $\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right]$ .

Because  $t = u^2$ , we see that the solution to Equation (1) is  $\left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{9}{4}\right]$ .

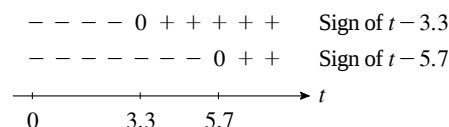
Thus, the average speed of a vehicle is less than or equal to 35 miles per hour between 6:15 a.m. and 8:15 a.m.



63. We solve  $\frac{10,000}{t^2 + 1} + 2000 < 4000$ , obtaining  $\frac{10,000}{t^2 + 1} < 2000$ ,  $10,000 < 2000(t^2 + 1)$ , and  $t^2 + 1 > 5$ . Rewriting, we have  $t^2 - 4 > 0$ , or  $(t - 2)(t + 2) > 0$ . The solution of this inequality is  $t < -2$  or  $t > 2$ . Because  $t$  must be positive, we conclude that the number of bacteria will have dropped below 4000 after 2 minutes.

64. We solve the inequality  $\frac{136}{1 + 0.25(t - 4.5)^2} + 28 \geq 128$  or  $\frac{136}{1 + 0.25(t - 4.5)^2} \geq 100$ . Next,  $136 \geq 100[1 + 0.25(t - 4.5)^2]$ , so  $136 \geq 100 + 25(t - 4.5)^2$ ,  $36 \geq 25(t - 4.5)^2$ ,  $(t - 4.5)^2 \leq \frac{36}{25}$ ,  $(t - \frac{9}{2})^2 - (\frac{6}{5})^2 \leq 0$ ,  $[(t - \frac{9}{2}) + \frac{6}{5}][(t - \frac{9}{2}) - \frac{6}{5}] \leq 0$ , or  $(t - 3.3)(t - 5.7) \leq 0$ .

From the sign diagram, we see that the required solution is [3.3, 5.7]. Thus, the amount of nitrogen dioxide is greater than or equal to 128 PSI between 10:18 a.m. and 12:42 p.m.



65. The ball's height is 196 ft or greater when  $128t - 16t^2 + 4 \geq 196$ , that is,  $16t^2 - 128t + 192 \leq 0$ . Simplifying and factoring, this is equivalent to the inequality  $t^2 - 8t + 12 = (t - 6)(t - 2) \leq 0$ . The solution of this inequality is  $2 \leq t \leq 6$ . We conclude that the ball's height is greater than or equal to 196 ft for 4 seconds.

66. a.  $(5.6 \times 10^{11})(30,000)^{-1.5} \approx 107,772$ , or 107,772 families.

b.  $(5.6 \times 10^{11})(60,000)^{-1.5} \approx 38,103$ , or 38,103 families.

c.  $(5.6 \times 10^{11})(150,000)^{-1.5} \approx 9639$ , or 9639 families.

67. The rod is acceptable if  $0.49 \leq x \leq 0.51$  or  $-0.01 \leq x - 0.5 \leq 0.01$ . This gives the required inequality,  $|x - 0.5| \leq 0.01$ .

68.  $|x - 0.1| \leq 0.01$  is equivalent to  $-0.01 \leq x - 0.1 \leq 0.01$  or  $0.09 \leq x \leq 0.11$ . Therefore, the smallest diameter a ball bearing in the batch can have is 0.09 inch, and the largest diameter is 0.11 inch.

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## Concept Review Questions

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1. a. rational; repeating; terminating

b. irrational, terminates, repeats

3. a.  $a$ ;  $-(ab) = a(-b)$ ;  $ab$

b. 0; 0

5. product; prime;  $x(x + 2)(x - 1)$

2. a.  $b + a$ ;  $(a + b) + c$ ;  $a$ ; 0

b.  $ba$ ;  $(ab)c$ ;  $1 \cdot a = a$ ; 1

c.  $ab + ac$

4. a. polynomial;  $x$ ; degree; term; polynomial; coefficient

b. like

6. a. polynomials

b. numerator; denominator; factors; 1;  $-1$

c. denominator; fractions

7. complex;  $\frac{1 + \frac{1}{x}}{1 - \frac{1}{y}}$

9. a. equation

b. number

c.  $ax + b = 0$ ; 1

11. a. radical;  $b^{1/n}$

b. radical

8. a.  $\underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot a \cdots a}_{n \text{ factors}}$ ; base; exponent; power

b. 1; not defined

c.  $\frac{1}{a^n}$

10. a.  $a^n = b$

b. pairs

c. no

d. real root

12. a.  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

b. factoring; completing the square;

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

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1. The number  $\frac{7}{8}$  is a rational number and a real number.

