

# REVIEW

## Chapter 1 – The Real Number System

**In class work:** Complete all statements. Solve all exercises.

(Section 1.4)

Definition    A **set** is a collection of objects (elements).

The Set of Natural Numbers  $\mathbb{N}$

$$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$$

The Set of Whole Numbers  $\mathbb{W}$

$$\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{W}$$

$$\mathbb{W} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$$

The Set of Integers  $\mathbb{Z}$

$$\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{W} \subset \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$$

The Set of Rational Numbers  $\mathbb{Q}$

$$\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{W} \subset \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Q}$$

$$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{a}{b} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0 \right\}$$

The Set of Irrational Numbers

Examples:  $\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{5}, \pi$

The Set of Real Numbers  $\mathbb{R}$

$$\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{W} \subset \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$$

$$\mathbb{R} = \{x \mid x \text{ is rational or } x \text{ is irrational}\}$$

**Exercise #1** Decide whether each statement is true or false:

- a) Every natural number is positive. true
- b) Every whole number is positive. false (0 is neither + nor -)
- c) Every integer is a rational number. true

**Exercise #2** List all numbers from the set  $\left\{-9, -\sqrt{7}, -1\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{3}{5}, 0, \sqrt{5}, 3, 5.9, 7\right\}$  that are

- a) natural numbers 3, 7
- b) whole numbers but not natural numbers 0
- c) odd integers -9, 3, 7
- d) rational numbers -9, -1 ¼, -3/5, 0, 3, 5.9, 7
- e) irrational numbers -√7, √5

(Section 1.2)

**Mathematical Symbols**

SYMBOL	MEANING	EXAMPLES
=	is equal to	
≠	is not equal to	
∈	belongs to ( about an element)	
∉	it doesn't belong to	
<	is less than	
≤	is less than or equal to	
>	is greater than	
≥	is greater than or equal to	

**Definition** A number  $a$  is **less than a number**  $b$  ( $a < b$ ) if  $a$  is to the left of  $b$  on the number line.

**Exercise #3** Write equivalent statements:

- a)  $2 \leq 3$                        $3 \geq 2$   
 b)  $30 > 5$                          $5 < 30$   
 c)  $5 > -1 \geq -6$                  $-6 \leq -1 < 5$   
 d)  $-4 < -2$                          $-2 > -4$

**Exercise #4** Fill in the appropriate ordering symbol: either  $<$ ,  $>$ , or  $=$ .

- a)  $2 > -5$   
 b)  $19 > 24 - 10$   
 c)  $4 - 4 = 4 \cdot 0$

**Exercise #5** Write each word statement in symbols:

- a) Fifteen is equal to five plus ten.                       $15 = 5 + 10$   
 b) Nine is greater than five minus four.                 $9 > 5 - 4$   
 c) Sixteen is not equal to nineteen.                     $16 \neq 19$   
 d) Two is less than or equal to three.                     $2 \leq 3$

(Section 1.7)

**Properties of Real Numbers**

PROPERTIES	ADDITION +	MULTIPLICATION •
COMMUTATIVITY	$a+b=b+a, \quad \forall a,b \in \mathbb{R}$	$ab=ba \quad \forall a,b \in \mathbb{R}$
ASSOCIATIVITY	$(a+b)+c = a+(b+c), \forall a,b,c \in \mathbb{R}$	$(ab)c = a(bc), \quad \forall a,b,c \in \mathbb{R}$
IDENTITY ELEMENT	Zero 0 $a+0=0+a, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$	One 1 $a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$
INVERSE ELEMENT	$\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ , there is $-a \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $a+(-a) = (-a)+a = 0$	$\forall a \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0$ , there is $\frac{1}{a} \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $a \cdot \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{a} \cdot a = 1$

**Exercise #6** Find the opposite and the reciprocal (if any) of each number:

The Number	Its Opposite	Its Reciprocal
2	-2	$\frac{1}{2}$
-4	4	$-\frac{1}{4}$
0	0	none
$\frac{2}{3}$	$-\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{3}{2}$

**The Double Negative Rule**

$$-(-a) = a$$

**Exercise #7** Identify the property used in each example:

- a.  $(-23) + (-11) = (-11) + (-23)$  commutative property for addition
- b.  $[123(-2)](-3) = 123[(-2)(-3)]$  associative property for multiplication
- c.  $1 \cdot 23 = 23 \cdot 1$  identity element for multiplication
- d.  $[(-29) + 17] + 54 = (-29) + [(17 + 54)]$  associative property for addition
- e.  $(-101)(29) = 29(-101)$  commutative property for multiplication
- f.  $100 + 0 = 0 + 100 = 100$  identity element for addition

