

Basic Fractions

$$\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{10+3}{15} = \frac{13}{15}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{9+2}{12} = \frac{11}{12}$$

$$\frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{21-8}{24} = \frac{13}{24}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{8}{9} = \frac{1}{\cancel{4}} \times \frac{\cancel{8}^2}{\cancel{9}^3} = \frac{1 \times 2}{1 \times 3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{15}{2} = \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{2}{15}$$

Exercise 7A

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

1 d) $\frac{7x^5 - x^3 - 4}{x} = 7x^4 - x^2 - \frac{4}{x}$

1 g) $\frac{7x^3 - x^4 - 2}{5x} = \frac{7x^2}{5} - \frac{1}{5}x^3 - \frac{2}{5x}$

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

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

Multiplication

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2x^4 - 3x^3 + 5x^2 \\
 &\quad + 6x^3 - 9x^2 + 15x \\
 &\quad - 2x^2 + 3x - 5 \\
 \hline
 &= 2x^4 + 3x^3 - 6x^2 + 18x - 5
 \end{aligned}$$

Division

$$2x^4 + 3x^3 - 6x^2 + 18x - 5 \div x^2 + 3x - 1$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x^2 - 3x + 5 \\
 \hline
 x^2 + 3x - 1 \left| 2x^4 + 3x^3 - 6x^2 + 18x - 5 \right. \\
 2x^4 + 6x^3 - 2x^2 \\
 \hline
 -3x^3 - 4x^2 + 18x \\
 -3x^3 - 9x^2 + 3x \\
 \hline
 +5x^2 + 15x - 5 \\
 +5x + 15x - 5 \\
 \hline
 \end{array}$$

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

Exercise 7B

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + 2x + 8 \\
 \hline
 x - 7 \left| x^3 - 5x^2 - 6x - 56 \right. \\
 x^3 - 7x^2 \\
 \hline
 +2x^2 - 6x \\
 +2x^2 - 14x \\
 \hline
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 + 8x - 56 \\
 + 8x - 56 \\
 \hline
 \end{array}$$

$$x^3 - 5x^2 - 6x - 56 = (x-7)(x^2+2x+8)$$

1 a)

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + 5x + 3 \\
 \hline
 x+1 \left| \begin{array}{r} x^3 + 6x^2 + 8x + 3 \\ x^3 + x^2 \\ \hline + 5x^2 + 8x \\ + 5x^2 + 5x \\ \hline + 3x + 3 \\ + 3x + 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}$$

1 b)

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + 6x + 1 \\
 \hline
 x+4 \left| \begin{array}{r} x^3 + 10x^2 + 25x + 4 \\ x^3 + 4x^2 \\ \hline + 6x^2 + 25x \\ + 6x^2 + 24x \\ \hline + x + 4 \\ + x + 4 \\ \hline \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}$$

1 c)

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 - 3x + 7 \\
 \hline
 x+2 \left| \begin{array}{r} x^3 - x^2 + x + 14 \\ x^3 + 2x^2 \\ \hline - 3x^2 + x \\ - 3x^2 - 6x \\ \hline + 7x + 14 \\ + 7x + 14 \\ \hline \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}$$

1 d)

$$x - 3 \overline{)x^3 + x^2 - 7x - 15}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 + x^2 - 7x - 15 \\ - (x^3 - 3x^2) \\ \hline + 4x^2 - 7x \\ + 4x^2 - 12x \\ \hline + 5x - 15 \\ + 5x - 15 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

1 e)

$$x - 5 \overline{)x^3 - 8x^2 + 13x + 10}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 3x - 2 \\ - (x^3 - 5x^2) \\ \hline - 3x^2 + 13x \\ - 3x^2 + 15x \\ \hline - 2x + 10 \\ - 2x + 10 \\ \hline \end{array}$$