2. The number  $\sqrt{13}$  is an irrational number and a real number.

3. The number  $-2\pi$  is an irrational number and a real number.

4. The number 0 is a whole number, an integer, a rational number, and a real number.

5. The number  $2.\overline{71}$  is a rational number and a real number.

6. The number 3.14159... is an irrational number and a real number.

7.  $\left(\frac{9}{4}\right)^{3/2} = \frac{9^{3/2}}{4^{3/2}} = \frac{27}{8}$ .

8.  $\frac{5^6}{5^4} = 5^{6-4} = 5^2 = 25$ .

9.  $(3 \cdot 4)^{-2} = 12^{-2} = \frac{1}{12^2} = \frac{1}{144}$ .

10.  $(-8)^{5/3} = [(-8^{1/3})^5] = (-2)^5 = -32$ .

11.  $\left(\frac{16}{9}\right)^{3/2} = \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^3 = \frac{64}{27}$ .

12.  $\frac{(3 \cdot 2^{-3})(4 \cdot 3^5)}{2 \cdot 9^3} = \frac{3 \cdot 2^{-3} \cdot 2^2 \cdot 3^5}{2 \cdot (3^2)^3} = \frac{2^{-1} \cdot 3^6}{2 \cdot 3^6} = \frac{1}{4}$ .

13.  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{27}{125}} = \frac{3}{5}$ .

14.  $\frac{3\sqrt[3]{54}}{\sqrt[3]{18}} = \frac{3 \cdot (2 \cdot 3^3)^{1/3}}{(2 \cdot 3^2)^{1/3}} = \frac{3^2 \cdot 2^{1/3}}{2^{1/3} \cdot 3^{2/3}} = 3^{4/3} = 3\sqrt[3]{3}$ .

15.  $\frac{4(x^2 + y)^3}{x^2 + y} = 4(x^2 + y)^2$ .

16.  $\frac{a^6 b^{-5}}{(a^3 b^{-2})^{-3}} = \frac{a^6 b^{-5}}{a^{-9} b^6} = \frac{a^{15}}{b^{11}}$ .

$$17. \frac{\sqrt[4]{16x^5yz}}{\sqrt[4]{81xyz^5}} = \frac{(2^4x^5yz)^{1/4}}{(3^4xyz^5)^{1/4}} = \frac{2x^{5/4}y^{1/4}z^{1/4}}{3x^{1/4}y^{1/4}z^{5/4}} = \frac{2x}{3z}. \quad 18. (2x^3)(-3x^{-2})\left(\frac{1}{6}x^{-1/2}\right) = -x^{1/2}.$$

$$19. \left(\frac{3xy^2}{4x^3y}\right)^{-2} \left(\frac{3xy^3}{2x^2}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{3y}{4x^2}\right)^{-2} \left(\frac{3y^3}{2x}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{4x^2}{3y}\right)^2 \left(\frac{3y^3}{2x}\right)^3 = \frac{(16x^4)(27y^9)}{(9y^2)(8x^3)} = 6xy^7.$$

$$20. (-3a^2b^3)^2(2a^{-1}b^{-2})^{-1} = 9a^4b^6 \cdot \frac{1}{2}ab^2 = \frac{9}{2}a^5b^8.$$

$$21. \sqrt[3]{81x^5y^{10}}\sqrt[3]{9xy^2} = 3^{4/3}x^{5/3}y^{10/3} \cdot 3^{2/3}x^{1/3}y^{2/3} = 3^2x^2y^4 = 9x^2y^4.$$

$$22. \left(\frac{-x^{1/2}y^{2/3}}{x^{1/3}y^{3/4}}\right)^6 = \frac{x^3y^4}{x^2y^{9/2}} = \frac{x}{y^{1/2}}.$$

