

## Properties of Modulus

$$(i) | -x | = | x |$$

$$(ii) | x \cdot y | = | x | \cdot | y |$$

$$(iii) \left| \frac{x}{y} \right| = \frac{| x |}{| y |}$$

$$(iv) | x+y | \leq | x | + | y |$$

and  $| x+y | = | x | + | y |$ , { $x, y$  are of same sign or zero.}

$$| 2+3 | = | 2 | + | 3 | \quad \text{as } xy \geq 0$$

$$| 2+(-3) | < | 2 | + | -3 |$$

$$| (-5)+(-7) | = | -5 | + | -7 |$$

5) i)  $| | x | - | y | | \leq | x-y |$

small  $\uparrow$  big  
 $| x-y | = +ve.$   
 $\downarrow$  big small  $= | y-x |$   
 $| x-y | = | x-y |$

ii)  $| | x | - | y | | = | x-y |$ , when  $x+y$  are of same sign or zero

$$xy \geq 0$$

$$| | 2 | - | 3 | | = | 2-3 |$$

$$| | 2 | - | 3 | | < | (-2)-3 |$$

$$| | 5 | - | 7 | | = | (-5)-(-7) |$$

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$$|x+y| = |x| + |y|$$

$$|x|-|y| = |x-y|, \quad |x| \geq |y|$$

*x, y are of same sign or zero*

(b)

(i)  $|x+y| = |x| + |y|$ ,  
When  $x, y$  are of opposite sign or zero.

(ii)  $|x-y| = |x| + |y|$ ,  
 $x, y$  are of opposite sign or zero

(c)  $|x| = \sqrt{x^2}$   
or  $|x|^2 = x^2$

Examples:

① Solve:  $|x-1| + |x+3| = 7$

Case I:  $x < -3$

Case II:  $-3 \leq x < 1$

Case III:  $x \geq 1$

Conditions:  
 Left side:  $x-1 < 0 \quad (x < 1)$   
 Right side:  $x+3 > 0 \quad (x > -3)$

Solutions:  
 Case I:  $(x+3), \quad x+3 \geq 0 \quad (x \geq -3)$   
 Case II:  $-(x-1), \quad x-1 \leq 0 \quad (x \leq 1)$   
 Case III:  $-(x+3), \quad x+3 \leq 0 \quad (x \leq -3)$

$$|x-1| + |x+3| = 7$$

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x, & x \geq 0 \\ -x, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Case I:  $x < -3$

Number line:  $\dots -3 -1$

Case I:  $n < -3$

$$-(n-1) + (-n+3) = 7$$

$$-2n - 2 = 7 \Rightarrow 2n = -9$$

$$\Rightarrow n = -\frac{9}{2}$$

Check ✓ acceptable

Case II:  $-3 \leq n < 1$

$$-(n-1) + (n+3) = 7$$

$$4 = 7$$

not true for any value of  $n$  no solution within this case

Case III:  $n \geq 1$

$$|n-1| + |n+3| = 7$$

$$(n-1) + (n+3) = 7$$

$$2n + 2 = 7$$

$$2n = 5$$

$$n = \frac{5}{2}$$

check ✓ acceptable

∴ final answer:  $n = -\frac{9}{2}, \frac{5}{2}$  ✓

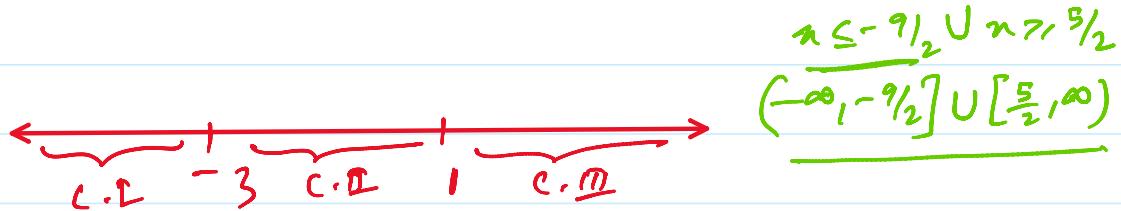
Ex ②  $|n-1| + |n+7| + |n-3| = 5$

✓ + ✓ - ✓ + ✓  
 $\frac{n < -7}{-7} \quad \frac{-7 \leq n < 1}{1} \quad \frac{1 \leq n < 3}{3} \quad \frac{n \geq 3}{3}$

Case I  $n < -7$   
 Case II  $-7 \leq n < 1$   
 Case III  $1 \leq n < 3$   
 Case IV  $n \geq 3$

complete it yourself.

$$③ |x-1| + |x+3| \geq 7$$



Case I     $x < -3$

$$-(x-1) + -(x+3) \geq 7$$

$$-2x - 2 \geq 7 \Rightarrow 2x \leq -9$$

$$x \leq -\frac{9}{2}$$

Check acceptable ✓

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$$|x-1| + |x+3| = 7$$

Case III :

