

## CBSE NCERT Solutions for Class 7 Mathematics Chapter 9

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#### Exercise 9.1

1. List five rational numbers between:

- (i)  $-1$  and  $0$
- (ii)  $-2$  and  $-1$
- (iii)  $-\frac{4}{5}$  and  $-\frac{2}{3}$
- (iv)  $-\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$

**Solution:**

(i) Let us write  $-1$  and  $0$  as rational numbers with denominators 10.

$$\text{We have } -1 = \frac{-10}{10}, 0 = \frac{0}{10}$$

$$\text{We know } \frac{-10}{10} < \frac{-9}{10} < \frac{-7}{10} < \frac{-3}{10} < \frac{-2}{10} < \frac{-1}{10} < \frac{0}{10}$$

$$-\frac{2}{10} \text{ can be written as } -\frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{Hence, five rational numbers between } -1 \text{ and } 0 \text{ are } \frac{-9}{10}, \frac{-7}{10}, \frac{-3}{10}, \frac{-1}{5}, \frac{-1}{10}$$

(ii) Let us write  $-2$  and  $-1$  as rational numbers with denominators 10.

$$\text{We have } -2 = \frac{-20}{10}, -1 = \frac{-10}{10}$$

$$\text{We know } \frac{-20}{10} < \frac{-19}{10} < \frac{-17}{10} < \frac{-14}{10} < \frac{-13}{10} < \frac{-11}{10} < \frac{-10}{10}$$

$$-\frac{14}{10} \text{ can be written as } -\frac{7}{5}$$

$$\text{Hence, five rational numbers between } -2 \text{ and } -1 \text{ are } \frac{-19}{10}, \frac{-17}{10}, \frac{-7}{5}, \frac{-13}{10}, \frac{-11}{10}$$

(iii) Let us write  $-\frac{4}{5}$  and  $-\frac{2}{3}$  as rational numbers with denominators 45.

$$\text{We have } \frac{-4}{5} = \frac{-36}{45}, \frac{-2}{3} = \frac{-30}{45}$$

$$\text{We know } \frac{-36}{45} < \frac{-35}{45} < \frac{-34}{45} < \frac{-33}{45} < \frac{-32}{45} < \frac{-31}{45} < \frac{-30}{45}$$

$$-\frac{33}{45} \text{ can be written as } -\frac{11}{15} \text{ and } -\frac{35}{45} \text{ can be written as } -\frac{7}{9}$$

Hence, five rational numbers between  $\frac{-4}{5}$  and  $\frac{-2}{3}$  are  $\frac{-7}{9}, \frac{-34}{45}, \frac{-11}{15}, \frac{-32}{45}, \frac{-31}{45}$

- (iv) Let us write  $-\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$  as rational numbers with denominators 6.

$$\text{We have } -\frac{1}{2} = \frac{-3}{6}, \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{6}$$

$$\text{We know } \frac{-3}{6} < \frac{-1}{6} < \frac{0}{6} < \frac{1}{6} < \frac{2}{6} < \frac{3}{6} < \frac{4}{6}$$

$$-\frac{2}{10} \text{ can be written as } -\frac{1}{5} \text{ and } -\frac{2}{10} \text{ can be written as } -\frac{1}{5}$$

Hence, five rational numbers between  $-\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$  are  $\frac{-1}{6}, \frac{0}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}, \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$ .

2. Write four more rational numbers in each of the following patterns:

(i)  $-\frac{3}{5}, -\frac{6}{10}, -\frac{9}{15}, -\frac{12}{20}$

(ii)  $-\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{2}{8}, -\frac{3}{12}$

(iii)  $-\frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{-12}, \frac{3}{-18}, \frac{4}{-24}$

(iv)  $\frac{-2}{3}, \frac{2}{-3}, \frac{4}{-6}, \frac{6}{-9}$

**Solution:**

(i)  $-\frac{3}{5} = -\frac{3 \times 1}{5 \times 1}, -\frac{6}{10} = -\frac{3 \times 2}{5 \times 2}, -\frac{9}{15} = -\frac{3 \times 3}{5 \times 3}, -\frac{12}{20} = -\frac{3 \times 4}{5 \times 4}$

Pattern is observed.

