

**Factoring a calculus expression**

An expression that occurs in calculus is given. Factor completely. Write the expression as a single quotient in which only positive exponents and/or radicals appear.

1.  $(8-x^2)^{1/2} + x \cdot \frac{1}{8}(8-x^2)^{-1/2}(-8x)$

2. 
$$\frac{5(x-1)^5(7x+4)^6 - 5(7x+4)^5(7)(x-1)^6}{[(7x+4)^6]^2}$$

3.  $(30x^4)(x^2+8)^{2/3} + (6x^5)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)(x^2+8)^{-1/3}(2x)$

4.  $(x^5+2)^3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(5x+1)^{-1/2}(5) - (5x+1)^{1/2}(3)(x^5+2)^2(5x^4)$

**Solving equations**

Find **all** complex solutions to the following equations.

5.  $x^{8/3} = 81x^{2/3}$

6.  $27x^5 - 8x^2 = 0$

7.  $8x^3 - 12x^2 = 3 - 2x$

8.  $x^{-4} - 36 = 5x^{-2}$

**Polynomial and Rational Inequalities**

Solve each inequality. Justify your answer using a SIGN CHART and state your answer in interval notation.

9.  $7x^2 + 5x \leq -9(7x+5)$

10.  $2x^3 + 9x^2 < 32x + 144$

11.  $32x \geq 2x^3$

12.  $\frac{8}{x-9} \geq 3$

13.  $\frac{7}{1-x} \leq \frac{2}{3-x}$

14.  $\frac{2x^2 - 5x - 12}{x^2 - 10x + 24} \leq 0$

## Answers

$$1. \quad \frac{-2(x-2)(x+2)}{(8-x^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$2. \quad \frac{55(x-1)^5}{(7x+4)^7}$$

$$3. \quad \frac{2x^4(19x^2+120)}{(x^2+8)^{1/3}}$$

$$4. \quad \frac{5(x^5+2)^2(-29x^5-6x^4+2)}{2(5x+1)^{1/2}}$$

$$5. \quad \{0, \pm 9\}$$

$$6. \quad \left\{0, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{3}\right\}$$

$$7. \quad \left\{\frac{3}{2}, \pm \frac{1}{2}i\right\}$$

$$8. \quad \left\{\pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{1}{2}i\right\}$$

$$9. \quad \left[-9, -\frac{5}{7}\right]$$

$$10. \quad \left(-\infty, -\frac{9}{2}\right) \cup (-4, 4)$$

$$11. \quad (-\infty, -4] \cup [0, 4]$$

$$12. \quad \left(9, \frac{35}{3}\right]$$

$$13. \quad (-\infty, 1) \cup \left(3, \frac{19}{5}\right]$$

$$14. \quad \left[-\frac{3}{2}, 4\right) \cup (4, 6)$$