

Adding and Subtracting

You can only add or subtract radical with the same INDEX and RADICAND



How to add or subtract:

1. Simplify the radicals
2. Identify radicals and radicand
3. Add/subtract the coefficients of like radicals.

<p>1. $-3\sqrt{7} - 4\sqrt{7}$</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">$-3x - 4x$ $-7x$</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">$-3 - 4$</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin-left: 40px;">$-7\sqrt{7}$</div>	<p>2. $2\sqrt{5} + 6\sqrt{5}$</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">$2 + 6$</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin-left: 40px;">$8\sqrt{5}$</div>
<p>3. $12\sqrt{50} + 6\sqrt{2}$</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">$12 \cdot 5\sqrt{2}$ ↓</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><u>$60\sqrt{2}$</u> + <u>$6\sqrt{2}$</u></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin-left: 40px;">$66\sqrt{2}$</div>	<p style="margin-left: 40px;">50 ^ $2 \cdot 25$ ^ <u>$5 \cdot 5$</u> $5\sqrt{2}$</p> <p>4. $-3\sqrt{45} + 2\sqrt{20} + 3\sqrt{8}$</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-left: 40px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">45 ^ $9 \cdot 5$ ^ <u>$3 \cdot 3$</u></div> <div style="text-align: center;">20 ^ $4 \cdot 5$ ^ <u>$2 \cdot 2$</u></div> <div style="text-align: center;">8 ^ $4 \cdot 2$ ^ <u>$2 \cdot 2$</u></div> </div> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><u>$-3 \cdot 3\sqrt{5}$</u> <u>$2 \cdot 2\sqrt{5}$</u> <u>$3 \cdot 2\sqrt{2}$</u></p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">$-9\sqrt{5} + 4\sqrt{5} + 6\sqrt{2}$</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin-left: 40px;">$-5\sqrt{5} + 6\sqrt{2}$</div>