Four more rational numbers may be

$$-\frac{3 \times 5}{5 \times 5} = -\frac{15}{25}, -\frac{3 \times 6}{5 \times 6} = -\frac{18}{30}, -\frac{3 \times 7}{5 \times 7} = -\frac{21}{35}, -\frac{3 \times 8}{5 \times 8} = -\frac{24}{40}$$

Therefore, the rational numbers are  $\frac{-15}{25}, \frac{-18}{30}, \frac{-21}{35}, \frac{-24}{40}$

(ii)  $-\frac{1}{4} = -\frac{1 \times 1}{4 \times 1}, -\frac{2}{8} = -\frac{1 \times 2}{4 \times 2}, -\frac{3}{12} = -\frac{1 \times 3}{4 \times 3}, -\frac{4}{16} = -\frac{1 \times 4}{4 \times 4}$

Pattern is observed.

Four more rational numbers may be

$$-\frac{1 \times 5}{4 \times 5} = -\frac{5}{20}, -\frac{1 \times 6}{4 \times 6} = -\frac{6}{24}, -\frac{1 \times 7}{4 \times 7} = -\frac{7}{28}, -\frac{1 \times 8}{4 \times 8} = -\frac{8}{32}$$

Therefore, the rational numbers are  $\frac{-5}{20}, \frac{-6}{24}, \frac{-7}{28}, \frac{-8}{32}$ .

(iii)  $-\frac{1}{6} = -\frac{1 \times 1}{6 \times 1}, -\frac{2}{12} = -\frac{1 \times 2}{6 \times 2}, -\frac{3}{18} = -\frac{1 \times 3}{6 \times 3}, -\frac{4}{24} = -\frac{1 \times 4}{6 \times 4}$

Pattern is observed.

Four more rational numbers may be

$$-\frac{1 \times 5}{6 \times 5} = -\frac{5}{30}, -\frac{1 \times 6}{6 \times 6} = -\frac{6}{36}, -\frac{1 \times 7}{6 \times 7} = -\frac{7}{42}, -\frac{1 \times 8}{6 \times 8} = -\frac{8}{48}$$

Therefore, the rational numbers are  $-\frac{5}{30}, -\frac{6}{36}, -\frac{7}{42}, -\frac{8}{48}$ .

$$(iv) \quad \frac{-2}{3} = \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{2}{-3} = \frac{-2 \times -1}{3 \times -1}, \frac{4}{-6} = \frac{-2 \times -2}{3 \times -2}, \frac{6}{-9} = \frac{-2 \times -3}{3 \times -3}$$

Pattern is observed.

Four more rational numbers may be

$$\frac{-2 \times -4}{3 \times -4} = -\frac{8}{12}, \frac{-2 \times -5}{3 \times -5} = -\frac{10}{15}, \frac{-2 \times -6}{3 \times -6} = -\frac{12}{18}, \frac{-2 \times -7}{3 \times -7} = -\frac{14}{21}$$

Therefore, the rational numbers are  $-\frac{8}{12}, -\frac{10}{15}, -\frac{12}{18}, -\frac{14}{21}$ .

3. Give four rational numbers equivalent to:

$$(i) \quad \frac{-2}{7}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{5}{-3}$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{4}{9}$$

**Solution:**

$$(i) \quad \frac{-2}{7} = \frac{-2 \times 1}{7 \times 1}$$

Other four rational numbers equivalent to given rational number is

$$\frac{-2 \times 2}{7 \times 2} = \frac{-4}{14}$$

$$\frac{-2 \times 3}{7 \times 3} = \frac{-6}{21}$$

$$\frac{-2 \times 4}{7 \times 4} = \frac{-8}{28}$$

$$\frac{-2 \times 5}{7 \times 5} = \frac{-10}{35}$$

Therefore, the rational numbers are  $\frac{-4}{14}, \frac{-6}{21}, \frac{-8}{28}, \frac{-10}{35}$ .

$$(ii) \quad \frac{5}{-3} = \frac{5 \times 1}{-3 \times 1}$$

Other four rational numbers equivalent to given rational number is

$$\frac{5 \times 2}{-3 \times 2} = -\frac{10}{6}, \frac{5 \times 3}{-3 \times 3} = -\frac{15}{9}, \frac{5 \times 4}{-3 \times 4} = -\frac{20}{12}, \frac{5 \times 5}{-3 \times 5} = -\frac{25}{15}$$

Therefore, the rational numbers are  $\frac{-10}{6}, \frac{-15}{9}, \frac{-20}{12}, \frac{-25}{15}$ .

$$(iii) \quad \frac{4}{9} = \frac{4 \times 1}{9 \times 1}$$

Other four rational numbers equivalent to given numbers is

$$\frac{4 \times 2}{9 \times 2} = \frac{8}{18}$$

$$\frac{4 \times 3}{9 \times 3} = \frac{12}{27}$$

$$\frac{4 \times 4}{9 \times 4} = \frac{16}{36}$$

$$\frac{4 \times 5}{9 \times 5} = \frac{20}{45}$$

Therefore, the rational numbers are  $\frac{8}{18}, \frac{12}{27}, \frac{16}{36}, \frac{20}{45}$ .

