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## Webwork set: Complex Fractions 2

$$\#3) \frac{\frac{10}{y^2} + \frac{1}{y}}{\frac{100}{y^2} - 1}$$

use  $y^2$  - multiply num + denom by it

$$\frac{\left(\frac{10}{y^2} + \frac{1}{y}\right) \cdot y^2}{\left(\frac{100}{y^2} - 1\right) \cdot y^2} = \frac{\frac{10 \cdot y^2}{y^2} + \frac{y^2 \cdot 1}{y}}{\frac{100y^2}{y^2} - y^2}$$

$$= \frac{10 + y}{100 - y^2} = \frac{10 + y}{10^2 - y^2}$$

use the formula for the difference of two squares to factor the denom.

$$= \frac{\cancel{(10+y)}}{\cancel{(10-y)(10+y)}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{10-y}}$$

## Add Rat Exp 2

$$\#2) \frac{5a+17}{4a-12} - \frac{a+5}{a-3}$$

$$\frac{5a+17}{4(a-3)} - \frac{4(a+5)}{4(a-3)}$$

$$= \frac{5a+17 - (4a+20)}{4(a-3)}$$

$$= \frac{5a+17-4a-20}{4(a-3)}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{a-3}}{4\cancel{(a-3)}} = \frac{1}{4}$$

LCD:

$$a-3$$

$$4a-12$$

$$= 4(a-3)$$

LCD

$$= 4(a-3)$$

make sure  
the negative  
applies to both  
terms

## Fractional Equations

$$2) \frac{3}{2p} - \frac{8}{7} + 3 = 0$$

LCD:

$$2 \cdot 7 \cdot p$$

$$= 14p$$

Multiply both sides of the equation  
by the LCD

$$14p \left( \frac{3}{2p} - \frac{8}{7} + 3 \right) = 14p \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\overset{7}{14p} \cdot \frac{3}{\underset{1}{2p}} - \overset{2}{14p} \cdot \frac{8}{\underset{1}{7}} + 14p \cdot 3 = 0 \quad \begin{array}{r} 14 \\ \times 3 \\ \hline 42 \end{array}$$

$$7 \cdot 3 - 2p \cdot 8 + 42p = 0$$

$$21 - 16p + 42p = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 21 + 26p = 0 \\ -21 \qquad -21 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\frac{26p}{26} = -\frac{21}{26}$$

$$\boxed{p = -\frac{21}{26}}$$

To check this go back to the original equation + substitute it for  $p$

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## Lesson 10: Higher Roots / Rational Exponents

Square Root: The number  $b$  is a square root of  $a$  if  $b^2 = a$ .

The principal square root of a non-negative number  $a$  is its non-negative square root denoted  $\sqrt{a}$ . The negative square root of  $a$  is written  $-\sqrt{a}$ .

$$\text{Ex } \sqrt{36} = \boxed{6}$$

$$\sqrt{0} = \boxed{0}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{4}{49}} = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{\sqrt{49}} = \boxed{\frac{2}{7}}$$

$$\sqrt{0.25} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

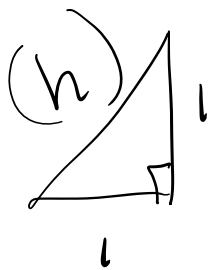
$$= 0.50$$

$$\sqrt{x^6} \Rightarrow (x^3)^2 = x^6$$

$$\sqrt{9x^{10}} \Rightarrow (3x^5)^2 = 9x^{10}$$

$$-\sqrt{81} = -9$$

$\sqrt{-81} =$  There is no real number such that  $( )^2 = -81$



$$1^2 + 1^2 = (\text{hyp})^2$$

$$1 + 1 = (\text{hyp})^2$$

$$\sqrt{(\text{hyp})^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$[\text{hyp} = \sqrt{2}]$$

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"One Giant Leap"

Ex <sup>"cube root"</sup>  $\sqrt[3]{8} \rightarrow (2)^3 = 8$

We can ask about "higher"  
or " $n^{\text{th}}$ " roots

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Finding  $\sqrt[n]{a^n}$

If  $n$  is an even positive integer the  $\sqrt[n]{a^n} = |a|$

If  $n$  is an odd integer

Then  $\sqrt[n]{a^n} = a$

Ex  $\sqrt{(-3)^2} = |-3| = 3$  square root  $\rightarrow$  even  
 $\uparrow$  absolute value

$\sqrt[3]{(-5)^3} = -5$

because  $(-5) \cdot (-5) \cdot (-5) = (-5)^3$

$$\text{Practice: } \sqrt[5]{-243} = (-3)^5 = -243$$

$$\sqrt[6]{64x^{12}} = (2x^2)^6 = 64x^{12}$$

$$\sqrt{81x^4} = (9x^2)^2 = 81x^4$$

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Rational Exponents:

$$\sqrt{81} = 81^{1/2} = 9$$

$$\sqrt[n]{a} = a^{1/n}$$

$$\sqrt[n]{a^m} = a^{m/n} = \left(\sqrt[n]{a}\right)^m$$

$$\text{Ex } 4^{3/2} = (4^{1/2})^3 = (\sqrt{4})^3 = 2^3 = 8$$

$$-16^{3/4} = ((-16)^{1/4})^3 = (\sqrt[4]{-16})^3 = (-2)^3$$

$$(-27)^{2/3} = \boxed{-8}$$

$$\left((-27)^{1/3}\right)^2 = \left(\sqrt[3]{-27}\right)^2 = (-3)^2 = \boxed{9}$$

$$\text{Ex } \frac{a^{1/4} \cdot a^{-1/2}}{a^{2/3}}$$

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

Reminders:  
Exponent  
Rules still  
apply!

$$= \frac{a^{\frac{1}{4} - \frac{2}{4}}}{a^{2/3}} = \frac{a^{-\frac{1}{4}}}{a^{2/3}}$$

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$$a^{-b} = \frac{1}{a^b}$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{4} - \frac{2}{3}\right) = -\frac{5}{12} - \frac{0}{12}$$

$$a = a$$

$$= a^{-\frac{11}{12}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a^{\frac{11}{12}}}$$