## Making Connections The Power of Interweaving

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# Interweaving

Using questions and tasks that bring together multiple different topics from across mathematics.

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## It's not interleaving!

### Averages with... Surds



For each set of numbers find: (i) the mean, (ii) the median, (iii) the range. Leave your answers in their simplest form.

a)	$5\sqrt{3}$	$4\sqrt{3}$	$6\sqrt{3}$	g)	$\sqrt{20}$	$\sqrt{20}$	$\sqrt{80}$	$\sqrt{320}$
b)	$\sqrt{3}$	$\sqrt{108}$	$\sqrt{12}$	h)	$\sqrt{28}$	$\sqrt{63}$	3√63	$4\sqrt{7}$
c)	2\sqrt{12}	4\sqrt{12}	3\[37]	i)	$-\sqrt{99}$	$2\sqrt{44}$	$-\sqrt{11}$	$4\sqrt{44}$
d)	$2\sqrt{27}$	3\sqrt{12}	$\sqrt{243}$	j)	0	$-2\sqrt{44}$	$-4\sqrt{44}$	$\sqrt{44}$
e)	$2\sqrt{75}$	$\sqrt{48}$	$5\sqrt{12}$	k)	$\sqrt{2}$	$-\sqrt{18}$	$\sqrt{48}$	$\sqrt{8}$
f)	$\sqrt{243}$	$5\sqrt{27}$	$3\sqrt{75}$	l)	$2\sqrt{150}$	$-2\sqrt{54}$	$2\sqrt{24}$	$-2\sqrt{96}$

### Solving Linear Equations with... Standard Form

- 1)  $x + 3 \times 10^6 = 5 \times 10^6$
- 2)  $0.7x + 3.3 \times 10^6 = 5.4 \times 10^6$
- 3)  $1.3x 3.7 \times 10^{-3} = 5.4 \times 10^{-3}$
- 4)  $(2.3 \times 10^3)x = 9.2 \times 10^{-5}$
- 5)  $(6.1 \times 10^{11})x = 8 \times 10^6 (3.5 \times 10^{11})x$
- 6)  $3 \times 10^{-2} + 5x = 3x + 8 \times 10^{-2}$
- 7)  $(3 \times 10^{-2})x + 5 = 3 + (8 \times 10^{-2})x$
- 8)  $8x + 2.6 \times 10^8 = 12x + 1.2 \times 10^8$

- 9)  $x + 3 \times 10^5 = 5 \times 10^6$
- 10)  $0.7x 1.1 \times 10^4 = 5.4 \times 10^6$
- 11)  $1.3x + 5.3 \times 10^{-4} = 9 \times 10^{-7}$
- 12)  $(9.2 \times 10^3)x = 2.3 \times 10^{-5}$
- 13)  $(1.2 \times 10^{11})x = 8 \times 10^6 (5 \times 10^9)x$
- 14)  $3 \times 10^{-2} + 5x = 3x + 8 \times 10^{-3}$
- 15)  $(2 \times 10^{-2})x 7 = 11 + (8 \times 10^{-3})x$
- 16)  $11x + 2.4 \times 10^8 = 1.2 \times 10^{12} 13x$

#### Solving Trig Equations with...

### The Factor Theorem

Solve each equation in the given region: Round answers to 1 decimal place, where appropriate.

- 1)  $6\sin^3 x 5\sin^2 x 3\sin x + 2 = 0$ , for  $0^\circ \le x < 360^\circ$ ,
- 2)  $12\cos^4 x \cos^3 x 18\cos^2 x + \cos x + 6 = 0$ , for  $-180^\circ \le x < 180^\circ$ ,
- 3)  $6 \tan^5 x + 35 \tan^4 x + 62 \tan^3 x + 35 \tan^2 x + 6 \tan x = 0$ , for  $0^\circ \le x < 180^\circ$ .
- 4)  $2\cos^3 x + 3\sin^2 x 8\cos x 6 = 0$ , for  $0^\circ \le x < 720^\circ$ ,
- 5)  $-3\sin(x)\cos^2 x + 11\sin^2 x 16\sin x + 5 = 0$ , for  $-360^\circ \le x < 360^\circ$ ,
- 6)  $\tan(x)\sin^2 x 3\sin^2 x 10\sin(x)\cos x + 24\cos^2 x = 0$ , for  $-360^\circ \le x < 0^\circ$ .
- 7)  $6\sin^4 2x 5\sin^3 2x 14\sin^2 2x \sin 2x + 2 = 0$ , for  $0^\circ \le x < 180^\circ$ ,
- 8)  $5\cos^5 3x 19\cos^4 3x 9\cos^3 3x + 79\cos^2 3x 44\cos 3x 12 = 0$ , for  $0^\circ \le x < 120^\circ$ ,
- 9)  $\tan^4(4x+5) 27\tan^2(4x+5) 14\tan(4x+5) + 120 = 0$ , for  $0^\circ \le x < 90^\circ$ .

### Reciprocals with... Equations

By forming and solving an equation, find the following:

- a) A number that is  $\frac{1}{4}$  of its reciprocal
- b) A number that is 36% of its reciprocal
- c) Two numbers that are their own reciprocals
- d) Two numbers that are 2.1 greater than their reciprocals
- e) Two numbers that are 1 greater than their reciprocals

\*f) A number and its reciprocal that have a mean of  $\frac{29}{20}$ 

## Why do Interweaving?

- 1 Making Connections
- 2 Retrieval
- 3 Depth
- 4 Challenge
- 5 Purpose



**Proportional Reasoning** 











#### **Different Presentations**



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#### Using Numbers to Highlight Connections

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This year I had the pleasure of contributing a chapter to a book edited by Ed Southall and published by The Mathematical Association called 'If I Could Tell You One Thing'. The chapter discusses a collection of situations where the numbers that are used in a worked example or practice question can obscure the reasoning behind the calculations

#### Wrapping up



# Thank you!



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