4. Draw the number line and represent the following rational numbers on it:

$$(i) \quad \frac{3}{4}$$

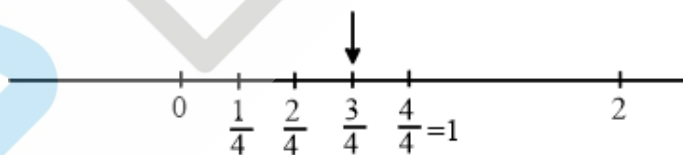
$$(ii) \quad -\frac{5}{8}$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{-7}{4}$$

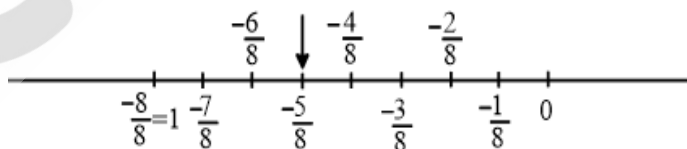
$$(iv) \quad \frac{7}{8}$$

**Solution:**

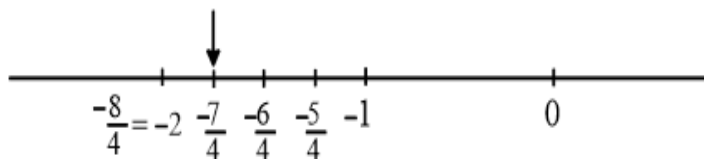
(i) Given rational number lies between 0 and 1.



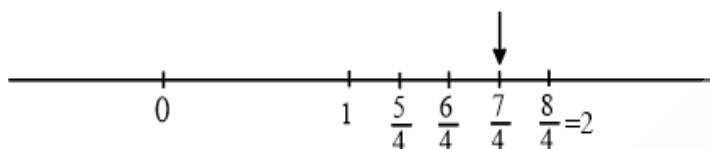
(ii) Given rational number lies between -1 and 0



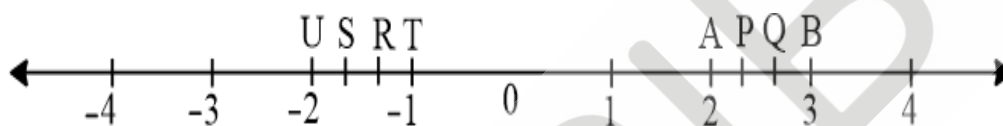
(iii) Given rational number lies between -2 and -1.



- (iv) Given rational number lies between 0 and 1.



5. The points P, Q, R, S, T, U, A and B on the number line are such that,  $TR = RS = SU$  and  $AP = PQ = QB$ . Name the rational numbers represented by P, Q, R and S.



**Solution:**

Clearly  $UT = 1$

Given  $TR = RS = SU$ .

$$UT = TR + RS + SU = 1$$

$$TR = RS = SU = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$R \text{ will be } \left(-1 - \frac{1}{3} = -\frac{4}{3}\right)$$

Hence, rational number represented by R is  $-\frac{4}{3}$

$$SU = \frac{1}{3} \text{ and S is right to U.}$$

$$S \text{ will be } \left(-2 + \frac{1}{3} = -\frac{5}{3}\right)$$

Hence, rational number represented by S is  $-\frac{5}{3}$

Clearly  $AB = 1$

Given,  $AP = PQ = QB$ .

$$AB = AP + PQ + QB = 1$$

$$AP = PQ = QB = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P \text{ will be } \left(2 + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{7}{3}\right)$$

Hence, rational number represented by  $P$  is  $\frac{7}{3}$

$QB = \frac{1}{3}$  and  $Q$  is left to  $B$ .

