

Mathematics

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Exercise 1.5

Question 1:

Classify the following numbers as rational or irrational:

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

(ii) $(3 - \sqrt{23}) - \sqrt{23}$

(iii) $\frac{2\sqrt{7}}{7\sqrt{7}}$

(iv) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

(v) 2π

Answer 1:

(i) $2 - \sqrt{5}$ Irrational number.

(ii) $(3 - \sqrt{23}) - \sqrt{23} = 3$ Rational number.

(iii) $\frac{2\sqrt{7}}{7\sqrt{7}} = \frac{2}{7}$ Rational number.

(iv) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ Irrational number.

(v) 2π Irrational number.

Question 2:

Simplify each of the following expressions:

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

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

(iii) $(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2})^2$

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

Answer 2:

(i) $(3 + \sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{2}) = 6 + 3\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6}$

(ii) $(3 + \sqrt{3})(3 - \sqrt{3}) = 3^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2$ [$\because (a + b)(a - b) = a^2 - b^2$]
 $= 9 - 3 = 6$

(iii) $(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2})^2 = (\sqrt{5})^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2 + 2 \times \sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{2} = 7 + 2\sqrt{10}$
[$\because (a + b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + 2ab$]

(iv) $(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}) = (\sqrt{5})^2 - (\sqrt{2})^2 = 5 - 2 = 3$
[$\because (a - b)(a + b) = a^2 - b^2$]

Question 3:

Recall, π is defined as the ratio of the circumference (say c) of a circle to its diameter (say d). That is $\pi = \frac{c}{d}$. This seems to contradict the fact that π is irrational. How will you resolve this contradiction?

Answer 3:

With a scale or tape we get only an approximate rational number as the result of our measurement. That is why π can be approximately represented as a quotient of two rational numbers. As a matter of mathematical truth it is irrational.

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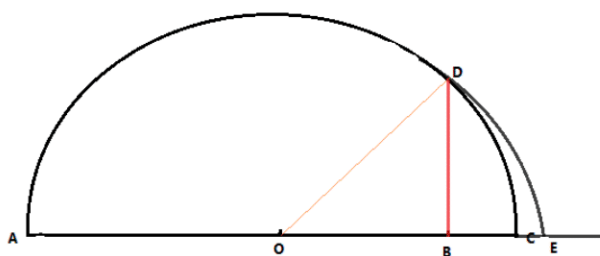
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Question 4:

Represent $\sqrt{9.3}$ on the number line.

Answer 4:

To represent $\sqrt{9.3}$ on the number line, draw $AB = 9.3$ units. Now produce AB to C , such that $BC = 1$ unit. Draw the perpendicular bisector of AC which intersects AC at O . Taking O as centre and OA as radius, draw a semi-circle which intersects D to the perpendicular at B . Now taking O as centre and OD as radius, draw an arc, which intersects AC produced at E . Hence, $OE = \sqrt{9.3}$.



Question 5:

Rationalise the denominators of the following:

(i) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}$

(ii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{6}}$

(iii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}$

(iv) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-2}$

Answer 5:

(i) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{7}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{7}$

(ii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{6}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}}{(\sqrt{7})^2-(\sqrt{6})^2} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}}{7-6} = \sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6}$

(iii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{(\sqrt{5})^2-(\sqrt{2})^2} = \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{5-2} = \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{3}$

(iv) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-2} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}+2}{\sqrt{7}+2} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+2}{(\sqrt{7})^2-(2)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+2}{7-4} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+2}{3}$