

Solve:  $x^2 + 2x + 3 = 0$

$a = 1$   
 $b = 2$   
 $c = 3$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(2) \pm \sqrt{(2)^2 - 4(1)(3)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 12}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-8}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-8}}{2} = \frac{-2 \pm 2i\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$= -1 \pm i\sqrt{2}$$

Ex:  $\frac{x+5}{x^2+x} = \frac{1}{x^2+x} - \frac{x-6}{x+1}$

$$\frac{x+5}{x(x+1)} = \frac{1}{x(x+1)} - \frac{x(x-6)}{x(x+1)}$$

$$\frac{x+5}{x^2+x} = 1 - \cancel{\frac{x}{x^2+x}} + \cancel{\frac{6x}{x^2+x}}$$

$$x^2 + x + 5 = x + 6x - 1 - 6x$$

$$x^2 - 5x + 4 = 0$$

$$(x-1)(x-4) = 0$$

$$x-1 = 0 \quad x-4 = 0$$

$$+1 +1 \quad +4 +4$$

$$\boxed{x=1 \quad x=4} \checkmark$$