$Q$  will be  $\left(3 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{8}{3}\right)$

Hence, rational number represented by  $Q$  is  $\frac{8}{3}$

Therefore, rational numbers represented by  $P, Q, R$  and  $S$  are  $\frac{7}{3}, \frac{8}{3}, \frac{-4}{3}, \frac{-5}{3}$ .

6. Which of the following pairs represent the same rational number?

(i)  $\frac{-7}{21}$  and  $\frac{3}{9}$

(ii)  $\frac{-16}{20}$  and  $\frac{20}{-25}$

(iii)  $\frac{-2}{-3}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$

(iv)  $\frac{-3}{5}$  and  $\frac{-12}{20}$

(v)  $\frac{8}{-5}$  and  $\frac{-24}{15}$

(vi)  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{-1}{9}$

(vii)  $\frac{-5}{-9}$  and  $\frac{5}{-9}$

**Solution:**

(i)  $\frac{3}{9} = \frac{1 \times 3}{3 \times 3} = \frac{1}{3}$   
 $\frac{-7}{21} = \frac{-1 \times 7}{3 \times 7} = \frac{-1}{3}$

Hence,  $\frac{-7}{21}$  and  $\frac{3}{9}$  doesn't represent the same rational number.

(ii)  $\frac{-16}{20} = \frac{-4 \times 4}{5 \times 4} = -\frac{4}{5}, \frac{20}{-25} = \frac{4 \times 5}{-5 \times 5} = -\frac{4}{5}$

Hence  $\frac{-16}{20}$  and  $\frac{20}{-25}$  represent the same rational number.

(iii)  $\frac{-2}{-3} = \frac{-2 \times (-1)}{-3 \times (-1)} = \frac{2}{3}$

Hence  $\frac{-2}{-3}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$  represent the same rational number.

(iv)  $\frac{-3}{5} = \frac{-3 \times 4}{5 \times 4} = \frac{-12}{20}$

Hence  $\frac{-3}{5}$  and  $\frac{-12}{20}$  represent the same rational number.

$$(v) \quad \frac{8}{-5} = \frac{8 \times (-3)}{-5 \times (-3)} = \frac{-24}{15}$$

Hence  $\frac{8}{-5}$  and  $\frac{-24}{15}$  represent the same rational number.

$$(vi) \quad \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1 \times 3}{3 \times 3} = \frac{3}{9}$$

Hence  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{-1}{9}$  doesn't represent the same rational number.

$$(vii) \quad \text{Clearly } \frac{-5}{-9} \neq \frac{5}{-9}$$

Hence  $\frac{-5}{-9}$  and  $\frac{5}{-9}$  doesn't represent the same rational number.

7. Rewrite the following rational numbers in the simplest form:

$$(i) \quad \frac{-8}{6}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{25}{45}$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{-44}{72}$$

$$(iv) \quad \frac{-8}{10}$$

**Solution:**

$$(i) \quad \frac{-8}{6} = \frac{-4 \times 2}{3 \times 2} = \frac{-4}{3}$$

Hence, simplest form of  $\frac{-8}{6}$  is  $\frac{-4}{3}$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{25}{45} = \frac{5 \times 5}{9 \times 5} = \frac{5}{9}$$

Hence, simplest form of  $\frac{25}{45}$  is  $\frac{5}{9}$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{-44}{72} = \frac{-11 \times 4}{18 \times 4} = \frac{-11}{18}$$

Hence, simplest form of  $\frac{-44}{72}$  is  $\frac{-11}{18}$

$$(iv) \quad \frac{-8}{10} = \frac{-4 \times 2}{5 \times 2} = \frac{-4}{5}$$

Hence, simplest form of  $\frac{-8}{10}$  is  $\frac{-4}{5}$

8. Fill in the boxes with the correct symbol out of  $>$ ,  $<$ , and  $=$ .

$$(i) \quad \frac{-5}{7} \square \frac{2}{3}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{-4}{5} \square \frac{-5}{7}$$

(iii)  $\frac{-7}{8} \square \frac{14}{-16}$

(iv)  $\frac{-8}{5} \square \frac{-7}{4}$

(v)  $\frac{1}{-3} \square \frac{-1}{4}$

(vi)  $\frac{5}{-11} \square \frac{-5}{11}$

(vii)  $0 \square \frac{-7}{6}$

**Solution:**

- (i) Clearly  $\frac{-5}{7}$  is negative rational number and  $\frac{2}{3}$  is positive rational number.