(Section 1.4)

## The Absolute Value of a Number

Definition (1) **The absolute value of a number** is the distance between the number and 0 (the origin) on the number line.

$$|a| = \text{dist}(a, 0)$$

Property  $|a| \geq 0, \quad \forall a \in R$

Definition (2) 
$$|a| = \begin{cases} a, & \text{if } a \geq 0 \\ -a, & \text{if } a < 0 \end{cases}$$

**Exercise #8** Simplify the following:

a)  $|-7| = 7$

b)  $-(-7) = 7$

c)  $-|-7| = -7$

d)  $-| -(-7) | = -7$

**Exercise #9** Fill in the appropriate ordering symbol: either  $<$ ,  $>$ , or  $=$ .

a)  $|-3| < |-4|$

b)  $3 < |-4|$

c)  $-|-6| < -|-4|$

d)  $-6 < -(-3)$

e)  $-|8| < |-9|$

f)  $|6-5| < |2-6|$

(Sections 1.2, 1.5, 1.6)

## Operations with Real Numbers

### Adding Real Numbers

Same sign - Add the absolute values of the numbers.  
- The sum has the same sign as the given numbers.

Different signs - Find the difference between the larger absolute value and the smaller.  
- The sum has the sign of the number with the larger value.

### Subtracting Real Numbers

$$a - b = a + (-b)$$

### Multiplying Real Numbers

### Dividing Real Numbers

$$\frac{a}{b} = a \cdot \frac{1}{b}$$

### Exponent

$$a^n = a \cdot a \cdot \dots \cdot a, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$n$  times

$a$  is called **base**

$n$  is called **power (exponent)**

**Exercise #10** Simplify the following:

a)  $5^2 = 25$

e)  $2^3 = 8$

i)  $\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{27}$

b)  $(-5)^2 = 25$

f)  $(-2)^3 = -8$

j)  $\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 = -\frac{27}{64}$

c)  $-5^2 = -25$

g)  $-2^3 = -8$

k)  $- \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 = -\frac{1}{16}$

d)  $-(-5)^2 = -25$

h)  $-(-2)^3 = 8$

**Order of Operations** If grouping symbols are present, simplify within them, innermost first, in the following order:

Step 1 powers

Step 2 multiplications and divisions in order from left to right

Step 3 additions and subtractions in order from left to right

**Exercise #11** Simplify the following: (See solutions at the end of the handout)

- a)  $|7 \cdot 2 - 8^2|$       b)  $(-5)^2 - 3^2 + |10 - 2 \cdot 3|$       c)  $-18 \div (-3)^2 + |-8| - |-4|$
- d)  $\frac{(-4)^2 - |1 - 2^3|}{-(-2)^3 + (-1)^{125}}$       e)  $\frac{|-8 - 4| \div (2 - 2^2)}{-18 \div (-3)^2 + |-8| - |-4|}$       f)  $238 \cdot 0 - 230 \div 10 + 999 \div 9 - 31 \cdot 100$
- g)  $-2(-5)^2 + 10 \div (2) - (-3)^2(2) + 4^2 \div (-2)$       h)  $(4 - 7)(20 - 21)^3 - 2[-10(-3) + 2(-1 - 3)]$
- i)  $-2(-1)(-7)(-6) + (-2)(-1 - 7) - 3(2 - 5)$       j)  $|2 - 5| + |7 + 10| - |9 - 12| + |0 - 9|$

**Exercise #12** Translate each phrase into a mathematical statement:

- a) The sum of  $-5$  and  $12$  and  $6$        $(-5) + 12 + 6$
- b)  $14$  added to the sum of  $-19$  and  $-4$  .       $[(-19) + (-4)] + 14$
- c) The difference between  $4$  and  $-8$        $4 - (-8)$
- d) The sum of  $9$  and  $-4$ , decreased by  $7$ .       $[9 + (-4)] - 7$
- e)  $12$  less than the difference between  $8$  and  $-5$ .       $[8 - (-5)] - 12$
- f) The product of  $-9$  and  $2$ , added to  $9$ .       $9 + [(-9)2]$
- g) Twice the product of  $-1$  and  $6$ , subtracted from  $-4$ .       $(-4) - 2[(-1)6]$
- h) The quotient of  $-12$  and the sum of  $-5$  and  $-1$  .       $\frac{-12}{(-5) + (-1)}$

Sums, Terms, Products, and FactorsPrime and Composite Numbers

**Sum** is the word we use for **addition**.

**The numbers to be added in the sum** are called **terms**.

**Product** is the word we use for **multiplication**.

**The numbers being multiplied** are called **factors**.

Definition  **$a$  is divisible by  $b$**  ( $a:b$ ) or  **$b$  divides  $a$**  ( $b|a$ ) if, when dividing  $a$  by  $b$ , the remainder is 0.

