

Operation on Rational number →

Case I: If $\frac{p}{q}$ and $\frac{r}{q}$ are any two

rational numbers with the common denominator q then

$$\frac{p}{q} + \frac{r}{q} = \frac{p+r}{q}$$

Note. For addition we should convert each rational number into a rational number with positive denominator.

forexample

$$\frac{6}{13} + \frac{-2}{13}$$

$$\frac{6 + (-2)}{13} = \frac{6-2}{13} = \frac{4}{13}$$

Case-II: For rational numbers $\frac{p}{q}$ and $\frac{r}{s}$

with different denominators, we take the LCM of the denominators and express the given rational number with this LCM as the common denominator.

Examples-

$$\frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{4}$$

Take the L.C.M of 8 and 4.
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$$\therefore \frac{3 \times 2}{4 \times 2} = \frac{6}{8}$$

2	8	4
2	4	2
2	2	1
	1	1

$$\therefore \frac{1}{8} + \frac{6}{8}$$

$$\therefore 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8$$

$$= \frac{1+6}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

Properties of Addition of Rational number

1- Closure: $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}$ is a rational number.

Ex-

$$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{7}$$

$$\frac{21+20}{28} = \frac{41}{28} \text{ which is a rational number.}$$

2- Commutative: $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = \frac{c}{d} + \frac{a}{b}$

ie two rational number can be added in any order.

Ex.

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{5}$$

$$= \frac{5+6}{10} = \frac{11}{10}$$

$$\frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{6+5}{10} = \frac{11}{10}$$

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

3.

Associative.. For any three rational numbers $\frac{a}{b}$, $\frac{c}{d}$, $\frac{e}{f}$

$$\text{we have } \left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d}\right) + \frac{e}{f} = \frac{a}{b} + \left(\frac{c}{d} + \frac{e}{f}\right)$$

ie while adding three or more rational numbers, they can be grouped in any order.

Ex.

Suppose we have find the sum of

$$\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{3}{5} \quad \text{Then}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{6} + -\frac{3}{5}$$

$$= \frac{1 \times 5 + (-3) + 6}{30}$$

$$= \frac{5 - 3 + 6}{30} = \frac{8}{30}$$

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$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{-1 \times 5 + (-3) \times 3}{15}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{-5 - 9}{15}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{-14}{15}$$

$$= \frac{1 \times 15 + (-14) \times 2}{30}$$

$$= \frac{15 - 28}{30} = \frac{-13}{30}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{-1}{3} \right) + \frac{-3}{5} = \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{-1}{3} + \frac{-3}{5} \right)$$

4. Property of Zero:-

The sum of any rational number and 0, is the rational number itself, i.e. if $\frac{a}{b}$ is any rational number,

then $\frac{a}{b} + 0 = 0 + \frac{a}{b} = \frac{a}{b}$

Ex $\frac{7}{8} + 0 = \frac{7}{8} + \frac{0}{8} = \frac{7+0}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$

Note. 0 is called the additive identity or the identity element for the addition of rational number.

5 - Negative of rational number :-

If $\frac{a}{b}$ is a rational number then $-\frac{a}{b}$ is a rational number.

such that $\frac{a}{b} + \left(-\frac{a}{b}\right) = \left(-\frac{a}{b}\right) + \frac{a}{b} = 0$

$-\frac{a}{b}$ is called negative of $\frac{a}{b}$

It is also called the additive inverse of $\frac{a}{b}$.

Exercise.

Q.1 Add the following rational number.

[i] $\frac{3}{7}$ and $\frac{2}{7}$

[ii] $-\frac{11}{13}$ and $\frac{9}{13}$

[iii] $-\frac{1}{6}$ and $\frac{3}{10}$

[iv] $\frac{13}{14}$ and $\frac{9}{-7}$

[v] $3\frac{3}{4}$ and $4\frac{1}{3}$

[vi] $2\frac{5}{7}$ and $\frac{-3}{-14}$

Q.2 Simplify.

[i] $\frac{5}{6} + \frac{7}{18} + \frac{-11}{12}$

[ii] $\frac{7}{15} + \frac{-9}{25} + \frac{-3}{10}$

Q.3 Verify the following

[i] $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{-2}{5} = \frac{-2}{5} + \frac{3}{4}$

[ii] $\frac{-3}{4} + \frac{7}{-8} = \frac{7}{-8} + \frac{-3}{4}$

Q.4 Verify that.

[i] $\left(\frac{-5}{8} + \frac{9}{8}\right) + \frac{13}{8} = \frac{-5}{8} + \left(\frac{9}{8} + \frac{13}{8}\right)$

[ii] $-20 + \left(\frac{3}{-5} + \frac{-7}{-10}\right) = \left(-20 + \frac{3}{-5}\right) + \frac{-7}{-10}$