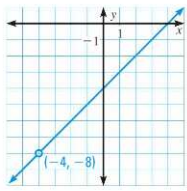


### Warm UP

**POINT DISCONTINUITY** In Exercises 44-46, use the following information.

The graph of a rational function can have a hole in it, called a *point discontinuity*, where the function is undefined. An example is shown below.

$$y = \frac{x^2 - 16}{x + 4} = \frac{(x-4)(x+4)}{x+4} = x - 4$$


The graph of  $y = \frac{x^2 - 16}{x + 4}$  is the same as the graph of  $y = x - 4$  except that there is a hole at  $(-4, -8)$  because the rational function is not defined when  $x = -4$ .

**Graph the rational function. Use an open circle for a point discontinuity.**

44.  $y = \frac{x^2 + 10x + 21}{x + 3}$       45.  $y = \frac{x^2 - 36}{x - 6}$       46.  $y = \frac{2x^2 - x - 1}{x + 2}$

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Graph List & Simplify.

①  $y = \frac{3}{x+2} - 1$       ②  $y = \frac{3x+2}{2x+6}$

③ Simplify  $\frac{3x^2 - 3x}{x^2 + 4x - 5}$  Factor list

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

⑤  $\frac{7x}{2x+10} = \frac{x^2 - 6x}{x^2 - 11x + 30}$  Factor list

⑥  $\frac{7x}{2x+10} = \frac{7x}{2(x+5)} = \frac{7}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{x+5}$

⑦  $\frac{3x(x-1)}{(x+5)(x-1)} = \frac{3x}{x+5}$

⑧  $\frac{7x}{2(x+5)} \cdot \frac{x^2 - 11x + 30}{x^2 - 6x} = \frac{7}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{x+5} \cdot \frac{(x-11)(x-3)}{x(x-6)}$

⑨  $\frac{3x(x+5)}{(x-6)(x+6)} \cdot \frac{(x+6)(x+5)}{1} = \frac{3x(x+5)^2}{(x-6)}$

⑩  $\frac{7x}{3x} = \frac{7}{3}$       ⑪  $\frac{(x-7)}{(x-3)} \neq \frac{7}{3}$

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### Extra Credit

List VA. HA. Domain & Range

①  $y = \frac{2}{x+2} - 2$

②  $y = \frac{3x-1}{6x+12}$

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### 8.5 Add and Subtract Rational Expressions

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FOUNDATION - Common Denominators to add/subtract fractions: LCM or LCD

**NO HACK ZONE**

Ex 1

- Find LCD 12
- Multiply each term by what's missing from LCD
- Combine numerator
- Leave denominator alone

① LCD = 12

$$\frac{4\frac{1}{3}}{4\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{1\frac{3}{4}}{4\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{2\frac{1}{6} + 1\frac{3}{4}}{4\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{\frac{2}{6} + \frac{3}{4}}{\frac{5}{3}} = \frac{\frac{2}{12} + \frac{3}{12}}{\frac{5}{3}} = \frac{\frac{5}{12}}{\frac{5}{3}} = \frac{5}{12} \cdot \frac{3}{5} = \frac{1}{4}$$

② Find LCM:

$$\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{12} + \frac{3}{12} = \frac{5}{12}$$

LCD: 2·3·2 = 12

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Find the LCM/LCD - ALL FACTORS OF EACH TERM MUST BE ACCOUNTED FOR.

Ex 1  $\frac{3}{7x}$  and  $\frac{2}{4x^2}$

LCD  $28x^2$

① List factors from 1st term denominator

② Check 2nd term denominator to see what's missing

$7 \cdot x \cdot 4 \cdot x = 28x^2$

3  $8x - 16$  and  $12x^2 + 12x - 72$

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### Perform the Operation.

