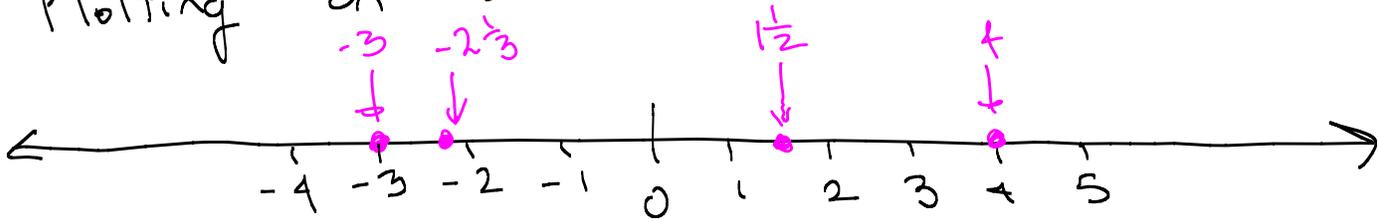


# 1.1: Intro to Algebra and the set of real numbers, 6/5/2017

Note Title

Plotting on a number line:



Plot  $-3, 4, 1\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{7}{3}$

↑ Change to mixed number

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

$$-\frac{7}{3} = -2\frac{1}{3}$$

Note:  $-2.33 \neq -2\frac{1}{3}$

$$-2\frac{1}{3} \approx -2.33$$

$\approx$  approximately equal  $\downarrow -2\frac{1}{3} = -2.\bar{3}$

Note:  $1\frac{1}{2} = 1.5$

Opposite: Two numbers are opposite if their sum is 0.

Ex: what is the opposite of  $-17$ ?  $17$   
 what is the opposite of  $\frac{5}{4}$ ?  $-\frac{5}{4}$

Rational numbers: can be written as the ratio of two integers

Ex:  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{4}{3}, 5\frac{1}{4}, -2.75, 2.\bar{3}$   
 $3 \leftarrow \frac{3}{1}$        $\uparrow \frac{2}{4}$        $\frac{-275}{100}$        $\uparrow 2\frac{1}{3} = \frac{7}{3}$

Natural Numbers: (Counting Numbers): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, ...

Whole Numbers: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, ...

Integers: ... -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, ...

Irrational Numbers: cannot write as the ratio of 2 integers:

Ex:  $\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\pi$ ,  $e$

(cannot be written as a decimal that ends or repeats)

Absolute Value: Distance from 0 on number line.

Also known as the magnitude. (magnitude = size)



$$|5| = 5$$

$$|-5| = 5$$

### Order of Operations

Multiplication and division precede addition and subtraction.

Multiplication & division are done left to right.

Simplify.

Ex.:  $6 + (5 - 7(3))$

$$= 6 + (5 - 21)$$

$$= 6 + (-16)$$

$$= 6 - 16$$

$$= \boxed{-10}$$

Ex.:  $15 - 3^2 + 4(7)$

$$= 15 - 9 + 28$$

$$= 6 + 28$$

$$= \boxed{34}$$

Ex.:  $\frac{16 - 8 \div 4}{4 + 8 \div 4 - 2}$

$$= \frac{16 - 2}{4 + 2 - 2}$$

$$= \frac{14}{4 + 0} = \frac{14}{4}$$

$$= \frac{14 \div 2}{4 \div 2}$$

$$= \frac{7}{2} = \boxed{\frac{7}{2}}$$

# 1.3: Addition of Real Numbers

Ex:  $4 + (-2) + 6 + (-3)$

$$= 4 - 2 + 6 - 3$$

$$= 2 + 3$$

$$= \boxed{5}$$

Ex:  $-18 + 24$

$$= \boxed{6}$$

Ex:  $-7 + (-12)$

$$= -7 - 12$$

$$= \boxed{-19}$$

Ex: Translate to an algebraic expression.

5 more than a number

Let  $x$  represent the unknown number.

$x$  is a variable.

$$\boxed{5 + x}$$

Ex: 3 less than twice a number

$$2x - 3$$

End of 1.3