$$23. (3x^4 + 10x^3 + 6x^2 + 10x + 3) + (2x^4 + 10x^3 + 6x^2 + 4x) \\ = 3x^4 + 2x^4 + 10x^3 + 10x^3 + 6x^2 + 6x^2 + 10x + 4x + 3 = 5x^4 + 20x^3 + 12x^2 + 14x + 3.$$

$$24. (3x - 4)(3x^2 - 2x + 3) = 3x(3x^2 - 2x + 3) - 4(3x^2 - 2x + 3) \\ = 9x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x - 12x^2 + 8x - 12 = 9x^3 - 18x^2 + 17x - 12$$

$$25. (2x + 3y)^2 - (3x + 1)(2x - 3) = 4x^2 + 12xy + 9y^2 - 6x^2 + 7x + 3 = -2x^2 + 9y^2 + 12xy + 7x + 3.$$

$$26. 2(3a + b) - 3[(2a + 3b) - (a + 2b)] = 6a + 2b - 3(2a + 3b - a - 2b) = 6a + 2b - 3a - 3b = 3a - b.$$

$$27. \frac{(t + 6)(60) - (60t + 180)}{(t + 6)^2} = \frac{60t + 360 - 60t - 180}{(t + 6)^2} = \frac{180}{(t + 6)^2}.$$

$$28. \frac{6x}{2(3x^2 + 2)} + \frac{1}{4(x + 2)} = \frac{(6x)2(x + 2) + (3x^2 + 2)}{4(3x^2 + 2)(x + 2)} = \frac{12x^2 + 24x + 3x^2 + 2}{4(3x^2 + 2)(x + 2)} = \frac{15x^2 + 24x + 2}{4(3x^2 + 2)(x + 2)}.$$

$$29. \frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{4x}{2x^2 - 1} \right) + 3 \left( \frac{3}{3x - 1} \right) = \frac{8x}{3(2x^2 - 1)} + \frac{9}{3x - 1} = \frac{8x(3x - 1) + 27(2x^2 - 1)}{3(2x^2 - 1)(3x - 1)} = \frac{78x^2 - 8x - 27}{3(2x^2 - 1)(3x - 1)}.$$

$$30. -\frac{2x}{\sqrt{x+1}} + 4\sqrt{x+1} = \frac{-2x + 4(x+1)}{\sqrt{x+1}} = \frac{2(x+2)\sqrt{x+1}}{\sqrt{x+1}\sqrt{x+1}} = \frac{2(x+2)\sqrt{x+1}}{x+1}.$$

$$31. -2\pi^2r^3 + 100\pi r^2 = -2\pi r^2(\pi r - 50).$$

$$32. 2v^3w + 2vw^3 + 2u^2vw = 2vw(v^2 + w^2 + u^2).$$

$$33. 16 - x^2 = 4^2 - x^2 = (4 - x)(4 + x).$$

$$34. 12t^3 - 6t^2 - 18t = 6t(2t^2 - t - 3) = 6t(2t - 3)(t + 1).$$

$$35. -2x^2 - 4x + 6 = -2(x^2 + 2x - 3) = -2(x + 3)(x - 1).$$

$$36. 12x^2 - 92x + 120 = 4(3x^2 - 23x + 30) = 4(3x - 5)(x - 6).$$

$$37. 9a^2 - 25b^2 = (3a)^2 - (5b)^2 = (3a - 5b)(3a + 5b).$$

$$38. 8u^6v^3 + 27u^3 = u^3(8u^3v^3 + 27) = u^3[(2uv)^3 + 3^3] = u^3(2uv + 3)(4u^2v^2 - 6uv + 9).$$

$$39. 6a^4b^4c - 3a^3b^2c - 9a^2b^2 = 3a^2b^2(2a^2b^2c - ac - 3).$$

$$40. 6x^2 - xy - y^2 = (3x + y)(2x - y).$$

$$41. \frac{2x^2 + 3x - 2}{2x^2 + 5x - 3} = \frac{(2x - 1)(x + 2)}{(2x - 1)(x + 3)} = \frac{x + 2}{x + 3}.$$

$$42. \frac{[(t^2 + 4)(2t - 4)] - (t^2 - 4t + 4)(2t)}{(t^2 + 4)^2} = \frac{2t^3 + 8t - 4t^2 - 16 - 2t^3 + 8t^2 - 8t}{(t^2 + 4)^2} = \frac{4t^2 - 16}{(t^2 + 4)^2} = \frac{4(t^2 - 4)}{(t^2 + 4)^2}.$$

