

## EXERCISE 1F

1. Write the rationalising factor of the denominator in  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}}$ . [2014]

2. Rationalise the denominator of each of the following.

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

(ii)  $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{3}}$

(iii)  $\frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{3}}$

(iv)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5} - 2}$

(v)  $\frac{1}{5 + 3\sqrt{2}}$

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

(vii)  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{11} - \sqrt{7}}$  [2010]

(viii)  $\frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{2 - \sqrt{2}}$  [2014]

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

3. It being given that  $\sqrt{2} = 1.414$ ,  $\sqrt{3} = 1.732$ ,  $\sqrt{5} = 2.236$  and  $\sqrt{10} = 3.162$ , find the value to three places of decimals, of each of the following.

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

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

(iii)  $\frac{\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{2}}$

[2010]

4. Find rational numbers  $a$  and  $b$  such that

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

[2012]

(ii)  $\frac{2 - \sqrt{5}}{2 + \sqrt{5}} = a\sqrt{5} + b$

[2014]

(iii)  $\frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}} = a + b\sqrt{6}$

[2010, '11]

(iv)  $\frac{5 + 2\sqrt{3}}{7 + 4\sqrt{3}} = a + b\sqrt{3}$

[2014]

5. It being given that  $\sqrt{3} = 1.732$ ,  $\sqrt{5} = 2.236$ ,  $\sqrt{6} = 2.449$  and  $\sqrt{10} = 3.162$ , find to three places of decimal, the value of each of the following.

(i)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{5}}$  [2014]

(ii)  $\frac{6}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}}$  [2011]

(iii)  $\frac{1}{4\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{5}}$  [CBSE Sample Paper]

$$(iv) \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}} \quad [2010] \quad (v) \frac{1+2\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} \quad (vi) \frac{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}$$

6. Simplify by rationalising the denominator. [2012]

$$(i) \frac{7\sqrt{3}-5\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{48}+\sqrt{18}} \quad (ii) \frac{2\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5}}{3\sqrt{5}-2\sqrt{6}} \quad [2014]$$

7. Simplify

$$(i) \frac{4+\sqrt{5}}{4-\sqrt{5}} + \frac{4-\sqrt{5}}{4+\sqrt{5}} \quad [2011]$$

$$(ii) \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{5}} \quad [2014]$$

$$(iii) \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} + \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}+1}$$

$$(iv) \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{6\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}} - \frac{8\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{2}} \quad [2010, '11]$$

8. Prove that

$$(i) \frac{1}{3+\sqrt{7}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+1} = 1 \quad [2011]$$

$$(ii) \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{4}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}+\sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{6}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{7}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{8}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}+\sqrt{9}} = 2$$

9. Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$  if

$$\frac{7+3\sqrt{5}}{3+\sqrt{5}} - \frac{7-3\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}} = a + b\sqrt{5}. \quad [2014]$$

10. Simplify  $\frac{\sqrt{13}-\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{13}+\sqrt{11}} + \frac{\sqrt{13}+\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{13}-\sqrt{11}}.$  [2015]

11. If  $x = 3+2\sqrt{2}$ , check whether  $x + \frac{1}{x}$  is rational or irrational. [2010]

12. If  $x = 2-\sqrt{3}$ , find the value of  $\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3.$

13. If  $x = 9-4\sqrt{5}$ , find the value of  $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}.$  [2011]

14. If  $x = \frac{5-\sqrt{21}}{2}$ , find the value of  $x + \frac{1}{x}.$  [2014]

15. If  $a = 3-2\sqrt{2}$ , find the value of  $a^2 - \frac{1}{a^2}.$  [2010]

16. If  $x = \sqrt{13} + 2\sqrt{3}$ , find the value of  $x - \frac{1}{x}$ .

17. If  $x = 2 + \sqrt{3}$ , find the value of  $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$ .

[2015]

18. If  $x = \frac{5-\sqrt{3}}{5+\sqrt{3}}$  and  $y = \frac{5+\sqrt{3}}{5-\sqrt{3}}$ , show that  $x-y = -\frac{10\sqrt{3}}{11}$ .

[2015]

19. If  $a = \frac{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}$  and  $b = \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}$ , show that  $3a^2 + 4ab - 3b^2 = 4 + \frac{56}{3}\sqrt{10}$ .

20. If  $a = \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}$  and  $b = \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}$ , find the value of  $a^2 + b^2 - 5ab$ .

[2011]

21. If  $p = \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{3+\sqrt{5}}$  and  $q = \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{5}}$ , find the value of  $p^2 + q^2$ .

[2010]

22. Rationalise the denominator of each of the following.

(i)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{13}}$  [2011]

(ii)  $\frac{3}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}}$  [2015]

(iii)  $\frac{4}{2 + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{7}}$  [2015]

23. Given,  $\sqrt{2} = 1.414$  and  $\sqrt{6} = 2.449$ , find the value of  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} - 1}$  correct to 3 places of decimal.