Hence  $\frac{-5}{7} \square \frac{2}{3}$

- (ii) Making denominator of both numbers equal, we get

$$\frac{-4}{5} = \frac{-4 \times 7}{5 \times 7} = \frac{-28}{35} \text{ and } \frac{-5}{7} = \frac{-5 \times 5}{7 \times 5} = \frac{-25}{35}$$

As we know that,  $-28 < -25$

Hence,  $\frac{-28}{35} < \frac{-25}{35}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-4}{5} \square \frac{-5}{7}$$

- (iii) Since,  $\frac{-7}{8} = \frac{-7 \times (-2)}{8 \times (-2)} = \frac{14}{-16}$

Hence,  $\frac{-7}{8} \square \frac{14}{-16}$

- (iv) Making denominator of both numbers equal, we get

$$\frac{-8}{5} = \frac{-8 \times 4}{5 \times 4} = \frac{-32}{20} \text{ and } \frac{-7}{4} = \frac{-7 \times 5}{4 \times 5} = \frac{-35}{20}$$

Since,  $-32 > -35$

Hence,  $\frac{-32}{20} \square \frac{-35}{20}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-8}{5} \square \frac{-7}{4}$$

- (v) Making denominator of both numbers equal, we get

$$\frac{1}{-3} = \frac{1 \times (-4)}{-3 \times (-4)} = \frac{-4}{12} \text{ and } \frac{-1}{4} = \frac{-1 \times 3}{4 \times 3} = \frac{-3}{12}$$

Since,  $-4 < -3$

Hence,  $\frac{-4}{12} < \frac{-3}{12}$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{-3} \boxed{<} \frac{-1}{4}$$

(vi) Since,  $\frac{5}{-11} = \frac{5 \times (-1)}{-11 \times (-1)} = \frac{-5}{11}$

Hence,  $\frac{5}{-11} \boxed{=}$   $\frac{-5}{11}$

(vii) Since,  $-7 < 0$

Hence,  $\frac{-7}{6} < \frac{0}{6}$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \boxed{>} \frac{-7}{6}$$

9. Which is greater in each of the following:

(i)  $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{2}$

(ii)  $\frac{-5}{6}, \frac{-4}{3}$

(iii)  $\frac{-3}{4}, \frac{2}{-3}$

(iv)  $\frac{-1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$

(v)  $-3\frac{2}{7}, -3\frac{4}{5}$

**Solution:**

(i) Making denominator of both numbers equal, we get

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2 \times 2}{3 \times 2} = \frac{4}{6} \text{ and } \frac{5}{2} = \frac{5 \times 3}{2 \times 3} = \frac{15}{6}$$

Since,  $15 > 4$

Hence,  $\frac{15}{6} > \frac{4}{6}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{2} > \frac{2}{3}$$

(ii) Making denominator of both numbers equal, we get

$$\frac{-4}{3} = \frac{-4 \times 2}{3 \times 2} = \frac{-8}{6}$$

Since,  $-5 > -8$

Hence,  $\frac{-5}{6} > \frac{-8}{6}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-5}{6} > \frac{-4}{3}$$

- (iii) Making denominator of both numbers equal, we get

$$\frac{-3}{4} = \frac{-3 \times 3}{4 \times 3} = \frac{-9}{12} \text{ and } \frac{2}{-3} = \frac{2 \times (-4)}{-3 \times (-4)} = \frac{-8}{12}$$

Since,  $-8 > -9$

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{-8}{12} > \frac{-9}{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{-3} > \frac{-3}{4}$$

- (iv) Since, positive numbers are always greater than negative numbers.

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{1}{4} > \frac{-1}{4}$$

- (v) Since,  $-3\frac{2}{7} = -\frac{23}{7}$  and  $-3\frac{4}{5} = -\frac{19}{5}$

Now making denominator of both numbers equal, we get

$$\frac{-23}{7} = \frac{-23 \times 5}{7 \times 5} = \frac{-115}{35} \text{ and } \frac{-19}{5} = \frac{-19 \times 7}{5 \times 7} = \frac{-133}{35}$$

Since,  $-115 > -133$

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{-115}{35} > \frac{-133}{35}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-23}{7} > \frac{-19}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow -3\frac{2}{7} > -3\frac{4}{5}$$

10. Write the following rational numbers in ascending order:

(i)  $\frac{-3}{5}, \frac{-2}{5}, \frac{-1}{5}$

(ii)  $\frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-2}{9}, \frac{-4}{3}$

