

CHAPTER - I → RATIONAL AND IRRATIONAL NUMBERS

* POINTS TO REMEMBER :

- A number which can be expressed as $\frac{a}{b}$, where 'a' and 'b' both are integers and 'b' is not equal to zero, is called a rational number.

$$\therefore \mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{a}{b} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } b \neq 0 \right\}$$

- There are infinitely many rational numbers between each pair of rational numbers.

- Method for finding large numbers of rational numbers between two given rational numbers.

- (i) For any two rational numbers a and b , $\frac{a+b}{2}$ is also a rational number which lies between a and b . Thus

$$\text{if } a > b \Rightarrow a > \frac{a+b}{2} > b \quad \text{and if } a < b \Rightarrow a < \frac{a+b}{2} < b$$

- (ii) For rational numbers $\frac{a}{b}$ and $\frac{c}{d}$, $\frac{a+c}{b+d}$ is also a rational number with its value lying between $\frac{a}{b}$ and $\frac{c}{d}$.

- (iii) In order to find n rational numbers between x and y , first of all find $d = \frac{y-x}{n+1}$. If $x < y$. Then n rational numbers between x

x and y are: 2
 $x+d, x+2d, x+3d, \dots, x+nd$

* If the denominator of a rational number can be expressed as $2^m \times 5^n$, where m and n both are whole numbers, the rational number is convertible into terminating decimal.

eg. $\frac{17}{50}$, since $50 = 2 \times 5 \times 5 = 2^1 \times 5^2$

i.e. 50 can be expressed as $2^m \times 5^n$

\therefore Rational number $\frac{17}{50}$ is a terminating decimal.

* IRRATIONAL NUMBERS:

The square roots, cube roots, etc. of natural numbers are irrational numbers, if their exact values cannot be obtained.

\sqrt{m} is irrational, if exact square root of m does not exist. similarly

$\sqrt[3]{m}$ is irrational, if exact cube root of m does not exist.

* SURDS (RADICALS)

If x is a positive rational number and n is a positive integer such that $x^{\frac{1}{n}}$ i.e. $\sqrt[n]{x}$ is irrational, then $x^{\frac{1}{n}}$ is called a surd.

e.g.: $\sqrt[3]{6}, \sqrt[4]{8}, \sqrt{5}$

* RATIONALISATION:

When two surds are multiplied together such that their product is a rational number, the two surds are called rationalising factor of each other.

The process of rationalising a surd by multiplying it with its rationalising factor is called rationalisation. (3)

e.g. $5\sqrt{2} \times 3\sqrt{2} = 15 \times 2 = 30$, which is rational number. $\therefore 5\sqrt{2}$ and $3\sqrt{2}$ are rationalising factor of each other.

* SIMPLIFYING AN EXPRESSION BY RATIONALISING ITS DENOMINATOR :

- multiply and divide the given expression by the least rationalising factor of its denominator. simplify, if necessary.

e.g. Rationalise the denominator of

(i) $\frac{5}{2\sqrt{2}}$

(ii) $\frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}$

solⁿ: \rightarrow

(i) $\frac{5}{2\sqrt{2}}$, The least rationalising factor of $2\sqrt{2}$ is $\sqrt{2}$

$$\therefore \frac{5}{2\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{2 \times 2} = \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{4} \text{ Ans}$$

(ii) $\frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}$, The least rationalising factor of $\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}$ is $\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})^2}{(\sqrt{3})^2 - (\sqrt{2})^2}$$

$$= \frac{(\sqrt{3})^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2 - 2\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2}}{(\sqrt{3})^2 - (\sqrt{2})^2}$$

$$= \frac{3 + 2 - 2\sqrt{6}}{3 - 2}$$

$$= \frac{5 - 2\sqrt{6}}{1}$$

Ex 1-A

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Q.5: Without doing any actual division, find which of the following rational numbers have terminating decimal representation.

Soln: Given number is $\frac{7}{16}$

$$\text{Since } 16 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 2^4 = 2^4 \times 5^0$$

i.e. 16 can be expressed as $2^m \times 5^n$

$\therefore \frac{7}{16}$ is convertible into the terminating decimal.

Q.7. Given number is $\frac{32}{45}$

$$\text{Since } 45 = 3 \times 3 \times 5 = 3^2 \times 5^1$$

i.e. 45 cannot be expressed as $2^m \times 5^n$

$\therefore \frac{32}{45}$ is not convertible into the terminating decimal.

