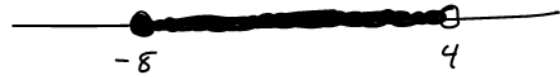


(1) Write the inequalities that describe the interval  $[-8, 4)$  and graph the interval on a number line.

$$[-8, 4) \quad -8 \leq x < 4$$



(2) Simplify  $\left(\frac{q^{-1}rs^2}{r^{-3}sq^{-2}}\right)^2$

$$\left(\frac{q^{-1}rs^2}{r^{-3}sq^{-2}}\right)^2 = \frac{q^{-2}r^2s^4}{r^{-6}s^2q^{-4}} = \frac{r^2s^4r^6q^4}{q^2s^2} = \frac{r^8s^4q^4}{s^2q^2} = \boxed{q^2r^8s^2}$$

(3) Perform the following multiplication of polynomials and simplify.  $(2x^2 - x - 3)(x + 1)$

$$(2x^2 - x - 3)(x + 1) = 2x^3 - x^2 - 3x + 2x^2 - x - 3$$
$$= 2x^3 + x^2 - 4x - 3$$

(4) Subtract the two rational expressions and then simplify.  $\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2 + x}$

$$\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2 + x} = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x(x+1)} = \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{x+1}{x+1} - \frac{1}{x(x+1)} =$$

$$\frac{x+1}{x(x+1)} - \frac{1}{x(x+1)} = \frac{x+1-1}{x(x+1)} = \frac{\cancel{x}}{\cancel{x}(x+1)} = \frac{1}{x+1}$$

(5) Simplify the compound fraction expression to a single fraction.  $\frac{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{x}}{x-2}$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{x}}{x-2} = \frac{\frac{1 \cdot x}{2x} - \frac{1 \cdot 2}{x \cdot 2}}{\frac{x-2}{1}} = \frac{\frac{x-2}{2x}}{\frac{x-2}{1}} = \frac{x-2}{2x} \cdot \frac{1}{x-2} = \frac{\cancel{x-2}}{2x(\cancel{x-2})} = \frac{1}{2x}$$

(6) Solve the equation.  $5(x+1) = x+17$

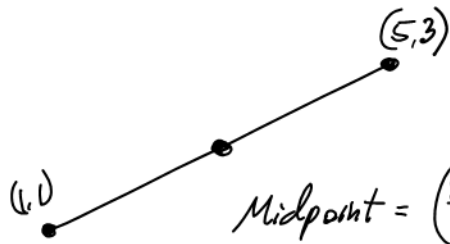
$$5(x+1) = x+17$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5x + 5 = x + 17 \\ -x - 5 \quad -x - 5 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{4x}{4} = \frac{12}{4}$$

$$x = 3$$

(7) Find the equation of the circle having the segment from (1, 1) to (5, 3) as a diameter.



$$\text{Midpoint} = \left( \frac{5+1}{2}, \frac{3+1}{2} \right) = (3, 2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{length} &= \sqrt{4^2 + 2^2} \\ &= \sqrt{20} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{radius} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{20} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\sqrt{5} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$(x-h)^2 + (y-k)^2 = r^2$$

$$(x-3)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 5$$

(8) Find the slope-intercept form for the equation of the line with slope  $-\frac{1}{3}$  and passing through the point (6, -1). Sketch the line.

$$y-b = m(x-a)$$

$$y+1 = -\frac{1}{3}(x-6)$$

$$y+1 = -\frac{1}{3}x + 2$$

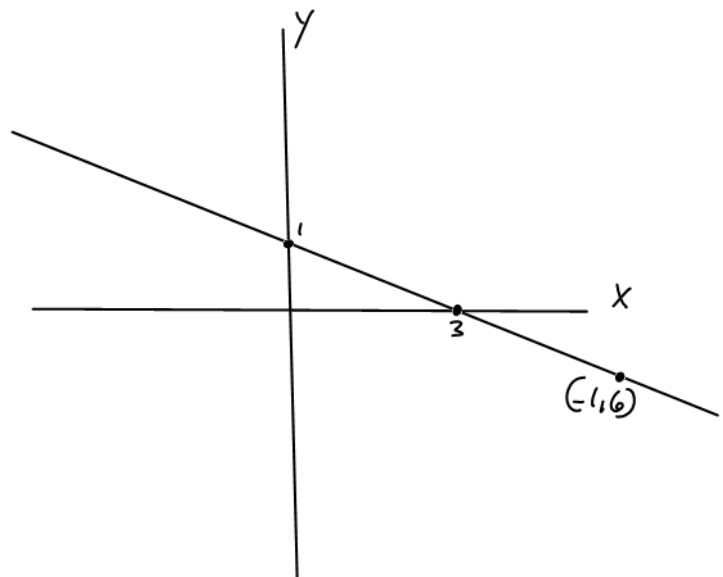
$$y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 1$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{y-intercept} \\ y = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{x-intercept} \\ 0 = -\frac{1}{3}x + 1 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{1}{3}x = 1$$

$$x = 3$$



(9) Solve this quadratic equation by factoring.  $3x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$ .

$$3x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$$

$$(3x - 1)(x + 1) = 0$$

$$3x - 1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x + 1 = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{1}{3}} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{x = -1}$$

(10) Solve this quadratic equation by completing the square  $x^2 + 6x + 2 = 0$ .

$$x^2 + 6x + 2 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 6x = -2$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9 = -2 + 9$$

$$\sqrt{(x+3)^2} = \sqrt{7}$$

$$|x+3| = \sqrt{7}$$

$$x+3 = \pm\sqrt{7}$$

$$x = -3 \pm \sqrt{7}$$

$$\boxed{x = -3 + \sqrt{7}} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{x = -3 - \sqrt{7}}$$