

Exercise 1.4

1 Simplify the following as far as possible.

(a) $5x + 3y + 7x - 3y$ (b) $3x^2 + 4xy + y^2 + x^2 - 4xy - y^2$.

(c) $\frac{4+6x}{2}$

(d) $\frac{4 \times 6x}{2}$

(e) $\frac{3x + xy}{x}$

(f) $\frac{4x + 9y}{2x + 3y}$

(g) $\frac{4x + 6y}{6x + 9y}$

(h) $\frac{5xy + 6y^2}{10x + 12y}$

(i) $\frac{3x^2 + 4y^2}{6x^2 - 8y^2}$

(j) $\frac{x-3}{3-x}$

(k) $\frac{x^2 - 2xy - y^2}{y^2 + 2xy - x^2}$

2 Make x the subject of the following formulae.

(a) $\frac{ax}{b} = \frac{py}{qz}$

(b) $\frac{3\pi ax}{b} = \frac{4y^2}{qz}$

3 Simplify the following.

(a) $\frac{2\pi x}{ab} \div \frac{1}{3}\pi r^3$

(b) $\frac{2\pi h^2}{rb} \div \frac{4}{3}\pi hr^2$

4 Simplify into a single factorised expression.

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

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

(c)* $\frac{1}{2}k(k+1) + (k+1)$

(d)* $\frac{1}{6}k(k+1)(2k+1) + (k+1)^2$

5 Simplify as far as possible.

(a) $\frac{x^2 + 6x + 8}{x^2 - x - 6}$

(b) $\frac{3x^2 - 2x - 8}{x^2 - 4}$

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

(d) $\frac{x(2x-1)^2 - x^2(2x-1)}{(x-1)^2}$

Further Maths Only

(e)* $\frac{\frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} - \sqrt{x^2+1}}{x^2}$

(f)* $-\frac{\frac{x}{2\sqrt{1-x}} + \sqrt{1-x}}{x^2}$

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① (a) $5x + 3y + 7x - 3y = \underbrace{12x}$

(b) $3x^2 + 4xy + y^2 + x^2 - 4xy - y^2$
 $= \underbrace{4x^2}$

(c) $\frac{4+6x}{2} = \underbrace{2+3x}$

(d) $\frac{4 \times 6x}{2} = \frac{24x}{2} = \underbrace{12x}$

(e) $\frac{3x+xy}{x} = \frac{x(3+y)}{x} = \underbrace{3+y}$

(f) $\frac{4x+9y}{2x+3y}$ cannot be simplified

(g) $\frac{4x+6y}{6x+9y} = \frac{2(2x+3y)}{3(2x+3y)} = \underbrace{\frac{2}{3}}$

(h) $\frac{5xy+6y^2}{10x+12y} = \frac{y(5x+6y)}{2(5x+6y)} = \underbrace{\frac{y}{2}} \text{ (or } \frac{1}{2}y\text{)}$

(i) $\frac{3x^2+4y^2}{6x^2-8y^2}$ cannot be simplified

(j) $\frac{x-3}{3-x} = \frac{x-3}{-(x-3)} = \underbrace{-1}$

(k) $\frac{x^2-2xy-y^2}{y^2+2xy-x^2} = \frac{x^2-2xy-y^2}{-(x^2-2xy-y^2)} = \underbrace{-1}$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad (a) \quad \frac{ax}{b} = \frac{py}{qz}$$

$$(\times b, \div a) \quad x = \frac{bpy}{aqz}$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{3\pi ax}{b} = \frac{4y^2}{qz}$$

$$(\times b, \div 3\pi a) \quad x = \frac{4by^2}{3\pi aqz}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad (a) \quad \frac{2\pi x}{ab} \div \frac{1}{3}\pi r^3 = \frac{2\pi x}{ab} \div \frac{\pi r^3}{3}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi x}{ab} \times \frac{3}{\pi r^3}$$

$$= \frac{6\pi x}{\pi ab r^3}$$

$$= \frac{6x}{ab r^3}$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{2\pi h^2}{rb} \div \frac{4\pi hr^2}{3} = \frac{2\pi h^2}{rb} \times \frac{3}{4\pi hr^2}$$