$$43. \frac{2x - 6}{x + 3} \cdot \frac{x^2 + 6x + 9}{x^2 - 9} = \frac{2(x - 3)}{x + 3} \cdot \frac{(x + 3)(x + 3)}{(x + 3)(x - 3)} = \frac{2(x + 3)}{x + 3} = 2.$$

$$44. \frac{3x}{x^2 + 2} + \frac{3x^2}{x^3 + 1} = \frac{3x(x^3 + 1) + 3x^2(x^2 + 2)}{(x^2 + 2)(x^3 + 1)} = \frac{3x^4 + 3x + 3x^4 + 6x^2}{(x^2 + 2)(x^3 + 1)} = \frac{6x^4 + 6x^2 + 3x}{(x^2 + 2)(x^3 + 1)} \\ = \frac{3x(2x^3 + 2x + 1)}{(x^2 + 2)(x^3 + 1)}.$$

$$45. \frac{1 + \frac{1}{x+2}}{x - \frac{9}{x}} = \frac{x+2+1}{x+2} \cdot \frac{x}{x^2-9} = \frac{x+3}{x+2} \cdot \frac{x}{(x+3)(x-3)} = \frac{x}{(x+2)(x-3)}.$$

$$46. \frac{x(3x^2 + 1)}{x - 1} \cdot \frac{x(3x^2 - 5x + 1)}{x(x - 1)(3x^2 + 1)^{1/2}} = \frac{x\sqrt{3x^2 + 1}(3x^2 - 5x + 1)}{(x - 1)^2}$$

$$47. 8x^2 + 2x - 3 = (4x + 3)(2x - 1) = 0, \text{ so the solutions are } x = -\frac{3}{4} \text{ and } x = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$48. -6x^2 - 10x + 4 = 0, 3x^2 + 5x - 2 = (3x - 1)(x + 2) = 0, \text{ and so } x = -2 \text{ or } \frac{1}{3}.$$

$$49. 2x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0. \text{ Using the quadratic formula with } a = 2, b = -3, \text{ and } c = -4, \text{ we have}$$

$$x = \frac{-(-3) \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(2)(-4)}}{2(2)} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 + 32}}{4} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{41}}{4}.$$

$$50. x^2 + 5x + 3 = 0. \text{ Using the quadratic formula with } a = 1, b = 5, \text{ and } c = 3, \text{ we have}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 - 4(1)(3)}}{2} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 12}}{2} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{13}}{2}.$$

$$51. 2y^2 - 3y + 1 = (2y - 1)(y - 1) = 0, \text{ and so } y = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } 1.$$

$$52. 0.3m^2 - 2.1m - 3.2 = 0. \text{ Using the quadratic formula with } a = 0.3, b = -2.1, \text{ and } c = -3.2, \text{ we have}$$

$$m = \frac{-(-2.1) \pm \sqrt{(-2.1)^2 - 4(0.3)(-3.2)}}{2(0.3)} = \frac{2.1 \pm \sqrt{4.41 + 3.84}}{0.6} = \frac{2.1 \pm \sqrt{8.25}}{0.6} \approx -1.2871 \text{ or } 8.2871.$$

$$53. -x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x = -x(x^2 + 2x - 3) = -x(x + 3)(x - 1) = 0, \text{ and so the roots of the equation are } x = 0, \\ x = -3, \text{ and } x = 1.$$

54.  $2x^4 + x^2 = 1$ . Let  $y = x^2$  and we can write the equation as  $2y^2 + y - 1 = (2y - 1)(y + 1) = 0$ , giving  $y = \frac{1}{2}$  or  $y = -1$ . We reject the second root because  $y = x^2$  must be nonnegative. Therefore,  $x^2 = \frac{1}{2}$  or  $x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ .

55.  $\frac{1}{4}x + 2 = \frac{3}{4}x - 5$ , so  $-\frac{1}{2}x = -7$  and  $x = 14$ .

56.  $\frac{3p+1}{2} - \frac{2p-1}{3} = \frac{5p}{12}$ , so  $6(3p+1) - 4(2p-1) = 5p$ ,  $18p+6-8p+4=5p$ ,  $5p+10=0$ ,  $5p=-10$ , and  $p=-2$ .

