

What to bring to class:
Ask students to bring PM
4A and 5A.

9.2 Fractions and Decimals [$1\frac{1}{2}$ days]

I. Converting Decimals to Fractions.

Denominator = appropriate power of 10

$$.37 = \frac{37}{100}$$

$$3.288 = \frac{3288 \div 8}{1000 \div 8} = \frac{411}{125}$$

$$1000 = 2^3 \cdot 5^3$$

Denominator = Product of 2's and 5's

Numerator = When no 2's or 5's, fraction in simplest form.

II. Fraction \longrightarrow decimal.

(a) Use equivalent fractions until denominator is a power of 10.

$$\frac{71}{100} = .71$$

$$\frac{13}{25} = \frac{52}{100} = .52$$

Student does $\longrightarrow \frac{3}{8} = \frac{3 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5} = \frac{375}{1000} = .375$

$\searrow \frac{7}{20} =$

or (b) Just divide

$$\frac{1}{8} = 8 \overline{) 1.00}$$

	.	1	2	5
	8			
	<u>8</u>			
		2	0	
		<u>16</u>		
			4	0

$$\frac{1}{3} = .3333 \dots$$

Two types of decimal numbers:



.382

terminating (ends)

.333 ...

nonterminating (no end)

Dots indicate goes on forever

Must always check!

Thm A fraction $\frac{a}{b}$ in simplest form has a terminating decimal expansion \iff denominator b is a product of 2's and 5's only.

Ex

$$\frac{2}{25}$$

$$\frac{6}{150}$$

$$\frac{5}{321}$$

$$\frac{21}{35}$$

Sketch of Proof: One way " \implies " A fraction with a terminating decimal expansion

can be written $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{\text{whole \#}}{\text{power of 10}} = \frac{\text{whole \#}}{10^n} = \frac{\text{whole \#}}{2^n \cdot 5^n}$

Ex $.882 = \frac{882}{10^3} = \frac{882}{2^3 \cdot 5^3} = \frac{441}{2^2 \cdot 5^3}$

Power of 10

There may be cancelation, but denominator still product of 2's, 5's.

Other way: If fraction has form say $\frac{N}{2^3 \cdot 5^7}$ multiply by $\frac{2}{2}$ or $\frac{5}{5}$ until powers of 2 and 5 match in denominator.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{N}{2^3 \cdot 5^7} &= \frac{2}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{2} \cdot \frac{N}{2^3 \cdot 5^7} = \frac{2^4 \cdot N}{2^4 \cdot 2^3 \cdot 5^7} = \frac{16N}{2^7 \cdot 5^7} \\ &= \frac{16N}{10^7} \leftarrow \text{terminating decimal} \end{aligned}$$

If denominator has factors other than 2's or 5's, what happens?

Ex

$\frac{8}{37} = .216216216\dots$
 $= \overline{.216}$
 Period 3
 Repeating digits called the repetend.

37 $\overline{) 8.000}$
 $\underline{-74}$
 60
 $\underline{-37}$
 230
 $\underline{-222}$
 80
 $\underline{-74}$
 60
 $\underline{-37}$
 230
 $\underline{-222}$
 8

pattern repeats forever
 repeats
 repeats

Ex [Students do]

$\frac{9}{22} = \overline{.409}$
 period 2

22 $\overline{) 9.0}$
 $\underline{88}$
 200
 $\underline{198}$
 200
 $\underline{-198}$
 20

repeat
 repeat

Ex

$\frac{1}{7} = \overline{.142857}$

Split amongst class:

$\frac{2}{7} = \overline{.285714}$

$\frac{3}{7} =$

$\frac{4}{7} =$

$\frac{5}{7} =$

$\frac{6}{7} =$

Ask: The period in each case is $\leq ?$

$\frac{1}{7} = \overline{.142857}$

7 $\overline{) 1.0}$
 $\underline{7}$
 30
 $\underline{-28}$
 20
 $\underline{14}$
 60
 $\underline{-56}$
 40
 $\underline{-35}$
 50
 $\underline{-49}$
 1

repeat

Basic Fact: Every fraction can be represented as a repeating decimal.

Proof: To convert $\frac{a}{b}$ to a decimal, we find $a \div b$ or $b \overline{)a}$. At each step in the long division the remainder r is a whole # with $0 \leq r < \text{denominator}$.

[Explain by circling remainders in $\frac{1}{7}$ case.]

- only b possibilities for r
- repeats after at most b steps.
- once a remainder repeats, long division steps must repeat.

□

2 Cases:

- If some remainder $r = 0$, then it is a terminating decimal (still regard as repeating $\frac{1}{2} = .5 = .50000 \dots = .5\bar{0}$)
- otherwise repeats with period $\leq b - 1$

Ex [If time, do calc. If not, write answer]

$$\frac{1}{17}$$

[make table before you start!]

17	1
34	2
51	3
68	4
85	5
102	6
119	7
136	8
153	9

.0588235294117647

$$17 \overline{)1.000000}$$

-85	
150	
-136	
140	
-136	
40	
-34	
60	
-51	
90	
-85	
50	
-34	
160	
-153	
70	
-68	

20	
-17	
30	
-17	
130	
-119	
110	
-102	
80	
-68	
120	
-119	
1	

one can't see $\frac{1}{17}$ repeats on a calculator! this important concept can only be understood by students who know long division.

Ex $\frac{1}{13} = \overline{.076923}$

period is 6 (not 12)

other way: Repeating decimals \rightarrow fractions!

Ex Write $\overline{.17}$ as a fraction

set $x = \overline{.17}$

↑
constant

$$100x = 17.171717 \dots$$

$$-x = -.171717 \dots$$

$$99x = 17$$

$$x = \frac{17}{99} \implies \boxed{\overline{.17} = \frac{17}{99}}$$

Ex $\overline{.361}$ $x = \overline{.361}$

↑
students try

$$1000x = 361.361361 \dots$$

$$-x = -.361361 \dots$$

$$999x = 361 \leftarrow \text{whole \#!}$$

$$x = \frac{361}{999} \implies \boxed{\overline{.361} = \frac{361}{999}}$$

[Caution: "rule" $\frac{a}{999}$ only true if there are no initial non repeating digits.]

Ex $\overline{.1132} = \frac{1121}{9900}$

$$10000x = 1132.3232 \dots$$

$$-100x = -11.3232 \dots$$

$$9900x = 1121$$

$$x = \frac{1121}{9900}$$

Ex $\begin{array}{l} .\overline{231} \\ 5.\overline{173} \\ 1.\overline{234} \\ .\overline{9} \end{array}$ } Students do
(especially)

Fraction - Decimal Theorem

(a) Every fraction can be written as a repeating decimal and vice versa.

(b) the decimal form terminates \iff in simplest form the denominator is a product of 2's and 5's only.

\rightarrow otherwise repeats of period \leq (denominator - 1)

Note: Terminating decimals have 2 repeating forms

$$1 = \begin{cases} 1.0000 \dots \\ .9999 \dots \end{cases} \quad \frac{1}{4} = .25 = \begin{cases} .250000 \dots \\ .249999 \dots \end{cases}$$

[Fraction \longleftrightarrow decimal correspondence has no other ambiguity]

HW Read § 9.2 do HW set 37