# PROPORTIONS

#### W What department are you matriculated in?

Epi

**Health Services** 

Global Health

**Biostat** 

**EOHS** 

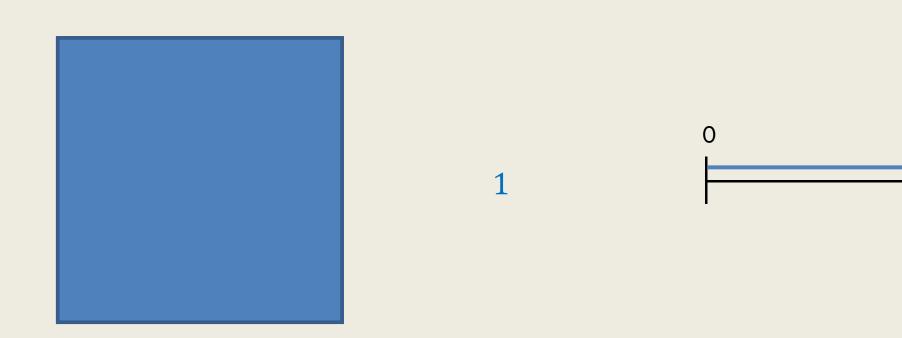
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- What is a proportion?
- Fractions

- Other ways we represent and manipulate proportions
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# What is a proportion?



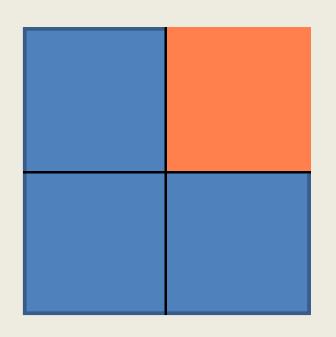
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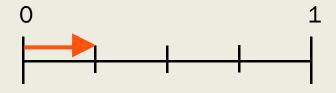


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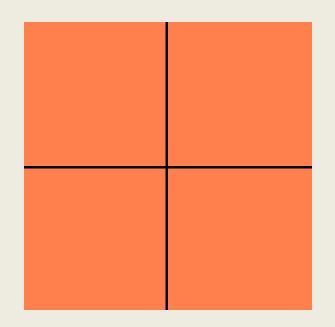
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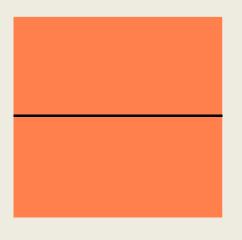
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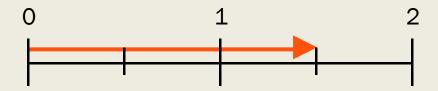
$$\frac{4}{4} = 1$$



### Fractions



$$2 = \frac{3}{2}$$



# Fraction Terminology

$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{numerator}{denominator}$$

### Manipulating fractions

- Comparing[PRO-TIP] Matching denominators will make this easier
- Addition & subtraction
   [RULE] Denominators must match, perform operation on numerators
- Multiplication & division
  [RULE] Numerator and denominator operate separately

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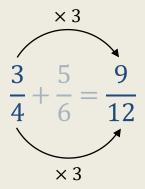
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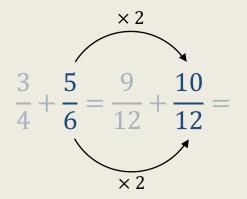
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#### YOUR TURN

1. 
$$1\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$$

2. 
$$\frac{1}{6}$$
?  $\frac{2}{9}$ 

3. 
$$\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{3}$$

#### **Fraction exercises**

#### SOLUTION

1. 
$$1\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{3} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

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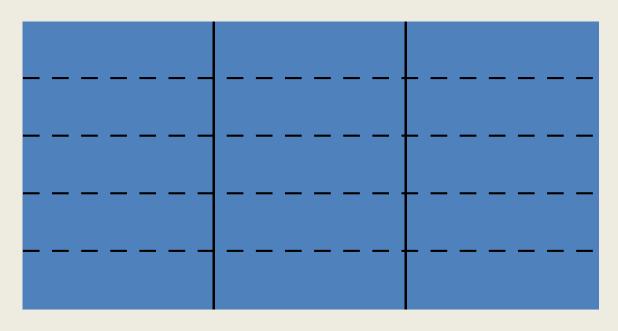
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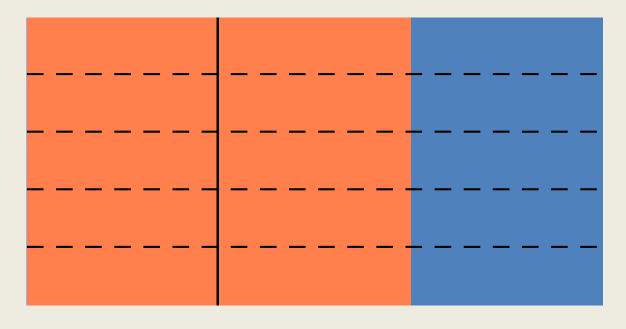
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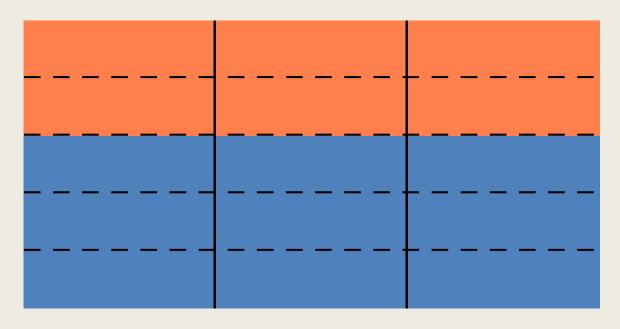
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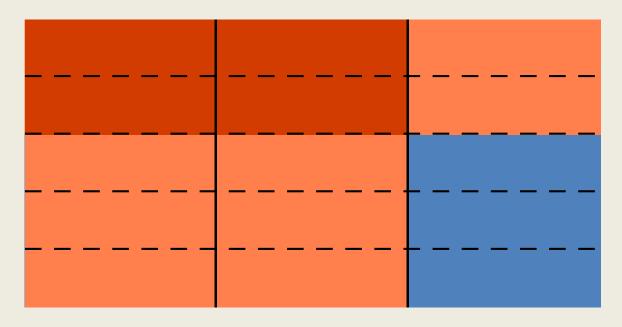
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$$\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{2 \times 2}{3 \times 5} = \frac{4}{15}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{4}{5} =$$

