

Homework 33.2

Solve each equation with the quadratic formula.

1) $3n^2 + 11n - 42 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 3 \\ b &= 11 \\ c &= -42 \end{aligned}$$

$$n = \frac{-11 \pm \sqrt{(11)^2 - 4(3)(-42)}}{2(3)}$$

$$= \frac{-11 \pm \sqrt{625}}{6}$$

$$= \frac{-11 + 25}{6} = \frac{14}{6} = \frac{7}{3} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{-11 - 25}{6} = \frac{-36}{6} = -6$$

3) $7x^2 + 11x = 20$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 7 \\ b &= 11 \\ c &= -20 \end{aligned}$$

$$7x^2 + 11x - 20 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-11 \pm \sqrt{(11)^2 - 4(7)(-20)}}{2(7)}$$

$$= \frac{-11 + \sqrt{681}}{14} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{-11 - \sqrt{681}}{14}$$

2) $5a^2 - 7a - 4 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 5 \\ b &= -7 \\ c &= -4 \end{aligned}$$

$$a = \frac{49 + 80}{2(5)} = \frac{129}{10} = \frac{7 + \sqrt{129}}{10} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{49 - 80}{2(5)} = \frac{-31}{10} = \frac{7 - \sqrt{129}}{10}$$

4) $7n^2 + 5n = 9$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 7 \\ b &= 5 \\ c &= -9 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{-9 - 9}{7n^2 + 5n - 9 = 0} \\ &n = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{(5)^2 - 4(7)(-9)}}{2(7)} \\ &= \frac{-5 + \sqrt{277}}{14} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{-5 - \sqrt{277}}{14} \end{aligned}$$

Divide.

5) $(2x^4 + 18x^3 + 18x^2) \div 6x^3$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{2x^4}{6x^3} + \frac{18x^3}{6x^3} + \frac{18x^2}{6x^3} \\ &= \frac{x}{3} + 3 + \frac{3}{x} \end{aligned}$$

6) $(20x^5 + 4x^4 + 8x^3) \div 4x^2$

$$\frac{20x^5}{4x^2} + \frac{4x^4}{4x^2} + \frac{8x^3}{4x^2}$$

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

Factor the common factor out of each expression.

7) $-70n^5 + 63n - 63$

$$-7(10n^5 - 9n + 9)$$

8) $6x^4 - 2x^3 - 3x^2$

$$x^2(4x^2 - 2x - 3)$$

Answers to Homework 33.2

1) $\left\{2 \frac{1}{3}, -6\right\}$

4) $\left\{\frac{-5 + \sqrt{277}}{14}, \frac{-5 - \sqrt{277}}{14}\right\}$

7) $7(-10n^5 + 9n - 9)$

2) $\left\{\frac{7 + \sqrt{129}}{10}, \frac{7 - \sqrt{129}}{10}\right\}$

5) $\frac{x}{3} + 3 + \frac{3}{x}$

8) $x^2(6x^2 - 2x - 3)$

3) $\left\{\frac{-11 + \sqrt{681}}{14}, \frac{-11 - \sqrt{681}}{14}\right\}$

6) $5x^3 + x^2 + 2x$