

5. Operations on Rational Numbers

Practice Set

1. Carry out the following additions of rational numbers.

$$(i) \frac{5}{36} + \frac{6}{42}$$

$$\text{Solution : } \frac{5}{36} + \frac{6}{42}$$

We find the first LCM of denominators

2	36	42
3	18	21
	6	7

$$\text{LCM of } 36 \text{ and } 42 = 2 \times 3 \times 6 \times 7 = 252$$

$$\frac{5}{36} = \frac{5 \times 7}{36 \times 7} = \frac{35}{252} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{6}{42} = \frac{6 \times 6}{42 \times 6} = \frac{36}{252}$$

$$\therefore \frac{5}{36} + \frac{6}{42} = \frac{35}{252} + \frac{36}{252}$$

$$= \frac{35 + 36}{252}$$

$$= \frac{71}{252}$$

$$\therefore \frac{5}{36} + \frac{6}{42} = \frac{71}{252}$$

$$(ii) \ 1\frac{2}{3} + 2\frac{4}{5}$$

Solution :

$$1\frac{2}{3} + 2\frac{4}{5} = \frac{(1 \times 3) + 2}{3} + \frac{(2 \times 5) + 4}{5}$$

$$= \frac{5}{3} + \frac{14}{5}$$

$$= \frac{(5 \times 5) + (14 \times 3)}{3 \times 5}$$

$$= \frac{25 + 42}{15}$$

$$= \frac{67}{15}$$

$$\therefore 1\frac{2}{3} + 2\frac{4}{5} = \frac{67}{15}$$

$$(iii) \ \frac{11}{17} + \frac{13}{19}$$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{11}{17} + \frac{13}{19} &= \frac{11 \times 19 + 13 \times 17}{17 \times 19} \\
 &= \frac{209 + 221}{323} \\
 &= \frac{430}{323}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{11}{17} + \frac{13}{19} = \frac{430}{323}$$

$$\text{(iv) } 2\frac{3}{11} + 1\frac{3}{77}$$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned}
 2\frac{3}{11} + 1\frac{3}{77} &= (2 + 1) + \left[\frac{3}{11} + \frac{3}{77} \right] \\
 &= 3 + \left[\frac{(3 \times 7) + 3}{77} \right] \\
 &= 3 + \left[\frac{21 + 3}{77} \right] \\
 &= 3 + \frac{24}{77} \\
 &= \frac{(3 \times 77) + 24}{77} \\
 &= \frac{231 + 24}{77} \\
 &= \frac{255}{77}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 2 \frac{3}{11} + 1 \frac{3}{77} = \frac{255}{77}$$

2. Carry out the following subtractions involving rational numbers.

(i) $\frac{7}{11} - \frac{3}{7}$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{7}{11} - \frac{3}{7} &= \frac{7 \times 7}{11 \times 7} - \frac{3 \times 11}{7 \times 11} \\ &= \frac{(7 \times 7) - (3 \times 11)}{11 \times 7} \\ &= \frac{49 - 33}{77} \\ &= \frac{16}{77} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{7}{11} - \frac{3}{7} = \frac{16}{77}$$

ii) $\frac{13}{36} - \frac{2}{40}$

Solution :

$$\frac{13}{36} - \frac{2}{40} = \frac{13}{36} - \frac{1}{20}$$

$$36 = 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \quad ; \quad 20 = 2 \times 2 \times 5$$

$$\therefore \text{LCM of } 36 \text{ and } 20 = 2 \times 2 \times 5 \times 3 \times 3 = 180$$

$$\frac{13}{36} = \frac{13 \times 5}{36 \times 5} = \frac{65}{180}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{20} = \frac{1 \times 9}{20 \times 9} = \frac{9}{180}$$

$$\therefore \frac{13}{36} - \frac{1}{20} = \frac{65}{180} - \frac{9}{180}$$

$$= \frac{65-9}{180}$$

$$= \frac{56}{180}$$

$$= \frac{14}{45}$$

$$\therefore \frac{13}{36} - \frac{2}{40} = \frac{14}{45}$$

$$\text{(iii) } 1\frac{2}{3} - 3\frac{5}{6}$$

Solution :

$$1\frac{2}{3} - 3\frac{5}{6} = \frac{(1 \times 3) + 2}{3} - \frac{(3 \times 6) + 5}{6}$$