57.  $(x+2)^2 - 3x(1-x) = (x-2)^2$ . Thus,  $x^2 + 4x + 4 - 3x + 3x^2 = x^2 - 4x + 4$ ,  $3x^2 + 5x = 0$ , and  $x(3x+5) = 0$ , and so  $x = 0$  or  $x = -\frac{5}{3}$ .

58.  $\frac{3(2q+1)}{4q-3} = \frac{3q+1}{2q+1}$ , so  $3(2q+1)(2q+1) = (3q+1)(4q-3)$ ,  $3(4q^2+4q+1) = 12q^2-5q-3$ ,  $12q^2+12q+3 = 12q^2-5q-3$ ,  $17q = -6$ , and  $q = -\frac{6}{17}$ .

Check:  $\frac{3\left[2\left(-\frac{6}{17}\right)+1\right]}{4\left(-\frac{6}{17}\right)-3} = -\frac{1}{5}$  and  $\frac{3\left(-\frac{6}{17}\right)+1}{2\left(-\frac{6}{17}\right)+1} = -\frac{1}{5}$ , so  $q = -\frac{6}{17}$  is the solution.

59.  $\sqrt{k-1} = \sqrt{2k-3}$ , so  $k-1 = 2k-3$  and  $2 = k$ . Check:  $\sqrt{2-1} = 1$  and  $\sqrt{2(2)-3} = 1$ , so  $k = 2$  is the solution.

60.  $\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x-1} = \sqrt{4x-3}$ , so  $x - 2\sqrt{x}\sqrt{x-1} + x - 1 = 4x - 3$ ,  $-2\sqrt{x(x-1)} = 4x - 2x + 1 - 3 = 2x - 2 = 2(x-1)$ ,  $-\sqrt{x(x-1)} = x-1$ ,  $x^2 - x = x^2 - 2x + 1$ , and thus  $x = 1$ .

Check:  $\sqrt{4(1)-3} = \sqrt{1}$ , so  $x = 1$  is the solution.

61. Solve  $C = \frac{20x}{100-x}$ .  $C(100-x) = 20x$ ,  $100C - Cx = 20x$ ,  $-Cx - 20x = -100C$ ,  $x(20+C) = 100C$ , and so  $x = \frac{100C}{20+C}$ .

62.  $r = \frac{2mI}{B(n+1)}$ , so  $rB(n+1) = 2mI$  and  $\frac{rB(n+1)}{2m} = I$ .

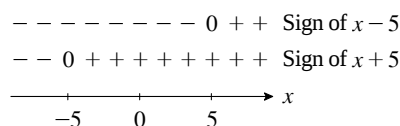
63.  $-x + 3 \leq 2x + 9$ . Adding  $x$  to both sides yields  $3 \leq 3x + 9$ , so  $3x \geq -6$  and thus  $x \geq -2$ . We conclude that the solution set is  $[-2, \infty)$ .

64.  $-2 \leq 3x + 1 \leq 7$  implies  $-3 \leq 3x \leq 6$ , or  $-1 \leq x \leq 2$ , and so the solution set is  $[-1, 2]$ .

65. The inequalities  $x - 3 > 2$  and  $x + 1 < -1$  imply  $x > 5$  or  $x < -4$ , so the solution set is  $(-\infty, -4) \cup (5, \infty)$ .

66.  $2x^2 > 50$  is equivalent to  $x^2 - 25 > 0$ , or  $(x+5)(x-5) > 0$ .

From the sign diagram, we see that the solution set is  $(-\infty, -5) \cup (5, \infty)$ .



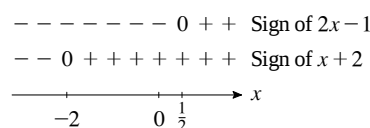
67.  $|-5+7| + |-2| = |2| + |-2| = 2+2=4$ .

68.  $\left| \frac{5-12}{-4-3} \right| = \frac{|5-12|}{|-7|} = \frac{|-7|}{7} = \frac{7}{7} = 1$ .