Ex 1  $\frac{3}{7x} + \frac{2}{4x^2}$

LCD  $28x^2$

$$\frac{4x}{4x} \cdot \frac{3}{7x} + \frac{2}{4x^2} \cdot \frac{7}{7} = \frac{12x}{28x^2} + \frac{14}{28x^2} = \frac{12x+14}{28x^2}$$

One ugly fraction

Ex 2  $\frac{3x}{5x^3} - \frac{6}{10x^2 - 15x}$

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Find LCD

Ex 2  $5x^3$  and  $10x^2-15x$  *Factor first!*

$5x(2x-3)$

LCD

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

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Perform the Operation

LCD  $5x^3(2x-3)$

$$\frac{7}{5x^3} + \frac{(x-1)}{10x^2-15x}$$

$$\frac{(2x-3)7}{(2x-3)5x^3} + \frac{(x-1)X^2}{5x(2x-3)X^2}$$

$$\frac{14x-21}{5x^3(2x-3)} + \frac{x^3-x^2}{5x^3(2x-3)} =$$

$$\frac{x^3-x^2+14x-21}{5x^3(2x-3)}$$

*distribute combine*

*leave factored*

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Ex 3  $\frac{x}{x^2-x-12} + \frac{5}{12x-48}$  *factor first*

LCD  $(x-4)(x+3)12$

$$\frac{12x}{12(x-4)(x+3)} + \frac{5(x+3)}{12(x-4)(x+3)}$$

$$\frac{12x+5x+15}{12(x-4)(x+3)}$$

Ex 4  $\frac{1}{3x^2} + \frac{x}{9x^2-12x}$

LCD  $3x^2(3x-4)$

$$\frac{(3x-4)}{(3x-4)} \cdot \frac{1}{3x^2} + \frac{x}{3x(3x-4)} \cdot \frac{x}{x}$$

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

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

LCD  $(x+2)(x+2)(x-2)$

$$\frac{(x-2)(x+1)}{(x-2)(x+2)(x+2)} - \frac{6}{(x+2)(x-2)} \cdot \frac{(x+2)}{(x+2)}$$

$$\frac{x^2-x-2}{(x-2)(x+2)(x+2)} - \frac{6x+12}{(x-2)(x+2)(x+2)}$$

$$\frac{x^2-7x-14}{(x-2)(x+2)(x+2)}$$

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Perform the operation:

$$\frac{3}{x+4} - \frac{1}{x+6} =$$

First find LCM  $(x+4)(x+6)$

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**EXAMPLE 3 Add with unlike denominators**

Add:  $\frac{7}{9x^2} + \frac{x}{3x^2+3x}$

**Solution**

To find the LCD, factor each denominator and write each factor to the highest power it occurs. Note that  $9x^2 = 3^2x^2$  and  $3x^2+3x = 3x(x+1)$ , so the LCD is  $3^2x^2(x+1) = 9x^2(x+1)$ .

$$\frac{7}{9x^2} + \frac{x}{3x^2+3x} = \frac{7}{9x^2} + \frac{x}{3x(x+1)}$$

*Factor second denominator.*

$$= \frac{7}{9x^2} \cdot \frac{x+1}{x+1} + \frac{x}{3x(x+1)} \cdot \frac{3x}{3x}$$

*LCD is  $9x^2(x+1)$ .*

$$= \frac{7x+7}{9x^2(x+1)} + \frac{3x^2}{9x^2(x+1)}$$

*Multiply.*

$$= \frac{3x^2+7x+7}{9x^2(x+1)}$$

*Add numerators.*

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**EXAMPLE 4** Subtract with unlike denominators

Subtract:  $\frac{x+2}{2x-2} - \frac{-2x-1}{x^2-4x+3}$

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{x+2}{2x-2} - \frac{-2x-1}{x^2-4x+3} \\ &= \frac{x+2}{2(x-1)} - \frac{-2x-1}{(x-1)(x-3)} && \text{Factor denominators.} \\ &= \frac{x+2}{2(x-1)} \cdot \frac{x-3}{x-3} - \frac{-2x-1}{(x-1)(x-3)} \cdot \frac{2}{2} && \text{LCD is } 2(x-1)(x-3). \\ &= \frac{x^2-x-6}{2(x-1)(x-3)} - \frac{-4x-2}{2(x-1)(x-3)} && \text{Multiply.} \\ &= \frac{x^2-x-6-(-4x-2)}{2(x-1)(x-3)} && \text{Subtract numerators.} \\ &= \frac{x^2+3x-4}{2(x-1)(x-3)} && \text{Simplify numerator.} \\ &= \frac{(x+4)(x-1)}{2(x-1)(x-3)} && \text{Factor numerator,} \\ & && \text{Divide out common factor.} \\ &= \frac{x+4}{2(x-3)} && \text{Simplify.} \end{aligned}$$

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