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**INTERMEDIATE
ALGEBRA
SKILLS MANUAL**

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To my mother

Welcome to UW-Parkside's Intermediate Algebra Skills Review!

This manual is intended to provide you with meaningful practice materials pointedly focused upon Intermediate Algebra problem types and techniques essential for success in introductory college-credit-bearing mathematics courses. This foundational content has been divided into 35 distinct sections for which on-demand online video lectures have been recorded, and each of these 35 videos is subsequently tied to a corresponding pair of exercise sets in this manual labeled EXAMPLES and PRACTICE. While the videos represent your most supported exposure to the material since they are accompanied by verbal explanations and written procedures, each of the two corresponding exercise sets removes some of that initial support as follows:

EXAMPLES: Solutions to EXAMPLES exercises are fully written out, so although the verbal explanations from the corresponding video lectures are not present, a significant amount of support remains. As you attempt to solve problems from EXAMPLES sets on your own, therefore, you can refer to the written work provided to diagnose errors if you have difficulties.

PRACTICE: Only final answers to PRACTICE problems are provided, so the written component from the EXAMPLES sets is largely absent. You will therefore have to do the work independently to arrive at a final answer to a PRACTICE exercise, and when your final answer matches the one recorded on the PRACTICE key, you can be confident that you have completed that exercise correctly.

It is my hope that viewing the content videos and working through the associated EXAMPLES and PRACTICE sets presented in this manual will help you to refresh the mathematics you already know, formulate questions in the areas you wish to review more deeply, and build your confidence as you engage the material in your introductory college-credit-bearing mathematics course. Thank you for your engagement with these Intermediate Algebra Skills Review resources, and I am confident that the work you do with them will leave you well positioned to excel in your first college-level mathematics course.

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CHAPTER I

LINEAR EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

EXAMPLES 1 - Simplifying Algebraic Expressions - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

1. $\frac{3}{4}x^2 + 2x - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6}x^2 + \frac{5}{2}x + 1$

$$= \boxed{\frac{7}{12}x^2 + \frac{9}{2}x + 3}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 \\ \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{3 \cdot 3}{4 \cdot 3} - \frac{1^2}{6 \cdot 2} \\ \frac{9}{12} - \frac{2}{12} \\ \frac{7}{12} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ 2 + \frac{5}{2} \\ \frac{2 \cdot 2}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{5}{2} \\ \frac{4}{2} + \frac{5}{2} \\ \frac{9}{2} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Constant} \\ 2 + 1 \\ 3 \end{array}$$

2. $-1.5(3x - 8y - 5)$

$$= \boxed{-4.5x + 12y + 7.5}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1.5 \\ \times 3 \\ \hline 4.5 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1.5 \\ \times 8 \\ \hline 12.0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1.5 \\ \times 5 \\ \hline 7.5 \end{array}$$

3. $2(7x^2 - 9x + 1) - 5(3x^2 + 4x - 6)$

$$= 14x^2 - 18x + 2 - 15x^2 - 20x + 30$$

$$= \boxed{-x^2 - 38x + 32}$$

$$4. 0.35(6x^2 - 7xy) + 0.4(2x^2 + 5xy - 9y^2)$$

$$= 2.1x^2 - 2.45xy + 0.8x^2 + 2xy - 3.6y^2$$

$$= \boxed{2.9x^2 - 0.45xy - 2.8y^2}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ .35 \\ \times 6 \\ \hline 210 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ .35 \\ \times 7 \\ \hline 245 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 \\ 2.1 + 0.8 \\ \hline 2.9 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} xy \\ -2.45 + 2 \\ \hline -0.45 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} y^2 \\ 0.8 - 3.6 \\ \hline -2.8 \end{array}$$

$$5. 3(8x^2 + 2x - 5) + 7(4x - 1) - 10(9x^2 + x - 7)$$

$$= 24x^2 + 6x - 15 + 28x - 7 - 90x^2 - 10x + 70$$

$$= \boxed{-66x^2 + 24x + 48}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot 10^5 = 5 \quad \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 = \frac{3}{2} \quad \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 = 1 \quad 4 \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{3} \quad \frac{2}{8} \cdot 18^3 = 6 \quad \frac{2}{8} \cdot 20^4 = 8 \quad \frac{2}{5} \cdot 3 = \frac{6}{5}$$

$$6. \frac{1}{2}(10x^2 - 3xy + 2y^2) - 4(2x^2 + \frac{2}{3}xy - 5y^2) + \frac{2}{5}(15x^2 - 20xy - 3y^2)$$

$$= 5x^2 - \frac{3}{2}xy + y^2 - 8x^2 - \frac{8}{3}xy + 20y^2 + 6x^2 - 8xy - \frac{6}{5}y^2$$

$$= \boxed{3x^2 - \frac{73}{6}xy + \frac{99}{5}y^2}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 \\ 5 - 8 + 6 \\ \hline 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} xy \\ -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{8}{3} - 8 \\ \hline -\frac{3}{2} \cdot 3 - \frac{8}{3} \cdot 2 - \frac{8 \cdot 6}{1 \cdot 6} \\ -\frac{9}{6} - \frac{16}{6} - \frac{48}{6} \\ \hline -\frac{73}{6} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} y^2 \\ 1 + 20 - \frac{6}{5} \\ \hline \frac{21 \cdot 5}{1 \cdot 5} - \frac{6}{5} \\ \frac{105}{5} - \frac{6}{5} = \frac{99}{5} \end{array}$$

PRACTICE 1 - Simplifying Algebraic Expressions - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

1. $\frac{5}{6}x^2 - 4x + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{2}{9}x^2 + \frac{7}{3}x - 1$

$$\frac{11}{18}x^2 - \frac{5}{3}x + \frac{1}{2}$$

2. $-2.4(9x - 5y + 7)$

$$-21.6x + 12y - 16.8$$

3. $3(7x^2 - 8x + 4) - 8(3x^2 + 5x - 6)$

$$-3x^2 - 64x + 60$$

$$4. 0.65(8x^2 - 3xy) + 0.2(5x^2 - 9xy + 11y^2)$$

$$6.2x^2 - 3.75xy + 2.2y^2$$

$$5. 7(6x^2 - 3x + 4) + 2(5x - 8) - 5(8x^2 + x - 3)$$

$$2x^2 - 16x + 27$$

$$6. \frac{1}{4}(20x^2 - 2xy + 5y^2) - 3\left(15x^2 + \frac{2}{9}xy - y^2\right) + \frac{5}{8}(16x^2 - 40xy - 2y^2)$$

$$-30x^2 - \frac{157}{6}xy + 3y^2$$

EXAMPLES 2 - Solving Base Model Linear Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve.

$$1. \begin{array}{r} 2x - 7 = -10x - 37 \\ +10x + 7 \quad +10x + 7 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{12x}{12} = \frac{-30}{12}$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$2. \overset{100}{\left(0.16x - 0.05\right)} = \overset{100}{\left(0.01 - 0.08x\right)}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 16x - 5 = 1 - 8x \\ +8x + 5 \quad +8x + 5 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{24x}{24} = \frac{6}{24}$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$3. \overset{6}{\left(\frac{2}{3}x + 4\right)} = \overset{6}{\left(\frac{7}{6}x + 7\right)}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x + 24 = 7x + 42 \\ -4x - 42 \quad -4x - 42 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{-18}{3} = \frac{3x}{3}$$

$$\boxed{-6 = x}$$

$$4. \begin{array}{r} 12x + 5 = 16x - 7 \\ -12x + 7 \quad -12x + 7 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{12}{4} = \frac{4x}{4}$$

$$\boxed{3 = x}$$

$$5. \overset{10}{(0.7x + 3)} = \overset{10}{(1.3 - x)}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 7x + 30 = 13 - 10x \\ +10x - 30 \quad -30 + 10x \end{array}$$

$$\frac{17x}{17} = \frac{-17}{17}$$

$$\boxed{\lambda = -1}$$

$$6. \overset{30}{\left(\frac{3}{2}x - 1\right)} = \overset{30}{\left(\frac{7}{10}x - \frac{7}{15}\right)}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 45x - 30 = 21x - 14 \\ -21x + 30 \quad -21x + 30 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{24x}{24} = \frac{16}{24}$$

$$\boxed{\lambda = \frac{2}{3}}$$

PRACTICE 2 - Solving Base Model Linear Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve.

1. $3x - 8 = -12x - 43$

$$x = -\frac{7}{5}$$

2. $0.27x - 0.04 = 0.01 - 0.18x$

$$x = \frac{1}{9}$$

3. $\frac{5}{4}x + 2 = \frac{3}{8}x - 5$

$$x = -8$$

$$4. 17x - 20 = 11x + 10$$

$$x = 5$$

$$5. 0.4x + 9 = 4.8 - x$$

$$x = -3$$

$$6. \frac{2}{3}x + 6 = \frac{7}{5}x + \frac{27}{10}$$

$$x = \frac{9}{2}$$

EXAMPLES 3 - Solving General Linear Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve.

1. $3(2x - 5) - (4x + 3) = 5(1 - x) + 26$

$$6x - 15 - 4x - 3 = 5 - 5x + 26$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x - 18 \\ +5x + 18 \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} -5x + 31 \\ +5x + 18 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{7x}{7} = \frac{49}{7}$$

$$\boxed{x = 7}$$

2. $\left(\frac{5-2x}{8} - \frac{x+12}{14}\right) = \left(\frac{5x-1}{7} - \frac{3x+5}{56}\right)$

$$7(5-2x) - 4(x+12) = 8(5x-1) - 1(3x+5)$$

$$35 - 14x - 4x - 48 = 40x - 8 - 3x - 5$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -18x - 13 \\ -37x + 13 \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} 37x - 13 \\ -37x + 13 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -35x = 0 \\ -55 \quad -55 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x = 0}$$

3. $\left(0.2(3-7x) + 0.9(4x-3)\right) = \left(0.5(2x-5) + 0.4(3x+1)\right)$

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

$$6 - 14x + 36x - 27 = 10x - 25 + 12x + 4$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 22x - 21 \\ -22x + 21 \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} 22x - 21 \\ -22x + 21 \end{array}$$

$$0 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\boxed{\text{All real numbers}}$$

$$4. 8(5x + 2) - 3(7 - 10x) = 5(15x - 4) + 6(5x + 6)$$

$$40x + 16 - 21 + 30x = 75x - 20 + 30x + 36$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 70x - 5 = 105x + 16 \\ -105x + 5 \quad -105x + 5 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -35x = 21 \\ -35 \quad -35 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{3}{5}}$$

$$5. \left(\frac{5}{12}(7x + 2) + \frac{1}{2}(4 - x) \right) = \left(\frac{1}{4}(9x + 2) - \frac{2}{3}(4x + 5) \right)$$

$$5(7x + 2) + 6(4 - x) = 3(9x + 2) - 8(4x + 5)$$

$$35x + 10 + 24 - 6x = 27x + 6 - 32x - 40$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 29x + 34 = -5x - 34 \\ +5x \quad -34 \quad +5x \quad -34 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{34x}{34} = \frac{-68}{34}$$

$$\boxed{x = -2}$$

$$6. \left(\frac{2}{5}(5x - 1) - \frac{4}{3}(5 - 3x) \right) = \left(\frac{1}{9}(18x + 5) + \frac{4}{15}(15x - 2) \right)$$

$$18(5x - 1) - 60(5 - 3x) = 5(18x + 5) + 12(15x - 2)$$

$$90x - 18 - 300 + 180x = 90x + 25 + 180x - 24$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 270x - 318 = 270x + 1 \\ -270x \quad -270x \end{array}$$

$$-318 = 1 \quad \times$$

$\boxed{\text{No solution}}$

PRACTICE 3 - Solving General Linear Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve.

1. $8(3x - 4) - (9x + 5) = 5(1 - 2x) + 58$

$x = 4$

2. $\frac{7x + 1}{9} - \frac{4 - 5x}{27} = \frac{x - 2}{3} - \frac{14x - 51}{81}$

$x = 0$

3. $0.6(2 - 9x) + 1.1(5x - 2) = 0.5(3x - 8) + 0.2(15 - 7x)$

All real numbers

$$4. 4(25x + 3) - 5(10x - 1) = 7(1 - 15x) + 13(5x - 2)$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{5}$$

$$5. \frac{1}{6}(5x - 1) - x = \frac{3}{4}(7x + 3) + \frac{4}{3}(2 - x) - 1$$

$$x = -1$$

$$6. \frac{2}{45}(45x + 4) - \frac{1}{9}(7 - 9x) = \frac{1}{3}(1 - 3x) + \frac{4}{5}(5x + 2)$$

No solution

EXAMPLES 4 - Solving Single Linear Inequalities - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve. Write each solution set in inequality and graphical notations.

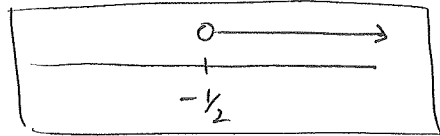
1. $6(2x - 1) + 42x > 5(8x - 3) + 2(4x + 3)$

$$12x - 6 + 42x > 40x - 15 + 8x + 6$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 54x - 6 > 48x - 9 \\ -48x + 6 & -48x + 6 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{6x}{6} > \frac{-3}{6}$$

$$x > -\frac{1}{2}$$



2. $\frac{5x+1}{8} - \frac{11x-9}{24} \geq \frac{3x-1}{4} - \frac{15-x}{12}$

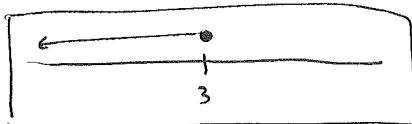
$$3(5x+1) - 1(11x-9) \geq 6(3x-1) - 2(15-x)$$

$$15x + 3 - 11x + 9 \geq 18x - 6 - 30 + 2x$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x + 12 \geq 20x - 36 \\ -20x - 12 & -20x - 12 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -16x \leq -48 \\ -16 & -16 \end{array}$$

$$x \leq 3$$



3. $0.09 - 0.1(15x - 4) \leq 0.03(7 - 5x) - x$

$$9 - 10(15x - 4) \leq 3(7 - 5x) - 100x$$

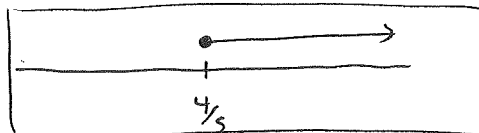
$$9 - 150x + 40 \leq 21 - 15x - 100x$$

$$-150x + 49 \leq -115x + 21$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +115x - 49 & +115x - 49 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -35x \leq -28 \\ -35 & -35 \end{array}$$

$$x \geq \frac{4}{5}$$



$$4. 6(3x - 2) - 5(2x + 7) < 4(9 - 4x) - 3(1 - 8x)$$

$$18x - 12 - 10x - 35 < 36 - 16x - 3 + 24x$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8x - 47 < 8x + 33 \\ -8x \quad -8x \end{array}$$

$$-47 < 33 \quad \checkmark$$

All real numbers

$$5. \left(\frac{3}{10}(3x + 10) - 3 \right) > \left(\frac{3}{20}(x - 10) + \frac{1}{8}(5x + 2) \right)$$

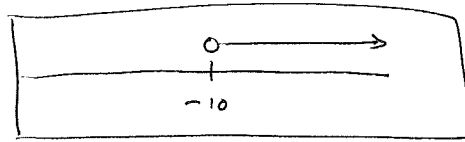
$$12(3x + 10) - 120 > 6(x - 10) + 5(5x + 2)$$

$$36x + 120 - 120 > 6x - 60 + 25x + 10$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 36x > 31x - 50 \\ -31x \quad -31x \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5x > -50 \\ \frac{5x}{5} > \frac{-50}{5} \end{array}$$

$x > -10$



$$6. \left(\frac{4}{15}(30x + 11) + 3x \right) \leq \left(6x - \frac{5}{6}(1 - 6x) \right)$$

$$8(30x + 11) + 90x \leq 180x - 25(1 - 6x)$$

$$240x + 88 + 90x \leq 180x - 25 + 150x$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 330x + 88 \leq 330x - 25 \\ -330x \quad -330x \end{array}$$

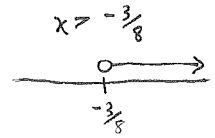
$$88 \leq -25 \quad \times$$

No solution

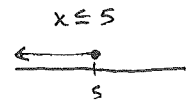
PRACTICE 4 - Solving Single Linear Inequalities - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve. Write each solution set in inequality and graphical notations.

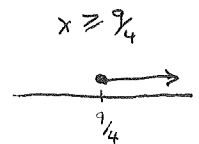
1. $9(8x + 3) + 48x > 5(16x + 3) - 2(4x + 3)$



2. $\frac{8x + 5}{45} - \frac{19x - 5}{90} \geq \frac{7x - 17}{18} - \frac{35 - x}{30}$



3. $0.1(12x - 5) + 0.23 \leq x - 0.09(7 - 4x)$

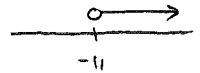


$$4. 8(13 - 2x) - 5(8 - 5x) < 7(3x + 8) - 6(2x + 3)$$

No solution

$$5. \frac{1}{36}(5x + 19) + \frac{3}{8}(x - 5) > \frac{5}{12}(x - 1) - 2$$

$$x > -11$$



$$6. \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{11}{12}(3 - 2x) \leq \frac{1}{4}(8x - 1) + \frac{1}{3}x$$

All real numbers

EXAMPLES 5 - Solving Literal Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve for the indicated variable.

1. $s = vt - 16t^2$ for v
 $+16t^2$ $+16t^2$

$$\frac{s+16t^2}{t} = \frac{vt}{t}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{s+16t^2}{t} = v}$$

2. $\left(\frac{2m+3n}{4}\right) = \left(\frac{6m-5n}{20}\right)$ for m

$$5(2m+3n) = 1(6m-5n)$$

$$10m + 15n = 6m - 5n$$

$$-6m - 15n \quad -6m - 15n$$

$$\frac{4m}{4} = \frac{-20n}{4}$$

$$\boxed{m = -5n}$$

3. $2A = 2\left(B + \frac{1}{2}Ps\right)$ for s

$$2A = 2B + Ps$$

$$-2B \quad -2B$$

$$\frac{2A-2B}{P} = \frac{Ps}{P}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{2A-2B}{P} = s}$$

$$4. \textcircled{3} x = \left(\frac{4}{3}y - 1\right) \text{ for } y$$

$$3x = 4y - 3$$

+3 +3

$$\frac{3x+3}{4} = \frac{4y}{4}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{3x+3}{4} = y}$$

$$5. 4(3x^2 - 5y^2) - 7(6x^2 + y) = 2(9y - 10y^2) - 5(7x^2 - y) \text{ for } y$$

$$12x^2 - 20y^2 - 42x^2 - 7y = 18y - 20y^2 - 35x^2 + 5y$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -30x^2 - 20y^2 - 7y \\ +35x^2 + 20y^2 + 7y \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} -3x^2 - 20y^2 + 23y \\ +35x^2 + 20y^2 + 7y \end{array}$$

$$\frac{5x^2}{30} = \frac{30y}{30}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{6}x^2 = y}$$

$$6. \textcircled{5} m = \left(\frac{3x+8y}{5}\right) \text{ for } x$$

$$5m = 3x + 8y$$

$$5m = 3x + 8y$$

-8y -8y

$$\frac{5m-8y}{3} = \frac{3x}{3}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{5m-8y}{3} = x}$$

PRACTICE 5 - Solving Literal Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve for the indicated variable.

