

# Practice Exercises

Perform the indicated operation.

$$1. \quad \frac{6}{2a-6} + \frac{4}{2a-6}$$

$$2. \quad \frac{x^2 + 3x - 2}{x^2 - 4} + \frac{x^2 + 2x + 4}{x^2 - 4}$$

$$3. \quad \frac{7}{4x-2} - \frac{5}{4x-2}$$

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

$$5. \quad \frac{x-2}{x-1} + \frac{1}{x-1}$$

# Problem Set

Perform the indicated operation.

$$1. \quad \frac{6}{3a-9} - \frac{3}{3a-9}$$

$$2. \quad \frac{x^2 - 3x - 7}{x^2 - 9} + \frac{x^2 - 2x + 4}{x^2 - 9}$$

$$3. \quad \frac{7}{3x-6} - \frac{4}{3x-6}$$

$$4. \quad \frac{x^2 + 2x + 2}{x^2 - 4x + 4} - \frac{2x + 6}{x^2 - 4x + 4}$$

$$5. \quad \frac{x-2}{x-4} - \frac{2}{x-4}$$

# Problem Set

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \quad & \frac{6-3}{\frac{3a-9}{3}} \\ &= \frac{\phantom{6-3}}{\frac{3a-9}{3}} \\ &= \frac{\phantom{6-3}}{3(a-3)} \\ &= \frac{1}{a-3} \end{aligned}$$

$$2. \quad \frac{x^2 - 3x - 7 + x^2 - 2x + 4}{x^2 - 9}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{2x^2 - 5x - 3}{x^2 - 9} \\
 &= \frac{(x - 3)(2x + 1)}{(x - 3)(x + 3)} \\
 &= \frac{2x + 1}{x + 3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3. \quad &\frac{7 - 4}{3x - 6} \\
 &= \frac{3}{3x - 6} \\
 &= \frac{1}{x - 2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$4. \quad = \frac{1}{x-2}$$

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

$$5. \quad = 1$$