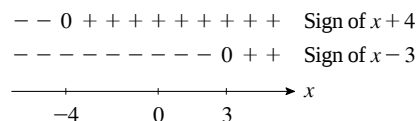
69.  $|2\pi - 6| - \pi = 2\pi - 6 - \pi = \pi - 6.$

70.  $|\sqrt{3} - 4| + |4 - 2\sqrt{3}| = (4 - \sqrt{3}) + (4 - 2\sqrt{3})$   
 $= 8 - 3\sqrt{3}.$

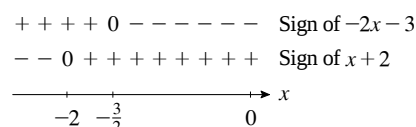
71. Factoring the left-hand side of  $2x^2 + 3x - 2 \leq 0$ , we have  
 $(2x - 1)(x + 2) \leq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we conclude that the  
 given inequality is satisfied when  $-2 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2}$ . The solution set is  
 $\left[-2, \frac{1}{2}\right].$



72. Factoring the left-hand side of  $x^2 + x - 12 \leq 0$ , we have  
 $(x + 4)(x - 3) \leq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we conclude that the given  
 inequality is satisfied when  $-4 \leq x \leq 3$ . The solution set is  $[-4, 3]$ .



73.  $\frac{1}{x+2} > 2$  gives  $\frac{1}{x+2} - 2 > 0$ ,  $\frac{1-2x-4}{x+2} > 0$ , and finally  
 $\frac{-2x-3}{x+2} > 0$ . From the sign diagram, we see that the given inequality  
 is satisfied when  $-2 < x < -\frac{3}{2}$ . The solution set is  $\left(-2, -\frac{3}{2}\right).$



74. The given inequality  $|2x - 3| < 5$  is equivalent to  $-5 < 2x - 3 < 5$ . Thus,  $-2 < 2x < 8$ , or  $-1 < x < 4$ . The  
 solution set is  $(-1, 4)$ .

75. The given inequality  $|3x - 4| \leq 2$  is equivalent to  $3x - 4 \leq 2$  or  $3x - 4 \geq -2$ . Solving the first inequality, we have  
 $3x \leq 6$ , so  $x \leq 2$ . Similarly, we solve the second inequality and obtain  $3x \geq 2$ , so  $x \geq \frac{2}{3}$ . We conclude that  
 $\frac{2}{3} \leq x \leq 2$ . The solution set is  $\left[\frac{2}{3}, 2\right].$

76. The given equation  $\left|\frac{x+1}{x-1}\right| = 5$  implies that either  $\frac{x+1}{x-1} = 5$  or  $\frac{x+1}{x-1} = -5$ . Solving the first equation, we  
 have  $x + 1 = 5(x - 1) = 5x - 5$ ,  $-4x = -6$ , and  $x = \frac{3}{2}$ . Similarly, we solve the second equation and obtain  
 $x + 1 = -5(x - 1) = -5x + 5$ ,  $6x = 4$ , and  $x = \frac{2}{3}$ . Thus, the two values of  $x$  that satisfy the equation are  $x = \frac{3}{2}$   
 and  $x = \frac{2}{3}$ .

77.  $\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{x-1} = \frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{x-1} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x}+1}{\sqrt{x}+1} = \frac{(\sqrt{x})^2-1}{(x-1)(\sqrt{x}+1)} = \frac{x-1}{(x-1)(\sqrt{x}+1)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}+1}.$

78.  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}{\sqrt[3]{yz^3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{x}}{\sqrt[3]{x}} = \frac{x}{\sqrt[3]{xyz^3}} = \frac{x}{z\sqrt[3]{xy}}.$

79.  $\frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{2\sqrt{x}} = \frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{2\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{x-\sqrt{x}}{2x}.$

80.  $\frac{3}{1+2\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{1-2\sqrt{x}}{1-2\sqrt{x}} = \frac{3(1-2\sqrt{x})}{1-4x}.$

81.  $x^2 - 2x - 5 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -2$ , and  $c = -5$ , we have  

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(1)(-5)}}{2(1)} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{24}}{2} = 1 \pm \sqrt{6}.$$

82.  $2x^2 + 8x + 7 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 8$ , and  $c = 7$ , we have

$$x = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 56}}{4} = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{8}}{4} = -2 \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}.$$

83.  $2(1.5C + 80) \leq 2(2.5C - 20)$ . Simplifying, we obtain  $1.5C + 80 \leq 2.5C - 20$ , so  $C \geq 100$  and the minimum cost is \$100.