1. $c = ax + bx^2$ for b

$$b = \frac{c - ax}{x^2}$$

2. $\frac{3m + 2n}{7} = \frac{5m - 2n}{49}$ for m

$$m = -n$$

3. $S = A^2 - \frac{4}{3}PB$ for P

$$P = \frac{3S - 3A^2}{-4B}$$

4. $x = \frac{2}{5}y - 3$ for y

$$y = \frac{5x+15}{2}$$

5. $9(u^2 - 2v^2) - 4(8u^2 + 5v) = 6(5v - 3v^2) - 15(2u^2 + v)$ for v

$$v = \frac{1}{5}u^2$$

6. $m = \frac{8x + 9y}{10}$ for x

$$x = \frac{10m - 9y}{8}$$

CHAPTER II

**LINES AND
LINEAR SYSTEMS**

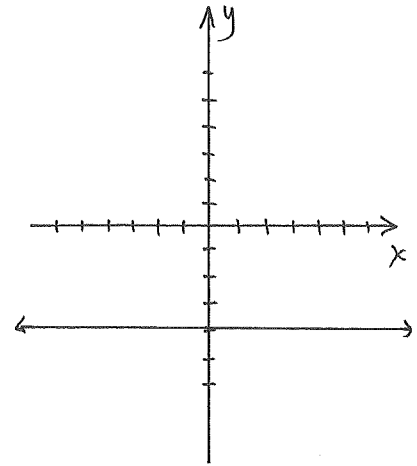
EXAMPLES 6 - Graphing Lines with Intercepts - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Graph.

1. $5 - 7y = 33$

$$\frac{-7y}{-7} = \frac{28}{-7}$$

$$y = -4$$



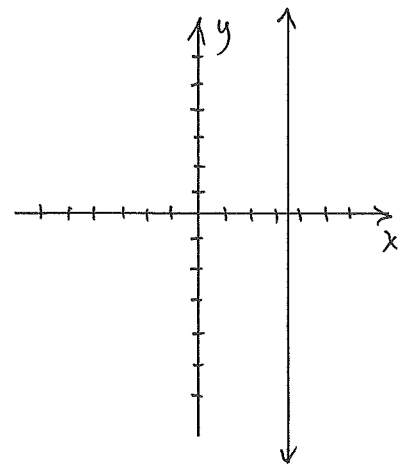
2. $7\left(\frac{2}{7}x + 8\right) = 63$

$$2x + 56 = 63$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{7}{2}$$

$3\frac{1}{2}$



Find intercepts and graph.

3. $-20x + 8y = -40$

x-int: $-20x + 8(0) = -40$

$$\frac{-20x}{-20} = \frac{-40}{-20}$$

$$x = 2$$

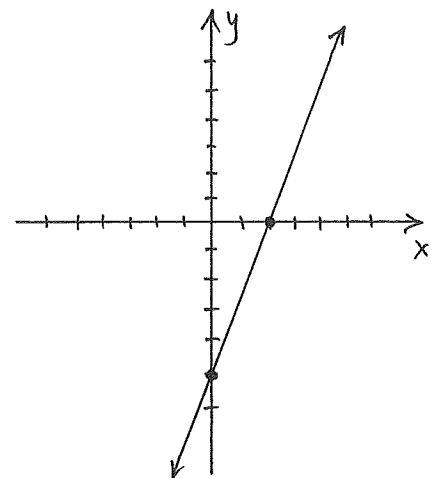
$(2, 0)$

y-int: $-20(0) + 8y = -40$

$$\frac{8y}{8} = \frac{-40}{8}$$

$$y = -5$$

$(0, -5)$



$$4. \left(\overset{27}{-\frac{1}{9}x} - \overset{27}{\frac{4}{27}y} \right) = \left(-\frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$-3x - 4y = -9$$

$$\text{x-int: } -3x - 4(0) = -9$$

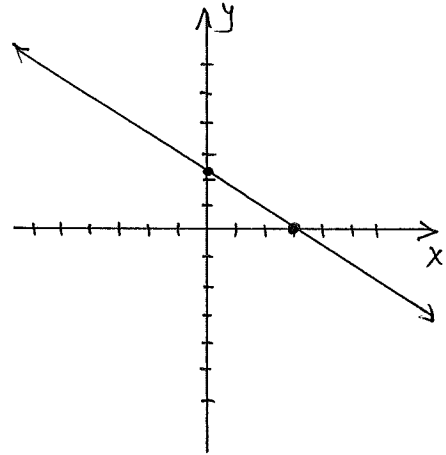
$$\boxed{(3, 0)} \quad \frac{-3x = -9}{-3 \quad -3}$$

$$x = 3$$

$$\text{y-int: } -3(0) - 4y = -9$$

$$\boxed{(0, \frac{9}{4})} \quad \frac{-4y = -9}{-4 \quad -4}$$

$$y = \frac{9}{4}$$



$$5. 4x - 5y = -10$$

$$\text{x-int: } 4x - 5(0) = -10$$

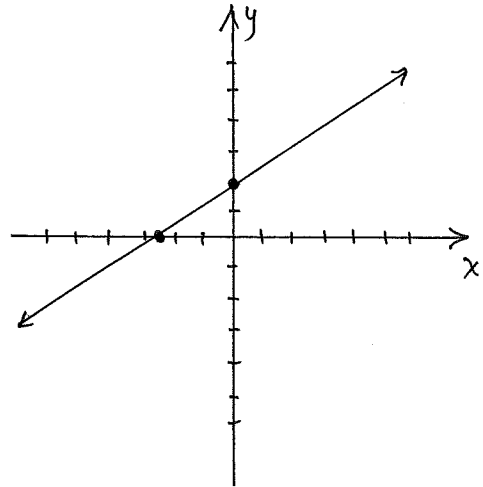
$$\boxed{(-\frac{5}{4}, 0)} \quad \frac{4x = -10}{4 \quad 4}$$

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

$$\text{y-int: } 4(0) - 5y = -10$$

$$\boxed{(0, 2)} \quad \frac{-5y = -10}{-5 \quad -5}$$

$$y = 2$$



$$6. \left(\overset{6}{\frac{10}{3}x} + \overset{6}{\frac{5}{6}y} \right) = \left(-\frac{5}{2} \right)$$

$$20x + 5y = -15$$

$$\text{x-int: } 20x + 5(0) = -15$$

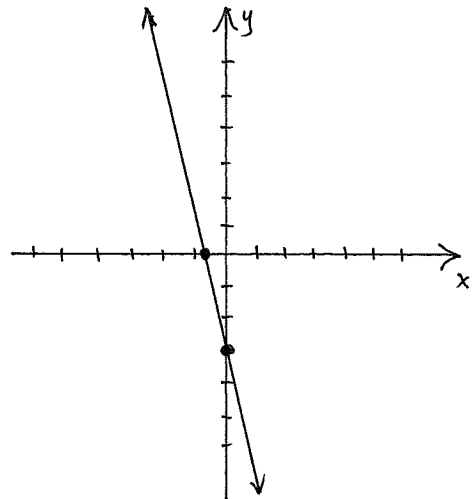
$$\boxed{(-\frac{3}{4}, 0)} \quad \frac{20x = -15}{20 \quad 20}$$

$$x = -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\text{y-int: } 20(0) + 5y = -15$$

$$\boxed{(0, -3)} \quad \frac{5y = -15}{5 \quad 5}$$

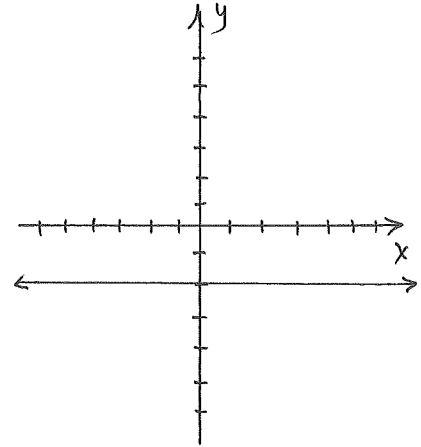
$$y = -3$$



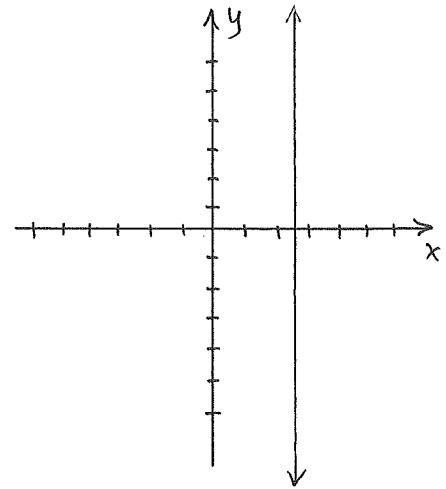
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Graph.

1. $3 - 8y = 19$

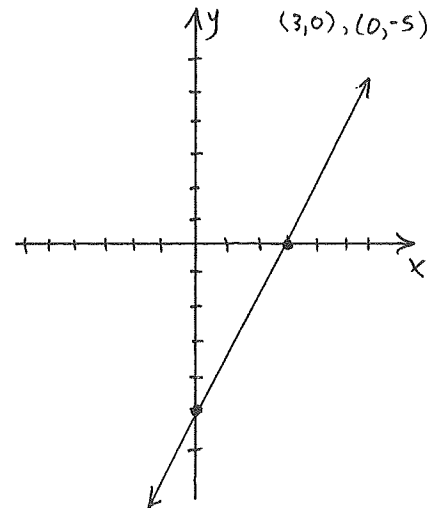


2. $\frac{2}{5}x + 10 = 11$

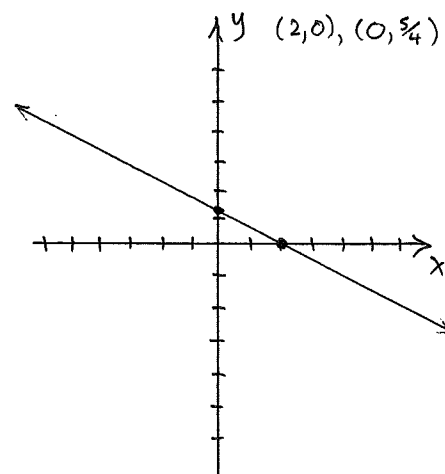


Find intercepts and graph.

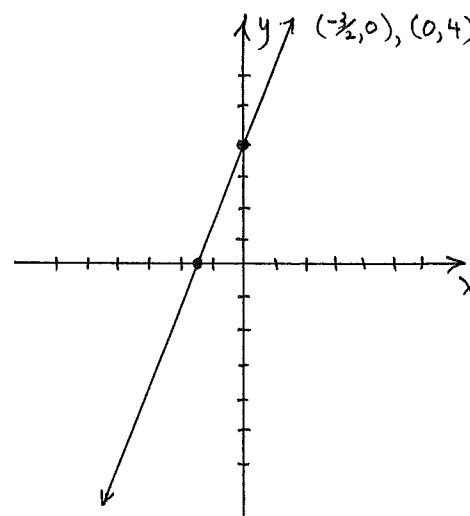
3. $-10x + 6y = -30$



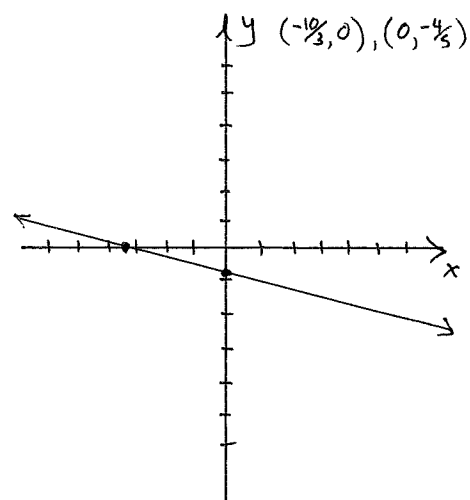
$$4. -\frac{5}{32}x - \frac{1}{4}y = -\frac{5}{16}$$



$$5. 8x - 3y = -12$$



$$6. \frac{9}{25}x + \frac{3}{2}y = -\frac{6}{5}$$



EXAMPLES 7 - Calculating Slope of a Line - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Find the slope of the line passing through the given points. Note whether it rises, falls, is horizontal, or is vertical.

1. $(-27, -28), (-19, 12)$

$$m = \frac{12 - (-28)}{-19 - (-27)} = \frac{12 + 28}{-19 + 27} = \frac{40}{8} = \boxed{5} \quad \boxed{\text{Rises}}$$

2. $(-\frac{9}{2}, 15), (-\frac{9}{2}, 20)$

$$m = \frac{20 - 15}{-\frac{9}{2} - (-\frac{9}{2})} = \frac{20 - 15}{-\frac{9}{2} + \frac{9}{2}} = \frac{5}{0} : \quad \boxed{\text{Undefined}} \quad \boxed{\text{Vertical}}$$

3. $(7, -4), (\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{3}{2})$

$$m = \frac{-\frac{3}{2} - (-4)}{\frac{1}{3} - 7} = \frac{(-\frac{3}{2} + 4)}{(\frac{1}{3} - 7)} \cdot \frac{6}{6} = \frac{-9 + 24}{2 - 42} = \frac{15}{-40} = \boxed{-\frac{3}{8}}$$

Determine whether the given lines L_1 and L_2 are parallel, perpendicular, or neither.

4. L_1 passes through (3, 26) and (13, -14).

L_2 passes through (51, 42) and (-49, 17).

$$m_1 = \frac{-14 - 26}{13 - 3} = \frac{-40}{10} = \boxed{-4}$$

$$m_2 = \frac{17 - 42}{-49 - 51} = \frac{-25}{-100} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

Perpendicular

5. L_1 passes through (8, 15) and (-4, 111).

L_2 has slope $\boxed{-8}$.

$$m_1 = \frac{111 - 15}{-4 - 8} = \frac{96}{-12} = \boxed{-8}$$

Parallel

6. L_1 passes through (-52, -38) and (-22, -13).

L_2 passes through (54, 33) and (74, 57).

$$m_1 = \frac{-13 - (-38)}{-22 - (-52)} = \frac{-13 + 38}{-22 + 52} = \frac{25}{30} = \boxed{\frac{5}{6}}$$

$$m_2 = \frac{57 - 33}{74 - 54} = \frac{24}{20} = \boxed{\frac{6}{5}}$$

Neither

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Find the slope of the line passing through the given points. Note whether it rises, falls, is horizontal, or is vertical.

1. $(-26, -45), (-14, 15)$

5, rises

2. $(-\frac{7}{4}, 18), (-\frac{7}{4}, 39)$

Undefined, vertical

3. $(4, -5), (\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3})$

$-\frac{4}{3}$, falls

Determine whether the given lines L_1 and L_2 are parallel, perpendicular, or neither.

4. L_1 passes through $(12, 21)$ and $(37, -29)$.

L_2 passes through $(46, 59)$ and $(-16, 28)$.

Perpendicular

5. L_1 passes through $(79, 24)$ and $(68, 101)$.

L_2 has slope -7 .

Parallel

6. L_1 passes through $(-112, -87)$ and $(-92, -52)$.

L_2 passes through $(-18, 43)$ and $(-74, 11)$.

Neither

EXAMPLES 8 - Developing Lines Through Two Points - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

1. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-52, -13)$ and $(-12, -3)$.

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - (-3) = \frac{1}{4}(x - (-12))$$

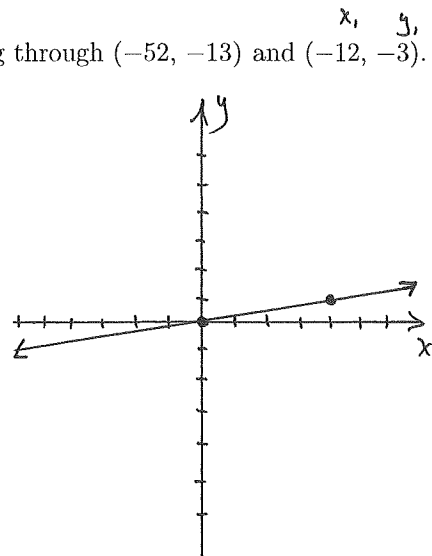
$$y + 3 = \frac{1}{4}(x + 12)$$

$$y + 3 = \frac{1}{4}x + 3$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{1}{4}x}$$

$$m = \frac{-3 - (-13)}{-12 - (-52)} = \frac{-3 + 13}{-12 + 52}$$

$$= \frac{10}{40} = \frac{1}{4}$$



2. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(\frac{11}{9}, -5)$ and $(-6, \frac{50}{3})$.

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - \frac{50}{3} = -3(x - (-6))$$

$$y - \frac{50}{3} = -3(x + 6)$$

$$y - \frac{50}{3} = -3x - 18$$

$$y = -3x - 18 + \frac{50}{3}$$

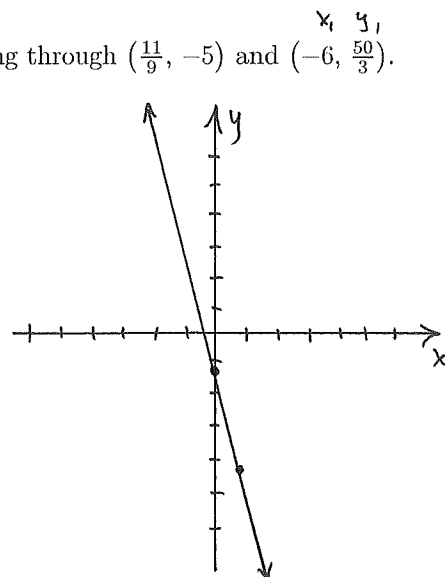
$$y = -3x - \frac{54}{3} + \frac{50}{3}$$

$$\boxed{y = -3x - \frac{4}{3}}$$

$$-1\frac{1}{3}$$

$$m = \frac{\frac{50}{3} - (-5)}{-6 - \frac{11}{9}} = \frac{(\frac{50}{3} + 5) \cdot 9}{(-6 - \frac{11}{9}) \cdot 9}$$

$$= \frac{150 + 45}{-54 - 11} = \frac{195}{-65} = -3$$



3. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(24, 33)$ and $(-15, -19)$.

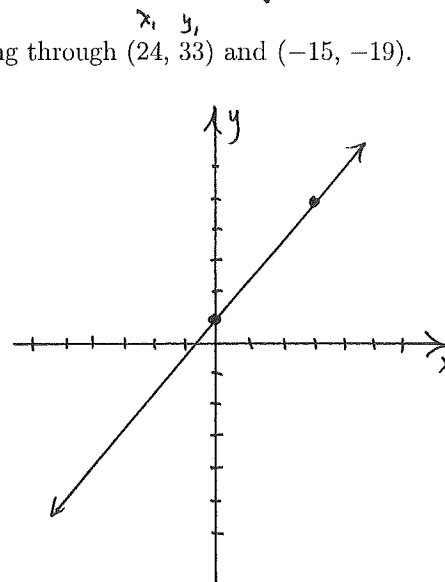
$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 33 = \frac{4}{3}(x - 24)$$

$$y - 33 = \frac{4}{3}x - 32$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{4}{3}x + 1}$$

$$m = \frac{-19 - 33}{-15 - 24} = \frac{-52}{-39} = \frac{4}{3}$$



4. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-\frac{3}{5}, 3)$ and $(-\frac{1}{10}, \frac{1}{2})$.

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 3 = -5(x - (-\frac{3}{5}))$$

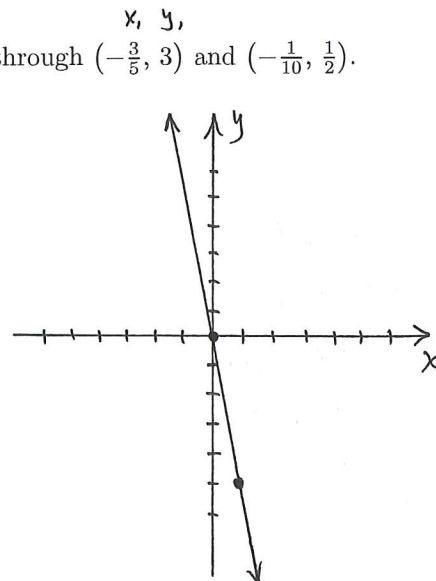
$$y - 3 = -5(x + \frac{3}{5})$$

$$y - 3 = -5x - 3$$

$$\boxed{y = -5x}$$

$$m = \frac{\frac{1}{2} - 3}{-\frac{1}{10} - (-\frac{3}{5})} = \frac{(\frac{1}{2} - 3) \cdot 10}{(-\frac{1}{10} + \frac{3}{5}) \cdot 10}$$

$$= \frac{5 - 30}{-1 + 6} = \frac{-25}{5} = -5$$



5. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-\frac{7}{4}, -6)$ and $(\frac{3}{4}, -1)$.