$$= \frac{5}{3} - \frac{23}{6}$$

$$= \frac{(5 \times 2) - (23 \times 1)}{6}$$

$$= \frac{10 - 23}{6}$$

$$= \frac{-13}{6}$$

$$\therefore 1 \frac{2}{3} - 3 \frac{5}{6} = \frac{-13}{6}$$

$$\text{(iv)} \quad 4 \frac{1}{2} - 3 \frac{1}{3}$$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} 4 \frac{1}{2} - 3 \frac{1}{3} &= \frac{(4 \times 2) + 1}{2} + \frac{(3 \times 3) + 1}{3} \\ &= \frac{8 + 1}{2} - \frac{9 + 1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{9}{2} - \frac{10}{3} \\ &= \frac{(9 \times 3) - (10 \times 2)}{2 \times 3} \\ &= \frac{27 - 20}{6} \\ &= \frac{7}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 4 \frac{1}{2} - 3 \frac{1}{3} = \frac{7}{6}$$

3. Multiply the following rational numbers.

(i) $\frac{3}{11} \times \frac{2}{5}$

Solution :

$$\frac{3}{11} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3 \times 2}{11 \times 5}$$

$$= \frac{6}{55}$$

$$\therefore \frac{3}{11} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{6}{55}$$

$$(ii) \frac{12}{5} \times \frac{4}{15}$$

Solution :

$$\frac{12}{5} \times \frac{4}{15} = \frac{12 \times 4}{5 \times 15}$$

$$= \frac{3 \times 4 \times 4}{5 \times 3 \times 5}$$

$$= \frac{16}{25}$$

$$\therefore \frac{12}{5} \times \frac{4}{15} = \frac{16}{25}$$

$$(iii) \frac{(-8)}{9} \times \frac{3}{4}$$

Solution :

$$\frac{(-8) \times 3}{9 \times 4} = \frac{(-2) \times 4 \times 3}{3 \times 3 \times 4}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{(-8)}{9} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{-2}{3}$$

$$\text{(iv)} \quad \frac{0}{6} \times \frac{3}{4}$$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{0}{6} \times \frac{3}{4} &= 0 \times \frac{3}{4} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{0}{6} \times \frac{3}{4} = 0$$

4. Write the multiplicative inverse.

$$\text{(i)} \quad \frac{2}{5}$$

Ans.: The multiplicative inverse of $\frac{2}{5}$ is $\frac{5}{2}$.

$$\text{(ii)} \quad \frac{-3}{8}$$

Ans.: The multiplicative inverse of $\frac{-3}{8}$ is $\frac{8}{-3}$.

(iii) $\frac{-17}{39}$

Ans.: The multiplicative inverse of $\frac{-17}{39}$ is $\frac{39}{-17}$.

(iv) 7

Ans.: The multiplicative inverse of 7 is $\frac{1}{7}$.

(v) $-7\frac{1}{3}$

Ans.: $-7\frac{1}{3} = -\frac{22}{3}$

∴ The multiplicative inverse of $-7\frac{1}{3}$ is $-\frac{3}{22}$.

5. Carry out the divisions of rational numbers.

$$(i) \frac{40}{12} \div \frac{10}{4}$$

Solution:

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$$\frac{40}{12} \div \frac{10}{4}$$

$$\frac{-10}{11} \div \frac{-11}{10}$$

$$= \frac{40}{12} \times \frac{4}{10}$$

$$= \frac{40 \times 4}{12 \times 10}$$

$$\frac{(-10) \times 10}{11 \times (-11)}$$

$$= \frac{4 \times 1}{3 \times 1}$$

$$= \frac{4}{3}$$

$$(ii) \frac{-10}{11} \div \frac{-11}{10}$$

$$= \frac{-10}{11} \times \frac{10}{-11}$$

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$$= \frac{-100}{-121}$$

$$= \frac{100}{121}$$

$$(iii) \frac{-7}{8} \div \frac{-3}{6}$$

Solution:

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$$\frac{-7}{8} \div \frac{-3}{6}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \div (-4)$$

$$(iv) \frac{2}{3} \div (-4)$$

$$= \frac{-7}{8} \times \frac{6}{-3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{-1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{(-7) \times (2 \times 3)}{(2 \times 4) \times (-3)} = \frac{2 \times (-1)}{3 \times 2 \times 2}$$

$$= \frac{-7}{-4} = \frac{7}{4}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{6}$$

$$(v) \quad 2\frac{1}{5} \div 5\frac{3}{6}$$

$$(vi) \quad \frac{-5}{13} \div \frac{7}{26}$$

Solution:

