

Alg. 1-BE Monday 11-2-09

Y VARIES directly AS X, WRITE THE direct VARIATION EQUATION THEN SOLVE for the specified VARIABLE:

① Y is 5 WHEN X is -2, find X WHEN Y is 4.

② Y is 12 WHEN X is 1, find Y WHEN X is  $-\frac{1}{2}$ .

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③ WHAT type of Equation is  $\frac{X}{5} = \frac{3}{9}$

④ Use the basic property of this type of Equation to solve it.

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1.  
⑧ NAME EACH symbol:

$<$  less than, (EX)  $3 < 9$

$>$  greater than (EX)  $9 > 3$

$\leq$  less than or EQUAL

(EX)  $4 \leq 4$

$2 \leq 4$

$\geq$  greater than or EQUAL

(EX)  $4 \geq 4$

$4 \geq 2$

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"NOT" EQUALS signs

INEQUALITY symbols

⑧ inequality — A MATH expression  
WITH A  $<$ ,  $\leq$ ,  $>$ ,  $\geq$   
symbol

2.

How Do you "solve" AN inequality?

Lets see what works...

Ⓔ 3 < 9      Lets add 4  
      +4    +4  
      7 < 13    OK ✓

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3 < 9      Lets subtract 4  
 -4    -4  
 -1 < 5    OK ✓

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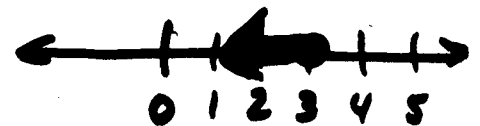
We can use add/subtract  
 "undos" to solve inequalities  
 just like equations.

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Ⓔ  $x + 6 \leq 9$   
      -6    -6

$x \leq 3$

SOLUTION



Lets try multiply/divides:

$3 < 9$  Try multiplying by 4

$$4 \cdot 3 < 9 \cdot 4$$

$$12 < 36 \quad \checkmark$$

$\frac{3}{3} < \frac{9}{3}$  Try dividing by 3

$$1 < 3 \quad \checkmark$$

OK for multiplying/dividing by POSITIVE numbers, what about multiplying or dividing by a negative number??

Alert: which is true?

$$\begin{array}{l} -16 < -15 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 16 < 15 \\ \text{or } -16 > -15 \end{array} \right. \\ \text{or } -16 > -15 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 16 < 15 \\ \text{or } 16 > 15 \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{-16 < -15 \text{ BUT } 16 > 15}$$

Try  $3 < 9$  Times  $-4$

$$-4 \cdot 3 < 9 \cdot -4$$

$$-12 < -36 \quad \text{False, flip the inequality to make it true}$$

$$-12 > -36$$


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$$\frac{3}{-3} < \frac{9}{-3}$$

divided by  $-3$

$$-1 < -3$$

False, flip  $<$

$$\boxed{-1 > -3}$$


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Since negatives and positives behave differently with  $<$ ,  $>$ ,  $\leq$ ,  $\geq$  symbols, and since multiplying or dividing by a negative changes the sign of whatever you are doing it to, you must "flip" the inequality.

# GRI Golden Rule of Inequalities

Same as GRE except, if you multiply or divide by a negative, flip the inequality.

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$$x - 45 \leq 13$$

$$+45 \quad +45$$

$$\boxed{x \leq 58}$$

Never flip when  
adding or subtracting

Ⓔ

$$2x + 6 < -3$$

$$-6 \quad -6$$

NFWAOS

$$\frac{2x}{2} < \frac{-9}{2}$$

Never flip when  
mult. or dividing  
by a positive

$$\boxed{x < -\frac{9}{2}}$$

$$\textcircled{\text{Ex}} \quad \begin{array}{rcl} 5 - 3x & \geq & 14 \\ -5 & & -5 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -3x & \geq & 9 \\ \hline -3 & & -3 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x \leq -3}$$

← Since you  
CHANGED ALL  
SIGNS WHEN YOU  
÷ by -3, you  
MUST flip  $\geq$

$$\textcircled{\text{Ex}} \quad \frac{x}{-2} < 5$$

$$-2 \cdot \frac{x}{-2} > 5 \cdot -2$$

MULT. BY -2,  
MUST flip

$$\boxed{x > -10}$$

Some inequalities  $\Rightarrow$  NO flip

Some inequalities  $\Rightarrow$  ONE flip

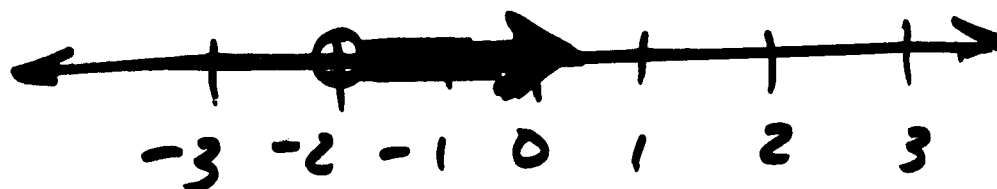
Some inequalities  $\Rightarrow$  MORE THAN ONE flip.

When graphing the solution to inequalities on a number line:

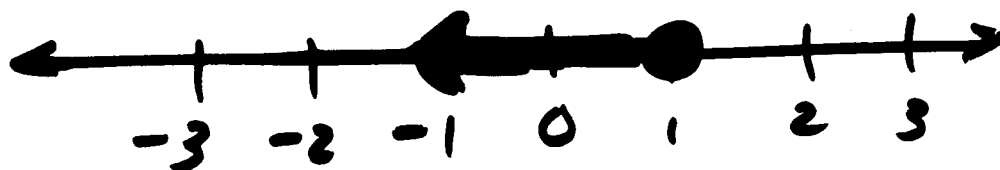
$<$  or  $>$       ○ open dot

$\leq$  or  $\geq$       ● closed dot

Ex  $x > -2$



Ex  $x \leq 1$




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Ch. 6-1, 6-2, 6-3 Done (except for checks)

Homework: Pg 335 # 4-8, 15-17.