

Recall: The simplest quadratic relation is $y = x^2$

On rearranging, it is possible to get answers in the form $x = \pm\sqrt{y}$

With actual values, we might see results such as

$$\sqrt{5} \quad 3\sqrt{2} \quad \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

It is often required to keep answers in this exact form.

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= 9 \\ x &= \pm\sqrt{9} \\ x &= \pm 3 \end{aligned}$$

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Working With Radicals

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index
understood
to be 2

$$\sqrt{5}$$

index of 3

$$\sqrt[3]{5}$$

radicand
(under radical sign)

$$\boxed{x\sqrt{y}}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{x} = (x)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

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A) Multiplying & Dividing Radicals

In general, $\sqrt{a} \times \sqrt{b} = \sqrt{ab}$

and $\frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b}} = \sqrt{\frac{a}{b}}$ where $b \neq 0$

Ex. Simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } \sqrt{(4)(9)} &= \sqrt{36} \\ &= 6 \\ &= \sqrt{4} \sqrt{9} \\ &= (2)(3) \\ &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } \sqrt{\frac{16}{9}} &= \frac{\sqrt{16}}{\sqrt{9}} \\ &= \frac{4}{3} \end{aligned}$$

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B) Simplifying Radicals

A radical is in its simplest form when:

- the radicand has no perfect square factors (other than 1)

$$\sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}$$

- the radicand contains no fractions

$$\sqrt{\frac{5}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

- no radical appears in the denominator

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{8} &= \sqrt{4 \cdot 2} \\ &= \sqrt{4} \sqrt{2} \\ &= 2\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} &\times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3 \cdot 3}} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{9}} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \end{aligned}$$

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Ex. Simplify

(a) $\sqrt{32} = \sqrt{16 \cdot 2}$
 $= \sqrt{2 \cdot 16} = 4\sqrt{2}$
 $= \sqrt{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 8}$
 $= \sqrt{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 4}$
 $= \sqrt{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}$
 $= 2 \cdot 2\sqrt{2}$
 $= 4\sqrt{2}$

(b) $2\sqrt{75} = 2\sqrt{25 \cdot 3}$
 $= 2(5)\sqrt{3}$
 $= 10\sqrt{3}$

(c) $-3\sqrt{8}$
 $= -3\sqrt{4 \cdot 2}$
 $= -3\sqrt{4} \sqrt{2}$
 $= -3(2)\sqrt{2}$
 $= -6\sqrt{2}$

(d) $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{72}{25}} = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{72}}{\sqrt{25}}\right)$
 $= \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{36 \cdot 2}}{5}\right)$
 $= \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{6\sqrt{2}}{5}\right)$
 $= \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5}$

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C) Adding & Subtracting Radicals

- they must have the same radicand.
- simplify radicals to ensure like terms (same radicand) are revealed.

Ex. Simplify

(a) $4\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{5} + 6\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{5}$

$$= 10\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{5}$$

$$4x - 2y + 6x + 5y$$

$$= 10x + 3y$$

(b) $2\sqrt{12} - 5\sqrt{27} + 3\sqrt{48}$

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D) Binomial Multiplication of Radicals

$$\text{Recall: } (a+b)(c+d) = ac + ad + bc + bd$$

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Ex. Expand & Simplify

$$\begin{aligned} & (3\sqrt{5} + 2)(2\sqrt{5} - 3) \\ &= (3\sqrt{5})(2\sqrt{5}) + (3\sqrt{5})(-3) + (2)(2\sqrt{5}) + (2)(-3) \\ &= 6\sqrt{25} - 9\sqrt{5} + 4\sqrt{5} - 6 \\ &= 6(5) - 5\sqrt{5} - 6 \\ &= 24 - 5\sqrt{5} \end{aligned}$$

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E) Rationalizing the Denominator

A radical is not permitted in the denominator. If the denominator is a binomial, multiply by the conjugate of the denominator.