$$= \frac{6\pi h^2}{4\pi br^3}$$

$$= \frac{3h}{2br^3}$$

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(A) (a) $(x-3)^2 + 5(x-3)^3 = (x-3)^2 [1 + 5(x-3)]$

$$= (x-3)^2 (1 + 5n - 15)$$

$$= \underline{(5n-14)(x-3)^2}$$

(b) $4x(2x+1)^3 + 5(2x+1)^4 = (2x+1)^3 [4x + 5(2x+1)]$

$$= (2x+1)^3 (4x + 10x + 5)$$

$$= \underline{(14x+5)(2x+1)^3}$$

(c) $\frac{1}{2}k(k+1) + (k+1) = \frac{1}{2}k(k+1) + \frac{2(k+1)}{2}$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(k+1)[k+2]$$

$$= \underline{\frac{1}{2}(k+1)(k+2)}$$

(d) $\frac{1}{6}k(k+1)(2k+1) + (k+1)^2 = \frac{1}{6}k(k+1)(2k+1) + \frac{6(k+1)^2}{6}$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(k+1)[k(2k+1) + 6(k+1)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(k+1)(2k^2 + k + 6k + 6)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(k+1)(2k^2 + 7k + 6)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(k+1)(2k+3)(k+2)$$

$$= \underline{\frac{1}{6}(k+1)(k+2)(2k+3)}$$

$2k^2 + 7k + 6 = 2k^2 + 4k + 3k + 6$
 $= 2k(k+2) + 3(k+2)$
 $= (k+2)(2k+3)$

P: $2 \times 6 = +12$
A: $+7$
(+4 and +3)

$$(5) \quad (a) \quad \frac{x^2 + 6x + 8}{x^2 - x - 6} = \frac{(x+2)(x+4)}{(x+2)(x-3)}$$

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

$$(b) \quad \frac{3x^2 - 2x - 8}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{(x-2)(3x+4)}{(x+2)(x-2)} = \frac{3x+4}{x+2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x^2 - 2x - 8 &= 3x^2 - 6x + 4x - 8 \\ P: 3x - 8 &= -24 \\ A: -2 &= 3x(x-2) + 4(x-2) \\ &= (x-2)(3x+4) \end{aligned}$$

-6 and +4

$$(c) \quad \frac{(x+3)^2 - 2(x+3)}{x^2 + 2x - 3} = \frac{(x+3) \cancel{[(x+3)-2]}}{(x+3)(x-1)}$$

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

$$= \frac{x+1}{x-1}$$

$$(d) \quad \frac{x(2x-1)^2 - x^2(2x-1)}{(x-1)^2} = \frac{x \cancel{(2x-1)} \cancel{[(2x-1)-x]}}{(x-1)^2}$$

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4)(e) \quad & \frac{\frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} - \sqrt{x^2+1}}{x^2} = \frac{x^2 - (\sqrt{x^2+1})^2}{\sqrt{x^2+1} \cdot x^2} \\
 & = \frac{x^2 - (x^2+1)}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} \div \frac{x^2}{1} \\
 & = \left(\frac{x^2 - x^2 - 1}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} \right) \times \frac{1}{x^2} \\
 & = -\frac{1}{x^2 \sqrt{x^2+1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (f) \quad & \frac{\frac{x}{2\sqrt{1-x}} + \sqrt{1-x}}{x^2} = \frac{x + 2(\sqrt{1-x})^2}{2\sqrt{1-x} \cdot x^2} \\
 & = \frac{x + 2(1-x)}{2\sqrt{1-x}} \div \frac{x^2}{1} \\
 & = \frac{(x+2-2x)}{2\sqrt{1-x}} \times \frac{1}{x^2} \\
 & = \frac{2-x}{2\sqrt{1-x}} \times \frac{1}{x^2} \\
 & = \frac{2-x}{2x^2 \sqrt{1-x}}
 \end{aligned}$$