84.  $12(2R - 320) \leq 4(3R + 240)$ . Dividing by 4 and simplifying, we obtain  $3(2R - 320) \leq 3R + 240$ ,  $6R - 960 \leq 3R + 240$ ,  $3R \leq 1200$ , and finally  $R \leq 400$ . We conclude that the maximum revenue is \$400.

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$$\begin{aligned} 1. \quad 2(3x - 2)^2 - 3x(x + 1) + 4 &= 2(9x^2 - 12x + 4) - 3x^2 - 3x + 4 = 18x^2 - 24x + 8 - 3x^2 - 3x + 4 \\ &= 15x^2 - 27x + 12 = 3(5x^2 - 9x + 4). \end{aligned}$$

$$2. \quad \mathbf{a.} \quad x^4 - x^3 - 6x^2 = x^2(x^2 - x - 6) = x^2(x - 3)(x + 2).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b.} \quad (a - b)^2 - (a^2 + b)^2 &= [(a - b) - (a^2 + b)][(a - b) + (a^2 + b)] = (a - b - a^2 - b)(a + a^2 - b + b) \\ &= (-a^2 - 2b + a)(a)(a + 1). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3. \quad \frac{2x}{3x^2 - 5x - 2} + \frac{x - 1}{x^2 - x - 2} &= \frac{2x}{(3x + 1)(x - 2)} + \frac{x - 1}{(x - 2)(x + 1)} = \frac{2x(x + 1) + (x - 1)(3x + 1)}{(3x + 1)(x - 2)(x + 1)} \\ &= \frac{2x^2 + 2x + 3x^2 - 2x - 1}{(3x + 1)(x - 2)(x + 1)} = \frac{5x^2 - 1}{(3x + 1)(x - 2)(x + 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

$$4. \quad \left(\frac{8x^2y^{-3}}{9x^{-3}y^2}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{2x^2}{2y^3}\right)^2 = \frac{8^{-1}x^{-2}y^3}{9^{-1}x^3y^{-2}} \cdot \frac{2^2x^4}{3^2y^6} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{xy} = \frac{1}{2xy}.$$

$$5. \quad 2s = \frac{r}{s + r}, \text{ so } 2s(s + r) = r, 2s^2 + 2sr = r, r(1 - 2s) = 2s^2, \text{ and } r = \frac{2s^2}{1 - 2s}.$$

$$6. \quad \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2 + \sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2 - \sqrt{3}} = \frac{4 - 4\sqrt{3} + 3}{2^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2} = \frac{7 - 4\sqrt{3}}{4 - 3} = 7 - 4\sqrt{3}.$$

$$7. \quad \mathbf{a.} \quad 2x^2 + 5x - 12 = 0, \text{ so } (2x - 3)(x + 4) = 0. \text{ Thus, } x = \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } x = -4.$$

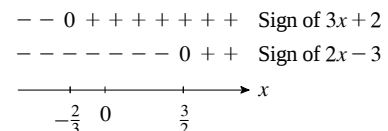
$\mathbf{b.} \quad m^2 - 3m - 2 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula with  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -3$ , and  $c = -2$ , we obtain

$$x = \frac{-(-3) \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(1)(-2)}}{2} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 + 8}}{2} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}.$$

$$8. \quad \sqrt{x + 4} - \sqrt{x - 5} - 1 = 0, \text{ so } \sqrt{x + 4} - \sqrt{x - 5} = 1, \sqrt{x + 4} = 1 + \sqrt{x - 5}, x + 4 = 1 + 2\sqrt{x - 5} + x - 5, 8 = 2\sqrt{x - 5}, 4 = \sqrt{x - 5}, x - 5 = 16, \text{ and } x = 21.$$

9. We want to find the values of  $x$  for which  $(3x + 2)(2x - 3) \leq 0$ . From the sign diagram, we conclude that the given inequality is satisfied

when  $-\frac{2}{3} \leq x \leq \frac{3}{2}$ . The solution set is  $\left[-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{2}\right]$ .



- 10.**  $|2x + 3| \leq 1$  is equivalent to  $-1 \leq 2x + 3 \leq 1$ . Thus,  $-1 - 3 \leq 2x \leq 1 - 3$ , or  $-4 \leq 2x \leq -2$ . We conclude that  $-2 \leq x \leq -1$ . The solution set is  $[-2, -1]$ .