00:00:07.750 --> 00:00:09.208 All right, this video is on

00:00:09.208 --> 00:00:10.180 adding and subtracting rational

00:00:10.224 --> 00:00:11.748 expressions and rational expressions.

00:00:11.750 --> 00:00:13.162 Remember, they're like fractions,

00:00:13.162 --> 00:00:16.289 but the top and the bottom are polynomials,

00:00:16.290 --> 00:00:18.971 so let's start by looking at adding

00:00:18.971 --> 00:00:20.510 or subtracting fractions like.

00:00:20.510 --> 00:00:25.000 Let's say that what I have is 11 fifteenths.

00:00:25.000 --> 00:00:27.348 Tractor third from that.

00:00:27.350 --> 00:00:29.210 So in order to do that,

00:00:29.210 --> 00:00:30.988 the bottoms need to be the same.

00:00:30.990 --> 00:00:32.545 The denominators need to be

00:00:32.545 --> 00:00:34.445 the same and here, right?

00:00:34.445 --> 00:00:36.817 So this is 3 * 5,

00:00:36.817 --> 00:00:38.793 so if this had a factor of five

00:00:38.793 --> 00:00:40.426 in the bottom, then we'd be OK.

00:00:40.426 --> 00:00:41.504 They would be the same, right?

00:00:41.504 --> 00:00:43.628 I can make that into 15

00:00:43.628 --> 00:00:45.139 by multiplying it by 5. 00:00:45.140 --> 00:00:46.700 I can't just multiply the bottom by 5. 00:00:46.700 --> 00:00:49.342I also have to multiply the top by 5 right, 00:00:49.342 --> 00:00:51.150 which really amounts to 00:00:51.150 --> 00:00:52.958 multiply the whole thing. 00:00:52.960 --> 00:00:53.791 By what right? 00:00:53.791 --> 00:00:55.176 And doesn't really change it, 00:00:55.180 --> 00:00:56.594 so this is now going to be. 00:00:58.860 --> 00:01:05.470 11:15 minus 5:15 right so first of all, 00:01:05.470 --> 00:01:07.548 I make the bottoms agree, and I do 00:01:07.548 --> 00:01:09.384 that by multiplying essentially by one. 00:01:09.390 --> 00:01:11.805 I'm just fitting in the missing factors, 00:01:11.810 --> 00:01:13.306 right? This is missing a factor of five. 00:01:13.310 --> 00:01:14.314 Just fit that in. 00:01:14.314 --> 00:01:16.897 And then what I do is I'm just going 00:01:16.897 --> 00:01:19.066 to subtract right across the top, 00:01:19.066 --> 00:01:22.010 so this becomes 6:15. 00:01:22.010 --> 00:01:23.216 And then I'm not quite done.

00:01:23.220 --> 00:01:24.170 Actually I need to think, 00:01:24.170 --> 00:01:25.910 well, OK, can I simplify that? 00:01:25.910 --> 00:01:28.745 And I can write because this is. 00:01:28.750 --> 00:01:34.150 2 * 3 and the bottom is 5 * 3. 00:01:34.150 --> 00:01:36.285 Alright, I factor the tops in the 00:01:36.285 --> 00:01:38.886 bottom and then I can cancel any kind 00:01:38.886 --> 00:01:40.990 of common factor in this is 2/5. 00:01:40.990 --> 00:01:43.190 So it's going to work just the same. 00:01:43.190 --> 00:01:44.558 With rational expressions. 00:01:46.600 --> 00:01:48.106 And let's do a quick example. 00:01:48.110 --> 00:01:49.370 So rational expressions it's 00:01:49.370 --> 00:01:51.260 going to be something like this. 00:01:51.260 --> 00:01:53.450 It's going to be one over. 00:01:53.450 --> 00:02:00.830 X - 3 - 6. Over X ^2 - 9. 00:02:00.830 --> 00:02:03.189 OK, so now it's it's not obvious. 00:02:03.190 --> 00:02:04.715 I think you know what's 00:02:04.715 --> 00:02:05.630 the common denominator. 00:02:05.630 --> 00:02:08.024So what I need to do is.

00:02:08.030 --> 00:02:11.090 I need to factor everything insight 00:02:11.090 --> 00:02:13.388 right the top and that's fine. 00:02:13.390 --> 00:02:15.910 One in six, but I need two if 00:02:15.910 --> 00:02:19.410 possible factor the bottoms so. 00:02:19.410 --> 00:02:20.970 This guy doesn't factor right? 00:02:20.970 --> 00:02:23.958 So this is just one over. 00:02:23.960 --> 00:02:25.220 X - 3 we can. 00:02:25.220 --> 00:02:27.770 We can write that as that's 00:02:27.770 --> 00:02:29.470 just one factor there. 00:02:29.470 --> 00:02:31.717 OK, and then here we've got 6. 00:02:31.720 --> 00:02:33.778 This is the difference of two squares, 00:02:33.780 --> 00:02:37.139 so this factor is as X - 3. 00:02:40.590 --> 00:02:45.622 X + 3. So. The bottoms 00:02:45.622 --> 00:02:47.086 are very similar, right? 00:02:47.086 --> 00:02:49.018 But this one is missing a factor 00:02:49.018 --> 00:02:50.948of X + 3 that's over here, 00:02:50.950 --> 00:02:53.083 so we need somehow to fit that in there, 00:02:53.090 --> 00:02:55.538 and so I can do that just by.