(iii)  $\frac{-3}{7}, \frac{-3}{2}, \frac{-3}{4}$

**Solution:**

- (i) We know that  $-3 < -2 < -1$

Hence, ascending order is

$$\frac{-3}{5} < \frac{-2}{5} < \frac{-1}{5}$$

- (ii) Making denominator of both numbers equal, we get

$$\frac{-1}{3} = \frac{-1 \times 3}{3 \times 3} = \frac{-3}{9}$$

$$\frac{-4}{3} = \frac{-4 \times 3}{3 \times 3} = \frac{-12}{9}$$

As we know that  $-12 < -3 < -2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-12}{9} < \frac{-3}{9} < \frac{-2}{9}$$

Hence, ascending order is

$$\frac{-4}{3} < \frac{-1}{3} < \frac{-2}{9}$$

(iii) We know that  $2 < 4 < 7$

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{1}{2} > \frac{1}{4} > \frac{1}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} > \frac{3}{4} > \frac{3}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-3}{2} < \frac{-3}{4} < \frac{-3}{7}$$

Hence, ascending order is

$$\frac{-3}{2} < \frac{-3}{4} < \frac{-3}{7}$$

### Exercise 9.2

1. Find the sum:

(i)  $\frac{5}{4} + \left(\frac{-11}{4}\right)$

(ii)  $\frac{5}{3} + \frac{3}{5}$

(iii)  $\frac{-9}{10} + \frac{22}{15}$

(iv)  $\frac{-3}{-11} + \frac{5}{9}$

(v)  $\frac{-8}{19} + \frac{-2}{57}$

(vi)  $\frac{-2}{3} + 0$

(vii)  $-2\frac{1}{3} + 4\frac{3}{5}$

**Solution:**

(i)  $\frac{5}{4} + \left(\frac{-11}{4}\right) = \frac{5}{4} + \frac{-11}{4}$

$$= \frac{5 - 11}{4}$$

$$= \frac{-6}{4}$$

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

$$(ii) \quad \frac{5}{3} + \frac{3}{5} = \frac{5 \times 5}{3 \times 5} + \frac{3 \times 3}{3 \times 3}$$

$$= \frac{25}{15} + \frac{9}{15}$$

$$= \frac{34}{15}$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{-9}{10} + \frac{22}{15} = \frac{-9 \times 3}{10 \times 3} + \frac{22 \times 2}{15 \times 2}$$

$$= \frac{-27}{30} + \frac{44}{30}$$

$$= \frac{17}{30}$$

$$(iv) \quad \frac{-3}{-11} + \frac{5}{9} = \frac{3}{11} + \frac{5}{9}$$

$$= \frac{3 \times 9}{11 \times 9} + \frac{5 \times 11}{9 \times 11}$$

$$= \frac{27}{99} + \frac{55}{99}$$

$$= \frac{82}{99}$$

$$(v) \quad \frac{-8}{19} + \frac{-2}{57} = \frac{-8 \times 3}{19 \times 3} + \frac{-2}{57}$$

$$= \frac{-24}{57} + \frac{-2}{57}$$

$$= \frac{-26}{57}$$

$$(vi) \quad \frac{-2}{3} + 0 = \frac{-2}{3} + \frac{0}{3}$$

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

$$(vii) \quad -2\frac{1}{3} = \frac{-7}{3} \text{ and } 4\frac{3}{5} = \frac{23}{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Hence, } -2\frac{1}{3} + 4\frac{3}{5} &= \frac{-7}{3} + \frac{23}{5} \\&= \frac{-7 \times 5}{3 \times 5} + \frac{23 \times 3}{5 \times 3} \\&= \frac{-35}{15} + \frac{69}{15} \\&= \frac{34}{15}\end{aligned}$$

2. Find

(i)  $\frac{7}{24} - \frac{17}{36}$

(ii)  $\frac{5}{63} - \left(\frac{-6}{21}\right)$

(iii)  $\frac{-6}{13} - \left(\frac{-7}{15}\right)$

(iv)  $\frac{-3}{8} - \frac{7}{11}$

(v)  $-2\frac{1}{9} - 6$

**Solution:**

(i)  $\frac{7}{24} - \frac{17}{36}$   
 $= \frac{21}{72} - \frac{34}{72}$   
 $= \frac{-13}{72}$