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - (-1) = 2(x - \frac{3}{4})$$

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

$$y + 1 = 2x - \frac{3}{2}$$

$$y = 2x - \frac{3}{2} - 1$$

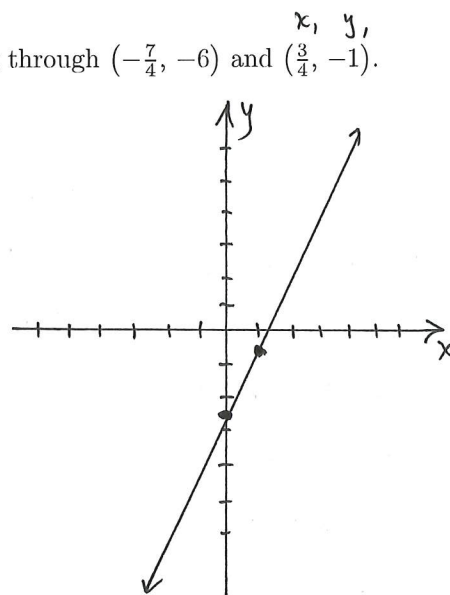
$$y = 2x - \frac{3}{2} - \frac{2}{2}$$

$$\boxed{y = 2x - \frac{5}{2}}$$

$$-2\frac{1}{2}$$

$$m = \frac{-1 - (-6)}{\frac{3}{4} - (-\frac{7}{4})} = \frac{(-1 + 6) \cdot 4}{(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{7}{4}) \cdot 4}$$

$$= \frac{-4 + 24}{3 + 7} = \frac{20}{10} = 2$$



6. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(10, 0)$ and $(-35, 18)$.

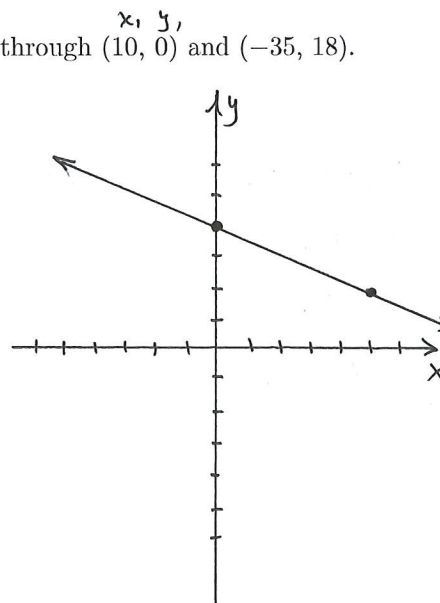
$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 0 = -\frac{2}{5}(x - 10)$$

$$y - 0 = -\frac{2}{5}x + 4$$

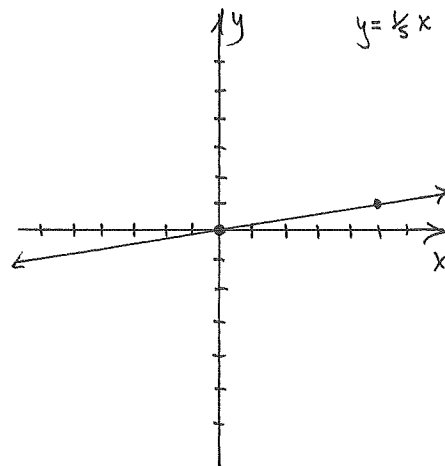
$$\boxed{y = -\frac{2}{5}x + 4}$$

$$m = \frac{18 - 0}{-35 - 10} = \frac{18}{-45} = -\frac{2}{5}$$

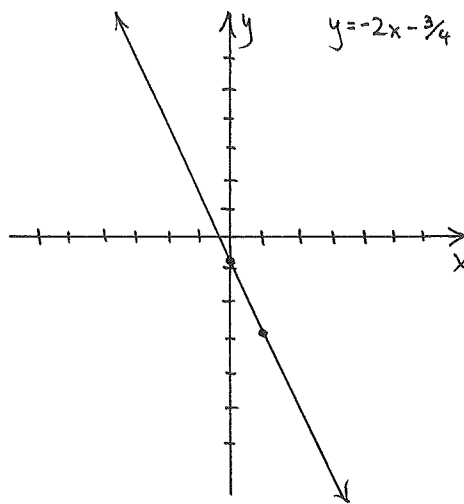


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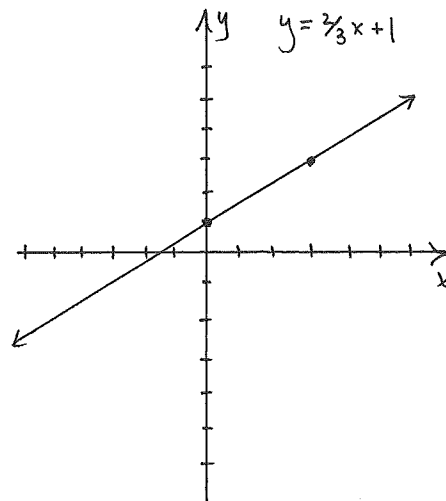
1. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-65, -13)$ and $(-100, -20)$.



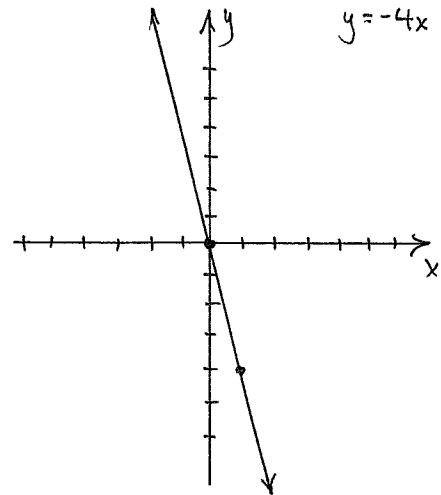
2. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(\frac{5}{8}, -2)$ and $(-10, \frac{77}{4})$.



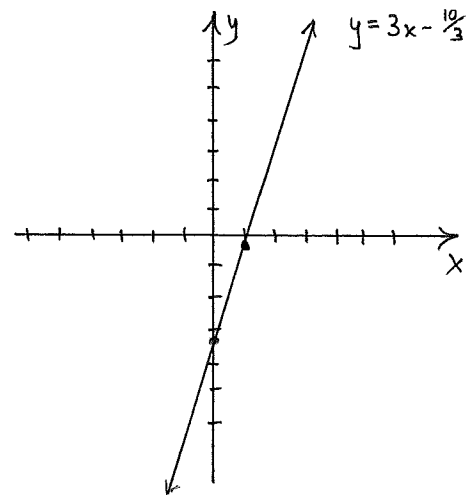
3. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(39, 27)$ and $(-21, -13)$.



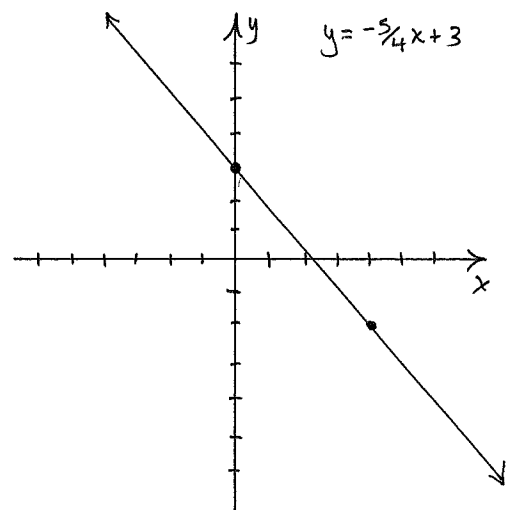
4. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-\frac{7}{4}, 7)$ and $(-\frac{9}{8}, \frac{9}{2})$.



5. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-\frac{5}{6}, -7)$ and $(\frac{7}{6}, -1)$.



6. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(40, -47)$ and $(-56, 73)$.



EXAMPLES 9 - Lines with Parallel or Perpendicular - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

1. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-24, 41)$ and parallel a line with slope $-\frac{3}{2}$. Parallel $m = -\frac{3}{2}$

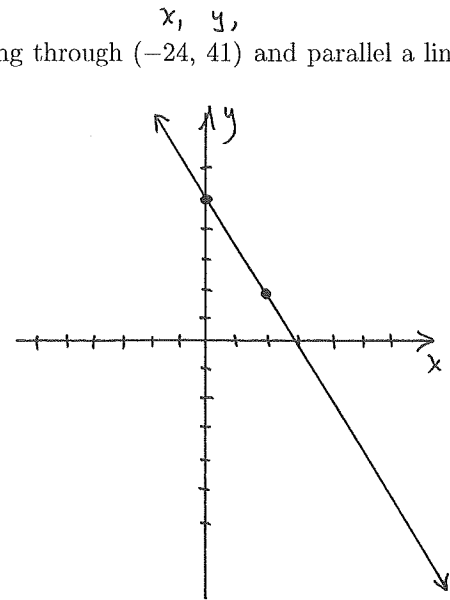
$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 41 = -\frac{3}{2}(x - (-24))$$

$$y - 41 = -\frac{3}{2}(x + 24)$$

$$y - 41 = -\frac{3}{2}x - 36$$

$$\boxed{y = -\frac{3}{2}x + 5}$$



2. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(19, 73)$ and perpendicular to $x + 4y = 20$.

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 73 = 4(x - 19)$$

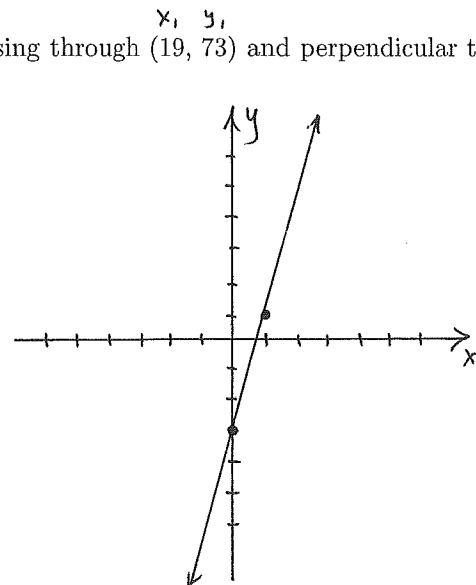
$$y - 73 = 4x - 76$$

$$\boxed{y = 4x - 3}$$

$$\frac{4y}{4} = \frac{-x + 20}{4}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{4}x + 5$$

Perpendicular $m = 4$



3. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(\frac{3}{4}, -\frac{5}{2})$ and parallel to $y = -1$.

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

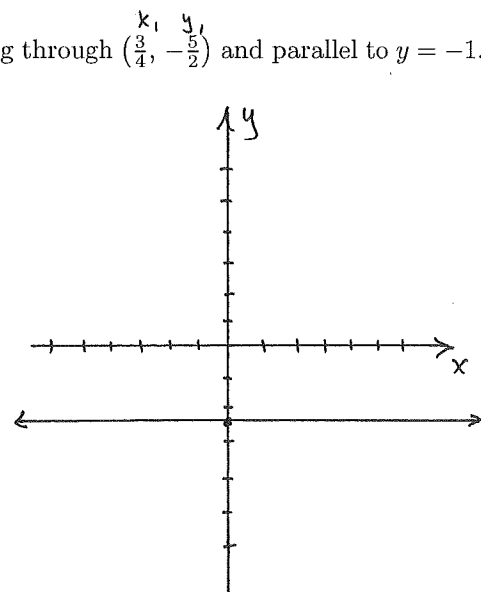
$$y - (-\frac{5}{2}) = 0(x - \frac{3}{4})$$

$$y + \frac{5}{2} = 0$$

$$\boxed{y = -\frac{5}{2}}$$

$-2\frac{1}{2}$

Parallel $m = 0$



4. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-\frac{45}{4}, 8)$ and perpendicular to the line passing through $(-47, -15)$ and $(-3, 51)$.

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 8 = -\frac{2}{3}(x - (-\frac{45}{4}))$$

$$y - 8 = -\frac{2}{3}(x + \frac{45}{4})$$

$$y - 8 = -\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{15}{2}$$

$$y = -\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{15}{2} + 8$$

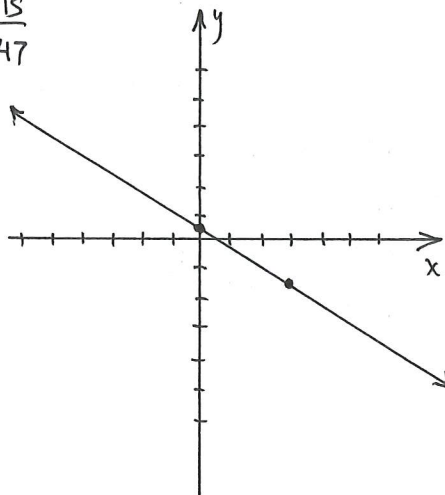
$$y = -\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{15}{2} + \frac{16}{2}$$

$$\boxed{y = -\frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$m = \frac{51 - (-15)}{-3 - (-47)} = \frac{51 + 15}{-3 + 47}$$

$$= \frac{66}{44} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Perpendicular $m = -\frac{2}{3}$



5. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(14, 42)$ and parallel to the line passing through $(-17, 70)$ and $(8, 145)$.

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

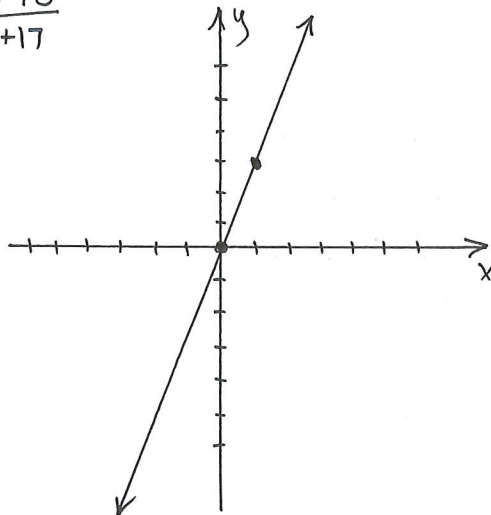
$$y - 42 = 3(x - 14)$$

$$y - 42 = 3x - 42$$

$$\boxed{y = 3x}$$

$$m = \frac{145 - 70}{8 - (-17)} = \frac{145 - 70}{8 + 17}$$

$$= \frac{75}{25} = 3$$



6. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-2, 4)$ and perpendicular to a vertical line.

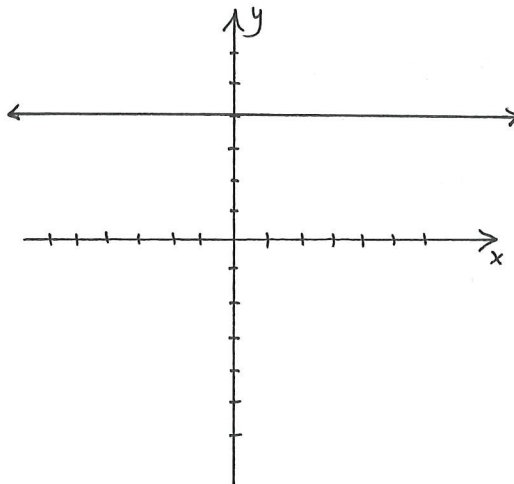
Perpendicular $m = 0$

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 4 = 0(x - (-2))$$

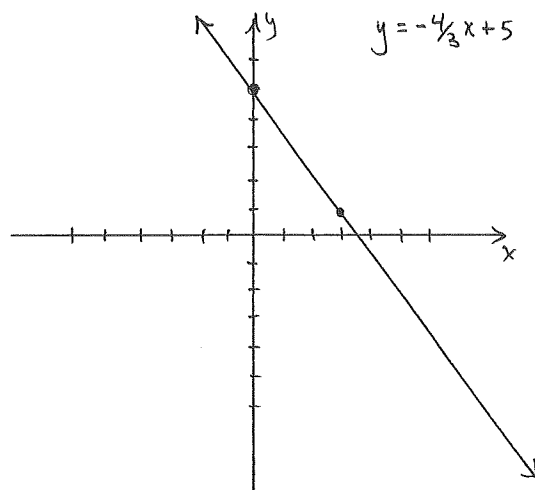
$$y - 4 = 0$$

$$\boxed{y = 4}$$

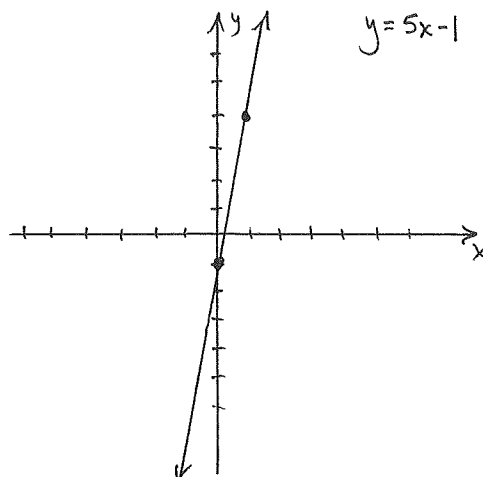


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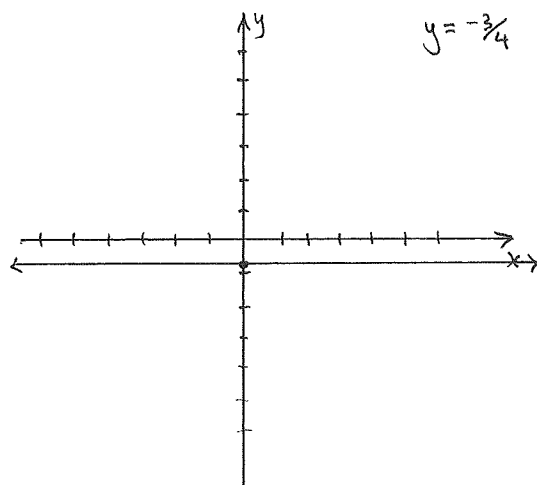
1. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-48, 69)$ and parallel a line with slope $-\frac{4}{3}$.



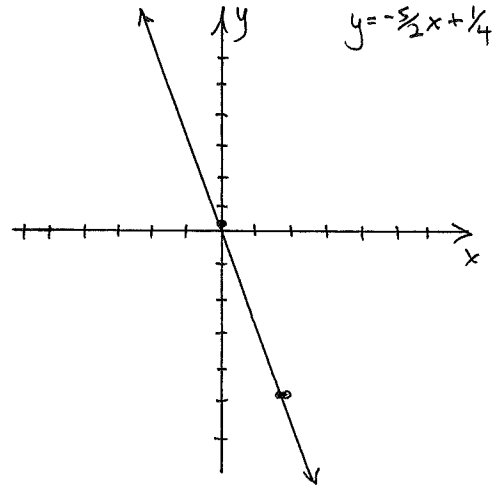
2. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(28, 139)$ and perpendicular to $x + 5y = -90$.



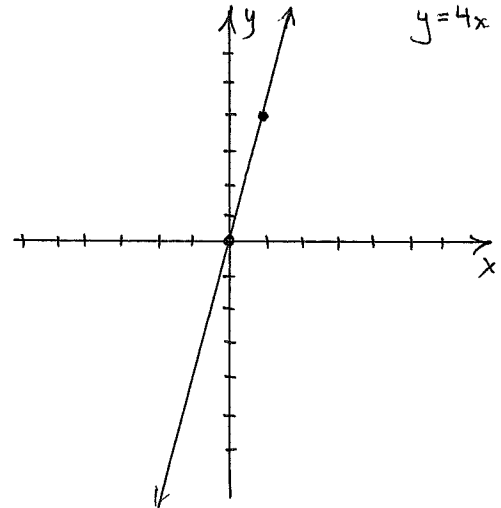
3. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(\frac{7}{8}, -\frac{3}{4})$ and parallel to $y = -3$.