$x \geq 1$

$$(x-1) + (x+3) \geq 7$$

$$2x + 2 \geq 7$$

$$2x \geq 5$$

$$x \geq \frac{5}{2}$$

Check acceptable ✓

Final ans:  $x \leq -\frac{9}{2}$  or  $x \geq \frac{5}{2}$

$$(-\infty, -\frac{9}{2}] \cup [\frac{5}{2}, \infty)$$

Ex: Solve

$$| |x-1| - 1 | \leq 1$$

Ans:  $[-1, 3]$

$$\begin{aligned} -1 &\leq |x-1| - 1 \leq 1 \\ 0 &\leq |x-1| \leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

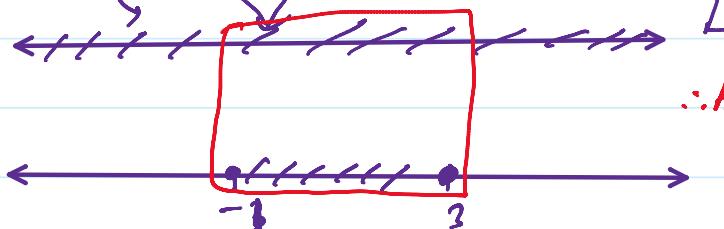
$$\begin{aligned} |x| &\leq a \\ a &\leq x \leq a \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |x-1| &\geq 0 \\ \text{true for all } x \end{aligned}$$

Ans:  $\underline{\underline{R}}$

$$|x-1| \leq 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} -2 &\leq x-1 \leq 2 \\ -1 &\leq x \leq 3 \end{aligned}$$



∴ Ans:  $\underline{\underline{[-1, 3]}}$

Ex. Solve

$$| |x-1| | < | 1-x |$$

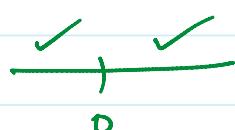
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Ans:  $x < 0$   
 $(-\infty, 0) \cup$

$$(x-1)^2 < (1-x)^2$$

$$x^2 - 2|x| + 1 < 1 + x^2 - 2x$$

$$2x - 2|x| < 0$$



$$x-|x| < 0$$

$$x \geq 0$$

$$x < 0$$

$$0 < 0$$

not true.

no solution.  
in this case.

$$x - (-x) < 0$$

2x < 0

$$x < 0$$

but

Final ans:  $x < 0$

or  $(-\infty, 0) \cup$

$$x - |x| > 0$$

C.I.  $x \geq 0$

$x - x > 0 \rightarrow 0 > 0 \rightarrow \text{false} \leftarrow \text{no soln}$

I.R. II  $x < 0$

$x - (-x) > 0$

... no ans. Final ans: NO soln.

C. II  $\frac{n}{n+1} \leq 0$   $n - (-n) \geq 0$   
 $2n \geq 0$   $n \geq 0$  *discard no ans. final ans: no soln.*

2nd method: Take various cases.

$$\left| \frac{n}{n+1} - 1 \right| - |1-n| < 0$$

### Doubts (CPP)

1.  $\frac{4}{9} < \frac{(x-1)(x+3)}{(x-2)(x+4)} < 1$

3.  $(\underbrace{x^2 - x - 1}_y)(\underbrace{x^2 - x - 7}_y) < -5.$

$$(y-1)(y-7) < -5$$

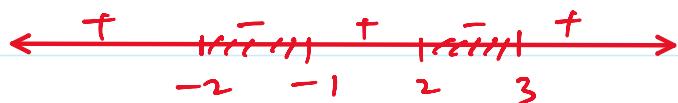
$$y^2 - 7y - y + 7 + 5 < 0$$

$$y^2 - 8y + 12 < 0$$

$$(y-6)(y-2) < 0$$

$$(\underbrace{x^2 - x - 6}_y)(\underbrace{x^2 - x - 2}_y) < 0$$

$$(x-3)(x+2)(x-2)(x+1) < 0$$



Ans:  $(-2, -1) \cup (2, 3)$

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5.

$$\frac{1}{x-2} - \frac{1}{x} \leq \frac{2}{x+2}$$

$$\frac{1}{x-2} - \frac{1}{x} - \frac{2}{x+2} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x(x+2) - (x^2-4) - 2x(x-2)}{x(x^2-4)} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{-2x^2 + 6x + 4}{x(x+2)(x-2)} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{-2(x^2 - 3x - 2)}{x(x+2)(x-2)} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{(x^2 - 3x - 2)}{x(x+2)(x-2)} \geq 0$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} - & - & + & + & - & + & + \\ \hline -2 & \frac{3-\sqrt{17}}{2} & 0 & 2 & \frac{3+\sqrt{17}}{2} & \infty \end{array}$$

$$\text{Ans: } \underline{\left[-2, \frac{3-\sqrt{17}}{2}\right] \cup (0, 2) \cup \left[\frac{3+\sqrt{17}}{2}, \infty\right]}$$