

1.2 Properties of Real Numbers

Objectives: Classify Real Numbers
Use the properties of real numbers to evaluate expressions

I. Sets of Numbers:

N = natural numbers = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, ...
 W = whole #s = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, ...
 Z = integers = ... -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3...
 Q = rational #s = any # that can be written as a fraction
 I = irrational = $\pi, \sqrt{5}, \sqrt{2}$
 R = real numbers = any real #

1.53
 $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{3}, \frac{1}{3}$

Rational versus Irrational

Real #s



Ex 1) Name the set to which it belongs...there may be more than one set...

- A) -4 Z, Q, R
- B) 6.23232323... Q, R
- C) -2/3 Q, R
- D) $\sqrt{6}$ R, I

Properties

Property	Addition	Multiplication
Commutative	$3+2=2+3$	$3 \cdot 2 = 2 \cdot 3$
Associative	$(5+3)+2 = 5+(3+2)$	$(5 \cdot 3) \cdot 2 = 5(3 \cdot 2)$
Identity	$7+0=7$	$7 \cdot 1 = 7$
Inverse	$7+(-7)=0$	$7 \cdot \frac{1}{7} = 1$
Distributive	$a(b+c) = ab+ac$	

Name the property.

- Ex 2) $(-8 + 8) + 15 = 0 + 15$ additive inverse
- Ex 3) $5(8 - 6) = 5(8) - 5(6)$ distributive
- Ex 4) $9 + 0 = 9$ identity
- Ex 5) $4 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = 1$ inverse
- Ex 6) $7 \cdot 1 = 7$ identity

Find the additive and multiplicative inverse for each number.

Ex 7) $-2\frac{1}{4} = -\frac{9}{4}$ additive = 0 multiplicative = 1
 $2\frac{1}{4}$ $-\frac{4}{9}$

Ex 8) -5 5 $-\frac{1}{5}$

Ex 9) 1.5 -1.5 $\frac{2}{3}$
 $1\frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$

Simplify.

Ex 10) $2(5m + n) + 3(2m - 4n)$
 $10m + 2n + 6m - 12n$
 $16m - 10n$

Ex 11) $\frac{1}{2}(16 - 4a) - \frac{3}{4}(12 + 20a)$

$8 - 2a - 9 - 15a$
 $-1 - 17a$

$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{16}{1} = 8$

$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4a}{1} = 2a$

$\frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{12}{1} = 9$

$\frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{20a}{1} = 15a$