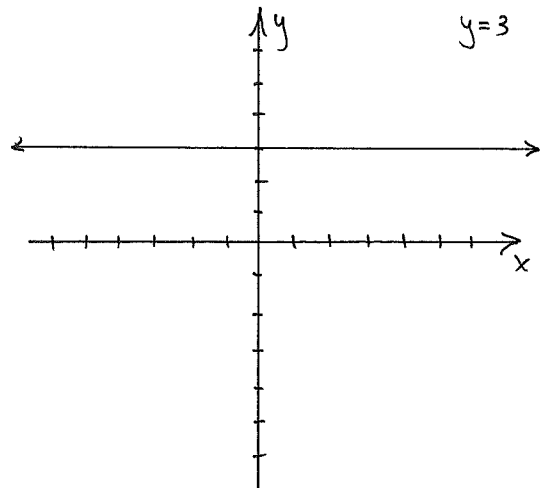
4. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-\frac{3}{10}, 1)$ and perpendicular to the line passing through $(-7, 34)$ and $(-17, 30)$.



5. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(23, 92)$ and parallel to the line passing through $(-38, 145)$ and $(37, 445)$.



6. Find and sketch a graph of the slope-intercept form of the line passing through $(-8, 3)$ and perpendicular to a vertical line.



EXAMPLES 10 - Solving Systems of Linear Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve by elimination.

$$1. \begin{cases} 3x + 10y = 82 \\ 6x - 5y = -11 \end{cases} \begin{matrix} \Leftrightarrow \\ (2) \end{matrix} \begin{cases} 3x + 10y = 82 \\ 12x - 10y = -22 \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} 6(4) - 5y = -11 \\ 24 - 5y = -11 \\ -5y = -35 \\ \underline{-5} \quad \underline{-5} \\ y = 7 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} 15x = 60 \\ \underline{15} \quad \underline{15} \\ x = 4 \end{matrix}$$

$$\boxed{(4, 7)}$$

$$2. \begin{cases} 4x - 9y = 4 \\ -12x - 15y = 16 \end{cases} \begin{matrix} (3) \\ \Leftrightarrow \end{matrix} \begin{cases} 12x - 27y = 12 \\ -12x - 15y = 16 \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} 4x - 9(-\frac{2}{3}) = 4 \\ 4x + 6 = 4 \\ 4x = -2 \\ \underline{4} \quad \underline{4} \\ x = -\frac{1}{2} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} -42y = 28 \\ \underline{-42} \quad \underline{-42} \\ y = -\frac{2}{3} \end{matrix}$$

$$\boxed{(-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{2}{3})}$$

$$3. \begin{cases} -\frac{3}{5}x - \frac{2}{3}y = -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{5}{9}y = -\frac{7}{12} \end{cases} \begin{matrix} (30) \\ \Leftrightarrow \end{matrix} \begin{cases} -18x - 20y = -15 \\ -18x - 20y = -21 \end{cases} \begin{matrix} (-1) \\ \Leftrightarrow \end{matrix} \begin{cases} 18x + 20y = 15 \\ -18x - 20y = -21 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{matrix} 0 = -6 \quad \times \\ \boxed{\text{No solution}} \end{matrix}$$

$$4. \begin{cases} \frac{1}{8}x + \frac{1}{3}y = -\frac{13}{24} \\ -11x + 20y = 60 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{(24)} \begin{cases} 3x + 8y = -13 \\ -11x + 20y = 60 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{(-5)} \begin{cases} -15x - 40y = 65 \\ -22x + 40y = 120 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -15x - 40y = 65 \\ -22x + 40y = 120 \\ \hline -37x = 185 \\ -3x = -37 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} -11(-5) + 20y = 60 \\ 55 + 20y = 60 \\ 20y = 5 \\ 2y = \frac{5}{2} \\ y = \frac{5}{4} \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x = -5} \quad \boxed{y = \frac{5}{4}}$$

$$\boxed{(-5, \frac{5}{4})}$$

$$5. \begin{cases} 9x + 17y = 3 \\ 12x + 19y = 15 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{(4)} \begin{cases} 36x + 68y = 12 \\ (-3) \end{cases} \begin{cases} -36x - 57y = -45 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 36x + 68y = 12 \\ -36x - 57y = -45 \\ \hline 11y = -33 \\ 11 \quad 11 \\ \hline y = -3 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 9x + 17(-3) = 3 \\ 9x - 51 = 3 \\ 9x = 54 \\ x = 6 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{y = -3} \quad \boxed{x = 6}$$

$$\boxed{(6, -3)}$$

$$6. \begin{cases} -\frac{3}{14}x + \frac{1}{2}y = \frac{1}{4} \\ 24x - 56y = -28 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{(28)} \begin{cases} -6x + 14y = 7 \\ 24x - 56y = -28 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{(4)} \begin{cases} -24x + 56y = 28 \\ 24x - 56y = -28 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -24x + 56y = 28 \\ 24x - 56y = -28 \\ \hline 0 = 0 \checkmark \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Infinitely many solutions}}$$

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Solve by elimination.

1.
$$\begin{cases} 4x + 5y = 58 \\ 2x - 15y = -146 \end{cases} \quad (2, 10)$$

2.
$$\begin{cases} 6x - 15y = -10 \\ -18x - 12y = 49 \end{cases} \quad \left(-\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

3.
$$\begin{cases} -\frac{3}{5}x - \frac{4}{25}y = -\frac{4}{15} \\ -\frac{15}{16}x - \frac{1}{4}y = \frac{9}{24} \end{cases} \quad \text{No solution}$$

$$4. \begin{cases} \frac{7}{50}x + \frac{6}{25}y = -\frac{4}{5} \\ -25x + 20y = 190 \end{cases}$$

$(-7, \frac{3}{4})$

$$5. \begin{cases} 10x + 11y = -15 \\ 45x + 17y = 95 \end{cases}$$

$(4, -5)$

$$6. \begin{cases} -\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{5}{3}y = \frac{5}{4} \\ 18x - 20y = -15 \end{cases}$$

infinitely many
solutions

CHAPTER III

POLYNOMIAL OPERATIONS AND FUNCTIONS

EXAMPLES 11 - Simplifying Nonnegative Exponentials - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

1. $(7xy^5)(4x^3y^8)$

$$= \boxed{28x^4y^{13}}$$

2. $\frac{-96x^{11}z^{27}}{8x^{18}y^0z^{22}}$

$$= \frac{-96x^{11}z^{27}}{8x^{18}(1)z^{22}}$$

$$= \frac{-96x^{11}z^{27}}{8x^{18}z^{22}}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-12z^5}{x^7}}$$

3. $(-2x^8y^7)(-3x^5y^{12})^3$

$$= (-2x^8y^7)(-27x^{15}y^{36})$$

$$= \boxed{54x^{23}y^{43}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
4. \quad & \frac{5x^3y^2}{-(-5x^6y^{10})^2} \\
& = \frac{5x^3y^2}{-(25x^{12}y^{20})} \\
& = \frac{5x^3y^2}{-25x^{12}y^{20}} \\
& = \boxed{\frac{1}{-5x^9y^{18}}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
5. \quad & \left(\frac{32x^{27}y^{18}}{40x^{19}y^{25}}\right)^3 \\
& = \left(\frac{4x^8}{5y^7}\right)^3 \\
& = \boxed{\frac{64x^{24}}{125y^{21}}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
6. \quad & -(6x^{31}y^0z^{18})^2 \\
& = -(6x^{31}(1)z^{18})^2 \\
& = -(6x^{31}z^{18})^2 \\
& = -(36x^{62}z^{36}) \\
& = \boxed{-36x^{62}z^{36}}
\end{aligned}$$

PRACTICE 11 - Simplifying Nonnegative Exponentials - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

1. $(9xy^7)(8x^4y^9)$

$$72x^5y^{16}$$

2. $\frac{-120x^{14}z^{35}}{15x^{23}y^0z^{18}}$

$$\frac{-8z^{17}}{x^9}$$

3. $(-4x^7y^{28})(-5x^{14}y^6)^3$

$$500x^{49}y^{46}$$

$$4. \frac{6x^{16}y^3}{-(-6x^{11}y^7)^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{-6x^6y^{11}}$$

$$5. \left(\frac{54x^{31}y^{25}}{45x^{16}y^{29}}\right)^3$$

$$\frac{216x^{45}}{125y^{12}}$$

$$6. -(12x^{27}y^0z^{39})^2$$

$$-144x^{54}y^0z^{78}$$

EXAMPLES 12 - Simplifying Negative Exponentials - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

$$1. (5x^{17}y^{-12})(-14x^{-32}y^{-1})$$

$$= \frac{-70x^{-15}y^{-13}}{1}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-70}{x^{15}y^{13}}}$$

$$2. \frac{49x^{-11}y^{28}}{42x^{-2}y^{20}}$$

$$= \frac{49x^2y^{28}}{42x^{11}y^{20}}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{7y^8}{6x^9}}$$

$$3. \frac{(8x^{35}z^{-4})(2x^{16}y^0z^{-9})^{-5}}{1}$$

$$= \frac{(8x^{35}z^{-4})}{(2x^{16}y^0z^{-9})^5}$$

$$= \frac{8x^{35}z^{-4}}{(2x^{16}z^{-9})^5}$$

$$= \frac{8x^{35}z^{-4}}{32x^{80}z^{-45}}$$

$$= \frac{8x^{35}z^{45}}{32x^{80}z^4} = \boxed{\frac{z^{41}}{4x^{45}}}$$

$$4. \frac{(x^{-7}y^5)^{-4}}{x^{25}y^{-19}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(x^{25}y^{-19})(x^{-7}y^5)^4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(x^{25}y^{-19})(x^{-28}y^{20})}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x^{-3}y}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{x^3}{y}}$$

$$5. \left(\frac{x^{11}y^8}{-9x^{26}y^3}\right)^{-2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{-9x^{26}y^3}{x^{11}y^8}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{-9x^{15}}{y^5}\right)^2$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{81x^{30}}{y^{10}}}$$

$$6. \left(\frac{84x^2y^{-6}}{-14x^{13}y^{15}}\right)^{-3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{-14x^{13}y^{15}}{84x^2y^{-6}}\right)^3$$

$$= \left(\frac{-14x^{13}y^{15}y^6}{84x^2}\right)^3$$

$$= \left(\frac{-x^{11}y^{21}}{6}\right)^3$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-x^{33}y^{63}}{216}}$$

PRACTICE 12 - Simplifying Negative Exponentials - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

1. $(8x^{21}y^{-9})(-15x^{-35}y^{-7})$

$$\frac{-120}{x^{14}y^{16}}$$

2. $\frac{72x^{-7}y^{-24}}{63x^{-11}y}$

$$\frac{8x^4}{7y^{25}}$$

3. $(9x^{59}z^{-5})(3x^{18}y^0z^{-11})^{-4}$

$$\frac{z^{39}}{9x^{13}}$$

$$4. \frac{(2x^8y^{-6})^{-5}}{x^{-30}y^{16}}$$

$$\frac{y^{14}}{32x^{10}}$$

$$5. \left(\frac{-40x^{25}y^{40}}{45x^{13}y^{49}} \right)^{-2}$$

$$\frac{81y^{18}}{64x^{24}}$$

$$6. \left(\frac{125x^{-6}y^{-13}}{-100x^{19}y^{-11}} \right)^{-3}$$

$$\frac{-64x^{75}y^6}{125}$$

EXAMPLES 13 - Adding, Subtracting, Multiplying Pol - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} 1. & (14x^3 - 17x^2y + 9xy^2 + 11y^3) - (9x^3 - 3x^2y - 4y^3) + (3x^3 + 7x^2y - 3xy^2 - 20y^3) \\ & = 14x^3 - 17x^2y + 9xy^2 + 11y^3 - 9x^3 + 3x^2y + 4y^3 + 3x^3 + 7x^2y - 3xy^2 - 20y^3 \\ & = \boxed{8x^3 - 7x^2y + 6xy^2 - 5y^3} \end{aligned}$$

Multiply.

$$\begin{aligned} 2. & -3x^5y^2(9x^2 - 4xy - 8y^2) \\ & = \boxed{-27x^7y^2 + 12x^6y^3 + 24x^5y^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3. & (8x + 7)(5x - 9) \\ & = 40x^2 - 72x + 35x - 63 \\ & = \boxed{40x^2 - 37x - 63} \end{aligned}$$

$$4. (12x + 5y)(12x - 5y)$$

$$= 144x^2 - \cancel{60xy} + \cancel{60xy} - 25y^2$$

$$= \boxed{144x^2 - 25y^2}$$

$$5. (7x - 10)^2$$

$$= (7x - 10)(7x - 10)$$

$$= 49x^2 - 70x - 70x + 100$$

$$= \boxed{49x^2 - 140x + 100}$$

$$6. (3x - 4y)(5x^2 - 2xy + 8y^2)$$

$$= 15x^3 - 6x^2y + 24xy^2 - 20x^2y + 8xy^2 - 32y^3$$

$$= \boxed{15x^3 - 26x^2y + 32xy^2 - 32y^3}$$

PRACTICE 13 - Adding, Subtracting, Multiplying Pol - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

1. $(9x^3 - 15x^2y + 4xy^2 + 7y^3) - (14x^3 - 2x^2y - 5y^3) + (4x^3 + 15x^2y - 7xy^2 - 8y^3)$ $-x^3 + 2x^2y - 3xy^2 + 4y^3$

Multiply.

2. $-9x^4y^7(5x^2 - 8xy + 12y^2)$ $-45x^6y^7 + 72x^5y^8 - 108x^4y^9$

3. $(15x - 2)(6x + 5)$ $90x^2 + 63x - 10$

$$4. (14x + 13y)(14x - 13y)$$

$$196x^2 - 169y^2$$

$$5. (10x - 7)^2$$

$$100x^2 - 140x + 49$$

$$6. (7x - 4y)(6x^2 - 9xy - 2y^2)$$

$$42x^3 - 87x^2y + 22xy^2 + 8y^3$$

EXAMPLES 14 - Dividing Polynomials - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Divide.

1. $\frac{24x^6y^7 - 15x^2y^6 + 2xy}{6x^3y^5}$

$$= \frac{24x^6y^7}{6x^3y^5} - \frac{15x^2y^6}{6x^3y^5} + \frac{2xy}{6x^3y^5}$$

$$= \boxed{4x^3y^2 - \frac{5y}{2x} + \frac{1}{3x^2y}}$$

2. $(2x^2 - 5x + 4) \div (x - 3)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x+1 \\ (x-3) \overline{) 2x^2 - 5x + 4} \\ \underline{\ominus 2x^2 + 6x} \\ - 11x + 4 \\ \underline{\oplus 33x - 9} \\ 44 - 9 \\ 7 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{2x+1 + \frac{7}{x-3}}$$

3. $\frac{11x^2 - 37x + 4x^3 - 13}{x + 5}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x^2 - 9x + 8 \\ (x+5) \overline{) 4x^3 + 11x^2 - 37x - 13} \\ \underline{\oplus 4x^3 + 20x^2} \\ - 9x^2 - 37x - 13 \\ \underline{\oplus 9x^2 + 45x} \\ 8x - 13 \\ \underline{\ominus 8x + 40} \\ - 53 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{4x^2 - 9x + 8 + \frac{-53}{x+5}}$$

4. $(7x^3 - 71x^2 + 103) \div (x - 10)$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \overline{7x^2 - x - 10} \\
 (x-10) \overline{) 7x^3 - 71x^2 + 0x + 103} \\
 \underline{\ominus 7x^3 + 70x^2} \\
 -x^2 + 0x \\
 \underline{\oplus x^2 - 10x} \\
 -10x + 103 \\
 \underline{\oplus 10x - 100} \\
 3
 \end{array}$$

$$7x^2 - x - 10 + \frac{3}{x-10}$$

5. $\frac{118 - 66x^2 + x^4}{x+8}$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \overline{x^3 - 8x^2 - 2x + 16} \\
 (x+8) \overline{) x^4 + 0x^3 - 66x^2 + 0x + 118} \\
 \underline{\ominus x^4 + 8x^3} \\
 -8x^3 - 66x^2 \\
 \underline{\oplus 8x^3 + 64x^2} \\
 -2x^2 + 0x \\
 \underline{\oplus 2x^2 + 16x} \\
 16x + 118 \\
 \underline{\ominus 16x + 128} \\
 -10
 \end{array}$$

$$x^3 - 8x^2 - 2x + 16 + \frac{-10}{x+8}$$

6. $(x^5 - 1) \div (x - 1)$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \overline{x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} \\
 (x-1) \overline{) x^5 + 0x^4 + 0x^3 + 0x^2 + 0x - 1} \\
 \underline{\ominus x^5 + x^4} \\
 x^4 + 0x^3 \\
 \underline{\ominus x^4 + x^3} \\
 x^3 + 0x^2 \\
 \underline{\ominus x^3 + x^2} \\
 x^2 + 0x \\
 \underline{\ominus x^2 + x} \\
 x - 1 \\
 \underline{\ominus x + 1} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

$$x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$$

PRACTICE 14 - Dividing Polynomials - Intermediate Algebra - R. Karwatka

Divide.

1. $\frac{18x^9y + 45x^3y^6 - 21xy^2}{9x^2y^4}$

$$\frac{2x^7}{y^3} + 5xy^2 - \frac{7}{3xy^2}$$

2. $(2x^2 - 9x - 10) \div (x - 6)$

$$2x + 3 + \frac{8}{x-6}$$

3. $\frac{134x^2 - 12x + 15x^3 - 29}{x + 9}$

$$15x^2 - x - 3 + \frac{-2}{x+9}$$

$$4. (4x^3 - 53x^2 + 723) \div (x - 12)$$

$$4x^2 - 5x - 60 + \frac{3}{x-12}$$

$$5. \frac{46 - 27x^2 + x^4}{x + 5}$$

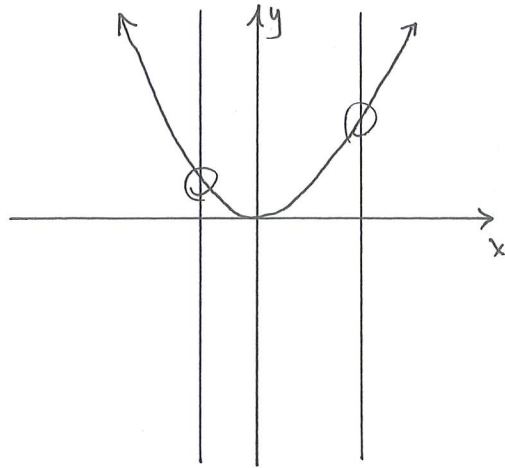
$$x^3 - 5x^2 - 2x + 10 + \frac{-4}{x+5}$$

$$6. (x^5 - 243) \div (x - 3)$$

$$x^4 + 3x^3 + 9x^2 + 27x + 81$$

EXAMPLES 15 - Interpreting Functions Graphically - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

1. Sketch a graph that represents a function. Use the Vertical Line Test to justify your choice.



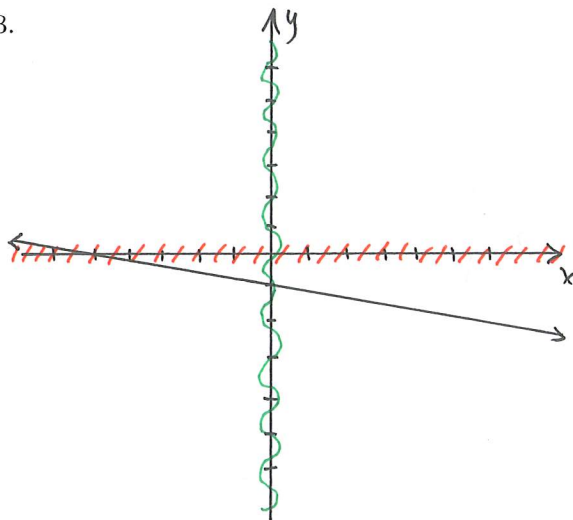
This graph passes VLT, so it is a function.

