

2.8 Exercises – problems with asterisks have solutions appended

Give five different representations of the following numbers: as a Rational number, in Scientific Notation (exactly or approximation if you need to round off), factored to primes or showing primes multiplied in a representation, factored but not necessarily to primes, and one of your own choosing.

1. 36

2. 45

3.* 150

4. 225

5. 2,004

6. 16^{-1}

7.* 81^{-1}

8. 1000^{-1}

9. -111

10. -36^{-1}

11.* -27^{-1}

13. -4^{-2}

14. -3^{-2}

15.* -6^{-2}

Convert the following rational numbers to a fraction form.

16. $2.\overline{0125}$

17. $0.\overline{34}$

18. $0.\overline{1234}$

19.* $3.\overline{372}$

20. $-\overline{.113}$

21.* $-\overline{.0145}$

22. $4.022\overline{45}$

23.* $3.224\overline{123}$

24. $-1.03\overline{67}$

25.* $-2.\overline{316}$

Give an illustration that shows that the following subsets of the Real numbers are not closed under the given operation:

26. Odd natural numbers and division.

27. Rational numbers and division.

28. Whole numbers and subtraction.

29.* Irrational numbers and addition.

30. Integers and division.

Tell which arithmetic property was used in each step of the following worked out problems. (note: some of the steps involve short cuts from the section on exponents, too).

31.

$$7(5 + 3) + 7(2)$$

$$7(5) + 7(3) + 7(2)$$

$$7(5) + 7(3 + 2)$$

$$7(5 + 5) = 7(10) = 70$$

32.

$$5^{\frac{1}{2}}(15^{\frac{1}{2}} - 20^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$5^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (3 \cdot 5)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 5^{\frac{1}{2}}(4 \cdot 5)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$5^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 5^{\frac{1}{2}} - 5^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 4^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 5^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$5^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 5^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{2}} - 5^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 5^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$(5^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 5^{\frac{1}{2}}) \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{2}} - (5^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 5^{\frac{1}{2}}) \cdot 4^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$5 \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{2}} - 5(2) = 5\sqrt{3} - 10$$

33.*

$$5^{-1}x - 2(5^{-1})x$$

$$x\left(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{2}{5}\right)$$

$$-5^{-1}x$$

34.

$$3(2^{\frac{1}{2}}) + 5(16^{\frac{1}{2}}) - 2(2^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$3(2^{\frac{1}{2}}) + -2(2^{\frac{1}{2}}) + 5(16^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$2^{\frac{1}{2}} + 20$$

35.*

$$6^{\frac{1}{2}}(3^{\frac{1}{2}} - 3(2^{\frac{1}{2}}))$$

$$6^{\frac{1}{2}}(3^{\frac{1}{2}}) + 6^{\frac{1}{2}}(-3)(2^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$(6 \cdot 3)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 6^{\frac{1}{2}}(2^{\frac{1}{2}})(-3)$$

$$(6 \cdot 3)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (6 \cdot 2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(-3)$$

$$(2 \cdot 3^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (3 \cdot 2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(-3)$$

$$(2 \cdot 3^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (-3)(3 \cdot 2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$3(2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (-3)(2)(3)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$3\sqrt{2} - 6\sqrt{3}$$

Solutions:

3. $150 = \frac{300}{2} = 1.5 \times 10^2 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^2 = 15(10) = 22,500^{\frac{1}{2}}$

7. $81^{-1} = \frac{1}{81} = \frac{1}{3^4} = 3^{-4} = 9^{-2} = 8.1 \times 10^{-1}$

11. $-27^{-1} = -\frac{1}{27} = -\frac{1}{3^3} = (-3(9))^{-1} = -\overline{.037} \approx -3.7 \times 10^{-1}$

15. $-6^{-2} = -\frac{1}{36} = -\frac{1}{2^2 \cdot 3^2} = -(4 \cdot 9)^{-1} = \overline{.027} \approx 2.8 \times 10^{-2}$

19. $3.\overline{372}$

$$x = 3.\overline{372}$$

steps 1 and 2

$$1000x = 3372.\overline{72}$$

subtracting the equations

$$1000x = 3372.\overline{372}$$

$$\underline{x = 3.\overline{372}}$$

$$999x = 3369$$

$$x = \frac{3369}{999}$$

21. $-\overline{.0145}$

$$x = -\overline{.0145}$$

steps 1 and 2

$$10000x = -145.\overline{0145}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 10000x = -145.\overline{0145} \\
 - \quad x = \quad \overline{-.0145} \\
 \hline
 999x = -145
 \end{array}$$

subtracting: watch those negatives!

$$x = -\frac{145}{999}$$

23. $3.224\overline{123}$

Get new Equation 1 because of the offset to the repeat bar

$$x = 3.224\overline{123}$$

$$1000x = 3224.\overline{123}$$

Get Equation 2

$$1000000x = 3224123.\overline{123}$$

Now, subtract

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1000000x = 3224123.\overline{123} \\
 \underline{1000x = \quad 3224.\overline{123}} \\
 999000x = 3220899
 \end{array}$$

$$x = \frac{3220899}{999000}$$

25. $-2.3\overline{16}$

Get new equation 1

$$x = -2.3\overline{16}$$

$$10x = -23.\overline{16}$$

Get equation 2 and subtract

$$\begin{array}{r} 1000x = -2316.\overline{16} \\ - 10x = -23.\overline{16} \\ \hline 990x = -2296 \end{array}$$

$$x = -\frac{2296}{990}$$

29. Irrational numbers and addition.

$$-\pi + \pi = 0$$

33.

$$5^{-1}x - 2(5^{-1})x$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{2}{5}\right)x \quad \text{"un-distribution" factor out the } x, \text{ combine the fractions}$$

$$-5^{-1}x$$

35.

$$6^{\frac{1}{2}}(3^{\frac{1}{2}} - 3(2^{\frac{1}{2}}))$$

1. $6^{\frac{1}{2}}(3^{\frac{1}{2}}) + 6^{\frac{1}{2}}(-3)(2^{\frac{1}{2}})$

2. $(6 \cdot 3)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 6^{\frac{1}{2}}(2^{\frac{1}{2}})(-3)$

3. $(6 \cdot 3)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (6 \cdot 2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(-3)$

4. $(2 \cdot 3^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (3 \cdot 2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(-3)$

5. $(2 \cdot 3^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (-3)(3 \cdot 2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

6. $3(2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (-3)(2)(3)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

7. $3\sqrt{2} - 6\sqrt{3}$

1. Distribution
2. Associative and Commutative
3. Exponent Powered Product Rule
4. Factoring to Primes
5. Commutative
6. Exponent Powered Product Rule
7. rewriting in traditional notation