Given $a\sqrt{b} + c\sqrt{d}$, the conjugate would be $a\sqrt{b} - c\sqrt{d}$

Given $a\sqrt{b} - c\sqrt{d}$, the conjugate would be $a\sqrt{b} + c\sqrt{d}$

Ex. Find the conjugate of each radical

(a) $\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}$

(b) $3\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{10}$

conj: $\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}$

conj: $3\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{10}$

$$(x-y)(x+y) = x^2 - y^2$$

$$(x+y)(x-y) = x^2 - y^2$$

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Ex. Rationalize the denominator

$$\frac{4\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}$$

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

$$= \frac{4\sqrt{9} + 4\sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{4}}{3 - 2}$$

$$= 12 + 2\sqrt{6} - 4$$

$$= 8 + 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$(\sqrt{3})^2 = (\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{3}) = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

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Homework:

p.106 # (1 - 4)(odd)

p.139 # (1 - 7)(odd)

+ 6,7

6i 7^a

p.106 2g 3e 4a
k c e

p.139 2c 3e 4a 5m
1e

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p.139 6i, 7a

$$6(i) \quad \frac{4\sqrt{7}}{2\sqrt{14}}$$

① brute force

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{4\sqrt{7}}{2\sqrt{14}} \times \frac{\sqrt{14}}{\sqrt{14}} \\ &= \frac{4\sqrt{7 \cdot 14}}{2(14)} \\ &= \frac{4\sqrt{98}}{28} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{49 \cdot 2}}{14} \\ &= \frac{7\sqrt{2}}{7} \\ &= \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad & \frac{4\sqrt{7}}{2\sqrt{14}} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{7}}{2\sqrt{7}\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ &= \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$7(a) \quad \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2}+2)} \times \frac{(\sqrt{2}-2)}{(\sqrt{2}-2)}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}-2}{2-4}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}-2}{-2} \quad \checkmark \text{ok}$$

$$= \frac{-\sqrt{2}+2}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{2-\sqrt{2}}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (a+b)(a-b) \\ &= a^2 - b^2 \end{aligned}$$

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106 2gk

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(g)} \quad \frac{\sqrt{20}}{\sqrt{9}} &= \frac{\sqrt{20}}{3} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{4 \cdot 5}}{3} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{4}\sqrt{5}}{3} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{3} \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} \text{(k)} \quad \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{8}} &= \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{4 \cdot 2}} \\ &= \frac{4\cancel{\sqrt{2}}}{2\cancel{\sqrt{2}}} \\ &= \frac{4}{2} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

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106 3e

$$\begin{aligned} &4\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{7} \\ &= 4\sqrt{3 \cdot 7} \\ &= 4\sqrt{21} \end{aligned}$$

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106 4ace

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad \frac{10+15\sqrt{5}}{5} &= \frac{5(2+3\sqrt{5})}{5} \\
 &= \frac{\cancel{5}x}{\cancel{5}1} \\
 &= x \\
 &= 2+3\sqrt{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (c) \quad \frac{6+\sqrt{8}}{2} &= \frac{6+\sqrt{4 \cdot 2}}{2} & (e) \quad \frac{-10-\sqrt{50}}{5} \\
 &= \frac{6+2\sqrt{2}}{2} & &= \frac{-10-\sqrt{25 \cdot 2}}{5} \\
 &= \frac{\cancel{2}(3+\sqrt{2})}{\cancel{2}1} & &= \frac{-10-5\sqrt{2}}{5} \\
 &= 3+\sqrt{2} & &= \frac{5(-2-\sqrt{2})}{5} \\
 & & &= -2-\sqrt{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

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p. 139 (e) $8\sqrt{10} - 2\sqrt{10} - 7\sqrt{10}$ $\sqrt{10}$

$$= -\sqrt{10} \quad = \sqrt{5 \cdot 2}$$

2(c) $2\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{10} + 5\sqrt{2} - 4\sqrt{10}$

$$= 2x + 3y + 5x - 4y$$

$$= 7\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{10}$$

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3e 4a 5m

$$\begin{aligned}
 3(e) \quad & \sqrt{75} + \sqrt{48} + \sqrt{27} \\
 & = \sqrt{25 \cdot 3} + \sqrt{16 \cdot 3} + \sqrt{9 \cdot 3} \\
 & = 5\sqrt{3} + 4\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{3} \\
 & = 12\sqrt{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4(a) \quad & 8\sqrt{7} + 2\sqrt{28} \\
 & = 8\sqrt{7} + 2\sqrt{4 \cdot 7} \\
 & = 8\sqrt{7} + 2(2\sqrt{7}) \\
 & = 8\sqrt{7} + 4\sqrt{7} \\
 & = 12\sqrt{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$5(m) \quad (\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2})$$

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

$$= x^2 - y^2$$

$$= (\sqrt{6})^2 - (\sqrt{2})^2$$

$$= 6 - 2$$

$$= 4$$

- ① FOIL
- ② difference of squares

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