

Section 2: Rational expressions

Exercise level 2

1. Express as a single fraction

$$(i) \frac{2}{x+3} + \frac{1}{x-5} \quad (ii) \frac{5}{2x-3} - \frac{2}{4x+1}$$

$$(iii) t - \frac{5}{3t-1}$$

2. Express as a single fraction

$$(i) \frac{1}{2(x+5)} - \frac{1}{4(x+1)} \quad (ii) \frac{3u}{u^2-4u+4} + \frac{1}{2-u}$$

3. Solve these equations:

$$(i) \frac{3x}{4} - \frac{x}{6} = 7 \quad (ii) \frac{30}{2x-5} + \frac{27}{2x+1} = 13$$

4. Divide

$$(i) 3x^3 - x^2 + 2x - 4 \text{ by } x + 2$$

$$(ii) x^3 \text{ by } x^2 + 2$$

$$(iii) 6x - 2 \text{ by } 2x + 3$$