[2014]

24. If  $x = \frac{1}{2-\sqrt{3}}$ , find the value of  $x^3 - 2x^2 - 7x + 5$ .

25. Evaluate  $\frac{15}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{20} + \sqrt{40} - \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{80}}$ , it being given that  $\sqrt{5} = 2.236$  and  $\sqrt{10} = 3.162$ .

**HINT** 
$$\frac{15}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{20} + \sqrt{40} - \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{80}} = \frac{15}{\sqrt{10} + 2\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5} - 4\sqrt{5}}$$
  

$$= \frac{15}{3\sqrt{10} - 3\sqrt{5}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5}}$$

### ANSWERS (EXERCISE 1F)

1.  $\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}$

2. (i)  $\frac{\sqrt{7}}{7}$

(ii)  $\frac{\sqrt{15}}{6}$

(iii)  $2 - \sqrt{3}$

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

(v)  $\frac{5-3\sqrt{2}}{7}$

(vi)  $\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6}$

(vii)  $\sqrt{11} + \sqrt{7}$

(viii)  $\frac{4+3\sqrt{2}}{2}$

(ix)  $17 - 12\sqrt{2}$

## EXERCISE 1G

1. Simplify

(i)  $2^{\frac{2}{3}} \times 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$

[2015]

(ii)  $2^{\frac{2}{3}} \times 2^{\frac{1}{5}}$

[2014]

(iii)  $7^{\frac{5}{6}} \times 7^{\frac{2}{3}}$

(iv)  $(1296)^{\frac{1}{4}} \times (1296)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

2. Simplify

(i)  $\frac{6^{1/4}}{6^{1/5}}$

(ii)  $\frac{8^{1/2}}{8^{2/3}}$

(iii)  $\frac{5^{6/7}}{5^{2/3}}$

3. Simplify

(i)  $3^{\frac{1}{4}} \times 5^{\frac{1}{4}}$

(ii)  $2^{\frac{5}{8}} \times 3^{\frac{5}{8}}$

(iii)  $6^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 7^{\frac{1}{2}}$

4. Simplify

(i)  $(3^4)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

(ii)  $(3^{1/3})^4$

(iii)  $\left(\frac{1}{3^4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

5. Evaluate

(i)  $(125)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

(ii)  $(64)^{\frac{1}{6}}$

(iii)  $(25)^{\frac{3}{2}}$

(iv)  $(81)^{\frac{3}{4}}$

(v)  $(64)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

(vi)  $(8)^{-\frac{1}{3}}$

6. If  $a = 2, b = 3$ , find the values of

(i)  $(a^b + b^a)^{-1}$

(ii)  $(a^a + b^b)^{-1}$

[2014]

7. Simplify

(i)  $\left(\frac{81}{49}\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}}$

[2011]

(ii)  $(14641)^{0.25}$

[2015]

(iii)  $\left(\frac{32}{243}\right)^{-\frac{4}{5}}$

[2011]

(iv)  $\left(\frac{7776}{243}\right)^{-\frac{3}{5}}$

[2014]

**8. Evaluate**

(i)  $\frac{4}{(216)^{-\frac{2}{3}}} + \frac{1}{(256)^{-\frac{3}{4}}} + \frac{2}{(243)^{-\frac{1}{5}}}$

[2015]

(ii)  $\left(\frac{64}{125}\right)^{-\frac{2}{3}} + \left(\frac{256}{625}\right)^{-\frac{1}{4}} + \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^0$

(iii)  $\left(\frac{81}{16}\right)^{-\frac{3}{4}} \left[ \left(\frac{25}{9}\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \div \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^{-3} \right]$

[2010]

(iv)  $\frac{(25)^{\frac{5}{2}} \times (729)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{(125)^{\frac{2}{3}} \times (27)^{\frac{2}{3}} \times 8^{\frac{4}{3}}}$

**9. Evaluate**

(i)  $(1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  [2015]

(ii)  $\left[ 5 \left( 8^{\frac{1}{3}} + 27^{\frac{1}{3}} \right)^3 \right]^{\frac{1}{4}}$  [2011, '15]

(iii)  $\frac{2^0 + 7^0}{5^0}$  [2015]

(iv)  $\left[ (16)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$  [2014]

**10. Prove that**

(i)  $\left[ 8^{-\frac{2}{3}} \times 2^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 25^{-\frac{5}{4}} \right] \div \left[ 32^{-\frac{2}{5}} \times 125^{-\frac{5}{6}} \right] = \sqrt{2}$  [2015]

(ii)  $\left(\frac{64}{125}\right)^{-\frac{2}{3}} + \frac{1}{\left(\frac{256}{625}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}} + \frac{\sqrt{25}}{\sqrt[3]{64}} = \frac{65}{16}$  [2011]