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$$2\frac{1}{5} \div 5\frac{3}{6}$$

$$\frac{-5}{13} \div \frac{7}{26}$$

$$= \frac{(2 \times 5) + 1}{5} \div \frac{(5 \times 6) + 3}{6} =$$

$$\frac{-5}{13} \times \frac{26}{7}$$

$$= \frac{10 + 1}{5} \div \frac{30 + 3}{6}$$

$$= \frac{(-5) \times 26}{13 \times 7}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{11}{5} \div \frac{33}{6} \\
 &= \frac{(-5) \times 2}{1 \times 7} \\
 &= \frac{11}{5} \times \frac{6}{33} = \frac{2}{5} \\
 &= \frac{-10}{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(vii)} \quad \frac{9}{11} \div (-8)$$

$$\text{(viii)} \quad 5 \div \frac{2}{5}$$

Solution:

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$$\frac{9}{11} \div (-8)$$

$$5 \div \frac{2}{5}$$

$$= \frac{9}{11} \times \frac{-1}{8}$$

$$= \frac{5}{1} \times \frac{5}{2}$$

$$= \frac{9 \times (-1)}{11 \times 8}$$

$$= \frac{5 \times 5}{1 \times 2}$$

$$= -\frac{9}{88}$$

$$= \frac{25}{2}$$

Practice

1. Write three rational numbers that lie between the two given numbers.

(i) $\frac{2}{7}, \frac{6}{7}$

Solution : The denominators of given rational numbers are same i. e. 7. The integers between 2 and 6 are 3, 4, 5. So taking these numbers and writing denominator as 7.

\therefore The rational numbers in between $\frac{2}{7}$ and $\frac{6}{7}$ are $\frac{3}{7}, \frac{4}{7}, \frac{5}{7}$.

(ii) $\frac{4}{5}, \frac{2}{3}$

Solution : Let us convert $\frac{4}{5}$ and $\frac{2}{3}$ into fractions with equal denominators.

$$\frac{4 \times 3}{5 \times 3} = \frac{12}{15} \quad ; \quad \frac{2 \times 5}{3 \times 5} = \frac{10}{15}$$

$$(a) \quad \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{12}{15} + \frac{10}{15} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{12+10}{15} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{22}{15} = \frac{11}{15}$$

or $\frac{22}{30}$

$$(b) \quad \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{12}{15} + \frac{11}{15} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{12+11}{15} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{23}{15} = \frac{23}{30}$$

$$(c) \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{10}{15} + \frac{11}{15} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{10+11}{15} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{21}{15} = \frac{21}{30}$$

∴ The rational numbers in between $\frac{4}{5}$ and $\frac{2}{3}$

are $\frac{22}{30}$, $\frac{23}{30}$, $\frac{21}{30}$.

$$(iii) -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{5}$$

Solution : Let us convert $-\frac{2}{3}$ and $\frac{4}{5}$ into fractions with equal denominators.

$$\frac{-2 \times 5}{3 \times 5} = \frac{-10}{15} \quad ; \quad \frac{4 \times 3}{5 \times 3} = \frac{12}{15}$$

The integers between -10 and 12 are -9, -8, -7, -6, -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11.

So taking any of these numbers and writing denominator as 15.

∴ rational numbers between $\frac{-10}{15}$ and $\frac{12}{15}$ are

$$\frac{-9}{15}, \frac{-8}{15}, \frac{-7}{15}, \frac{-6}{15}, \frac{-5}{15}, \frac{-4}{15}, \frac{-3}{15}, \frac{-2}{15}, \frac{-1}{15}, 0, \frac{1}{15}, \frac{2}{15}, \frac{3}{15},$$

$$\frac{4}{15}, \frac{5}{15}, \frac{6}{15}, \frac{7}{15}, \frac{8}{15}, \frac{9}{15}, \frac{10}{15}, \frac{11}{15}.$$

∴ Any three rational numbers between $\frac{-10}{15}$

and $\frac{12}{15}$ are

$$\frac{-9}{15}, \frac{-7}{15}, \frac{4}{15}.$$

∴ The rational numbers in between $\frac{-2}{3}$ and $\frac{4}{5}$

are $\frac{-9}{15}, \frac{-7}{15}, \frac{4}{15}$.

