Math Review Summary

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This is a summary of important math concepts from the math review appendix from Dr. McCann's book. For a more detailed review, please read the appendix (on the course webpage).

1 Fractions

Common Fraction Equalities

(a) $\frac{x}{z} + \frac{y}{z} = \frac{x+y}{z}$ (b) $\frac{x}{z} - \frac{y}{z} = \frac{x-y}{z}$ (c) $\frac{x}{z}\frac{y}{z} = \frac{xy}{z^2}$ (d) $\frac{\frac{x}{z}}{\frac{y}{z}} = \frac{x}{y}$

(e) $\frac{x}{w} + \frac{y}{z} = \frac{xz+yw}{wz}$ (f) $\frac{x}{w} - \frac{y}{z} = \frac{xz-yw}{wz}$ (g) $\frac{x}{w}\frac{y}{z} = \frac{xy}{wz}$ (h) $\frac{\frac{x}{w}}{\frac{y}{z}} = \frac{xz}{wy}$

2 Rational Numbers

Rational Number: A value that can be expressed as the ratio of two integers

3 Associative, Commutative, Distributive, and Transitive properties

- **Associative**: An operation $\diamond$ is associative if $a \diamond (b \diamond c) = (a \diamond b) \diamond c$
- **Commutative**: An operation $\diamond$ is commutative if $a \diamond b = b \diamond a$
- **Distributive**: Operations $\diamond$ and $\square$ are distributive if:
  $a\square(b \diamond c) = (a\square b) \diamond (a\square c)$ ($\square$ is left-distributive over $\diamond$) and
  $(b \diamond c)\square a = (b\square a) \diamond (c\square a)$ ($\square$ is right-distributive over $\diamond$)
- **Transitive**: An relationship $\circ$ is transitive if whenever $a \circ b$ and $b \circ c$, then $a \circ c$ (e.g. $a < b$ and $b < c$ implies $a < c$).

4 Properties of Inequalities

- **Addition:** If $a < b$, then $a + c < b + c$. This holds for $\leq, >, \geq$.
- **Multiplication ($c > 0$):** If $a < b$, then $ac < bc$. This holds for $\leq, >, \geq$.
- **Multiplication ($c < 0$):** If $a < b$, then $ac > bc$. This holds for $\leq, >, \geq$ (the sign flips).
- Subtraction follows the rules of addition. Division follows the rules of multiplication.

5 Summation and Product Notations

- **Summation Notation:** In $\sum_{i=0}^{k} s(i)$, i is the *index*, $i = 0$ is the *lower limit*, k is the *upper limit*, and $s(i)$ is the sequence we are summing.
- **Product Notation:** In $\prod_{i=0}^{k} s(i)$, everything is the same as summation, except we use π to indicate that we multiply the sequence.

6 Integer Division

- **Modulo** - Denoted by $\%$ or $\bmod$, the modulus operator gives the remainder of an integer division. E.g. $10 \,\%\, 4 = 2$
- **Congruency** - a is congruent to b modulo m (denoted $a \equiv b (\bmod m)$), if $a \,\%\, m = b \,\%\, m$ or $(a - b) \,\%\, m = 0$
- **Divides:** - The "divides" operator, denoted $a|b$, returns `True` if $b \,\%\, a = 0$ and `False` otherwise.

7 Evens and Odds

- **Even** - An integer, n is even if there exists an integer k such that $n = 2k$ (or $2|n$, $n \,\%\, 2 = 0$, $n \equiv 0 \bmod 2$)
- **Odd** - An integer, n is odd if there exists an integer k such that $n = 2k+1$ (or $2 \nmid n$, $n \,\%\, 2 = 1$, $n \equiv 1 \bmod 2$)

8 Logarithms and Exponents

Laws of Exponents and Logarithms:

(a) $w^{x+y} = w^x w^y$
(b) $(w^x)^y = w^{xy}$
(c) $v^x w^x = (vw)^x$
(d) $\frac{w^x}{w^y} = w^{x-y}$
(e) $\frac{v^x}{w^x} = (\frac{v}{w})^x$
(f) $\log_b(x^y) = y \log_b x$
(g) $\log_b(xy) = \log_b x + \log_b y$
(h) $\log_b(\frac{x}{y}) = \log_b x - \log_b y$
(i) $b^{\log_b x} = x$
(j) $\log_a x = \frac{\log_b x}{\log_b a}$
(k) If $b^y = x$, then $\log_b x = y$

9 Quadratic Equations

- **Quadratic Equation**: Equation of the form $ax^2 + bx + c$ where $a \neq 0$
- **Factoring Quadratics**: $(fx + d)(gx + e) = (fg)x^2 + (gd + fe)x + de$
- **Quadratic Formula**: $\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

10 Number Systems

- Binary: Base 2, Digits 0,1
- Decimal: Base 10, Digits 0-9
- Octal: Base 8, Digits 0-7
- Hexadecimal: Base 16, Digits 0-9,A-F