00:02:55.540 --> 00:02:56.620 Just like up here right? 00:02:56.620 --> 00:02:58.220 We multiplied by 1 essentially 00:02:58.220 --> 00:03:00.559 and we'll do the same thing here. 00:03:00.560 --> 00:03:05.369 I'm going to multiply this guy by X + 3. 00:03:05.370 --> 00:03:06.758 Over X + 3. 00:03:13.290 --> 00:03:16.209 Right? This is the same as this, 00:03:16.210 --> 00:03:18.513 but it's just we're changing the way 00:03:18.513 --> 00:03:21.608 that we're representing it and then here. 00:03:21.610 --> 00:03:23.270 We're not going to mess with this guy at all. 00:03:27.710 --> 00:03:28.880 Let me switch sites here so. 00:03:31.000 --> 00:03:32.880 OK, so now the denominators, 00:03:32.880 --> 00:03:34.030 the bottoms are the same, 00:03:34.030 --> 00:03:35.260 even though the order is different. NOTE Confidence: 0.902093512 00:03:35.260 --> 00:03:36.418 That's OK, right? 00:03:36.418 --> 00:03:38.348 Because we can multiply those 00:03:38.348 --> 00:03:40.059 factors in either order. 00:03:40.060 --> 00:03:43.040And now what I do is just like up here,

00:03:43.040 --> 00:03:44.937 right? I just here I just subtract across 00:03:44.937 --> 00:03:46.987 the top and then if possible simplify. 00:03:46.990 --> 00:03:47.584 Same thing here. 00:03:47.584 --> 00:03:49.160 I'm just going to subtract across the top, 00:03:49.160 --> 00:03:50.555 so this becomes. 00:03:50.555 --> 00:03:53.810 Let me do my little arrow thing. 00:03:53.810 --> 00:03:58.535 X + 3 it's this guy right times one. 00:03:58.540 --> 00:03:59.600 Minus 6. 00:04:01.800 --> 00:04:03.888 And then let's say we get 00:04:03.888 --> 00:04:04.932 that same denominator, 00:04:04.940 --> 00:04:07.700 right the same bottom. So X - 3. 00:04:10.530 --> 00:04:13.274 X + 3. So that's just again right. 00:04:13.280 --> 00:04:14.520 Just subtract across the tops. 00:04:14.520 --> 00:04:16.082 Keep the bottom the same, right? 00:04:16.082 --> 00:04:17.894 That's exactly what's going on there. 00:04:17.900 --> 00:04:18.764 And then, if possible, 00:04:18.764 --> 00:04:20.320 we want we want to simplify that. 00:04:20.320 --> 00:04:24.110 So this is X + 3 - 6 is X - 3.

00:04:28.120 --> 00:04:29.290 That's one factor. 00:04:32.340 --> 00:04:34.030 Oh, I switched him. See it. It's just. 00:04:37.450 --> 00:04:39.538 It doesn't matter the order so much that 00:04:39.538 --> 00:04:41.959 I just accidentally switched them right, 00:04:41.960 --> 00:04:44.972 but this bottom and this bottom are the same. 00:04:44.972 --> 00:04:47.455 So OK, now on the top and bottom there's 00:04:47.455 --> 00:04:49.568 a common factor of X - 3. I can cancel 00:04:49.568 --> 00:04:51.669 that when I cancel it from the top. 00:04:51.670 --> 00:04:53.034 I've canceled everything really. 00:04:53.034 --> 00:04:55.826 I'm like I'm dividing that X - 3 by 00:04:55.826 --> 00:04:59.000 X - 3 so it's going to leave a one. 00:04:59.000 --> 00:05:03.220 So I just get here 1 / X. 00:05:03.220 --> 00:05:06.098 Plus three, so these things, you know, 00:05:06.098 --> 00:05:08.730 this is a long road through this problem, 00:05:08.730 --> 00:05:09.850 but it's doable, right? 00:05:09.850 --> 00:05:12.648 What we need to do is at the beginning. 00:05:12.650 --> 00:05:14.134 Factor stuff so we can see OK? 00:05:14.140 --> 00:05:15.380

What are the factors right? 00:05:15.380 --> 00:05:17.300 And there are the factors. 00:05:17.300 --> 00:05:18.200 Then we need to say OK, 00:05:18.200 --> 00:05:20.825 so what's missing in the bottom over 00:05:20.825 --> 00:05:22.775 here and maybe also things would 00:05:22.775 --> 00:05:24.731 be missing here that are appearing 00:05:24.731 --> 00:05:26.957 there and we just then fix that. 00:05:26.960 --> 00:05:29.310 Right and the way we fix it is we multiply 00:05:29.368 --> 00:05:31.720 the top and bottom by the missing factors. 00:05:31.720 --> 00:05:33.085 OK, once they have the same bottom, 00:05:33.090 --> 00:05:35.310 you just subtract across the top 00:05:35.310 --> 00:05:36.420 and then you're just down to, 00:05:36.420 --> 00:05:37.620 you know, 00:05:37.620 --> 00:05:38.820 reducing fractions, 00:05:38.820 --> 00:05:39.910 so that's it.