<u>Equivalent statements</u>	$a$ is divisible by $b$	6 is divisible by 2
	$a$ is a multiple of $b$	6 is a multiple of 2
	$b$ divides $a$	2 divides 6
	$b$ is a factor of $a$	2 is a factor of 6
	$b$ is a divisor of $a$	2 is a divisor of 6

Exercise #13 List all the factors of:

20: 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20

5: 1, 5

12: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12

17: 1, 17

Property The number **1** is a factor of any number.  $1|a, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

Any nonzero number is a factor of **itself**.  $a|a, \forall a \neq 0$

Definition A prime number is a natural number (excluding 1) that is divisible only by **1 and itself**.

A natural number greater than 1 that is not prime is called **composite**.

The Set of Prime Numbers:  $\{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, \dots\}$

Tests for divisibility:

A number is divisible by

**2** if its last digit is divisible by 2.**3** if the **sum of its digits** is divisible by 3.**4** if the number formed by its **last two digits** is divisible by 4.**5** if the **last digit** is **0 or 5**.**8** if the last three digits form a number divisible by 8.**9** if the sum of its digits is divisible by 9.**10** if its **last digit** is **0**.Exercise #14

- a) List all the factors of 24: **1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24**
- b) List all the prime factors of 24: **2, 3**
- c) List some multiples of 2: **2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, ...**
- d) List all the factors of 2: **1, 2**
- e) Find the prime factorization of each number: 15, 28, 108, 1200”

$$\begin{array}{r|l} 3 & 15 \\ 5 & 5 \\ & 1 \end{array}$$

$$15 = 3 \cdot 5$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} 2 & 28 \\ 2 & 14 \\ 7 & 7 \\ & 1 \end{array}$$

$$28 = 2^2 \cdot 7$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} 2 & 108 \\ 2 & 54 \\ 3 & 27 \\ 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 3 \\ & 1 \end{array}$$

$$108 = 2^2 \cdot 3^3$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} 2 * 5 & 1200 \\ 2 * 5 & 120 \\ & 24 \\ 2 * 3 & 6 \\ & 1 \end{array}$$

$$1200 = 2^4 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^2$$



(Section 1.3)

## Algebraic Expressions

Definition A **variable** is a symbol (usually a letter) that stands for a number (or numbers).

**Variables** can be **used**:

- (1) in equations
- variables represents unknown quantities
  - the variable is holding the place of a particular number (or numbers) that has not yet been identified but which needs to be found.

$$2x + 3 = 5$$

- (2) in general statements - the variable describes a general relationship between numbers and/or arithmetic operations.

$$a + b = b + a$$

Definition A **constant** is a symbol whose value is fixed.

Definition An **algebraic expression** is a finite number of additions, subtractions, multiplications, and divisions of **variables and constants**.

Note: An algebraic expression DOES NOT contain the = sign.

Definition An **equation** is a statement that two algebraic expressions are equal.

Definition The process of replacing the **variable** in an algebraic expression with specific values and evaluating the result is called **algebraic substitution**.

**Exercise #15** Evaluate the following expressions if  $x = 2, y = -3, z = -1$ :

(See solutions at the end of the handout)

- a)  $\frac{|xy|}{3z}$
- b)  $\frac{3y^2 - x^2 + 1}{y|z|}$
- c)  $yz^3 - (xy)^3$

**Exercise #16**

Translate each of the following algebraically:

- 1) Eight more than three times a number.

Choose a variable to represent  
the unknown: **let  $x$  be the number**

Translate:  $3x + 8$

Identify the statement: **Algebraic Expression**

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- 2) Three times the sum of eight and a number.

Choose a variable to represent  
the unknown **let  $a$  be the number**

Translate:  $3(8 + a)$

Identify the statement: **Algebraic Expression**

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- 3) Two less than five times a number is 18.

Choose a variable to represent  
the unknown **let  $n$  be the number**

Translate:  $5n - 2 = 18$

Identify the statement: **Equation**

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- 4) The sum of two numbers is four less than their product.

