Module 11 Simplifying Algebraic Expressions with Polynomials
Lesson 6 Dividing Polynomials by Monomials

## Lesson Objectives

- Divide a monomial by a monomial.
- Divide a binomial or a trinomial by a monomial.

To divide a monomial by a monomial, first divide the numbers
Then, divide the variables with the same base, using the
division rule for exponents.

Division rule for exponents:
$\frac{a^{m}}{a^{n}}=a^{m-n}$
$a \neq 0$
(1) Simplify: $\frac{-b^{5} d^{2}}{b^{3} d}$
$-b^{2} d$
(2) Simplify: $\frac{35 s^{4} t^{4}}{14 s t^{-2}}$ $\frac{5 s^{3} t^{6}}{2}$ or $\frac{5}{2} s^{3} t^{6}$

To divide a polynomial by a monomial, divide each term of the polynomial by the monomial.
(3) Simplify: $\frac{16 c^{2} d-8 c d^{2}}{4 c d}$
$4 c-2 d$

