

11.1.2 Multiplying and Dividing Rational Expressions

#11-14 Simplify

$$\frac{3x^2 + 11x - 4}{2x^2 + 11x + 12} = \frac{(3x-1)(x+4)}{(2x+3)(x+4)} = \frac{3x-1}{2x+3} \quad x \neq -4 \text{ or } -3/2$$

I will know
how to
multiply and
divide rational
expressions

How can you use technology to check results?

expressions are equivalent except @ $x = -4$

Core

#11-15, 16 (a-d)
17 c/d

#11-15 Calculate answer to each (#11-8)

a) $\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{9}{14} = \frac{3}{7}$

b) $\frac{3}{5} \div \frac{12}{25}$

$$\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{25}{12} = \frac{5}{4}$$

HW

#11-19 to 25

#11-16

a) $\frac{4x+3}{x-5} \cdot \frac{x-5}{x+3} = \frac{4x+3}{x+3} \quad x \neq 5 \text{ or } -3$

b) $\frac{x+2}{9x-1} \div \frac{2x+1}{9x-1} = \frac{x+2}{9x-1} \cdot \frac{9x-1}{2x+1} = \frac{x+2}{2x+1} \quad x \neq \frac{1}{9} \text{ or } -\frac{1}{2}$

c) $\frac{2m+3}{3m-2} \cdot \frac{7+4m}{3+2m} = \frac{7+4m}{3m-2} \quad x \neq \frac{2}{3} \text{ or } -\frac{3}{2}$