2. Is a circle a function? Explain why or why not.

No. A circle will fail VLT.

State the domain and range of the given graphed function.

3.

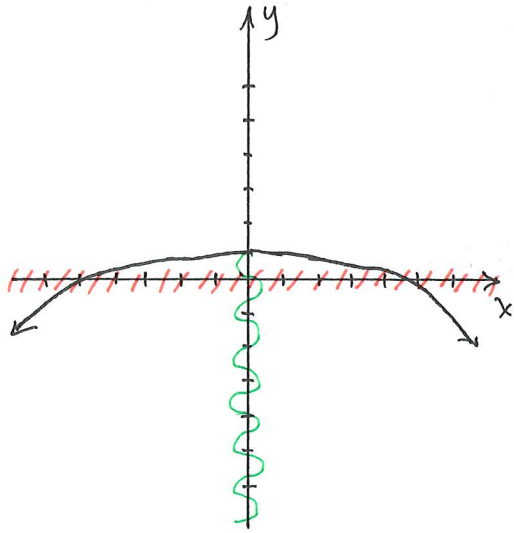


$D: \mathbb{R}$
$R: \mathbb{R}$

////////// : in domain

~~~~~ : in range

4.

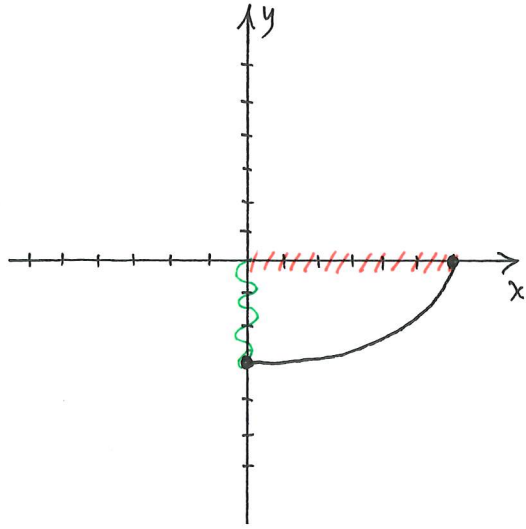


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| $D: \mathbb{R}$ |
| $R: y \leq 1$   |

////////// : in domain

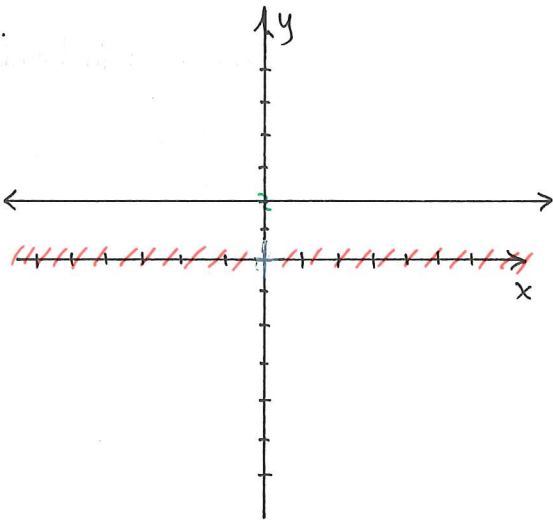
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5.



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| $D: 0 \leq x \leq 6$ |
| $R: -3 \leq y \leq 0$ |

6.

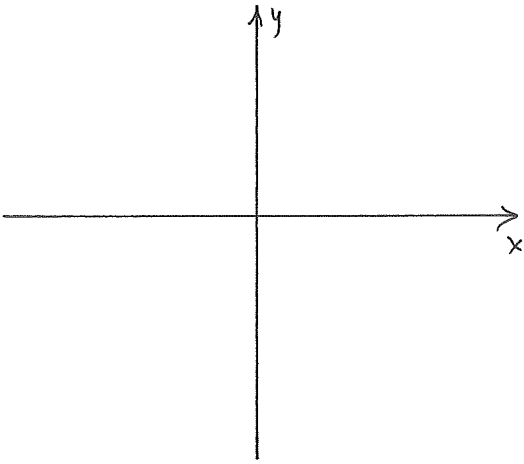


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| $D: \mathbb{R}$ |
| $R: y = 2$ |

PRACTICE 15 - Interpreting Functions Graphically - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

1. Sketch a graph that does not represent a function. Use the Vertical Line Test to justify your choice.

Graphs will vary.

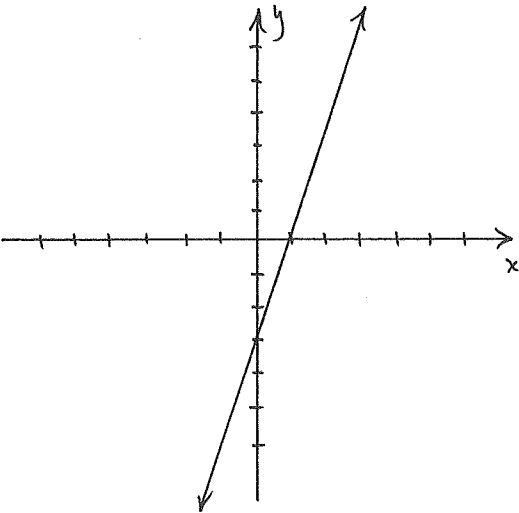


2. Is every parabola a function? Explain why or why not.

No. Not every parabola passes Vertical Line Test.

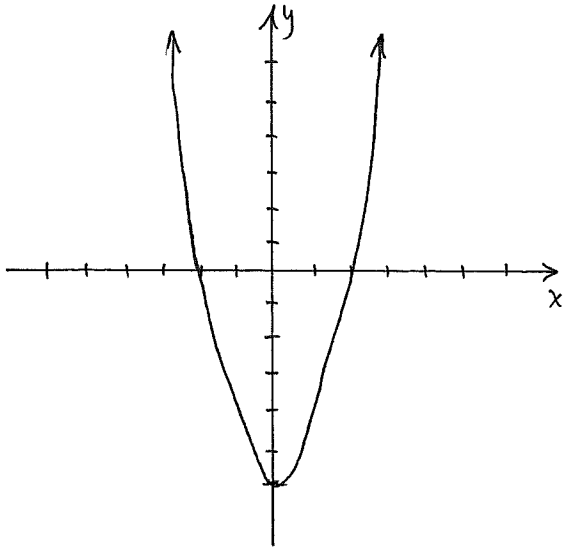
State the domain and range of the given graphed function.

3.



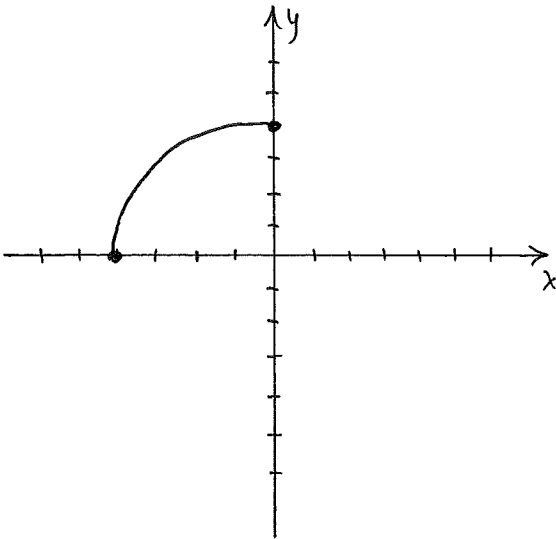
D: \mathbb{R}
R: \mathbb{R}

4.



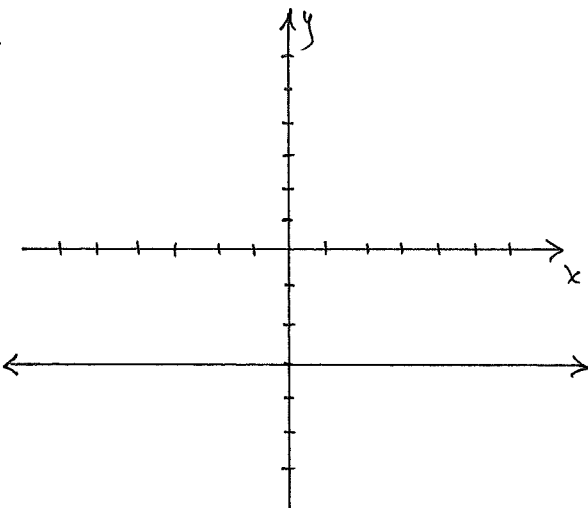
$$D: \mathbb{R}$$
$$R: y \geq -6$$

5.



$$D: -4 \leq x \leq 0$$
$$R: 0 \leq y \leq 4$$

6.



$$D: \mathbb{R}$$
$$R: y = -3$$

EXAMPLES 16 - Evaluating Functions - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

1. Let $f(x) = 5x - 4$.

a. State the domain of f . \mathbb{R}

b. Evaluate $f(-7)$.

$$f(-7) = 5(-7) - 4 = -35 - 4 = \boxed{-39}$$

2. Let $g(x) = 8x^2 + 7x - 2$.

a. State the domain of g . \mathbb{R}

b. Evaluate $g(5)$.

$$g(5) = 8(5)^2 + 7(5) - 2 = 8(25) + 7(5) - 2 = 200 + 35 - 2 = \boxed{233}$$

3. Let $h(x) = \frac{5x + 4}{3x - 2}$.

a. State the domain of h .

b. Evaluate $h(-2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} 3x - 2 &= 0 \\ \frac{3x}{3} &= \frac{2}{3} \\ x &\neq \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$h(-2) = \frac{5(-2) + 4}{3(-2) - 2} = \frac{-10 + 4}{-6 - 2} = \frac{-6}{-8} = \boxed{\frac{3}{4}}$$

4. Let $j(x) = -4 - \frac{8}{3}x$.

a. State the domain of j . \mathbb{R}

b. Evaluate $j\left(\frac{9}{16}\right)$.

$$j\left(\frac{9}{16}\right) = -4 - \frac{8}{3}\left(\frac{9}{16}\right) = -4 - \frac{3}{2} = -\frac{8}{2} - \frac{3}{2} = -\frac{11}{2}$$

5. Let $k(x) = -x^2 - 4x + 1$.

a. State the domain of k . \mathbb{R}

b. Evaluate $k\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right)$.

$$k\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right) = -\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right)^2 - 4\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right) + 1 = -\left(\frac{16}{9}\right) - 4\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right) + 1 = -\frac{16}{9} + \frac{16}{3} + 1 = -\frac{16}{9} + \frac{48}{9} + \frac{9}{9} = \frac{41}{9}$$

6. Let $l(x) = \frac{3x-5}{2x+5}$.

$$2x+5=0$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{-5}{2}$$

$$x \neq -\frac{5}{2}$$

a. State the domain of l .

b. Evaluate $l\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)$.

$$l\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) = \frac{3\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) - 5}{2\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) + 5} = \frac{\frac{15}{2} - 5}{5 + 5} = \frac{\left(\frac{15}{2} - 5\right) \cdot \frac{2}{2}}{10} = \frac{15 - 10}{20} = \frac{5}{20} = \frac{1}{4}$$

PRACTICE 16 - Evaluating Functions - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

1. Let $f(x) = 4x - 5$.

a. State the domain of f . \mathbb{R}

b. Evaluate $f(-9)$. -41

2. Let $g(x) = 7x^2 - 8x + 2$.

a. State the domain of g . \mathbb{R}

b. Evaluate $g(4)$. 82

3. Let $h(x) = \frac{8x + 3}{9x - 1}$.

a. State the domain of h . $x \neq \frac{1}{9}$

b. Evaluate $h(-1)$. $\frac{1}{2}$

4. Let $j(x) = -6 - \frac{5}{3}x$.

a. State the domain of j . \mathbb{R}

b. Evaluate $j\left(\frac{27}{10}\right)$. $-\frac{21}{2}$

5. Let $k(x) = -x^2 + 2x + 1$.

a. State the domain of k . \mathbb{R}

b. Evaluate $k\left(-\frac{5}{6}\right)$. $-\frac{49}{36}$

6. Let $l(x) = \frac{2x - 5}{3x + 5}$.

a. State the domain of l . $x \neq -\frac{5}{3}$

b. Evaluate $l\left(\frac{15}{2}\right)$. $\frac{4}{11}$

CHAPTER IV

POLYNOMIAL FACTORING AND EQUATIONS

EXAMPLES 17 - Factoring by GCF and Grouping - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Factor.

$$1. 40x^9 - 48x^8 - 56x^7 + 32x^6 + 8x^5$$
$$= 8x^5(5x^4 - 6x^3 - 7x^2 + 4x + 1)$$

$$2. -21x^3y^2z^4 - 14x^2yz^5 + 7xz^6$$
$$= -7xz^4(3x^2y^2 + 2xyz - z^2)$$

$$3. \underbrace{2x^4 - 8x^3} + \underbrace{5x - 20}$$
$$= 2x^3(x-4) + 5(x-4)$$
$$= (x-4)(2x^3+5)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
4. & \quad \underline{12x^5 - 20x^3y^2} - \underline{9x^2y + 15y^3} \\
& = 4x^3(3x^2 - 5y^2) - 3y(3x^2 - 5y^2) \\
& = \boxed{(3x^2 - 5y^2)(4x^3 - 3y)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
5. & \quad -2x^{11} - 14x^{10} - 12x^9 - 84x^8 \\
& = -2x^8(\underline{x^3 + 7x^2} + \underline{6x + 42}) \\
& = -2x^8(x^2(x+7) + 6(x+7)) \\
& = \boxed{-2x^8(x+7)(x^2+6)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
6. & \quad 45x^{10}y + 10x^9y^3 - 9x^7y^2 - 2x^6y^4 \\
& = x^6y(\underline{45x^4 + 10x^3y^2} - \underline{9xy - 2y^3}) \\
& = x^6y(5x^3(\underline{9x + 2y^2}) - y(\underline{9x + 2y^2})) \\
& = \boxed{x^6y(9x + 2y^2)(5x^3 - y)}
\end{aligned}$$

PRACTICE 17 - Factoring by GCF and Grouping - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Factor.

1. $63x^{10} - 81x^9 + 45x^8 - 36x^7 + 9x^6$

$$9x^6(7x^4 - 9x^3 + 5x^2 - 4x + 1)$$

2. $-32x^4y^2z^9 - 72x^2yz^{10} + 16xz^{14}$

$$-8xz^9(4x^3y^2 + 9xyz - 2z^5)$$

3. $14x^5 - 35x^4 + 20x - 50$

$$(2x-5)(7x^4+10)$$

$$4. 6x^7 - 27x^4y^2 - 10x^3y + 45y^3$$

$$(2x^3 - 9y^2)(3x^4 - 5y)$$

$$5. -4x^8 - 16x^7 - 12x^6 - 48x^5$$

$$-4x^5(x+4)(x^2+3)$$

$$6. 12x^8y^3 + 30x^7y^5 - 2x^5y^4 - 5x^4y^6$$

$$x^4y^3(2x+5y^2)(6x^3-y)$$

EXAMPLES 18 - Factoring Trinomials with LC 1 - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Factor.

1. $x^2 + 13x + 40$

$$= (x+8)(x+5)$$

2. $x^2 - 3xy - 28y^2$

$$= (x-7y)(x+4y)$$

3. $x^2 + 15x - 54$

$$= (x+18)(x-3)$$

$$4. -7x^3y + 49x^2y^2 - 42xy^3$$

$$= -7xy(x^2 - 7xy + 6y^2)$$

$$= \boxed{-7xy(x-6y)(x-y)}$$

$$5. 5x^4 + 35x^3 - 150x^2$$

$$= 5x^2(x^2 + 7x - 30)$$

$$= \boxed{5x(x+10)(x-3)}$$

$$6. -2x^3y^3 - 40x^2y^4 - 72xy^5$$

$$= -2xy^3(x^2 + 20xy + 36y^2)$$

$$= \boxed{-2xy^3(x+18y)(x+2y)}$$

PRACTICE 18 - Factoring Trinomials with LC 1 - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Factor.

1. $x^2 + 22x + 72$

$(x+18)(x+4)$

2. $x^2 - 10xy - 24y^2$

$(x-12y)(x+2y)$

3. $x^2 + 9x - 70$

$(x+14)(x-5)$

$$4. -5x^3y + 30x^2y^2 - 40xy^3$$

$$-5xy(x-4y)(x-2y)$$

$$5. 7x^5 + 7x^4 - 294x^3$$

$$7x^3(x+7)(x-6)$$

$$6. -3x^4y^4 - 54x^3y^5 - 135x^2y^6$$

$$-3x^2y^4(x+3y)(x+15y)$$

EXAMPLES 19 - Factoring Trinomials with LC not 1 - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Factor.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad & 9x^2 - 12xy - 5y^2 \quad \frac{-45}{-15, 3} \\
 & = \underline{9x^2 - 15xy} + \underline{3xy - 5y^2} \\
 & = 3x(3x - 5y) + y(3x - 5y) \\
 & = \boxed{(3x - 5y)(3x + y)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2. \quad & 12x^2 + x - 6 \quad \frac{-72}{9, -8} \\
 & = \underline{12x^2 + 9x} - \underline{8x - 6} \\
 & = 3x(4x + 3) - 2(4x + 3) \\
 & = \boxed{(4x + 3)(3x - 2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3. \quad & 4x^2 - 7xy + 3y^2 \quad \frac{12}{-4, -3} \\
 & = \underline{4x^2 - 4xy} - \underline{3xy + 3y^2} \\
 & = 4x(x - y) - 3y(x - y) \\
 & = \boxed{(x - y)(4x - 3y)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$4. -10x^5 - 19x^4 - 6x^3$$

$$= -x^3(10x^2 + 19x + 6)$$

$$= -x^3(\underbrace{10x^2 + 15x}_{15,4} + \underbrace{4x + 6}_{60})$$

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

$$= \boxed{-x^3(2x+3)(5x+2)}$$

$$\frac{60}{15,4}$$

$$5. 12x^7y - 30x^6y^2 - 42x^5y^3$$

$$= 6x^5y(2x^2 - 5xy - 7y^2)$$

$$= 6x^5y(\underbrace{2x^2 - 7xy}_{-7,2} + \underbrace{2xy - 7y^2}_{-14})$$

$$= 6x^5y(x(2x-7y) + y(2x-7y))$$

$$= \boxed{6x^5y(2x-7y)(x+y)}$$

$$\frac{-14}{-7,2}$$

$$6. -16x^3 - 22x^2 + 20x$$

$$= -2x(8x^2 + 11x - 10)$$

$$= -2x(\underbrace{8x^2 + 16x}_{16,-5} - \underbrace{5x - 10}_{-80})$$

$$= -2x(8x(x+2) - 5(x+2))$$

$$= \boxed{-2x(x+2)(8x-5)}$$

$$\frac{-80}{16,-5}$$

PRACTICE 19 - Factoring Trinomials with LC not 1 - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Factor.

1. $12x^2 - 5xy - 3y^2$

$(4x-3y)(3x+y)$

2. $4x^2 + x - 18$

$(4x+9)(x-2)$

3. $9x^2 - 9xy + 2y^2$

$(3x-y)(3x-2y)$

$$4. -10x^7 - 21x^6 - 8x^5$$

$$-x^5(5x+8)(2x+1)$$

$$5. 50x^3y^6 - 105x^2y^7 - 50xy^8$$

$$5xy^6(2x-5y)(5x+2y)$$

$$6. -26x^3 - 16x^2 + 10x$$

$$-2x(x+1)(13x-5)$$

EXAMPLES 20 - Factoring Difference of Squares - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Factor.

$$(15x)^2 - (14)^2$$

1. $225x^2 - 196$

$$= (15x + 14)(15x - 14)$$

$$(7x^{25})^2 - (11y^{47})^2$$

2. $49x^{50} - 121y^{94}$

$$= (7x^{25} + 11y^{47})(7x^{25} - 11y^{47})$$

$$(9x^2)^2 - (1)^2$$

3. $81x^4 - 1$ $(3x)^2 - (1)^2$

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

$$= (9x^2 + 1)(3x + 1)(3x - 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
4. & -20x^{23}y^4 + 125xy^{70} \\
& \quad \quad \quad (2x^{11})^2 - (5y^{33})^2 \\
& = -5xy^4 (4x^{22} - 25y^{66}) \\
& = \boxed{-5xy^4 (2x^{11} + 5y^{33})(2x^{11} - 5y^{33})}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
5. & 360x^{15} - 720x^{14} - 10x + 20 \\
& = 10 (36x^{15} - 72x^{14} - x + 2) \\
& = 10 (36x^{14}(\underline{x-2}) - 1(\underline{x-2})) \\
& \quad \quad \quad (6x^7)^2 - (1)^2 \\
& = 10(x-2)(36x^{14} - 1) \\
& = \boxed{10(x-2)(6x^7+1)(6x^7-1)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
6. & -4x^{12}y - 2x^{11}y^2 + 64x^4y^5 + 32x^3y^6 \\
& = -2x^3y (2x^9 + x^8y - 32xy^4 - 16y^5) \\
& = -2x^3y (x^8(2x+y) - 16y^4(2x+y)) \\
& \quad \quad \quad (x^4)^2 - (4y^2)^2 \\
& = -2x^3y (2x+y) (x^8 - 16y^4) \quad (x^2)^2 - (2y)^2 \\
& = -2x^3y (2x+y) (x^4 + 4y^2) (x^4 - 4y^2) \\
& = \boxed{-2x^3y (2x+y) (x^4 + 4y^2) (x^2 + 2y) (x^2 - 2y)}
\end{aligned}$$

PRACTICE 20 - Factoring Difference of Squares - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Factor.

1. $196x^2 - 169$

$$(14x+13)(14x-13)$$

2. $121x^{58} - 225y^{92}$

$$(11x^{29} + 15y^{46})(11x^{29} - 15y^{46})$$

3. $16x^{12} - 1$

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

4. $-36x^{31}y^5 + 400xy^{59}$

$$-4xy^5(3x^{15}+10y^{27})(3x^{15}-10y^{27})$$

5. $500x^{19} - 750x^{18} - 20x + 30$

$$10(2x-3)(5x^9+1)(5x^9-1)$$

6. $-6x^{12}y - 6x^{11}y^2 + 486x^4y^5 + 486x^3y^6$

$$-6x^3y(x+y)(x^4+9y^2)(x^2+3y)(x^2-3y)$$

EXAMPLES 21 - Factoring General Polynomials - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Factor.

1. $-45x^4 - 27x^3 - 80x^2 - 48x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -x(45x^3 + 27x^2 + 80x + 48) \\
 &= -x(9x^2(5x+3) + 16(5x+3)) \\
 &= \boxed{-x(5x+3)(9x^2+16)}
 \end{aligned}$$

2. $8x^2 + 10xy - 25y^2$ $\frac{-200}{20, -10}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \underline{8x^2 + 20xy} - \underline{10xy - 25y^2} \\
 &= 4x(2x+5y) - 5y(2x+5y) \\
 &= \boxed{(2x+5y)(4x-5y)}
 \end{aligned}$$

3. $4x^6 - 8x^5 - 100x^4 + 200x^3$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 4x^3(x^3 - 2x^2 - 25x + 50) \\
 &= 4x^3(x^2(x-2) - 25(x-2)) \\
 &= 4x^3(x-2)(x^2-25) \\
 &= \boxed{4x^3(x-2)(x+5)(x-5)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$4. -5x^{10} + 100x^9 - 500x^8$$

$$= -5x^8(x^2 - 20x + 100)$$

$$= \boxed{-5x^8(x-10)(x-10)}$$

$$5. 160x^6y^3 + 32x^5y^4 - 810x^2y^7 - 162xy^8$$

$$= 2xy^3(80x^5 + 16x^4y - 405xy^4 - 81y^5)$$

$$= 2xy^3(16x^4(5x+y) - 81y^4(5x+y))$$

$$= 2xy^3(5x+y)(16x^4 - 81y^4)$$

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

$$= \boxed{2xy^3(5x+y)(4x^2+9y^2)(2x+3y)(2x-3y)}$$

$$6. -54x^2y^2 + 45xy^3 + 36y^4$$

$$= -9y^2(6x^2 - 5xy - 4y^2)$$

$$\frac{-24}{-8,3}$$

$$= -9y^2(6x^2 - 8xy + 3xy - 4y^2)$$

$$= -9y^2(2x(3x-4y) + y(3x-4y))$$

$$= \boxed{-9y^2(3x-4y)(2x+y)}$$

PRACTICE 21 - Factoring General Polynomials - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Factor.