(ii)  $\frac{5}{63} - \left(\frac{-6}{21}\right)$   
 $= \frac{5}{63} + \frac{18}{63}$   
 $= \frac{23}{63}$

(iii)  $\frac{-6}{13} - \left(\frac{-7}{15}\right)$   
 $= \frac{-90}{195} + \frac{91}{195}$   
 $= \frac{1}{195}$

(iv)  $\frac{-3}{8} - \frac{7}{11}$

$$= \frac{-33}{88} - \frac{56}{88}$$

$$= \frac{-89}{88}$$

$$(v) \quad -2\frac{1}{9} - 6$$

$$= -\frac{19}{9} - 6$$

$$= -\frac{19}{9} - \frac{54}{9}$$

$$= \frac{-73}{9}$$

3. Find the product:

$$(i) \quad \frac{9}{2} \times \left(\frac{-7}{4}\right)$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{3}{10} \times (-9)$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{-6}{5} \times \frac{9}{11}$$

$$(iv) \quad \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{-2}{5}$$

$$(v) \quad \frac{3}{11} \times \frac{2}{5}$$

$$(vi) \quad \frac{3}{-5} \times \frac{-5}{3}$$

**Solution:**

$$(i) \quad \frac{9}{2} \times \left(\frac{-7}{4}\right) \\ = \frac{9 \times (-7)}{2 \times 4} \\ = \frac{-63}{8}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{3}{10} \times (-9) \\ = \frac{3 \times (-9)}{10} \\ = \frac{-27}{10}$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{-6}{5} \times \frac{9}{11}$$

$$= \frac{-6 \times 9}{5 \times 11}$$

$$= \frac{-54}{55}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} \quad \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{-2}{5} \\ = \frac{3 \times (-2)}{7 \times 5} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{-6}{35}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} \quad \frac{3}{11} \times \frac{2}{5} \\ = \frac{3 \times 2}{11 \times 5} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{6}{55}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vi)} \quad \frac{3}{-5} \times \frac{-5}{3} \\ = \frac{3 \times (-5)}{-5 \times 3} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{-15}{-15}$$

$$= 1$$

4. Find the value of:

$$\text{(i)} \quad (-4) \div \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{(ii)} \quad \frac{-3}{5} \div 2$$

$$\text{(iii)} \quad \frac{-4}{5} \div (-3)$$

$$\text{(iv)} \quad \frac{-1}{8} \div \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\text{(v)} \quad \frac{-2}{13} \div \frac{1}{7}$$

$$\text{(vi)} \quad \frac{-7}{12} \div \left(\frac{-2}{13}\right)$$

$$\text{(vii)} \quad \frac{3}{13} \div \frac{-4}{65}$$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & (-4) \div \frac{2}{3} \\ & = (-4) \times \text{reciprocal of } \frac{2}{3} \\ & = (-4) \times \frac{3}{2} \\ & = \frac{-12}{2} = -6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad & \frac{-3}{5} \div 2 \\ & = \frac{-3}{5} \times \text{reciprocal of } 2 \\ & = \frac{-3}{5} \times \frac{1}{2} \\ & = \frac{-3}{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad & \frac{-4}{5} \div (-3) \\ & = \frac{-4}{5} \times \text{reciprocal of } (-3) \\ & = \frac{-4}{5} \times \frac{1}{-3} \\ & = \frac{4}{15} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} \quad & \frac{-1}{8} \div \frac{3}{4} \\ & = \frac{-1}{8} \times \text{reciprocal of } \frac{3}{4} \\ & = \frac{-1}{8} \times \frac{4}{3} \\ & = \frac{-1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} \quad & \frac{-2}{13} \div \frac{1}{7} \\ & = \frac{-2}{13} \times \text{reciprocal of } \frac{1}{7} \\ & = \frac{-2}{13} \times 7 \\ & = \frac{-14}{13} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vi)} \quad & \frac{-7}{12} \div \left(\frac{-2}{13}\right) \\ &= \frac{-7}{12} \times \text{reciprocal of } \left(\frac{-2}{13}\right) \\ &= \frac{-7}{12} \times \frac{13}{-2} \\ &= \frac{91}{24} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vii)} \quad & \frac{3}{13} \div \frac{-4}{65} \\ &= \frac{3}{13} \times \text{reciprocal of } \frac{-4}{65} \\ &= \frac{3}{13} \times \frac{65}{-4} \\ &= -\frac{15}{4} \end{aligned}$$

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