

SEW Math HW 2 Due Thursday July 26th
Please be sure to show all work for full credit.

1. Simplify the following expressions as much as possible. Leave your answers with positive exponents only.

$$3x^{-3}(2y)^{-2} = 3x^{-3}2^{-2}y^{-2}$$

$$= \frac{3}{4x^3y^2}$$

4 points

$$(5x^2y^5)\left(\frac{x^3y^{-2}}{w^{-4}}\right)^2 = 5x^2y^5\left(\frac{x^6w^8}{y^4}\right)$$

$$= 5x^8y^1w^8$$

4 points

2. Multiply and simplify.

$$(3x-7)^2 = 9x^2 - 42x + 49$$

2 points

3. Divide.

$$(5x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x + 24) \div (x + 2)$$

$$x + 2 \overline{) 5x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x + 24} = 5x^2 - 7x + 12$$

$$\underline{5x^3 + 10x^2}$$

$$-7x^2 - 2x + 24$$

$$\underline{-7x^2 - 14x}$$

$$12x + 24$$

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$$0$$

6 points

4. Solve each of the following.

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

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

$$2x^2 - 6x + x - 3 = 0$$

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

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

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

4 points

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

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

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

$$x = 0, 2, -2$$

4 points

5. Factor the following.

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

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

$$2x^2 + 11x + 15 = 2x^2 + 6x + 5x + 15 \\ = 2x(x + 3) + 5(x + 3) \\ = (2x + 5)(x + 3)$$

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

8 points

6. Use your answers from problem 1 to find the domain of the following rational expressions.

$$\frac{x^2 + x - 6}{2x^2 + 11x + 15} = \frac{(x + 3)(x - 2)}{(2x + 5)(x + 3)}$$

$$\frac{4x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{(2x - 5)(2x + 5)}{(x - 2)(x + 2)}$$

$$\text{dom} = \{x \mid x \neq -\frac{5}{2}, -3\}$$

$$\text{dom} = \{x \mid x \neq 2, -2\}$$

6 points

7. Perform the operation, simplifying as much as possible.

$$\frac{x^2 + x - 6}{2x^2 + 11x + 15} \cdot \frac{4x^2 - 25}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{\cancel{(x + 3)}(\cancel{x - 2})}{(2\cancel{x + 5})(\cancel{x + 3})} \cdot \frac{(2x - 5)(\cancel{2x + 5})}{(\cancel{x - 2})(x + 2)} \\ = \frac{2x - 5}{x + 2}$$

4 points

8. Perform the indicated operation.

$$\frac{x}{x + 7} - \frac{3}{x - 7} + \frac{11}{x^2 - 49} = \frac{x}{x + 7} - \frac{3}{x - 7} + \frac{11}{(x - 7)(x + 7)}$$

$$\text{LCD: } (x - 7)(x + 7)$$

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

$$= \frac{x^2 - 7x - 3x - 21 + 11}{(x - 7)(x + 7)}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 - 10x - 10}{(x - 7)(x + 7)} = \frac{(x - 11)(x + 1)}{(x - 7)(x + 7)}$$

6 points