1. $-243x^4 - 162x^3 - 75x^2 - 50x$

$$-x(3x+2)(81x^2+25)$$

2. $20x^2 + 7xy - 6y^2$

$$(4x+3y)(5x-2y)$$

3. $3x^7 - 15x^6 - 48x^5 + 240x^4$

$$3x^4(x-5)(x+4)(x-4)$$

$$4. -4x^8 + 120x^7 - 900x^6$$

$$-4x^6(x-15)(x-15)$$

$$5. 324x^8y^4 + 486x^7y^5 - 4x^4y^8 - 6x^3y^9$$

$$2x^3y^4(2x+3y)(9x^2+y^2)(3x+y)(3x-y)$$

$$6. -50x^2y^3 + 15xy^4 + 20y^5$$

$$-5y^3(5x-4y)(2x+y)$$

EXAMPLES 22 - Solving Quadratic Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve.

1. $49x^2 - 16 = 0$

$$(7x+4)(7x-4) = 0$$

$$x = -\frac{4}{7}, \frac{4}{7}$$

2. $18x^2 + 17x + 4 = 0$

$$\frac{72}{9, 8}$$

$$18x^2 + 9x + 8x + 4 = 0$$

$$9x(2x+1) + 4(2x+1) = 0$$

$$(2x+1)(9x+4) = 0$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{4}{9}$$

3. $36x^2 = 4x$

$$36x^2 - 4x = 0$$

$$4x(9x-1) = 0$$

$$x = 0, \frac{1}{9}$$

$$4. (4x - 7)(x + 2) = -9$$

$$4x^2 + 8x - 7x - 14 = -9$$

$$4x^2 + x - 14 = -9$$

$$\frac{-20}{5, -4}$$

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

$$\underbrace{4x^2 + 5x - 4x - 5}_{\text{factored}} = 0$$

$$x(4x + 5) - 1(4x + 5) = 0$$

$$\underbrace{(4x + 5)}_{=0} \underbrace{(x - 1)}_{=0} = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{5}{4}, 1}$$

$$5. \left(\frac{3}{40}x^2 + \frac{12}{5}\right) = \left(\frac{9}{10}x\right)$$

$$3x^2 + 96 = 36x$$

$$3x^2 - 36x + 96 = 0$$

$$3(x^2 - 12x + 32) = 0$$

$$\underbrace{3}_{\neq 0} \underbrace{(x - 8)}_{=0} \underbrace{(x - 4)}_{=0} = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = 8, 4}$$

$$6. (2x + 5)(2x - 9) - 16x = 3x(x - 8) + 99$$

$$4x^2 - 18x + 10x - 45 - 16x = 3x^2 - 24x + 99$$

$$4x^2 - \cancel{24x} - 45 = 3x^2 - \cancel{24x} + 99$$

$$x^2 - 144 = 0$$

$$\underbrace{(x + 12)}_{=0} \underbrace{(x - 12)}_{=0} = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = -12, 12}$$

PRACTICE 22 - Solving Quadratic Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve.

1. $225x^2 - 49 = 0$

$$x = -\frac{7}{15}, \frac{7}{15}$$

2. $15x^2 + 23x + 4 = 0$

$$x = -\frac{4}{3}, -\frac{1}{5}$$

3. $100x^2 = 25x$

$$x = 0, \frac{1}{4}$$

$$4. (4x - 9)(x + 2) = -4$$

$$x = 2, -\frac{7}{4}$$

$$5. \frac{2}{45}x^2 + \frac{14}{9} = \frac{8}{15}x$$

$$x = 5, 7$$

$$6. (8x - 3)(4x + 5) + 23 = 9 - 4x(x - 7)$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}$$

CHAPTER V

RATIONAL EXPRESSIONS AND EQUATIONS

$$4. \frac{\textcircled{1} x^2 + 5x - 36}{\textcircled{2} x^2 + 16x + 63} \cdot \frac{\textcircled{3} x^2 - 7x - 60}{\textcircled{4} x^2 - 16x + 48} = \frac{(x+9)(x-4)}{(x+9)(x+7)} \cdot \frac{(x-12)(x+5)}{(x-12)(x-4)} = \boxed{\frac{x+5}{x+7}}$$

- ① $(x+9)(x-4)$ ③ $(x-12)(x+5)$
 ② $(x+9)(x+7)$ ④ $(x-12)(x-4)$

$$5. \frac{2+2x-2x^2-2x^3}{4x^2+8x+4} \div \frac{-2x^2+4x-2}{3x^2+2x-5}$$

$$= \frac{\textcircled{1} -2x^3-2x^2+2x+2}{\textcircled{2} 4x^2+8x+4} \cdot \frac{\textcircled{3} 3x^2+2x-5}{\textcircled{4} -2x^2+4x-2} = \frac{-2(x+1)(x+1)(x-1)}{4(x+1)(x+1)} \cdot \frac{(3x+5)(x-1)}{-2(x+1)(x-1)} = \boxed{\frac{3x+5}{4}}$$

$$\frac{-15}{5 \cdot 3}$$

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

$$6. \frac{\textcircled{1} 30x^2+130xy-100y^2}{\textcircled{2} 10x^2+48xy-10y^2} \cdot \frac{\textcircled{3} -70x^2-21xy+7y^2}{\textcircled{4} 30x^2-5xy-10y^2} = \frac{\cancel{10}(x+5y)(3x-2y)}{\cancel{10}(x+5y)(5x-y)} \cdot \frac{\cancel{7}(2x+y)(5x-y)}{\cancel{5}(3x-2y)(2x+y)} = \boxed{-7}$$

$$\frac{-30}{15 \cdot 2}$$

$$\frac{-25}{25 \cdot 1}$$

$$\frac{-10}{5 \cdot 2}$$

- ① $10(3x^2+13xy-10y^2)$ ② $2(5x^2+24xy-5y^2)$ ③ $-7(10x^2+3xy-y^2)$
 $10(3x^2+15xy-2xy-10y^2)$ $2(5x^2+25xy-1xy-5y^2)$ $-7(10x^2+5xy-2xy-y^2)$
 $10(3x(x+5y)-2y(x+5y))$ $2(5x(x+5y)-y(x+5y))$ $-7(5x(2x+y)-y(2x+y))$
 $10(x+5y)(3x-2y)$ $2(x+5y)(5x-y)$ $-7(2x+y)(5x-y)$
- ④ $5(6x^2-xy-2y^2)$ $\frac{-12}{-4 \cdot 3}$
 $5(6x^2-4xy+3xy-2y^2)$
 $5(2x(3x-2y)+y(3x-2y))$
 $5(3x-2y)(2x+y)$

PRACTICE 23 - Multiplying and Dividing Rationals - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

1. Let $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 8x - 15}{45x^2 - 27x}$. State the domain of f .

$$x \neq 0, \frac{3}{5}$$

Simplify.

2. $\frac{16x^3 + 80x^2y - 9xy^2 - 45y^3}{80x^3y - 120x^2y^2 + 45xy^3}$

$$\frac{(x+5y)(4x+3y)}{5xy(4x-3y)}$$

3. $\frac{6x^2y}{6x^3y^2 + 3y^3} \div \frac{10x^5 - 40x^3y^2}{10x^5y^2 - 20x^4y^3 + 5x^2y^3 - 10xy^4}$

$$\frac{y}{x+2y}$$

$$4. \frac{x^2 + 8x - 20}{x^2 + 19x + 90} \cdot \frac{x^2 - 12x - 45}{x^2 - 17x + 30}$$

$$\frac{x+3}{x+9}$$

$$5. \frac{-3 + 3x + 3x^2 - 3x^3}{7x^2 - 14x + 7} \div \frac{-3x^2 - 6x - 3}{9x^2 + x - 8}$$

$$\frac{9x-8}{7}$$

$$6. \frac{20x^2 + 50xy - 120y^2}{20x^2 + 75xy - 20y^2} \cdot \frac{12y^2 + 12xy - 240x^2}{40x^2 - 52xy - 12y^2}$$

$$-6$$

EXAMPLES 24 - Add/Subtract with Like Denoms - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwotka

Simplify.

$$1. \frac{89x^3 + 73x}{200x^3 + 300x^2 - 2x - 3} + \frac{11x^3 - 74x}{200x^3 + 300x^2 - 2x - 3} = \frac{89x^3 + 73x + 11x^3 - 74x}{200x^3 + 300x^2 - 2x - 3} =$$

$$\frac{(89x^3 + 73x) + (11x^3 - 74x)}{200x^3 + 300x^2 - 2x - 3} =$$

$$\frac{x(100x^2 - 1)}{x(10x+1)(10x-1)} = \frac{x(10x+1)(10x-1)}{(2x+3)(10x+1)(10x-1)} =$$

$$\frac{100x^2(2x+3) - (2x+3)}{(2x+3)(100x^2-1)} = \frac{200x^3 + 300x^2 - 2x - 3}{(2x+3)(10x+1)(10x-1)} =$$

$$\frac{x}{2x+3}$$

$$2. \frac{10y^2 + 5xy - 2x^2}{x^2 + 18xy + 81y^2} - \frac{3x^2 + 40xy - 80y^2}{x^2 + 18xy + 81y^2} = \frac{10y^2 + 5xy - 2x^2 - (3x^2 + 40xy - 80y^2)}{x^2 + 18xy + 81y^2} =$$

$$\frac{10y^2 + 5xy - 2x^2 - 3x^2 - 40xy + 80y^2}{x^2 + 18xy + 81y^2} =$$

$$\frac{-5x^2 - 35xy + 90y^2}{x^2 + 18xy + 81y^2} = \frac{-5(x+9y)(x-2y)}{(x+9y)(x+9y)}$$

$$\frac{-5(x-2y)}{x+9y}$$

$$3. \frac{4x^2 - x - 13}{6x^2 - 11x - 10} + \frac{8 + 3x - 4x^2}{6x^2 - 11x - 10} = \frac{4x^2 - x - 13 + 8 + 3x - 4x^2}{6x^2 - 11x - 10} = \frac{2x - 5}{6x^2 - 11x - 10} =$$

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

$$4. \frac{x^3}{x^2y - xy^2} - \frac{x^2y - xy^2 + y^3}{x^2y - xy^2} = \frac{x^3 - x^2y + xy^2 - y^3}{x^2y - xy^2} = \frac{\textcircled{1} \overbrace{x^3 - x^2y + xy^2 - y^3}^{\textcircled{2}}}{x^2y - xy^2} =$$

$$\textcircled{1} \frac{x^2(x-y) + y^2(x-y)}{(x-y)(x^2+y^2)}$$

$$= \frac{(x-y)(x^2+y^2)}{xy(x-y)} = \boxed{\frac{x^2+y^2}{xy}}$$

$$\textcircled{2} xy(x-y)$$

$$5. \frac{17x^2 - 2x + 4}{5x - 4} + \frac{12x^2 + 7x}{4 - 5x} = \frac{17x^2 - 2x + 4}{5x - 4} - \frac{12x^2 + 7x}{5x - 4} = \frac{17x^2 - 2x + 4 - 12x^2 - 7x}{5x - 4} =$$

$$\textcircled{1} \frac{\overbrace{5x^2 - 4x - 5x + 4}^{\substack{20 \\ -4, -3}}}{x(5x-4) - 1(5x-4)} \\ (5x-4)(x-1)$$

$$= \frac{\textcircled{1} 5x^2 - 9x + 4}{5x - 4} = \frac{(5x-4)(x-1)}{5x-4} = \boxed{x-1}$$

$$6. \frac{6x^5y^3 - 5x^4y^4}{32x^5y^4 - 98x^3y^6} - \frac{2x^5y^3 - 9x^4y^4}{98x^3y^6 - 32x^5y^4} = \frac{6x^5y^3 - 5x^4y^4}{32x^5y^4 - 98x^3y^6} + \frac{2x^5y^3 - 9x^4y^4}{32x^5y^4 - 98x^3y^6} =$$

$$\textcircled{1} 2x^4y^3(4x-7y)$$

$$\textcircled{2} 2x^3y^4(16x^2-49y^2) \\ 2x^3y^4(4x+7y)(4x-7y)$$

$$= \frac{6x^5y^3 - 5x^4y^4 + 2x^5y^3 - 9x^4y^4}{32x^5y^4 - 98x^3y^6} = \frac{(6x^5y^3 - 5x^4y^4) + (2x^5y^3 - 9x^4y^4)}{32x^5y^4 - 98x^3y^6} =$$

$$= \frac{\textcircled{1} 8x^5y^3 - 14x^4y^4}{\textcircled{2} 32x^5y^4 - 98x^3y^6} = \frac{2x^4y^3(4x-7y)}{2x^3y^4(4x+7y)(4x-7y)}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{x}{y(4x+7y)}}$$

PRACTICE 24 - Add/Subtract with Like Denoms - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

$$1. \frac{17x^3 - 57x}{98x^3 + 49x^2 - 200x - 100} + \frac{32x^3 - 43x}{98x^3 + 49x^2 - 200x - 100} \quad \frac{x}{2x+1}$$

$$2. \frac{25y^2 + 8xy - x^2}{x^2 + 16xy + 64y^2} - \frac{4x^2 + 33xy - 95y^2}{x^2 + 16xy + 64y^2} \quad \frac{-5(x-3y)}{x+8y}$$

$$3. \frac{9x^2 - 17x - 21}{14x^2 + 3x - 5} + \frac{20 + 19x - 9x^2}{14x^2 + 3x - 5} \quad \frac{1}{7x+5}$$

$$4. \frac{x^7 + x^5y^2}{x^7y^2 - x^2y^5} - \frac{x^2y^3 + y^5}{x^7y^2 - x^2y^5}$$

$$\frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2y^2}$$

$$5. \frac{31x^2 + 2x}{9x - 2} + \frac{22x^2 - 5x + 2}{2 - 9x}$$

$$x+1$$

$$6. \frac{5x^9y^9 + 21x^8y^{10}}{72x^{11}y^8 - 50x^9y^{10}} - \frac{7x^9y^9 - 11x^8y^{10}}{50x^9y^{10} - 72x^{11}y^8}$$

$$\frac{y}{x(6x-5y)}$$

EXAMPLES 25 - Add/Subtract with Unlike Denoms - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

$$1. \frac{2}{xy^2} + \frac{1}{x^2y} = \frac{2x}{x \cdot xy^2} + \frac{1y}{x^2y \cdot y} = \frac{2x}{x^2y^2} + \frac{y}{x^2y^2} = \boxed{\frac{2x+y}{x^2y^2}}$$

$$2. \frac{4x}{(3x+5)} - \frac{4x}{(3x-5)} = \frac{4x(3x-5)}{(3x+5)(3x-5)} - \frac{4x(3x+5)}{(3x-5)(3x+5)} = \frac{12x^2 - 20x - 12x^2 - 20x}{(3x+5)(3x-5)} =$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-40x}{(3x+5)(3x-5)}}$$

$$3. \frac{(2x+3y)(2x-3y)}{(2x-3y)(2x+3y)} + \frac{(2x-3y)(2x-3y)}{(2x+3y)(2x-3y)} =$$

$$= \frac{4x^2 + 6xy + 6xy + 9y^2 + 4x^2 - 6xy - 6xy + 9y^2}{(2x-3y)(2x+3y)} = \frac{8x^2 + 18y^2}{(2x-3y)(2x+3y)} =$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{2(4x^2 + 9y^2)}{(2x-3y)(2x+3y)}}$$

① $2(4x^2 + 9y^2)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4. \frac{x+4}{x^2+8x} - \frac{x}{x^2-64} &= \frac{(x+4)}{x(x+8)} - \frac{x}{(x+8)(x-8)} = \frac{(x+4)(x-8)}{x(x+8)(x-8)} - \frac{x \cdot x}{x(x+8)(x-8)} = \\
 &= \frac{x^2-8x+4x-32-x^2}{x(x+8)(x-8)} = \frac{-4x-32}{x(x+8)(x-8)} = \frac{-4(x+8)}{x(x+8)(x-8)} \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{-4}{x(x-8)}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 5. \frac{-4x^2-11xy+8y^2}{25x^3-50x^2y-16xy^2+32y^3} + \frac{x+3y}{5x^2-6xy-8y^2} &= \frac{-4x^2-11xy+8y^2}{(x-2y)(5x+4y)(5x-4y)} + \frac{(x+3y)(5x-4y)}{(x-2y)(5x+4y)(5x-4y)} = \\
 \frac{25x^2(x-2y)-16y^2(x-2y)}{(x-2y)(25x^2-16y^2)} & \quad \frac{5x^2-10xy+4y^2-8y^2}{5x(x-2y)+4y(x-2y)} \quad \frac{-4y}{-10y} \\
 (x-2y)(5x+4y)(5x-4y) & \quad (x-2y)(5x+4y) \\
 &= \frac{-4x^2-11xy+8y^2+5x^2+4xy+15xy-12y^2}{(x-2y)(5x+4y)(5x-4y)} = \\
 &= \frac{-4x^2-11xy+8y^2+(x+3y)(5x-4y)}{(x-2y)(5x+4y)(5x-4y)} = \\
 \textcircled{1} (x+2y)(x-2y) & \quad \boxed{\frac{x+2y}{(5x+4y)(5x-4y)}} \\
 &= \frac{x^2-4y^2}{(x-2y)(5x+4y)(5x-4y)} = \frac{(x+2y)(x-2y)}{(x-2y)(5x+4y)(5x-4y)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 6. \frac{2x^2+11x+64}{x^2+3x-40} - \frac{x}{x+8} &= \frac{2x^2+11x+64}{(x+8)(x-5)} - \frac{x(x-5)}{(x+8)(x-5)} = \frac{2x^2+11x+64-x(x-5)}{(x+8)(x-5)} = \\
 &= \frac{2x^2+11x+64-x^2+5x}{(x+8)(x-5)} = \frac{x^2+16x+64}{(x+8)(x-5)} = \frac{(x+8)(x+8)}{(x+8)(x-5)} = \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{x+8}{x-5}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{1} (x+8)(x+8)$$

PRACTICE 25 - Add/Subtract with Unlike Denoms - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

1. $\frac{3}{xy^3} + \frac{2}{x^2y^2}$

$$\frac{3x+2y}{x^2y^3}$$

2. $\frac{10x}{8x-3} - \frac{10x}{8x+3}$

$$\frac{60x}{(8x-3)(8x+3)}$$

3. $\frac{9x-y}{9x+y} + \frac{9x+y}{9x-y}$

$$\frac{2(81x^2+y^2)}{(9x+y)(9x-y)}$$

$$4. \frac{x+6}{x^2+12x} - \frac{x}{x^2-144}$$

$$\frac{-6}{x-12}$$

$$5. \frac{-15x^2+7xy+6y^2}{27x^3-9x^2y-75xy^2+25y^3} + \frac{2x+y}{9x^2+12xy-5y^2}$$

$$\frac{-(3x+y)}{(3x+5y)(3x-5y)}$$

$$6. \frac{2x^2-7x+36}{x^2-x-30} - \frac{x}{x-6}$$

$$\frac{x-6}{x+5}$$

EXAMPLES 26 - Simplifying Complex Fractions - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

$$1. \frac{\left(8 - \frac{6}{x}\right) \cdot x}{\left(12 - \frac{9}{x}\right) \cdot x} = \frac{8x - 6}{12x - 9} = \frac{2(4x - 3)}{3(4x - 3)} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$2. \frac{\left(\frac{3}{xy^2} + \frac{2}{x^2y}\right) \cdot x^2y^2}{\left(\frac{9}{y^2} - \frac{4}{x^2}\right) \cdot x^2y^2} = \frac{3x + 2y}{9x^2 - 4y^2} = \frac{3x + 2y}{(3x + 2y)(3x - 2y)} = \boxed{\frac{1}{3x - 2y}}$$

$$3. \frac{\left(2 - \frac{3}{x} - \frac{20}{x^2}\right) \cdot x^2}{\left(3 - \frac{13}{x} + \frac{4}{x^2}\right) \cdot x^2} = \frac{\textcircled{1} 2x^2 - 3x - 20}{\textcircled{2} 3x^2 - 13x + 4} = \frac{(x-4)(2x+5)}{(x-4)(3x-1)} = \boxed{\frac{2x+5}{3x-1}}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \begin{array}{l} \underline{2x^2 - 8x + 5x - 20} \quad \begin{array}{l} -40 \\ -8, 5 \end{array} \\ 2x(x-4) + 5(x-4) \\ (x-4)(2x+5) \end{array}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \begin{array}{l} \underline{3x^2 - 12x - 1x + 4} \quad \begin{array}{l} 12 \\ -12, -1 \end{array} \\ 3x(x-4) - 1(x-4) \\ (x-4)(3x-1) \end{array}$$

$$4. \left(\frac{\frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{3}{xy} - \frac{4}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{5}{xy} + \frac{4}{x^2}} \right) \cdot \frac{x^2 y^2}{x^2 y^2} = \frac{x^2 + 3xy - 4y^2}{x^2 + 5xy + 4y^2} = \frac{(x+4y)(x-y)}{(x+4y)(x+y)} = \boxed{\frac{x-y}{x+y}}$$