$$\frac{7}{8} \times \frac{5}{6} =$$

### **Multiplying fractions**

$$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{4}{5} = \frac{12}{20}$$

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$$\frac{3}{\cancel{4}} \times \frac{\cancel{4}}{5} = \frac{12}{20} = \frac{3}{5}$$
 or cross-cancel!

$$\frac{7}{8} \times \frac{5}{6} =$$

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$$\frac{7}{8} \times \frac{5}{6} = \frac{35}{48}$$

Multiply by the reciprocal

 $\frac{4}{5}$   $\frac{2}{3}$ 

$$\frac{\frac{4}{5}}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{4}{5} \div \frac{2}{3}$$

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# YOU TRY



14
<del>100</del>
3
200

I don't know

$$\frac{\frac{14}{100}}{\frac{3}{200}} = \frac{14}{100} \times \frac{200}{3} = \frac{2800}{300} = \frac{28}{3} = 9\frac{1}{3}$$

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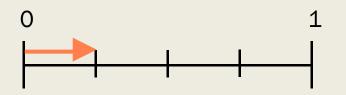
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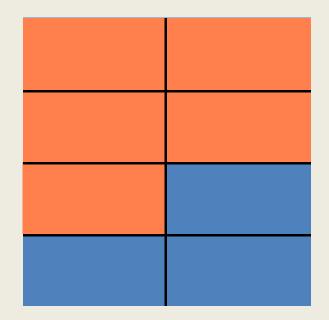
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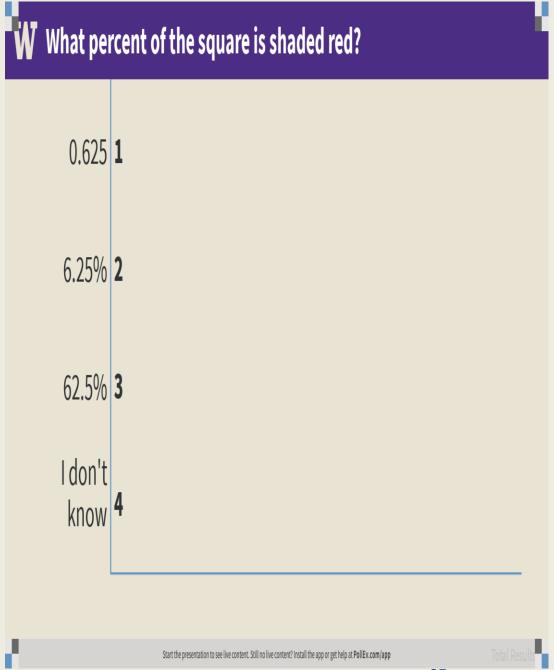
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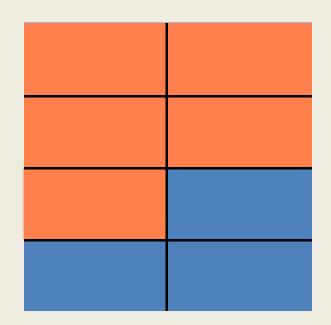
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$$\frac{5}{8} = 0.625 = 62.5\%$$

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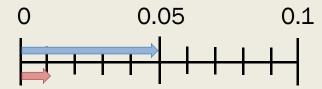
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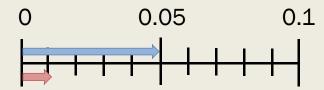
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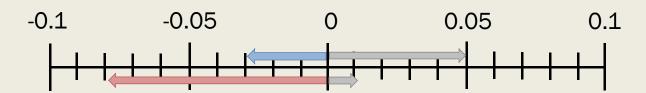
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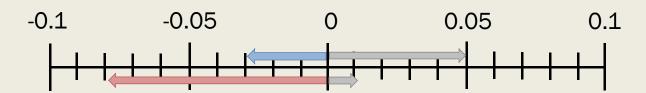
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### Extra practice

Fractions

https://www.khanacademy.org/math/arithmetic/fraction-arithmetic

Decimals

https://www.khanacademy.org/math/arithmetic/arith-decimals

Relationship of fractions, decimals and percentages

https://www.khanacademy.org/math/cc-seventh-grade-math/cc-7th-fractions-decimals