

$$\frac{1}{x+4} + \frac{2x-3}{x^2+4x} = \frac{1}{x}$$

Find common denominators

$$\frac{x}{x} \cdot \frac{1}{x+4} + \frac{2x-3}{x(x+4)} = \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{(x+4)}{(x+4)} \cdot x(x+4)$$

$$\frac{x}{x(x+4)} + \frac{2x-3}{x(x+4)} = \frac{x+4}{x(x+4)} \quad x(x+4) \neq 0$$

$$x + 2x - 3 = x + 4 \quad x \neq 0 \quad x+4 \neq 0$$

$$3x - 3 = x + 4 \quad x \neq -4$$

$$-x \quad -x$$

$$2x - 3 = 4$$

$$+3 \quad +3$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\frac{a-5}{a+2} - \frac{a-3}{3a+6} = 1$$

$3(a+2) \rightarrow 3a+6$

$$3\left(\frac{a-5}{a+2}\right) - \frac{a-3}{3a+6} = \frac{1(3a+6)}{1(3a+6)}$$

$$\frac{3(a-5)}{3(a+2)} - \frac{a-3}{3a+6} = \frac{3a+6}{3a+6}$$

$$3(a-5) - (a-3) = 3a+6$$

$$3a-15-a+3 = 3a+6$$

$$2a-12 = 3a+6$$

$-2a \qquad -2a$

$$-12 = a+6$$

$-6 \qquad -6$

$$\boxed{-18 = a}$$

Restriction?

$$3a+6 \neq 0$$

$-6 \qquad -6$

$$\frac{3a+6}{3} \neq \frac{0}{3}$$

$$a \neq -2$$

$$-404 = -5(3k+105)^{4/3} + 1$$

-1

$$\underline{-405 = -5(3k+105)^{4/3}}$$

-1

$$\underline{\underline{(81)} = \left((3k+105)^{4/3}\right)^{3/4}}$$

exponent  
 $\downarrow$   
 $3/4$   
 root

$$27 = 3k + 105$$

$$-105 \quad -105$$

$$\frac{-78}{3} = \frac{3k}{3}$$

$k = -26$

$$\sqrt[4]{81^3} \left(\sqrt[4]{81}\right)^3$$

recommend  
rooting first!

$$\left(\sqrt[4]{81}\right)^3 = (3)^3 = 27$$

Restriction? No

$$\left\{ -4(m-13)^{3/5} + 5 = -27 \right.$$

$$\left. \quad -5 \quad -5 \right.$$

$$\frac{-4(m-13)^{3/5}}{-4} = -32$$

$$(m-13)^{3/5} = 8^{5/3}$$

$$m-13 = 8^{5/3}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} m-13 & = & 32 \\ & +13 & +13 \end{array}$$

$$(3k+105)^{4/3}$$

if even root,  
then cannot be

if odd root,

Think: no worries

$$\frac{5}{3} \left(\frac{3}{5}x\right) = \left(6\right)^{\frac{5}{3}}$$

No restrictions

$$-4(m-13)^{\frac{3}{5}} + 5 = -27 \quad u\text{-substitution}$$

$\downarrow$

$$-4u^{\frac{3}{5}} + 5 = -27$$

$$u = m - 13$$

solve  $u \rightarrow$  solve  $m$ .

## Restrictions

- 1) Is there a fraction with variable in the denominator.

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

- 2) Even numbered roots

$$\sqrt{(2n+14)}^2 = (\sqrt{-1-n})^2$$

$$2n+14 = -1-n$$

+n                    +n

$$2n+14 \geq 0 \quad -1-n \geq 0$$

$$2(-5)+14 \geq 0 \quad -1-(-5) \geq 0$$

$$-10+14 \geq 0 \quad -1+5 \geq 0$$

✓                    ✓

$$\sqrt{4} \geq 0$$

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$$3n+14 = -1$$

-14    -14

$$\boxed{n = -5}$$

$$\frac{3n}{3} = \frac{-15}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{-2n}^2 &= (n+7)^2 \\ -2n &= (n+7)(n+7) \\ -2n &= n^2 + 7n + 7n + 49 \\ -2n &= n^2 + 14n + 49 \\ +2n &\quad +2n \\ 0 &= n^2 + 16n + 49 \end{aligned}$$

Restrictions?

$$\sqrt{-2n} \quad -2n \geq 0$$

↑  
0

$$\begin{aligned} -b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac} &\\ 2a & \\ -16 \pm \sqrt{(16)^2 - 4(1)(49)} &\\ 2(1) & \\ -16 \pm \sqrt{256 - 196} &\\ 2 & \\ -16 \pm \sqrt{60} &\\ 2 & \\ -16 \pm 2\sqrt{15} &= [-8 \pm \sqrt{15}] \end{aligned}$$

$\boxed{-8 + \sqrt{15}}$      $\boxed{-8 - \sqrt{15}}$

Absolute Value

Distance from a number to zero on  
the number line.

$$|5| = 5 \quad |-5| = 5$$

$$\left| 2x + 7 \right| = 5$$

5                          -5

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 7 &= 5 & 2x + 7 &= -5 \\ -7 -7 && -7 & -7 \\ 2x &= -2 & 2x &= -12 \\ \frac{2x}{2} &= \frac{-2}{2} & \frac{2x}{2} &= \frac{-12}{2} \\ x &= -1 & x &= -6 \end{aligned}$$

$$|x-3| = -1$$

No solution

$$\frac{-3|x-3|}{-3} = \frac{-6}{-3}$$

$$|x-3| = 2$$

$$x-3 = 2$$

$$+3 \quad +3$$

$x = 5$

$$x-3 = -2$$

$$+3 \quad +3$$

$x = 1$

$\{ |x+7| = 2x+8$  must be positive

$$x+7 = 2x+8$$

$$-7 \quad -7$$

$$2(-1)+8 \quad -2+8$$

$$6$$

$$x = 2x+1$$

$$-2x \quad -2x$$

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

$$x = -1$$

$$x+7 = -(2x+8)$$

$$2(-5)+8 \quad -10+8$$

$$-2$$

$$x+7 = -2x-8$$

$$+2x \quad +2x$$

$$3x+7 = -8$$

$$-7 \quad -7$$

$$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{-15}{3}$$

$$x = -5$$

$$|5x-1| + 7 = 3x$$

-7                  -7

$$|5x-1| = 3x-7$$

$$5x-1 = 3x-7$$

-3x                  -3x

$$2x-1 = -7$$

+1                  +1

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{-6}{2}$$

~~$x = -3$~~

Restrictions

$$3x-7$$

$$3(-3)-7$$

$$-9-7$$

$$-16$$

$$5x-1 = -3x+7$$

+1                  +1

$$5x = -3x + 8$$

+3x                  +3x

$$3x-7$$

$$\frac{8x}{8} = \frac{8}{8}$$

$$\boxed{x=1}$$

$$3x-7$$

$$3(1)-7$$

$$3-7$$

$$-4$$

ns

No solution