(iv) $\frac{7}{9}, \frac{-5}{9}$

Solution :

The integers between -5 and 7 are $-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$.

So taking any of these numbers and writing denominator as 9 .

∴ rational numbers between $\frac{7}{9}$ and $-\frac{5}{9}$ are

$$\frac{-4}{9}, \frac{-3}{9}, \frac{-2}{9}, \frac{-1}{9}, 0, \frac{1}{9}, \frac{2}{9}, \frac{3}{9}, \frac{4}{9}, \frac{5}{9}, \frac{6}{9}.$$

∴ Any three rational numbers between $\frac{7}{9}$ and $-\frac{5}{9}$

$\frac{5}{9}$ are

$$\frac{6}{9}, 0, -\frac{4}{9}.$$

$$(v) \quad \frac{-3}{4}, \frac{+5}{4}$$

Solution :

The integers between -3 and $+5$ are $-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$.

So taking any of these numbers and writing denominator as 4.

\therefore rational numbers between $\frac{-3}{4}$ and $\frac{+5}{4}$ are

$$\frac{-2}{4}, \frac{-1}{4}, 0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{4}{4}.$$

\therefore Any three rational numbers between

$$\frac{-3}{4} \text{ and } \frac{+5}{4} \text{ are}$$

$$\frac{-2}{4}, \frac{-1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}.$$

$$(vi) \quad \frac{7}{8}, \frac{-5}{3}$$

Solution : Let us convert $\frac{7}{8}$ and $\frac{-5}{3}$ into fractions with equal denominators.

$$\frac{7 \times 3}{8 \times 3} = \frac{21}{24} \quad ; \quad \frac{-5 \times 8}{3 \times 8} = \frac{-40}{24}$$

Take any integers between -40 and 21 and take the denominator as 24 .

\therefore The rational numbers that lie in between

$$\frac{7}{8} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{-5}{3} \quad \text{are}$$

$$\frac{17}{24}, \frac{11}{24}, \frac{-13}{24} \quad .$$

$$\text{(vii)} \quad \frac{5}{7}, \frac{11}{7}$$

Solution :

The integers between 5 and 11 are $6, 7, 8, 9, 10$.

So taking any of these numbers and writing denominator as 7 .

\therefore rational numbers between $\frac{5}{7}$ and $\frac{11}{7}$ are $\frac{6}{7},$

$$\frac{7}{7}, \frac{8}{7}, \frac{9}{7}, \frac{10}{7}.$$

∴ Any three rational numbers between $\frac{5}{7}$ and $\frac{11}{7}$ are $\frac{6}{7}, \frac{8}{7}, \frac{9}{7}$.

(viii) $0, -\frac{3}{4}$.

Solution :

The denominator of any number can be increased .Then the numerator also increases the same number of times.

$$\therefore \frac{-3 \times 10}{4 \times 10}$$

.....(Multiplying the numerator and denominator by 10)

$$= \frac{-30}{40}$$

$= \frac{-6}{8}$ (Dividing the numerator and denominator by 5)

The integers between -6 and 0 are $-5, -4, -3, -2, -1$.

So taking any of these numbers and writing denominator as 8.

\therefore rational numbers between 0 and $-\frac{6}{8}$ are

$$-\frac{5}{8}, -\frac{4}{8}, -\frac{3}{8},$$

$$-\frac{2}{8}, -\frac{1}{8}.$$

\therefore Any three rational numbers between 0 and

$$-\frac{3}{4} \text{ are } -\frac{1}{8}, -\frac{2}{8}, -\frac{5}{7}.$$

Practice Set 24

1. Write the following rational numbers in decimal form.

(i) $\frac{13}{4}$

Solution :

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3.25 \\
 4 \overline{)13.00} \\
 \underline{-12} \\
 10 \\
 \underline{-8} \\
 20 \\
 \underline{-20} \\
 00
 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{13}{4} = 3.25.$$