$$5. \left(\frac{\frac{20}{x^2} + \frac{45}{x^4}}{\frac{16}{x^2} - \frac{81}{x^6}} \right) \cdot \frac{x^6}{x^6} = \frac{\textcircled{1} 20x^4 + 45x^2}{\textcircled{2} (6x^4 - 81)} = \frac{5x^2(4x^2+9)}{(4x^2+9)(2x+3)(2x-3)} = \boxed{\frac{5x^2}{(2x+3)(2x-3)}}$$

$$\textcircled{1} 5x^2(4x^2+9)$$

$$\textcircled{2} (4x^2+9)(4x^2-9) \\ (4x^2+9)(2x+3)(2x-3)$$

$$6. \left(\frac{\frac{1}{y^3} + \frac{1}{xy^2} - \frac{1}{x^2y} - \frac{1}{x^3}}{\frac{1}{y^3} + \frac{1}{xy^2} + \frac{1}{x^2y} + \frac{1}{x^3}} \right) \cdot \frac{x^3 y^3}{x^3 y^3} = \frac{\textcircled{1} x^3 + x^2y - xy^2 - y^3}{\textcircled{2} x^3 + x^2y + xy^2 + y^3} = \frac{(x+y)(x+y)(x-y)}{(x+y)(x^2+y^2)} \\ = \boxed{\frac{(x+y)(x-y)}{x^2+y^2}}$$

$$\textcircled{1} x^2(x+y) - y^2(x+y) \\ (x+y)(x^2-y^2) \\ (x+y)(x+y)(x-y)$$

$$\textcircled{2} x^2(x+y) + y^2(x+y) \\ (x+y)(x^2+y^2)$$

PRACTICE 26 - Simplifying Complex Fractions - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify.

1.
$$\frac{15 - \frac{20}{x}}{6 - \frac{8}{x}}$$

$$\frac{5}{2}$$

2.
$$\frac{\frac{7}{x^4y^4} + \frac{9}{x^5y^3}}{\frac{49}{x^3y^4} - \frac{81}{x^5y^2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{7x-9y}$$

3.
$$\frac{6 + \frac{29}{x} - \frac{5}{x^2}}{5 + \frac{27}{x} + \frac{10}{x^2}}$$

$$\frac{6x-1}{5x+2}$$

$$4. \frac{\frac{1}{y^2} - \frac{7}{xy} - \frac{8}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{y^2} - \frac{9}{xy} + \frac{8}{x^2}}$$

$$\frac{x+y}{x-y}$$

$$5. \frac{\frac{54}{x^4} + \frac{24}{x^6}}{\frac{81}{x^6} - \frac{16}{x^{10}}}$$

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

$$6. \frac{\frac{1}{xy^7} - \frac{1}{x^2y^6} - \frac{1}{x^5y^3} + \frac{1}{x^6y^2}}{\frac{1}{x^3y^7} + \frac{1}{x^4y^6} + \frac{1}{x^5y^5} + \frac{1}{x^6y^4}}$$

$$(x-y)^2$$

EXAMPLES 27 - Solving Rational Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve.

1. $\frac{x+6}{2x+3} \times \frac{2x-3}{x}$ $(x \neq -\frac{3}{2}, 0)$

$$x(x+6) = (2x-3)(2x+3)$$

$$x^2 + 6x = 4x^2 + 6x - 6x - 9$$

$$x^2 + 6x = 4x^2 - 9$$

$$0 = 3x^2 - 6x - 9$$

$$0 = 3(x^2 - 2x - 3)$$

$$0 = \underset{=0}{3}(\underset{=0}{x-3})(\underset{=0}{x+1})$$

$$\boxed{x = 3, -1}$$

2. $\frac{\overset{(x+4)}{7 - \frac{3x}{x+4}}}{\frac{(2-9x)}{x+4}}$ $(x \neq -4)$

$$7(x+4) - 3x = (2-9x)(x+4)$$

$$7x + 28 - 3x = 2 - 9x$$

$$4x + 28 = 2 - 9x$$

$$\frac{13x}{13} = \frac{-26}{13}$$

$$\boxed{x = -2}$$

$\frac{\overset{(3x-2)(4x+3)}{5x+3}}{\overset{(3x-2)(4x+3)}{\frac{10x^2+23x+18}{12x^2+x-6} - \frac{2x}{4x+3}}}$ $(x \neq \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{3}{4})$

$$(5x+3)(4x+3) = (10x^2 + 23x + 18) - 2x(3x-2)$$

$$20x^2 + 15x + 12x + 9 = 10x^2 + 23x + 18 - 6x^2 + 4x$$

$$20x^2 + 27x + 9 = 4x^2 + 27x + 18$$

$$16x^2 - 9 = 0$$

$$(4x+3)(4x-3) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}}$$

$$4. \left(\frac{5x}{x+7} - 3 \right) = \frac{-28x-57}{(x+7)(x+2)} \quad (x+7)(x+2)$$

$$(x \neq -7, -2)$$

$$5x(x+2) - 3(x+7)(x+2) = (-28x-57)$$

$$5x(x+2) - 3(x^2+9x+14) = -28x-57$$

$$5x^2+10x-3x^2-27x-42 = -28x-57$$

$$2x^2-17x-42 = -28x-57$$

$$2x^2+11x+15=0 \quad \frac{30}{5,6}$$

$$\underline{2x^2+5x+6x+15=0}$$

$$x(2x+5) + 3(2x+5) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow (2x+5)(x+3) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{5}{2}, -3}$$

$$5. \left(\frac{25x^3+8x^2-25x+3}{100x^3-25x^2+64x-16} \right) = \left(\frac{x-3}{25x^2+16} + \frac{x}{4x-1} \right) \quad (25x^2+16)(4x-1)$$

$$(x \neq \frac{1}{4})$$

$$(25x^3+8x^2-25x+3) = (x-3)(4x-1) + x(25x^2+16)$$

$$25x^3+8x^2-25x+3 = 4x^2-x-12x+3 + 25x^3+16x$$

$$\underline{25x^3+8x^2-25x+3 = 25x^3+4x^2+3x+3}$$

$$4x^2-28x=0$$

$$4x(x-7)=0$$

$$\boxed{x=0, 7}$$

$$6. \left(\frac{3x+2}{3x+5} \right) = \left(\frac{9x}{3x-5} - 2 \right) \quad (3x+5)(3x-5)$$

$$(x \neq -\frac{5}{3}, \frac{5}{3})$$

$$(3x+2)(3x-5) = 9x(3x+5) - 2(3x+5)(3x-5)$$

$$(3x+2)(3x-5) = 9x(3x+5) - 2(9x^2-25)$$

$$9x^2-15x+6x-10 = 27x^2+45x-18x^2+50$$

$$\underline{9x^2-9x-10 = 9x^2+45x+50}$$

$$-54x = 60$$

$$-54 \quad -54$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{10}{9}}$$

PRACTICE 27 - Solving Rational Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve.

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

$x = \frac{1}{2}, -1$

2. $8 - \frac{5x}{x+9} = \frac{2-11x}{x+9}$

$x = -5$

3. $\frac{4x-3}{7x+2} = \frac{17x^2-30x+40}{56x^2-19x-10} - \frac{7x}{8x-5}$

$x = -\frac{5}{8}$

$$4. \frac{8x}{x+6} - 5 = \frac{-35x - 114}{x^2 + 10x + 24}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$5. \frac{48x^3 + 17x^2 + 195x + 1}{32x^3 - 16x^2 + 162x - 81} = \frac{x-1}{16x^2 + 81} + \frac{3x}{2x-1}$$

$$x = 0, 3$$

$$6. \frac{4x+3}{4x+7} = \frac{8x}{4x-7} - 1$$

$$x = -\frac{35}{36}$$

CHAPTER VI

RADICAL EXPRESSIONS AND EQUATIONS

EXAMPLES 28 - Simplifying Perfect-Power Radicals - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

$$1. \sqrt{196x^{26}} = \boxed{14x^{13}}$$

$$2. \sqrt[3]{64x^{30}} = \boxed{4x^{10}}$$

$$3. \sqrt[4]{81x^{20}} = \boxed{3x^5}$$

$$4. -\sqrt{225x^{48}} = \boxed{-15x^{24}}$$

$$5. \sqrt[3]{-125x^{57}} = \boxed{-5x^{19}}$$

$$6. \sqrt[4]{-256x^{36}} : \boxed{\text{DNE in real numbers}}$$

PRACTICE 28 - Simplifying Perfect-Power Radicals - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

1. $\sqrt{225x^{52}}$

$15x^{26}$

2. $\sqrt[3]{125x^{42}}$

$5x^{14}$

3. $\sqrt[4]{256x^{140}}$

$4x^{35}$

$$4. -\sqrt{196x^{94}}$$

$$-14x^{47}$$

$$5. \sqrt[3]{-64x^{159}}$$

$$-4x^{53}$$

$$6. \sqrt[4]{-81x^{244}}$$

DNE in
real numbers

EXAMPLES 29 - Simplifying Non-Perfect Radicals - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

1. $\sqrt{-80x^{21}}$: $\boxed{\text{DNE in real numbers}}$

2. $\sqrt[3]{81x^{55}} = \sqrt[3]{27x^{54}} \sqrt[3]{3x}$
 $= \boxed{3x^{18} \sqrt[3]{3x}}$

3. $\sqrt[4]{32x^{90}} = \sqrt[4]{16x^{88}} \sqrt[4]{2x^2}$
 $= \boxed{2x^{22} \sqrt[4]{2x^2}}$

$$\begin{aligned} 4. \sqrt{63x^{25}} &= \sqrt{9x^{24}} \sqrt{7x} \\ &= \boxed{3x^{12} \sqrt{7x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 5. -\sqrt[3]{-40x^{53}} &= -\sqrt[3]{-8x^{51}} \sqrt[3]{5x^2} \\ &= -(-2x^{17}) \sqrt[3]{5x^2} \\ &= \boxed{2x^{17} \sqrt[3]{5x^2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 6. -\sqrt[4]{625x^{75}} &= -\sqrt[4]{625x^{72}} \sqrt[4]{x^3} \\ &= \boxed{-5x^{18} \sqrt[4]{x^3}} \end{aligned}$$

PRACTICE 29 - Simplifying Non-Perfect Radicals - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

1. $\sqrt{-63x^{59}}$

DNE in
real numbers

2. $\sqrt[3]{40x^{74}}$

$$2x^{24} \sqrt[3]{5x^2}$$

3. $\sqrt[4]{625x^{107}}$

$$5x^{26} \sqrt[4]{x^3}$$

$$4. \sqrt{96x^{81}}$$

$$4x^{40}\sqrt{6x}$$

$$5. -\sqrt[3]{-81x^{94}}$$

$$3x^{31}\sqrt[3]{3x}$$

$$6. -\sqrt[4]{32x^{70}}$$

$$-2x^{17}\sqrt[4]{2x^2}$$

EXAMPLES 30 - Adding and Subtracting Radicals - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

$$\begin{aligned} 1. & -7\sqrt{360} + 5\sqrt{40} - 3\sqrt{490} \\ & = -7\sqrt{36}\sqrt{10} + 5\sqrt{4}\sqrt{10} - 3\sqrt{49}\sqrt{10} \\ & = -7(6)\sqrt{10} + 5(2)\sqrt{10} - 3(7)\sqrt{10} \\ & = -42\sqrt{10} + 10\sqrt{10} - 21\sqrt{10} \\ & = \boxed{-53\sqrt{10}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. & 3\sqrt[3]{16} - \sqrt[3]{128} + 4\sqrt[3]{54} \\ & = 3\sqrt[3]{8}\sqrt[3]{2} - \sqrt[3]{64}\sqrt[3]{2} + 4\sqrt[3]{27}\sqrt[3]{2} \\ & = 3(2)\sqrt[3]{2} - 4\sqrt[3]{2} + 4(3)\sqrt[3]{2} \\ & = 6\sqrt[3]{2} - 4\sqrt[3]{2} + 12\sqrt[3]{2} \\ & = \boxed{14\sqrt[3]{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3. & x\sqrt{54x^3} + 2\sqrt{24x^5} \\ & = x\sqrt{9x^2}\sqrt{6x} + 2\sqrt{4x^4}\sqrt{6x} \\ & = x(3x)\sqrt{6x} + 2(2x^2)\sqrt{6x} \\ & = 3x^2\sqrt{6x} + 4x^2\sqrt{6x} \\ & = \boxed{7x^2\sqrt{6x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
4. \quad & \sqrt[3]{-4x^{11}} - x\sqrt[3]{500x^8} \\
&= \sqrt[3]{-x^9} \sqrt[3]{4x^2} - x \sqrt[3]{125x^6} \sqrt[3]{4x^2} \\
&= -x^3 \sqrt[3]{4x^2} - x(5x^2) \sqrt[3]{4x^2} \\
&= -x^3 \sqrt[3]{4x^2} - 5x^3 \sqrt[3]{4x^2} \\
&= \boxed{-6x^3 \sqrt[3]{4x^2}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
5. \quad & 3\sqrt{75x^9} - 11x^4\sqrt{12x} + x\sqrt{48x^7} \\
&= 3\sqrt{25x^8} \sqrt{3x} - 11x^4 \sqrt{4} \sqrt{3x} + x \sqrt{16x^6} \sqrt{3x} \\
&= 3(5x^4) \sqrt{3x} - 11x^4 (2) \sqrt{3x} + x(4x^3) \sqrt{3x} \\
&= 15x^4 \sqrt{3x} - 22x^4 \sqrt{3x} + 4x^4 \sqrt{3x} \\
&= \boxed{-3x^4 \sqrt{3x}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
6. \quad & 5\sqrt[3]{216x^7} - 3x\sqrt[3]{-8x^3} + 2x^2\sqrt[3]{64x} \\
&= 5\sqrt[3]{216x^6} \sqrt[3]{x} - 3x \sqrt[3]{-8x^3} \sqrt[3]{x} + 2x^2 \sqrt[3]{64} \sqrt[3]{x} \\
&= 5(6x^2) \sqrt[3]{x} - 3x(-2x) \sqrt[3]{x} + 2x^2(4) \sqrt[3]{x} \\
&= 30x^2 \sqrt[3]{x} + 6x^2 \sqrt[3]{x} + 8x^2 \sqrt[3]{x} \\
&= \boxed{44x^2 \sqrt[3]{x}}
\end{aligned}$$

PRACTICE 30 - Adding and Subtracting Radicals - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Simplify. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

1. $-9\sqrt{600} + 4\sqrt{150} - 5\sqrt{486}$

$-115\sqrt{6}$

2. $3\sqrt[3]{256} - \sqrt[3]{108} + 2\sqrt[3]{32}$

$13\sqrt[3]{4}$

3. $2\sqrt{48x^9} + x^2\sqrt{363x^5}$

$19x^4\sqrt{3x}$

$$4. \sqrt[3]{-2x^{17}} - x\sqrt[3]{250x^{14}}$$

$$-6x^5 \sqrt[3]{2x^2}$$

$$5. 15\sqrt{490x^7} - 10x^3\sqrt{1960x} + x\sqrt{2250x^5}$$

$$-20x^3 \sqrt{10x}$$

$$6. 5\sqrt[3]{27x^7} - x\sqrt[3]{-216x^4} + 4x^2\sqrt[3]{-x}$$

$$17x^2 \sqrt[3]{x}$$

EXAMPLES 31 - Multiplying Radical Expressions - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Multiply. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \sqrt{6x^9}\sqrt{8x^{12}} &= \sqrt{48x^{21}} \\ &= \sqrt{16x^{20}}\sqrt{3x} \\ &= \boxed{4x^{10}\sqrt{3x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \sqrt[3]{20x^{14}}\sqrt[3]{4x^{21}} &= \sqrt[3]{80x^{35}} \\ &= \sqrt[3]{8x^{33}}\sqrt[3]{10x^2} \\ &= \boxed{2x^{11}\sqrt[3]{10x^2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3. 5x^3\sqrt{2x^7}(3x^4\sqrt{6x^3} - 2x\sqrt{8x^6}) &= 15x^7\sqrt{12x^{10}} - 10x^4\sqrt{16x^{13}} \\ &= 15x^7\sqrt{4x^{10}}\sqrt{3} - 10x^4\sqrt{16x^{12}}\sqrt{x} \\ &= 15x^7(2x^5)\sqrt{3} - 10x^4(4x^6)\sqrt{x} \\ &= \boxed{30x^{12}\sqrt{3} - 40x^{10}\sqrt{x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
4. \quad -2x\sqrt[3]{4x^2} (7x^3\sqrt[3]{4x^2} + 8x^5\sqrt[3]{5x}) &= -14x^4\sqrt[3]{16x^4} - 16x^6\sqrt[3]{20x^3} \\
&= -14x^4\sqrt[3]{8x^3}\sqrt[3]{2x} - 16x^6\sqrt[3]{x^3}\sqrt[3]{20} \\
&= -14x^4(2x)\sqrt[3]{2x} - 16x^6(x)\sqrt[3]{20} \\
&= \boxed{-28x^5\sqrt[3]{2x} - 16x^7\sqrt[3]{20}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
5. \quad (8\sqrt{x} - 9)(7\sqrt{x} - 10) &= 56\sqrt{x^2} - 80\sqrt{x} - 63\sqrt{x} + 90 \\
&= \boxed{56x - 143\sqrt{x} + 90}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
6. \quad (5\sqrt{x} + 13)(5\sqrt{x} - 13) &= 25\sqrt{x^2} - 65\sqrt{x} + 65\sqrt{x} - 169 \\
&= \boxed{25x - 169}
\end{aligned}$$

PRACTICE 31 - Multiplying Radical Expressions - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Multiply. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

1. $\sqrt{8x^{17}}\sqrt{12x^{84}}$

$$4x^{50}\sqrt{6x}$$

2. $\sqrt[3]{4x^{25}}\sqrt[3]{10x^{31}}$

$$2x^{18}\sqrt[3]{6x^2}$$

3. $3x^5\sqrt{7x^9}(4x^3\sqrt{8x^7} - 9x\sqrt{7x^2})$

$$24x^{16}\sqrt{14} - 189x^{11}\sqrt{x}$$

$$4. -4x\sqrt[3]{2x^4} (5x^2\sqrt[3]{2x^4} + 3x^3\sqrt[3]{9x^2})$$

$$-20x^5\sqrt[3]{4x^2} - 12x^6\sqrt[3]{18}$$

$$5. (9\sqrt{x} - 8)(10\sqrt{x} - 7)$$

$$90x - 143\sqrt{x} + 56$$

$$6. (15\sqrt{x} + 8)(15\sqrt{x} - 8)$$

$$225x - 64$$

EXAMPLES 32 - Rationalizing Radical Expressions - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Rationalize the denominator. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

$$1. \sqrt{\frac{25}{30}} = \sqrt{\frac{5}{6}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{6}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{\sqrt{30}}{\sqrt{36}} = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}}$$

$$2. \frac{6x^2}{\sqrt[3]{9x}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{3x^2}}{\sqrt[3]{3x^2}} = \frac{6x^2 \sqrt[3]{3x^2}}{\sqrt[3]{27x^3}} = \frac{\overset{2}{6}x^{\overset{2}{2}} \sqrt[3]{3x^2}}{\cancel{3}x} = \boxed{2x \sqrt[3]{3x^2}}$$

$$3. \frac{20x}{\sqrt{5x^3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{5x}}{\sqrt{5x}} = \frac{20x\sqrt{5x}}{\sqrt{25x^4}} = \frac{\overset{4}{\cancel{20}}x\sqrt{5x}}{\cancel{5}x^2} = \boxed{\frac{4\sqrt{5x}}{x}}$$

