

Concepts on Test #3 – Math 311 Sp 2011

See all concepts on Test #2 and extend each to integers

Adding & Subtracting Integers

Addition Rules

If the signs are the SAME: Add the numbers & keep the common sign

$$\text{Ex. } -5 + -2 = -(5 + 2) = -7$$

If the signs are OPPOSITE: Subtract big minus small number & keep big sign

$$\text{Ex. } -5 + 2 = -(5 - 2) = -3$$

Subtraction

Addition of the opposite: Copy the 1st number & add the opposite of the second

$$\text{Ex: } -5 - (-2) = -5 + 2$$

Use Addition Rules

Multiplying Integers

$$+ \cdot + = + \quad - \cdot - = + \quad + \cdot - = - \quad - \cdot + = -$$

Multiplying factors of 10 integers

Multiply #'s & add total # of zeros:

$$\text{Ex. } -5,000,000 \times 4,000 \rightarrow -5 \times 4 = -20 \text{ and tack on 9 zeros (000000000)} \\ = -20,000,000,000$$

Dividing Integers

$$+ \div + = + \quad - \div - = + \quad + \div - = - \quad - \div + = - \quad (\text{Same as Multiplication})$$

Division Rules

Any Number Divided by Itself is 1

$$a \div a = 1$$

Zero Divided by Any non-Zero is ZERO

$$0 \div a = 0 \quad a \neq 0$$

Any non-Zero Divided by Zero is UNDEFINED

$$a \div 0 = \text{undefined} \quad a \neq 0$$

Exponents

Negative Inside parentheses vs Not in parentheses

$-a^2$ means “the opposite of a^2 ” Ex. $-2^2 = -(2 \cdot 2) = -4$

$(-a)^2$ means “a negative number used as a factor 2 times” Ex. $(-2)^2 = -2 \cdot -2 = 4$

Negative to an EVEN Power is POSITIVE

$$\text{Ex. } (-2)^4 = -2 \cdot -2 \cdot -2 \cdot -2 = +16$$

Negative to an ODD Power is NEGATIVE

$$\text{Ex. } (-2)^3 = -2 \cdot -2 \cdot -2 = -8$$

Anything to the 1st Power is the number

$$\text{Ex. } 1057^1 = 1057$$

Anything to the 0 Power is 1

$$\text{Ex. } (\sqrt{144})^0 = 1$$

Radicals

Basic Definition – The answer is the number that when raised to the second power is what is under the radical symbol “ $\sqrt{\quad}$ ”

$$\text{Ex. } \sqrt{16} = 4 \quad \text{because } (?)^2 = 16 \text{ and } ? = 4$$

The Opposite of a Radical: $-\sqrt{a} = -(\text{answer to } \sqrt{a})$

$$\text{Ex. } -\sqrt{16} = -4$$

The Square Root of a Negative Number: $\sqrt{-a} = \text{No Real Solution}$

$$\text{Ex. } \sqrt{-4} \neq -2$$

since there is no number that when multiplied by itself will equal a negative number.

The Cube Root of a Negative Number EXISTS

$${}^3\sqrt{-a} = \text{a negative number!!} \quad \text{Since } - \cdot - \cdot - = -$$

$$\text{Ex. } {}^3\sqrt{-8} = -2$$

They are Parentheses!! Evaluate inside first then take the root.

$$\text{Ex. } \sqrt{2 + 2} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

After radical is evaluated it is a parentheses!

$$\text{Ex. } -2\sqrt{2 + 2} = -\sqrt{4} = -2(2) = -4$$

Opposites

Written like a negative -a means the opposite of a

$$\text{Ex. } -(-2) \text{ is the opposite of } -2 = 2$$

Absolute Values

Straight lines | a | means the distance from zero (the number without a sign)

$$\text{Ex. } |-2| = 2$$

They are parentheses!! Evaluate inside first, then take absolute value.

$$\text{Ex. } |-2 - 2| = |-2 + -2| = |-(2 + 2)| = |-4| = 4$$

After absolute values are evaluated they are parentheses!

$$\text{Ex. } 5|-2 + -2| = 5 \cdot |-2 + -2| = 5 \cdot |-4| = 5 \cdot (4) = 20$$

$$-|-2 + -2| = -|-4| = -(4) = -4$$

This 2nd one reads the opposite of the absolute value of ...

Order of Operations

PEMDAS (or GEMDAS)

Don't forget that radicals and absolute values are special parentheses

Do the inside, evaluate and then replace with (); see examples above

Word Problems with Integers

Check book type problem (#47&48 p. 111; #43 & 44 p. 121)

Temperature Type (#53&54 p. 111; #53&54&59 p. 122-123)

Diving/Digging Type (#55&56 p. 112)

Average of Integers (Add all #'s up & divide by number of numbers; Golf Score Example)

Profit (Net Profit) = Revenue – Cost (#9 p. 146)

D = R · T (#19, 21 & 23 p. 146)

Solving Algebraic Equations

Addition: Add the opposite of the constant to both sides

Multiplication: Divide by numeric coefficient on both sides

Evaluation of Algebraic Expressions

Parentheses → Insert Value → Order of Operations Problem

$$\text{Ex. Evaluate } -x + -y^2 \quad \text{for } x = -2 \text{ and } y = -3$$

$$\rightarrow -(-2) + -(-3)^2 = 2 + -(-3 \cdot -3) = 2 + -(9) = 2 + -9 = -7$$

Restrictions

What causes an expression to be undefined?

$$\text{Ex. } \frac{5}{x + 7} \quad x + 7 = 0 \text{ will cause it to be undefined (division by zero)}$$

so solve for x & get answer
when x = -7 it will be undefined

Polynomials

Definitions: Monomial, Binomial, Polynomial, Trinomial, Term, Constant, Numeric Coeff.

Like Terms

Degree of a Term & of a Polynomial

Adding Polynomials (combining like terms; simplifying algebraic expressions)