Choose a variable to represent  
the unknown(s): **let  $x$  be one number,  
let  $y$  be the other number**

Translate:  $x + y = xy - 4$

Identify the statement: **Equation**

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- 6) Four more than a number.

Choose a variable to represent  
the unknown: **let  $x$  be the number**

Translate:  $x + 4$

Identify the statement: **Algebraic Expression**

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- 7) Four less than a number is 12.

Choose a variable to represent  
the unknown: **let  $t$  be the number**

Translate:  $t - 4 = 12$

Identify the statement: **Equation**

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- 8) The product of a number and seven more than the number.

Choose a variable to represent  
the unknown: **let  $n$  be the number**

Translate:  $n(n + 7)$

Identify the statement: **Algebraic Expression**

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- 9) The product of two more than a number and six less than the number.

Choose a variable to represent  
the unknown: **let  $x$  be the number**

Translate:  $(x + 2)(x - 6)$

Identify the statement: **Algebraic Expression**

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EXERCISE 11

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad |7 \cdot 2 - 8^2| &= |14 - 64| \\ &= |-50| \\ &= 50 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad (-5)^2 - 3^2 + |10 - 2 \cdot 3| &= \\ &= 25 - 9 + |10 - 6| \\ &= 16 + |4| \\ &= 16 + 4 \\ &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c) \quad -18 \div (-3)^2 + |-8| - |-4| &= \\ &= -18 \div 9 + 8 - 4 \\ &= -2 + 8 - 4 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (d) \quad \frac{(-4)^2 - |1 - 2^3|}{-(-2)^3 + (-1)^{125}} &= \frac{16 - |1 - 8|}{-(-8) + (-1)} \\ &= \frac{16 - |-7|}{8 - 1} \\ &= \frac{16 - 7}{7} \\ &= \frac{9}{7} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (e) \quad \frac{|-8 - 4| \div (2 - 2^2)}{-18 \div (-3)^2 + |-8| - |-4|} &= \\ &= \frac{|-12| \div (2 - 4)}{-18 \div 9 + 8 - 4} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{12 \div (-2)}{-2 + 8 - 4} = \frac{-6}{2} = -3$$

$$\begin{aligned} (f) \quad 238 \cdot 0 - 230 \div 10 + 999 \div 9 - 3 \cdot 100 &= \\ &= 0 - 23 + 111 - 300 \\ &= -23 + 111 - 300 \\ &= 88 - 300 \\ &= -212 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (g) \quad -2(-5)^2 + 10 \div (2) - (-3)^2(2) + 4^2 \div (-2) &= \\ &= -2(25) + 5 - 9 \cdot 2 + 16 \div (-2) \\ &= -50 + 5 - 18 + (-8) \\ &= -45 - 18 - 8 \\ &= -(45 + 18 + 8) = -71 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (h) \quad (4-7)(20-21)^3 - 2[-10(-3) + 2(-1-3)] &= \\ &= (-3)(-1)^3 - 2[30 + 2(-4)] \\ &= (-3)(-1) - 2(30 - 8) \\ &= 3 - 2(22) \\ &= 3 - 44 \\ &= -41 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (i) \quad & -2(-1)(-7)(-6) + (-2)(-1-7) - 3(2-5) = \\
 & = 2 \cdot 42 + (-2)(-8) - 3(-3) \\
 & = 84 + 16 + 9 \\
 & = 109
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (e) \quad & yz^3 - (xy)^3 = \\
 & = (-3)(-1)^3 - (2(-3))^3 \\
 & = (-3)(-1) - (-6)^3 \\
 & = 3 - (-216)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (j) \quad & |2-5| + |7+10| - |9-12| + |0-9| = 3 + 216 = 219 \\
 & = |1-3| + |17| - |-3| + |-9| \\
 & = 3 + 17 - 3 + 9 \\
 & = 20 + 6 = 26
 \end{aligned}$$

### EXERCISE 15

$$x = 2, \quad y = -3, \quad z = -1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad & \frac{|xy|}{3z} = \frac{|2(-3)|}{3(-1)} \\
 & = \frac{|-6|}{-3} = \frac{6}{-3} = -2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b) \quad & \frac{3y^2 - x^2 + 1}{y|z|} = \\
 & = \frac{3(-3)^2 - 2^2 + 1}{(-3)|-1|} \\
 & = \frac{3 \cdot 9 - 4 + 1}{(-3) \cdot 1} \\
 & = \frac{27 - 4 + 1}{-3} = \frac{24}{-3} = -8
 \end{aligned}$$