

MATH 100

REAL NUMBERS

GOALS

- CLASSIFY NUMBERS AS NATURAL, INTEGER, RATIONAL, IRRATIONAL, REAL.
- UNDERSTAND HOW ORDER OF OPERATIONS RELATES TO NUMBER TYPES
- PERFORM OPERATIONS USING PEMDAS
- EVALUATE + SIMPLIFY ALGEBRAIC OPERATIONS/EXPRESSIONS.

CONSTRUCTING NUMBER SYSTEMS

NATURAL NUMBERS: THE NUMBERS WE USE TO COUNT AND ORDER THINGS

$$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$$

WHOLE NUMBERS: NATURALS AND ZERO (NON-NEGATIVE INTEGERS)

$$\mathbb{W} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$$

OPERATIONS ON NATURAL/WHOLE NUMBERS

- WE CAN **ADD** ANY TWO WHOLE NUMBERS AND GET ANOTHER WHOLE NUMBER

e.g. $3 + 7 = 10$, $0 + 41 = 41$; $101 + 2002 = 2103$

- WE CAN **MULTIPLY** ANY TWO WHOLE NUMBERS AND GET ANOTHER WHOLE NUMBER

e.g. $3 \cdot 7 = 21$

$$1 \cdot 25 = 25$$

$$5 \cdot 12 = 60$$

MULTIPLICATION OF WHOLE NUMBERS
IS REPEATED ADDITION

$$3 \cdot 7 = 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 = 21$$

$$= 7 \cdot 7 \cdot 7 = 21$$

• WHAT IF WE SUBTRACT?

• $7 - 3 = 4$ ✓

• $42 - 5 = 37$ ✓

• $6 - 8 = ?$ ← NEED TO DEFINE NEGATIVE NUMBERS
 $= -2$

INTEGERS: NATURAL NUMBERS, ZERO, AND NEGATIVE NATURALS

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

OPERATIONS ON INTEGERS

• WE CAN ADD OR SUBTRACT ANY TWO INTEGERS AND GET ANOTHER INTEGER

e.g. $7 + 12 = 19$, $1 - 8 = -7$, $-4 + 1 = -3$, ...

• WE CAN MULTIPLY ANY TWO INTEGERS AND GET ANOTHER INTEGER

e.g. $5 \cdot 4 = 20$, $3 \cdot 8 = 24$, $100 \cdot (-4) = -400$

USING PARENTHESES
TO BE EXTRA CLEAR

• WHAT ABOUT DIVIDING?

• $10 \div 2 = 5$

• $-32 \div 8 = -4$

• $7 \div 3 = ?$ ← NEED TO DEFINE RATIONAL NUMBERS
 $= \frac{7}{3}$

RATIONAL NUMBERS: NUMBERS THAT CAN BE EXPRESSED AS FRACTIONS $\frac{a}{b}$
WHERE a AND b ARE INTEGERS

e.g. $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{7}{3}$, $\frac{4}{5}$, $\frac{11}{9}$, 1.2, 3.12, 5.125, -0.001, ...

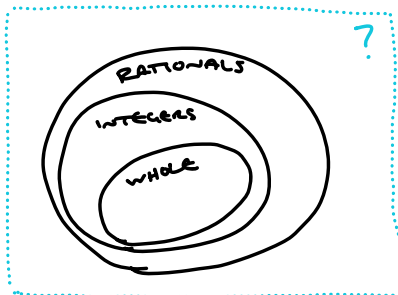
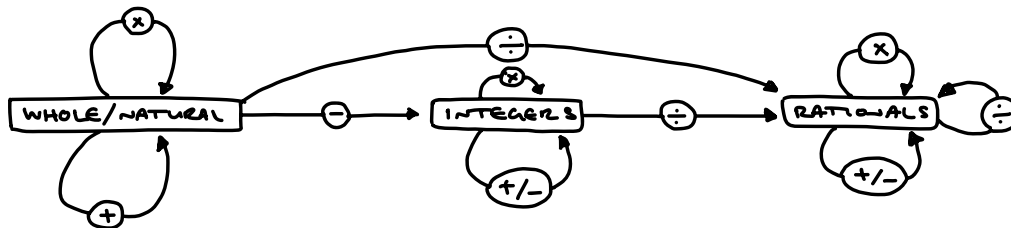
DECIMALS: RATIONALS CAN ALSO BE WRITTEN AS DECIMALS THAT...

① **TERMINATE:** 1.2, 3.12, 5.125, -0.001, ...

② **REPEAT:** $0.333... = 0.\bar{3} = \frac{1}{3}$

$$0.12121212... = 0.\bar{12} = \frac{12}{99}$$

RECAP



* SO, WHY DO WE NEED MORE NUMBERS ?? *

EXPONENTIATION + ROOTS

NATURAL EXPONENTS: IF n IS A NATURAL NUMBER, a^n IS REPEATED MULTIPLICATION.

$$a^n = \underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot a \cdots a}_n$$

e.g. $2^4 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 16$

$5^1 = 5$

$(-3)^2 = (-3) \cdot (-3) = 9$

PROPERTIES:

$$a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n} : 2^3 \cdot 2^4 = (2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2) \cdot (2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2) = 2^7$$

$$(a^m)^n = a^{mn} : (2^3)^4 = 2^3 \cdot 2^3 \cdot 2^3 \cdot 2^3 = 2^{3+3+3+3} = 2^{12}$$

$$\frac{a^n}{a^m} = a^{n-m} : \frac{2^5}{2^3} = \frac{2 \cdot 2 \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{2}}{\cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{2}} = 2^2$$

WHAT IF n ISN'T GREATER THAN m ?

