

Exam 4 Review (partial) solutions Fall 2011

1. $x^2 = 4x$ has $\{0, 4\}$ as its solution set
 $x = 4$ has $\{4\}$ as its solution set.

We have lost a solution as a result of dividing by 0.
 (we can divide by x , but then must look at $x=0$ separately).

2. Squaring both sides may introduce extraneous solutions
 $x = -1$ has $\{-1\}$ as its solution set

$(x)^2 = (-1)^2$ or $x^2 = 1$ has $\{-1, 1\}$ as its solution set

You can finish with the correct solution set by requiring that you must check the solutions in the original equation.

Factor	advantage	disadvantage
square rt principal or property	fast	only works for rational solutions
quadratic formula	always works	only works in special form more work to simplify

Factor: $2x^2 + 5x - 3 = 0$ $(3x-1)^2 = 5$ sqrt prop $2x^2 - 6x + 3$ quad. form

4. a) $7x^5$ b) $2p\sqrt{9p^4}\sqrt{7p} = 6p^3\sqrt{7p}$ c) $-3pq^2\sqrt{25k^6q^8}\sqrt{5k}$

5. a) $(2\sqrt{3})^2 - 2(2\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{5}) + (\sqrt{5})^2 = 4 \cdot 3 - 4\sqrt{15} + 5$ $= -3pq^2\sqrt{5k^3q^4}\sqrt{5k}$
 $= 17 - 4\sqrt{15}$ $= -15pk^3q^6\sqrt{5k}$

b) $3\sqrt{6x} - 12\sqrt{45} = 3\sqrt{6x} - 12\sqrt{9 \cdot 5} = 3\sqrt{6x} - 36\sqrt{5}$

c) $6\sqrt{100} - 9\sqrt{24} + 4\sqrt{150} - 6\sqrt{36} = 6 \cdot 10 - 9\sqrt{4 \cdot 6} + \sqrt{25} \cdot \sqrt{6} - 6 \cdot 6$
 $= 60 - 18\sqrt{6} + 5\sqrt{6} - 36 = 24 - 13\sqrt{6}$

6. a) $\sqrt{\frac{8x^3}{y}} = \sqrt{\frac{4x^2\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{y}}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{y}} = \frac{2x\sqrt{xy}}{y}$ b) $\frac{\sqrt{4x}}{2\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{4}\sqrt{3x}}{2 \cdot 3} = \frac{\sqrt{3x}}{3}$

c) $\frac{\sqrt{4\sqrt{6}}}{3-\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{3+\sqrt{3}}{3+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{6}(3+\sqrt{3})}{9-3} = \frac{2\sqrt{6}(3+\sqrt{3})}{6} = \frac{3\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{18}}{3}$
 $= \frac{3\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{9\sqrt{2}}}{3} = \frac{3\sqrt{6}+3\sqrt{2}}{3} = \frac{3(\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{2})}{3} = \sqrt{6}+\sqrt{2}$

$$6 \text{ d) } \frac{2\sqrt{3}-3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}-2\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2 \cdot 3 - 4\sqrt{6} - 3\sqrt{6} + 6 \cdot 2}{3 - 4 \cdot 2} = \frac{18 - 7\sqrt{6}}{-5} = \frac{-18 + 7\sqrt{6}}{5}$$

$$\text{e) } \frac{x\sqrt{2}}{x\sqrt{2}+3\sqrt{5}} \cdot \frac{x\sqrt{2}-3\sqrt{5}}{x\sqrt{2}-3\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2x^2 - 3x\sqrt{10}}{2x^2 - 45}$$

$$7. \text{ a) } x-4 = \sqrt{x-2}$$

$$x^2 - 8x + 16 = x - 2$$

$$x^2 - 9x + 18 = 0$$

$$(x-6)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x=6 \text{ or } x=3$$