Rationalize the numerator. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

$$4. \sqrt[3]{\frac{32}{40}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{4}}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{2}}{\sqrt[3]{2}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{8}}{\sqrt[3]{10}} = \boxed{\frac{2}{\sqrt[3]{10}}}$$

$$5. \frac{\sqrt{54x^6}}{\sqrt{16x^5}} = \frac{\sqrt{27x}}{\sqrt{8}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3x}}{\sqrt{3x}} = \frac{\sqrt{81x^2}}{\sqrt{24x}} = \frac{9x}{\sqrt{24x}} = \frac{9x}{\sqrt{4}\sqrt{6x}} = \boxed{\frac{9x}{2\sqrt{6x}}}$$

$$6. \frac{\sqrt[3]{45x^{10}}}{\sqrt[3]{72x^8}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{5x^2}}{\sqrt[3]{8}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{5x^2}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{25x}}{\sqrt[3]{25x}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{125x^3}}{2\sqrt[3]{25x}} = \boxed{\frac{5x}{2\sqrt[3]{25x}}}$$

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Rationalize the denominator. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

1. $\sqrt{\frac{30}{35}}$

$$\frac{\sqrt{42}}{7}$$

2. $\frac{15x^2}{\sqrt[3]{5x}}$

$$3x \sqrt[3]{25x^2}$$

3. $\frac{21x^3}{\sqrt{3x^7}}$

$$\frac{7\sqrt{3x}}{x}$$

Rationalize the numerator. Assume all variables are nonnegative.

4. $\sqrt[3]{\frac{180}{25}}$

$$\frac{6}{\sqrt[3]{30}}$$

5. $\frac{\sqrt{24x^9}}{\sqrt{135x^8}}$

$$\frac{4x}{3\sqrt{10x}}$$

6. $\frac{\sqrt[3]{18x^{15}}}{\sqrt[3]{250x^{13}}}$

$$\frac{3x}{5\sqrt[3]{3x}}$$

EXAMPLES 33 - Solving Radical Equations - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad \sqrt{3x-5} &= 2 \\
 (\sqrt{3x-5})^2 &= 2^2 \\
 3x-5 &= 4 \\
 \frac{3x}{3} &= \frac{9}{3} \\
 \boxed{x=3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Check: } \sqrt{3(3)-5} &\stackrel{?}{=} 2 \\
 \sqrt{9-5} &\stackrel{?}{=} 2 \\
 \sqrt{4} &\stackrel{?}{=} 2 \\
 2 &= 2 \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2. \quad \sqrt[3]{\frac{3}{4}x+29} &= 3 \\
 \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{3}{4}x+29}\right)^3 &= 3^3 \\
 \frac{3}{4}x+29 &= 27 \\
 \frac{3}{4}x &= -2 \\
 \frac{3x}{3} &= \frac{-8}{3} \\
 \boxed{x = -\frac{8}{3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3. \quad \sqrt[4]{7x-6} &= -1 \\
 (\sqrt[4]{7x-6})^4 &= (-1)^4 \\
 7x-6 &= 1 \\
 \cancel{\frac{7x}{7}} &= \frac{7}{7} \\
 \cancel{x} &= 1 \\
 \boxed{\text{No solution}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Check: } \sqrt[4]{7(1)-6} &\stackrel{?}{=} -1 \\
 \sqrt[4]{7-6} &\stackrel{?}{=} -1 \\
 \sqrt[4]{1} &\stackrel{?}{=} -1 \\
 1 &= -1 \quad \times
 \end{aligned}$$

$$4. \sqrt{2x^2 + 13x + 45} = 5$$

$$(\sqrt{2x^2 + 13x + 45})^2 = 5^2$$

$$2x^2 + 13x + 45 = 25 \quad \frac{40}{8,5}$$

$$2x^2 + 13x + 20 = 0$$

$$\underline{2x^2 + 8x + 5x + 20 = 0}$$

$$2x(x+4) + 5(x+4) = 0$$

$$(x+4)(2x+5) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = -4, -\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$\text{Check } x = -4$$

$$\sqrt{2(-4)^2 + 13(-4) + 45} \stackrel{?}{=} 5$$

$$\sqrt{2(16) + 13(-4) + 45} \stackrel{?}{=} 5$$

$$\sqrt{32 - 52 + 45} \stackrel{?}{=} 5$$

$$\sqrt{25} \stackrel{?}{=} 5$$

$$5 = 5 \checkmark$$

$$\text{Check } x = -\frac{5}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{2(-\frac{5}{2})^2 + 13(-\frac{5}{2}) + 45} \stackrel{?}{=} 5$$

$$\sqrt{2(\frac{25}{4}) + 13(-\frac{5}{2}) + 45} \stackrel{?}{=} 5$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{25}{2} - \frac{65}{2} + 45} \stackrel{?}{=} 5$$

$$\sqrt{-\frac{40}{2} + 45} \stackrel{?}{=} 5$$

$$\sqrt{-20 + 45} \stackrel{?}{=} 5$$

$$\sqrt{25} \stackrel{?}{=} 5$$

$$5 = 5 \checkmark$$

$$5. \sqrt[3]{25x^2 - 80} = -4$$

$$(\sqrt[3]{25x^2 - 80})^3 = (-4)^3$$

$$25x^2 - 80 = -64$$

$$25x^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$(5x+4)(5x-4) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{4}{5}, \frac{4}{5}}$$

$$6. \sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{12}x^2 - \frac{5}{6}x + 18} = 2$$

$$\left(\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{12}x^2 - \frac{5}{6}x + 18}\right)^4 = (2)^4$$

$$\sqrt[12]{\frac{1}{12}x^2 - \frac{5}{6}x + 18} = (16)^{\frac{1}{12}}$$

$$x^2 - 10x + 216 = 192$$

$$x^2 - 10x + 24 = 0$$

$$(x-4)(x-6) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = 4, 6}$$

$$\text{Check } x = 4$$

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{12}(4)^2 - \frac{5}{6}(4) + 18} \stackrel{?}{=} 2$$

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{12}(16) - \frac{5}{6}(4) + 18} \stackrel{?}{=} 2$$

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{4}{3} - \frac{10}{3} + 18} \stackrel{?}{=} 2$$

$$\sqrt[4]{-6\frac{2}{3} + 18} \stackrel{?}{=} 2$$

$$\sqrt[4]{-2 + 18} \stackrel{?}{=} 2$$

$$\sqrt[4]{16} \stackrel{?}{=} 2$$

$$2 = 2 \checkmark$$

$$\text{Check } x = 6$$

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{12}(6)^2 - \frac{5}{6}(6) + 18} = 2$$

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{12}(36) - \frac{5}{6}(6) + 18} \stackrel{?}{=} 2$$

$$\sqrt[4]{3 - 5 + 18} \stackrel{?}{=} 2$$

$$\sqrt[4]{16} \stackrel{?}{=} 2$$

$$2 = 2 \checkmark$$

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Solve.

1. $\sqrt{1 - 18x} = 3$

$$x = -\frac{4}{9}$$

2. $\sqrt[3]{\frac{8}{5}x - 129} = -5$

$$x = \frac{5}{2}$$

3. $\sqrt[4]{3x + 1} = -2$

No solution

$$4. \sqrt{2x^2 + 13x + 24} = 3$$

$$x = -\frac{3}{2}, -5$$

$$5. \sqrt[3]{64x^2 - 225} = -6$$

$$x = -\frac{3}{8}, \frac{3}{8}$$

$$6. \sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{16}x^2 - \frac{5}{8}x + 2} = 1$$

$$x = 2, 8$$

EXAMPLES 34 - Solving by Square Root Property - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve by the square root property.

$$1. \sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{4}(2x+1)^2 + 5} = \sqrt[4]{20}$$

$$(2x+1)^2 + 20 = 80$$

$$(2x+1)^2 = 60$$

$$\sqrt{(2x+1)^2} = \pm\sqrt{60}$$

$$2x+1 = \pm 2\sqrt{15}$$

$$\cancel{2}x = \frac{-1 \pm 2\sqrt{15}}{\cancel{2}}$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{-1 \pm 2\sqrt{15}}{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{60} &= \sqrt{4} \sqrt{15} \\ &= 2\sqrt{15}\end{aligned}$$

$$2. 4(7x-5)^2 - 187 = 101$$

$$\frac{4(7x-5)^2}{\cancel{4}} = \frac{288}{\cancel{4}}$$

$$(7x-5)^2 = 72$$

$$\sqrt{(7x-5)^2} = \pm\sqrt{72}$$

$$7x-5 = \pm 6\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{7}x}{\cancel{7}} = \frac{5 \pm 6\sqrt{2}}{\cancel{7}} \Rightarrow \boxed{x = \frac{5 \pm 6\sqrt{2}}{7}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{72} &= \sqrt{36} \sqrt{2} \\ &= 6\sqrt{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$3. \sqrt[6]{\frac{5}{6}(3x+4)^2 - 1} = \sqrt[6]{\frac{3}{2}}$$

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

$$\frac{5(3x+4)^2}{\cancel{5}} = \frac{15}{\cancel{5}}$$

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

$$\sqrt{(3x+4)^2} = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

$$3x+4 = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{3}x}{\cancel{3}} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{3}}{\cancel{3}} \Rightarrow \boxed{x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{3}}{3}}$$

$$4. 2(5x-1)^2 + 9 = 117$$

$$\frac{2(5x-1)^2}{2} = \frac{108}{2}$$

$$(5x-1)^2 = 54$$

$$\sqrt{(5x-1)^2} = \pm\sqrt{54}$$

$$5x-1 = \pm 3\sqrt{6}$$

$$\frac{5x}{5} = \frac{1 \pm 3\sqrt{6}}{5}$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{1 \pm 3\sqrt{6}}{5}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{54} &= \sqrt{9}\sqrt{6} \\ &= 3\sqrt{6}\end{aligned}$$

$$5. \sqrt[3]{\frac{7}{3}(4x+9)^2 - 150} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{100}{3}}$$

$$7(4x+9)^2 - 450 = -100$$

$$\frac{7(4x+9)^2}{7} = \frac{350}{7}$$

$$(4x+9)^2 = 50$$

$$\sqrt{(4x+9)^2} = \pm\sqrt{50}$$

$$4x+9 = \pm 5\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{4x}{4} = \frac{-9 \pm 5\sqrt{2}}{4} \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{-9 \pm 5\sqrt{2}}{4}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{50} &= \sqrt{25}\sqrt{2} \\ &= 5\sqrt{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$6. -3(6x-7)^2 + 125 = -10$$

$$\frac{-3(6x-7)^2}{-3} = \frac{-135}{-3}$$

$$(6x-7)^2 = 45$$

$$\sqrt{(6x-7)^2} = \pm\sqrt{45}$$

$$6x-7 = \pm 3\sqrt{5}$$

$$\frac{6x}{6} = \frac{7 \pm 3\sqrt{5}}{6}$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{7 \pm 3\sqrt{5}}{6}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{45} &= \sqrt{9}\sqrt{5} \\ &= 3\sqrt{5}\end{aligned}$$

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Solve by the square root property.

1. $\frac{1}{5}(7x + 2)^2 + 1 = 10$

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm 3\sqrt{5}}{7}$$

2. $9(3x - 8)^2 - 271 = 179$

$$x = \frac{8 \pm 5\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

3. $\frac{5}{6}(9x + 1)^2 - \frac{10}{3} = \frac{5}{2}$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{7}}{9}$$

$$4. 7(4x - 3)^2 + 15 = 435$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm 2\sqrt{15}}{4}$$

$$5. \frac{9}{4}(2x + 5)^2 - 55 = -\frac{29}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm 3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$6. -4(8x - 7)^2 + 211 = -5$$

$$x = \frac{7 \pm 3\sqrt{6}}{8}$$

EXAMPLES 35 - Solving by Quadratic Formula - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve by the Quadratic Formula.

1. $3x^2 + 3x - 1 = 0$

$a=3$ $b=3$ $c=-1$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{3^2 - 4(3)(-1)}}{2(3)} = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{21}}{6}$$

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

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

$3x^2 = 4 + 2x$

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

$a=3$ $b=-2$ $c=-4$

$$x = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(3)(-4)}}{2(3)} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{52}}{6} = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{13}}{6} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{13}}{3}$$

$(2x+7)(2x+7)$

3. $(2x + 7)^2 - 30x = 2x(x - 5) + 44$

$4x^2 + 14x + 14x + 49 - 30x = 2x^2 - 10x + 44$

$4x^2 - 2x + 49 = 2x^2 - 10x + 44$

$2x^2 + 8x + 5 = 0$

$a=2$ $b=8$ $c=5$

$$x = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{8^2 - 4(2)(5)}}{2(2)} = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{24}}{4} = \frac{-8 \pm 2\sqrt{6}}{4} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{6}}{2}$$

$$4. 4x^2 - 6x + 1 = 0$$

$$a = 4 \quad b = -6 \quad c = 1$$

$$x = \frac{-(-6) \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4(4)(1)}}{2(4)} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{20}}{8} = \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{5}}{8} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{4}$$

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

$$5. \left(\frac{1}{4}x^2 + \frac{1}{10}x\right) = \left(\frac{1}{100}\right)$$

$$25x^2 + 10x = 1$$

$$25x^2 + 10x - 1 = 0$$

$$a = 25 \quad b = 10 \quad c = -1$$

$$x = \frac{-10 \pm \sqrt{10^2 - 4(25)(-1)}}{2(25)} = \frac{-10 \pm \sqrt{200}}{50} = \frac{-10 \pm 10\sqrt{2}}{50} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{2}}{5}$$

$$6. (4x - 5)(2x + 3) - 16x = 7x(x - 1) - 23$$

$$8x^2 + 12x - 10x - 15 - 16x = 7x^2 - 7x - 23$$

$$8x^2 - 14x - 15 = 7x^2 - 7x - 23$$

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

$$a = 1 \quad b = -7 \quad c = 8$$

$$x = \frac{-(-7) \pm \sqrt{(-7)^2 - 4(1)(8)}}{2(1)} = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}$$

PRACTICE 35 - Solving by Quadratic Formula - Intermediate Algebra Skills - R. Karwatka

Solve by the Quadratic Formula.

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

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{5}}{10}$$

2. $\frac{3}{4}x^2 = x + \frac{1}{2}$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{10}}{3}$$

3. $(4x + 9)^2 - 71x = x(7x - 5) + 82$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{2}}{3}$$

$$4. 2x^2 - 6x + 3 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$5. \frac{1}{5}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x = \frac{1}{15}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{73}}{12}$$

$$6. (5x - 2)(3x + 7) - 44x = 7x(2x - 1) - 10$$

$$x = 4 \pm 2\sqrt{5}$$