(ii) $-\frac{7}{8}$

Solution :

$$\begin{array}{r}
 0.875 \\
 8 \overline{)7.000} \\
 \underline{-0} \\
 70 \\
 \underline{-64} \\
 60 \\
 \underline{-56} \\
 40 \\
 \underline{-40} \\
 00
 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore -\frac{7}{8} = -0.875.$$

(iii) $7\frac{3}{5}$

Solution : $7\frac{3}{5} = \frac{35+3}{5} = \frac{38}{5}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 7.6 \\ 5 \overline{) 38.0} \\ - 35 \\ \hline 30 \\ - 30 \\ \hline 00 \end{array}$$

$\therefore 7\frac{3}{5} = 7.6.$

(iv) $\frac{5}{12}$

Solution :

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.4166 \\ 12 \overline{) 5.0000} \\ \underline{-0} \\ 50 \\ \underline{-48} \\ 20 \\ \underline{-12} \\ 80 \\ \underline{-72} \\ 080 \\ \underline{-72} \\ 08 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{5}{12} = 0.4166 = 0.416$$

$$(v) \quad \frac{22}{7}$$

Solution :

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3.142857 \\
 7 \overline{)22.000} \\
 \underline{-21} \\
 10 \\
 \underline{-7} \\
 30 \\
 \underline{-28} \\
 20 \\
 \underline{-14} \\
 60 \\
 \underline{-56} \\
 40 \\
 \underline{-35} \\
 50 \\
 \underline{-49} \\
 1
 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{22}{7} = 3. \overline{142857}.$$

(vi) $\frac{4}{3}$

Solution :

$$\begin{array}{r} 1.333 \\ 3 \overline{) 4.000} \\ \underline{-3} \\ 10 \\ \underline{-9} \\ 10 \\ \underline{-9} \\ 10 \\ \underline{-9} \\ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{4}{3} = 1.\dot{3}$$

(vii) $\frac{7}{9}$

Solution :

$$\begin{array}{r}
 0.777 \\
 9 \overline{) 7.000} \\
 \underline{-0} \\
 70 \\
 \underline{-63} \\
 70 \\
 \underline{-63} \\
 70 \\
 \underline{-63} \\
 7
 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{7}{9} = 0.777 = 0.\dot{7}$$

Practice Set 25

1. Simplify the following expressions.

1. $50 \times 5 \div 2 + 24$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} & 50 \times 5 \div 2 + 24 \\ = & 250 \div 2 + 24 && \dots \text{ (Multiplication first)} \\ = & 125 + 24 && \dots \text{ (Division)} \\ = & 149 \end{aligned}$$

2. $(13 \times 4) \div 2 - 26$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} & (13 \times 4) \div 2 - 26 \\ = & 52 \div 2 - 26 && \dots \text{ (} \\ \text{Multiplication first)} \\ = & 26 - 26 && \dots \text{ (Division)} \\ = & 0 \end{aligned}$$

3. $140 \div [(-11) \times (-3) - (-42) \div 14 - 1]$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned}
& 140 \div [(-11) \times (-3) - (-42) \div 14 - 1] \\
&= 140 \div [33 + 42 \div 14 - 1] \dots (\text{Simplifying brackets}) \\
&= 140 \div [33 + 3 - 1] \dots (\text{Division}) \\
&= 140 \div [36 - 1] \dots (\text{Addition}) \\
&= 140 \div 35 \quad (\text{Subtraction in brackets}) \\
&= 4
\end{aligned}$$

$$4. \{(220 - 140) + [10 \times 9 + (-2 \times 5)]\} - 100$$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned}
& \{(220 - 140) + [10 \times 9 + (-2 \times 5)]\} - 100 \\
&= \{80 + [10 \times 9 + (-10)]\} - 100 \\
& \dots (\text{Simplifying first round bracket}) \\
&= \{80 + [90 - 10]\} - 100 \\
&= \{80 + 80\} - 100
\end{aligned}$$

$$= 160 - 100$$

$$= 60$$

$$5. \quad \frac{3}{5} + \frac{3}{8} \div \frac{6}{4}$$

Solution :

$$\therefore \frac{3}{5} + \frac{3}{8} \div \frac{6}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} + \frac{3}{8} \times \frac{4}{6}$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} + \frac{3 \times 4}{2 \times 4 \times 2 \times 3}$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{(3 \times 4) + (1 \times 5)}{20}$$

$$= \frac{12 + 5}{20}$$

$$= \frac{17}{20}$$