$$\text{b) } 3\sqrt{x-4} = x-4$$

$$9(x-4) = x^2 - 8x + 16$$

$$9x-36 = x^2 - 8x + 16$$

$$0 = x^2 - 17x + 52$$

$$0 = (x-13)(x-4)$$

$$x=13 \text{ or } x=4$$

$$\text{c) } \sqrt{5-x} = x+1$$

$$5-x = x^2 + 2x + 1$$

$$0 = x^2 + 3x - 4$$

$$0 = (x+4)(x-1)$$

$$x=-4 \text{ or } x=1$$

$$8. \text{ a) } y^2 = 135$$

$$y = \pm\sqrt{135} \\ = \pm\sqrt{9\sqrt{15}} \\ = \pm 3\sqrt{15}$$

$$\text{b) } y+4 = \pm 13 \quad y = -4 \pm 13$$

$$y+4 = 13 \quad | -4 \\ y = 9$$

$$y+4 = -13 \quad | -4 \\ y = -17$$

$$\{ -17, 9 \}$$

$$9. \text{ a) } x = \frac{-10 \pm \sqrt{10^2 - 4 \cdot 7}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-10 \pm \sqrt{72}}{2} = \frac{-10 \pm 6\sqrt{2}}{2} = -5 \pm 3\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{b) } 3x^2 - 8x + 3 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{(-8)^2 - 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 3}}{2 \cdot 3} = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{28}}{2 \cdot 3} = \frac{2(4 \pm \sqrt{7})}{2 \cdot 3} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{7}}{3}$$

$$\text{c) } x^2 - 6x - 4 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4(-4)}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{52}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{13}}{2} = 3 \pm \sqrt{13}$$

$$9 \text{ d) } x^2 + 6x + 6 = 0 \quad x = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{6^2 - 4 \cdot 6}}{2} = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{12}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-6 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{(-3 \pm \sqrt{3})}{2} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$10. (x-1)^2 + (2x)^2 = (2x+1)^2$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 + 4x^2 = 4x^2 + 4x + 1$$

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

$$x(x-6) = 0$$

$$\cancel{x=0} \text{ or } x=6$$

$$\text{a) } x=6$$

$$\text{b) } AC=5 = 6-1$$

$$BC=12 = 2(6)$$

$$AB=13 = 2(6)+1$$

$$\text{c) } A_{\triangle} = \frac{1}{2}bh = \frac{1}{2}5(6) = 15$$

$$11. x^2 + 3^2 = 7^2$$

$$x^2 + 9 = 49$$

$$x^2 = 40$$

$$x = \pm 2\sqrt{10}$$

$$\text{a) } x = 2\sqrt{10} \approx 6.3$$

$$\text{b) } \text{perim}_{\triangle} = 3 + 7 + 2\sqrt{10} = 10 + 2\sqrt{10} \text{ cm} \approx 16.3 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{c) } A_{\triangle} = \frac{1}{2}bh = \frac{1}{2}(2\sqrt{10}) \cdot 3 = 3\sqrt{10} \text{ cm}^2 = 9.5 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$12. \text{Perim}_{\triangle} = \sqrt{12} + \sqrt{48} + \sqrt{75} = 2\sqrt{3} + 4\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{3} = 11\sqrt{3} \approx 19.1 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$13. \text{a) } 12\sqrt{7} = \sqrt{112} + x + \sqrt{112} + x = 2\sqrt{112} + 2x = 2\sqrt{16}\sqrt{7} + 2x = 8\sqrt{7} + 2x$$

$$4\sqrt{7} = 2x \quad x = 2\sqrt{7} \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{b) } A_{\square} = lw = 4\sqrt{7} \cdot 2\sqrt{7} = 8 \cdot 7 = 56 \text{ cm}^2$$

(It was a mistake to ask but) Perimeter is $12\sqrt{7}$ cm

$$14. \text{a) } \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram of a cable sag between two poles. The vertical height is labeled } H \text{ and the horizontal distance between poles is } 8. \\ \text{let } H \text{ be vertical height} \end{array}$$

$$x^2 = 16h$$

$$8^2 = 16 \cdot H \quad H = 4 \text{ inches}$$

$$x^2 = 16h \quad \text{let } X \text{ be where } h=2$$

$$X^2 = 16(2) \quad X^2 = 32 \quad X = 4\sqrt{2}$$

The locations where the cable is 2 inches above its lowest point are $4\sqrt{2} \approx 5.66$ inches on either side of the lowest point.

If we let the lowest point be the origin $(0,0)$ then the locations are $(-4\sqrt{2}, 2)$ and $(4\sqrt{2}, 2)$ or $(-5.66, 2)$ and $(5.66, 2)$.