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Adding & Subtracting Rational Expressions

- 1) Rewrite each of the following expressions, carefully showing the main steps of your argument, and recording any values of the variables that are excluded.

$$1) \frac{1}{x+3y} + \frac{1}{x-3y}$$

$$2) \frac{1}{x^2+xy} + \frac{1}{y^2+xy}$$

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

$$4) \frac{25x^2-4}{x^2-9} \cdot \frac{x+3}{5x-2} - 5$$

- 2) Simplify

$$1) \frac{3x-4}{3x+2} - \frac{x+5}{2x-3}$$

$$2) \frac{c}{ab} + \frac{a}{bc} + \frac{b}{ac}$$

$$3) \frac{5}{x} + \frac{3}{x(x+1)}$$

$$4) \frac{(x+y)^2}{x^2} - \frac{(x-y)^2}{y^2}$$

3) Find each sum or difference in simplest form

1) $\frac{r}{8} - \frac{r}{3}$

2) $\frac{2p}{6} - \frac{p}{5}$

3) $-\frac{r}{4} + \frac{3r}{7}$

4) $\frac{6t}{9} - \frac{t}{3}$

5) $\frac{5x}{x-1} - \frac{7}{x}$

6) $\frac{6y+1}{2y+1} - \frac{1}{4y+2}$

7) $\frac{1}{x^2+x-2} - \frac{3}{x+2}$

8) $\frac{4}{b^2-16} + \frac{8}{b+4}$

9) $\frac{2r}{3+r} - \frac{9}{r+3}$

10) $\frac{16}{m-5} - \frac{10}{5-m}$

11) $\frac{2p}{3+p} - \frac{p}{3+p}$

12) $\frac{-2x-4}{x+7} - \frac{2x+11}{x+7}$

13) $\frac{12t-1}{t+1} - \frac{3t-4}{3t-3}$

4) Find an expression for the perimeter of the isosceles triangle.

