

Bellwork Alg 2 Tuesday, December 17, 2019

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ANSWERS

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$$\frac{9x^4 + 9x^3 - 504x^2}{15x^4 + 120x^3 - 735x^2 - 5880x}$$

= $\frac{9x^2(x+8)(x-7)}{15x(x+7)(x-7)(x+8)}$

$$= \boxed{\frac{3x}{5(x+7)}}$$

$$9x^2(x^2 + x - 56)$$

$$9x^2(x+8)(x-7)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{-56} \\ \cancel{+8} \cancel{-7} \\ +1 \end{array}$$

$$15x(x^3 + 8x^2 - 49x - 392)$$

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} x & +8 \\ \hline x^2 & x^3 & +8x^2 \\ -49 & -49x & -392 \end{array}$$

$$15x(x^2 - 49)(x+8)$$

$$15x(x+7)(x-7)(x+8)$$

2. Find this difference.

$$\frac{8}{2x^4 + 8x^3 - 24x^2} - \frac{5}{4x^3 + 12x^2 - 40x}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2x^2(x^2 + 4x - 12) \\ 2x^2(x+6)(x-2) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 4x(x^2 + 3x - 10) \\ 4x(x+5)(x-2) \end{array}$$

$$\frac{2(x+5)}{2(x+5)} \cdot \frac{8}{2x^2(x+6)(x-2)} - \frac{5}{4x(x+5)(x-2)} \cdot \frac{x(x+6)}{x(x+6)}$$

$$\frac{16(x+5) - 5x(x+6)}{4x^2(x+6)(x-2)(x+5)} = \frac{16x + 80 - 5x^2 - 30x}{4x^2(x+6)(x-2)(x+5)}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-5x^2 - 14x + 80}{4x^2(x+6)(x-2)(x+5)}}$$

3. Simplify.

$$\left(\frac{5}{9a^3b^2} - \frac{7}{12b^5} \right) \cdot \frac{72a^4b^5}{\left(\frac{2}{8a^4} + \frac{3}{6ab^3} \right) \cdot 72a^4b^5} \quad \text{LCM} = 72a^4b^5$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{40ab^3 - 42a^4}{18b^5 + 36a^3b^2}}$$