

# Basic Mathematics Solutions

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## 0.1 Chapter 1

### 0.1.1 Exercise §2

Using Commutativity and Associativity in proving the following

**1**

$$(a + b) + (c + d) = (a + d) + (b + c)$$

$a + b + c + d$  by associativity

$a + b + c + d = a + b + d + c = a + d + b + c$  by commutativity

**2**

$$(a + b) + (c + d) = (a + c) + (b + d)$$

$a + b + c + d$  by associativity

$a + b + c + d = a + c + b + d$  by commutativity

**14**

Solve for  $x$

$$-2 + x = 4$$

$$x = 4 + 2 = 6$$

**15**

$$2 - x = 5$$

$$-x = 5 - 2 = 3$$

$$x = -3$$

**16**

$$x - 3 = 7$$

$$x = 7 + 3 = 10$$

**17**

$$-x + 4 = -1$$

$$-x = -1 - 4 = -5$$

$$x = 5$$

**18**

$$4 - x = 8$$

$$-x = 8 - 4 = 4$$

$$x = -4$$

**19**

$$-5 - x = -2$$

$$-x = -2 + 5 = 3$$

$$x = -3$$

**20**

$$-7 + x = -10$$

$$x = -10 + 7 = -3$$

**21**

$$-3 + x = 4$$

$$x = 4 + 3 = 7$$