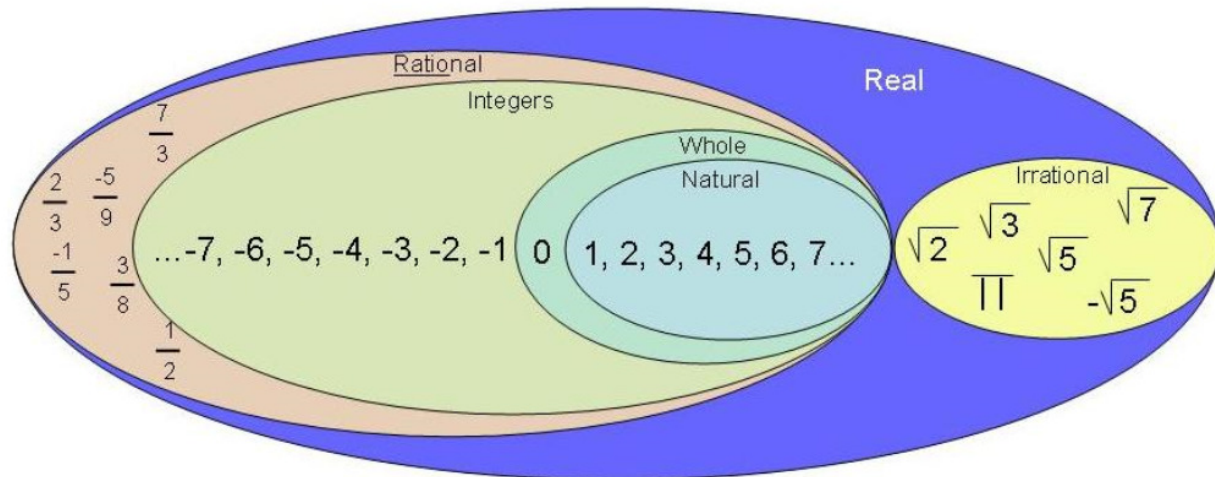


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Real Number System



Rational Number – a number that can be written as a fraction, is a repeating decimal, or is terminating decimal.

Irrational Number – a number that can NOT be written as a fraction, is NOT a repeating decimal, or is not a terminating decimal. In other words, a number that is not rational.

Ex 1:

Determine which numbers in the set are

- (a) natural numbers
- (b) whole numbers
- (c) integers
- (d) rational numbers
- (e) irrational numbers

$$\sqrt{5}, -7, -\frac{7}{3}, 0, 3.12, \frac{5}{4}, -3, 12, 5$$

Ex 2:

Give a verbal description of the subset of real numbers represented by the inequality or the interval, sketch the subset on a real number line, and, state whether the interval is bounded or unbounded.

a) $x > 3$

b) $0 \leq x < 5$

Ex 3:

Use inequality notation to describe the set.

a) All y in the interval $[-6, 0)$

b) y is no more than 25