



STD - 9 - MATHEMATICS - FIRST BELL - CLASS – 11

Chapter – 2

DECIMAL FORMS

What did we learn in the last class ?

- We can find the decimal form of a fraction if its denominator can be written as the product of the prime numbers 2 and 5 .

What is the decimal form of $\frac{1}{3}$?

We have found out the decimal form of the fractions by converting their denominators (using the idea equal fractions) into powers of 10 . Here we can not convert 3 into powers of 10 .

But although no fraction with denominator a power of 10 is equal to $\frac{1}{3}$, we can compute fractions of this type closer and closer to $\frac{1}{3}$

First let's find a fraction with denominator 10 , which is closer to $\frac{1}{3}$

For this , multiply both the numerator and denominator of $\frac{1}{3}$ by 10 .

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1 \times 10}{3 \times 10} = \frac{10}{3 \times 10} = \frac{10}{3} \times \frac{1}{10}$$

$$= \left(3 + \frac{1}{3} \right) \times \frac{1}{10}$$

$$= 3 \times \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{10}$$

$$= \frac{3}{10} + \frac{1}{30}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \overline{) 10} \\ \underline{9} \\ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\text{That is, } \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{10} + \frac{1}{30} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{10} = \frac{1}{30}$$

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Now let's multiply both the numerator and the denominator of $\frac{1}{3}$ by 100.

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1 \times 100}{3 \times 100} = \frac{100}{3 \times 100} = \frac{100}{3} \times \frac{1}{100}$$

$$= (33 + \frac{1}{3}) \times \frac{1}{100}$$

$$= 33 \times \frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{100}$$

$$= \frac{33}{100} + \frac{1}{300}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 33 \\ 3 \overline{) 100} \\ \underline{9} \\ 10 \\ \underline{9} \\ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\text{That is, } \frac{1}{3} = \frac{33}{100} + \frac{1}{300} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{3} - \frac{33}{100} = \frac{1}{300}$$

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Now let's multiply both the numerator and the denominator of $\frac{1}{3}$ by 1000.

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1 \times 1000}{3 \times 1000} = \frac{1000}{3 \times 1000} = \frac{1000}{3} \times \frac{1}{1000}$$

$$= (333 + \frac{1}{3}) \times \frac{1}{1000}$$

$$= 333 \times \frac{1}{1000} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{1000}$$

$$= \frac{333}{1000} + \frac{1}{3000}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 333 \\ 3 \overline{) 1000} \\ \underline{9} \\ 10 \\ \underline{9} \\ 10 \\ \underline{9} \\ 1 \end{array}$$

The result will be ,

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{3333}{10000} = \frac{1}{30000}$$

We can continue this process .

Let's write the result obtained while dividing both the numerator and denominator of $\frac{1}{3}$ in order ,

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{10} = \frac{1}{30}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{33}{100} = \frac{1}{300}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{333}{1000} = \frac{1}{3000}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{3333}{10000} = \frac{1}{30000}$$

That is ,

$$\frac{1}{3} - 0.3 = \frac{1}{30}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} - 0.33 = \frac{1}{300}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} - 0.333 = \frac{1}{3000}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} - 0.3333 = \frac{1}{30000}$$

Here $\frac{1}{300}$ is smaller than $\frac{1}{30}$

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$\frac{1}{30000}$ is smaller than $\frac{1}{3000}$

The distance between $\frac{1}{3}$ and 0.3333 is the least here

If we continue like this, the number on the right side of the equal sign gets closer and closer to zero.

The fractions with decimal forms 0.3, 0.33, 0.333, 0.3333,
get closer and closer to $\frac{1}{3}$

We write this fact in shorthand as follows

$$\frac{1}{3} = 0.33333\ldots$$

Find three fractions getting closer and closer to $\frac{1}{3}$ and denominators as powers of 10?

$$\frac{3}{10}, \frac{33}{100}, \frac{333}{1000}$$

Let's discuss another problem.

a) Find three fractions getting closer and closer to $\frac{5}{6}$ and denominators as 10, 100 and 1000?

b) Write the decimal form of $\frac{5}{6}$?

a) (Here we can not convert 6 into the powers of 10 .So we can use the above method)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{5}{6} &= \frac{5 \times 10}{6 \times 10} = \frac{50}{6 \times 10} = \frac{50}{6} \times \frac{1}{10} \\ &= \left(8 + \frac{2}{6}\right) \times \frac{1}{10} \\ &= 8 \times \frac{1}{10} + \frac{2}{6} \times \frac{1}{10}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 6 \overline{) 50} \\ \underline{48} \\ 2 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{5}{6} = \frac{8}{10} + \frac{2}{60} \implies \frac{5}{6} - \frac{8}{10} = \frac{2}{60}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{5}{6} &= \frac{5 \times 100}{6 \times 100} = \frac{500}{6 \times 100} = \frac{500}{6} \times \frac{1}{100} \\ &= \left(83 + \frac{2}{6}\right) \times \frac{1}{100} \\ &= 83 \times \frac{1}{100} + \frac{2}{6} \times \frac{1}{100}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 83 \\ 6 \overline{) 500} \\ \underline{48} \\ 20 \\ \underline{18} \\ 2 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{5}{6} = \frac{83}{100} + \frac{2}{600} \implies \frac{5}{6} - \frac{83}{100} = \frac{2}{600}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{5}{6} &= \frac{5 \times 1000}{6 \times 1000} = \frac{5000}{6 \times 1000} = \frac{5000}{6} \times \frac{1}{1000} \\ &= \left(833 + \frac{2}{6}\right) \times \frac{1}{1000} \\ &= 833 \times \frac{1}{1000} + \frac{2}{6} \times \frac{1}{1000}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 833 \\ 6 \overline{) 5000} \\ \underline{48} \\ 20 \\ \underline{18} \\ 20 \\ \underline{18} \\ 2 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{5}{6} = \frac{833}{1000} + \frac{2}{6000} \implies \frac{5}{6} - \frac{833}{1000} = \frac{2}{6000}$$

$$\frac{5}{6} = \frac{8}{10} = \frac{83}{100} = \frac{833}{1000}$$

b) $\frac{5}{6} = 0.83333\ldots$

More activities

1. For each of the fractions given below , find three fractions with denominators powers of 10 getting closer and closer to it and hence write its decimal form .

a) $\frac{2}{3}$

b) $\frac{1}{6}$

- 2) a) Find two fractions getting closer and closer to $\frac{1}{11}$ and denominators as 100 and 1000 ?

- b) Write the decimal form of $\frac{1}{11}$