ZERO AND NEGATIVE EXPONENTS

$$a^0 = 1 : \frac{a^n}{a^n} = a^{n-n} = a^0 = 1$$

$$a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n} : \frac{1}{a^n} = \frac{a^0}{a^n} = a^{0-n} = a^{-n}$$

e.g.

$$\textcircled{1} 3^{-4} = \frac{1}{3^4} = \frac{1}{81}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \left(\frac{x^5}{y^4} \right)^2 = \frac{x^{10}}{y^8}$$

$$\textcircled{2} (-2)^{-3} = \frac{1}{(-2)^3} = -\frac{1}{8}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \left(\frac{x^5}{y^4} \right)^{-2} = \left(\frac{y^4}{x^5} \right)^2 = \frac{y^8}{x^{10}}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \frac{x^2 y^3}{x^4 y} = \frac{y^2}{x^2}$$

$$\textcircled{6} (x^2 y^3 z^5)^4 = x^8 y^{12} z^{20}$$

$$\textcircled{7} \text{ SOLVE } x^3 = 64$$

$$\textcircled{8} \text{ SOLVE } x^4 = 81$$

REQUIRE FRACTIONAL
EXPONENTS/ROOTS

FRACTIONAL EXPONENTS: $a^{m/n} = \sqrt[n]{a^m}$ or $(\sqrt[n]{a})^m$

e.g. $x^3 = 64$

$x^4 = 81$

$(x^3)^{1/3} = 64^{1/3}$

$(x^4)^{1/4} = 81^{1/4}$

$x = \sqrt[3]{64}$

$x = \sqrt[4]{81}$

$x = 4$

$x = 3$

e.g.

① $4^{3/2} = \sqrt{4^3}$ or $(\sqrt{4})^3$
 $= 2^3$
 $= \boxed{8}$

② $9^{3/2} = (\sqrt{9})^3$
 $= 3^3$
 $= \boxed{27}$

③ $8^{5/3} = (\sqrt[3]{8})^5$
 $= 2^5$
 $= \boxed{32}$

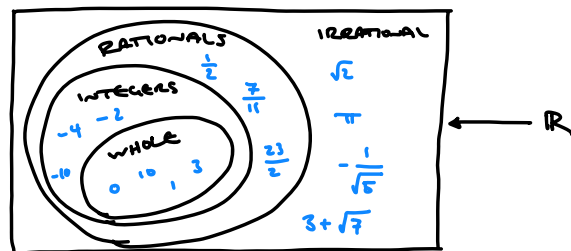
④ $16^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{16^{1/2}}$
 $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{16}}$
 $= \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$

⑤ $x^2 = 2 \longrightarrow x = \sqrt{2} ??$
 \uparrow
 NOT RATIONAL!

REAL NUMBERS: RATIONAL NUMBERS AND IRRATIONAL NUMBERS

e.g. $\sqrt{2}$, $\sqrt[3]{5}$, π , e , 1.1321576218...

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SO WHAT...?

WE'VE FOUND THE NATURAL HIERARCHY OF NUMBERS CORRESPONDS TO
A NATURAL HIERARCHY OF OPERATIONS

EXPONENTS / ROOTS ← REPEATED
MULTIPLICATION / DIVISION ← REPEATED
ADDITION / SUBTRACTION

* ORDER OF OPERATIONS: E M D A S ← FOLLOWS HIERARCHY

* PARENTHESES: IMPOSE PRIORITY *

P E M D A S

EXAMPLES:

$$\begin{aligned}\textcircled{1} \quad 10 + 2 \cdot (5 - 3) &= 10 + 2 \cdot 2 \\ &= 10 + 4 \\ &= \boxed{14}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\textcircled{2} \quad 18 + (6 - 8)^3 &= 18 + (-2)^3 \\ &= 18 + (-8) \\ &= \boxed{10}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\textcircled{3} \quad 9 - 18 \div 3^2 &= 9 - 18 \div 9 \\ &= 9 - 2 \\ &= \boxed{7}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\textcircled{4} \quad 25 \div 5^2 - 7 &= 25 \div 25 - 7 \\ &= 1 - 7 \\ &= \boxed{-6}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{5} \quad -2 \cdot [16 \div (8-4)^2]^2 &= -2 \cdot [16 \div 4^2]^2 \\
 &= -2 \cdot [16 \div 16]^2 \\
 &= -2 \cdot 1^2 \\
 &= -2 \cdot 1 \\
 &= \boxed{-2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\textcircled{6}$ SIMPLIFY THE EXPRESSION $4x + x(13-7)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4x + x(13-7) &= 4x + x(6) \\
 &= 4x + 6x \\
 &= \boxed{10x}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\textcircled{7}$ SIMPLIFY THE EXPRESSION $9(y+8) - 27$

$$\begin{aligned}
 9(y+8) - 27 &= 9y + 72 - 27 \\
 &= \boxed{9y + 45}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\textcircled{8}$ SIMPLIFY THE EXPRESSION $9x + 4x(2+3) - 4(2x+3x)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 9x + 4x(2+3) - 4(2x+3x) &= 9x + 4x(5) - 4(5x) \\
 &= 9x + 20x - 20x \\
 &= \boxed{9x}
 \end{aligned}$$