Ex 1-B

Q.1 state, whether the following numbers are rational or not:

Soln: (i) $(2 + \sqrt{2})^2$

By using the formula $(a+b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + 2ab$

$$(2 + \sqrt{2})^2 = (2)^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2 + 2 \times 2 \times \sqrt{2}$$

$$= 4 + 2 + 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$= 6 + 4\sqrt{2} \text{ irrational}$$

(vi) $\left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{6\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 = \frac{7}{36 \times 2} = \frac{7}{72}$ Rational

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Q. 2 Find the square of

Solⁿ :- (i) $\left(\frac{3\sqrt{5}}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{(3)^2 \times (\sqrt{5})^2}{(5)^2}$
 $= \frac{9 \times 5}{25}$
 $= \frac{9}{5}$
 $= 1 \frac{4}{5}$

Q. 12 Write in ascending order :

Solⁿ : (ii) $2\sqrt[3]{5}$ and $3\sqrt[3]{2}$

$$2\sqrt[3]{5} = \sqrt[3]{2^3 \times 5} = \sqrt[3]{8 \times 5} = \sqrt[3]{40}$$

$$3\sqrt[3]{2} = \sqrt[3]{3^3 \times 2} = \sqrt[3]{27 \times 2} = \sqrt[3]{54}$$

$$\therefore 40 < 54 \quad \therefore \sqrt[3]{40} < \sqrt[3]{54}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sqrt[3]{5} < 3\sqrt[3]{2}$$

Q. 15 COMPARE :

Solⁿ (ii) $\sqrt{24}$ and $\sqrt[3]{35}$

$$\sqrt{24} = (24)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \sqrt[3]{35} = (35)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

L.C.M of 2 and 3 is 6

$$\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{3} = \frac{3}{6}, \quad \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{2} = \frac{2}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow (24)^{\frac{3}{6}} = (24^3)^{\frac{1}{6}} = (13824)^{\frac{1}{6}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (35)^{\frac{2}{6}} = (35^2)^{\frac{1}{6}} = (1225)^{\frac{1}{6}}$$

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$$\Rightarrow 13824 > 1225$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{24} > \sqrt[3]{35}$$

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Ex 1-C

Q.2 write the lowest rationalising factor of
solⁿ

$$(i) 5\sqrt{2}$$

$$= 5\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} = 5 \times 2 = 10$$

$$\therefore \text{lowest R.F.} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$(ii) \sqrt{24} = \sqrt{2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3}$$

$$= \sqrt{2^2 \times 6}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{6} \times \sqrt{6}$$

$$= 2 \times 6$$

$$= 12$$

$$\therefore \text{lowest R.F.} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$(v) \sqrt{18} - \sqrt{50} = \sqrt{3 \times 3 \times 2} - \sqrt{5 \times 5 \times 2}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{2} - 5\sqrt{2}$$

$$= -2\sqrt{2}$$

$$= -2\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2}$$

$$= -2 \times 2$$

$$= -4$$

$$\therefore \text{lowest R.F.} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$(ix) 3\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$= (3\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3})(3\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{3})$$

$$= (3\sqrt{2})^2 - (2\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$= 9 \times 2 - 4 \times 3$$

$$= 18 - 12$$

$$= 6$$

$$\therefore \text{lowest R.F.} = (3\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{3})$$

Rationalise the denominators of :

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solⁿ (v) $\frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}}$

$$\frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{(2-\sqrt{3})^2}{(2)^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2}$$

$$= \frac{(2)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 - 2 \times 2 \times \sqrt{3}}{4 - 3}$$

$$= \frac{4 + 3 - 4\sqrt{3}}{1}$$

$$= 7 - 4\sqrt{3} \quad \text{Ans}$$

(iv) $\frac{2\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{5} - 3\sqrt{2}}$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{5} - 3\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{2\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{(2\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{2})^2}{(2\sqrt{5})^2 - (3\sqrt{2})^2}$$

$$= \frac{(2\sqrt{5})^2 + (3\sqrt{2})^2 + 2 \times 2\sqrt{5} \times 3\sqrt{2}}{4 \times 5 - 9 \times 2}$$

$$= \frac{20 + 18 + 12\sqrt{10}}{20 - 18}$$

$$= \frac{38 + 12\sqrt{10}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2(19 + 6\sqrt{10})}{2}$$

$$= 19 + 6\sqrt{10} \quad \text{Ans}$$

(v) Find the value of 'a' and 'b' in each of following :

(1) $\frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} = a+b\sqrt{3}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}} = a+b\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2+\sqrt{3})^2}{(2)^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2} = a+b\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 + 2 \times 2 \times \sqrt{3}}{4-3} = a+b\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4+3+4\sqrt{3}}{1} = a+b\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 7+4\sqrt{3} = a+b\sqrt{3}$$

on comparing L.H.S and R.H.S we get

$$a=7$$

$$b\sqrt{3} = 4\sqrt{3}$$

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

$$a=7, \quad b=4$$

⑤ simplify :-

$$\frac{22}{2\sqrt{3}+1} + \frac{17}{2\sqrt{3}-1}$$

By taking L.C.M

$$= \frac{22(2\sqrt{3}-1) + 17(2\sqrt{3}+1)}{(2\sqrt{3}+1)(2\sqrt{3}-1)}$$

$$= \frac{44\sqrt{3} - 22 + 34\sqrt{3} + 17}{(2\sqrt{3})^2 - (1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{44\sqrt{3} + 34\sqrt{3} - 22 + 17}{12-1}$$

$$= \frac{78\sqrt{3} - 5}{11} \quad \text{Ans}$$

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