(iii)  $\left[ 7 \left\{ (81)^{\frac{1}{4}} + (256)^{\frac{1}{4}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{4}} \right]^4 = 16807$  [2015]

**11. Simplify  $\sqrt[4]{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$  and express the result in the exponential form of  $x$ .**

[2011]

**12. Simplify the product  $\sqrt[3]{2} \cdot \sqrt[4]{2} \cdot \sqrt[12]{32}$ .**

**13. Simplify**

(i)  $\left(\frac{15^{1/3}}{9^{1/4}}\right)^{-6}$  [2010]    (ii)  $\left(\frac{12^{1/5}}{27^{1/5}}\right)^{5/2}$  [2010]    (iii)  $\left(\frac{15^{1/4}}{3^{1/2}}\right)^{-2}$  [2011]

**14. Find the value of  $x$  in each of the following.**

(i)  $\sqrt[5]{5x+2} = 2$  [2014]    (ii)  $\sqrt[3]{3x-2} = 4$  [2014]

(iii)  $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-7} = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{2x}$  [2010]    (iv)  $5^{x-3} \times 3^{2x-8} = 225$  [2010]

(v)  $\frac{3^{3x} \cdot 3^{2x}}{3^x} = \sqrt[4]{3^{20}}$  [2015]

15. Prove that

(i)  $\sqrt{x^{-1}y} \cdot \sqrt{y^{-1}z} \cdot \sqrt{z^{-1}x} = 1$ .

(ii)  $\left(x^{\frac{1}{a-b}}\right)^{\frac{1}{a-c}} \cdot \left(x^{\frac{1}{b-c}}\right)^{\frac{1}{b-a}} \cdot \left(x^{\frac{1}{c-a}}\right)^{\frac{1}{c-b}} = 1$

[2015]

(iii)  $\frac{x^{a(b-c)}}{x^{b(a-c)}} \div \left(\frac{x^b}{x^a}\right)^c = 1$

[2010]

(iv)  $\frac{(x^{a+b})^2 (x^{b+c})^2 (x^{c+a})^2}{(x^a x^b x^c)^4} = 1$

16. If  $x$  is a positive real number and exponents are rational numbers, simplify

[2011]

$$\left(\frac{x^b}{x^c}\right)^{b+c-a} \cdot \left(\frac{x^c}{x^a}\right)^{c+a-b} \cdot \left(\frac{x^a}{x^b}\right)^{a+b-c}.$$

17. If  $\frac{9^n \times 3^2 \times (3^{-n/2})^{-2} - (27)^n}{3^{3m} \times 2^3} = \frac{1}{27}$ , prove that  $m - n = 1$ .

18. Write the following in ascending order of magnitude.

[2015]

$$\sqrt[6]{6}, \sqrt[3]{7}, \sqrt[4]{8}.$$

### ANSWERS (EXERCISE 1G)

1. (i) 2      (ii)  $2^{\frac{13}{15}}$       (iii)  $7^{\frac{3}{2}}$       (iv) 216      2. (i)  $6^{\frac{1}{20}}$       (ii)  $8^{-\frac{1}{6}}$       (iii)  $5^{\frac{4}{21}}$

3. (i)  $(15)^{\frac{1}{4}}$       (ii)  $(6)^{\frac{5}{8}}$       (iii)  $(42)^{\frac{1}{2}}$       4. (i) 3      (ii)  $3^{\frac{4}{3}}$       (iii)  $\frac{1}{9}$

5. (i) 5      (ii) 2      (iii) 125      (iv) 27      (v)  $\frac{1}{8}$       (vi)  $\frac{1}{2}$

6. (i)  $\frac{1}{17}$       (ii)  $\frac{1}{13}$

7. (i)  $\frac{343}{729}$       (ii) 11      (iii)  $\frac{81}{16}$       (iv)  $\frac{1}{8}$

8. (i) 214      (ii)  $\frac{61}{16}$       (iii) 1      (iv)  $\frac{125}{16}$

9. (i) 6      (ii) 5      (iii) 2      (iv) 2

11.  $x^{\frac{1}{6}}$       12. 2      13. (i)  $\frac{27}{225}$       (ii)  $\frac{2}{3}$       (iii)  $\frac{3}{(15)^{1/2}}$

14. (i)  $x = 6$       (ii)  $x = 22$       (iii)  $x = 5$       (iv)  $x = 5$       (v)  $x = \frac{5}{4}$

16. 1      18.  $\sqrt[6]{6} < \sqrt[4]{8} < \sqrt[3]{7}$

3. (i) 0.894                          (ii) 0.155                          (iii) 0.655  
 4. (i)  $a = 3, b = -2$               (ii)  $a = 4, b = -9$  (iii)  $a = 5, b = 2$               (iv)  $a \approx 11, b \approx -6$   
 5. (i) 0.213                          (ii) 1.512                          (iii) 4.545                          (iv) 6.854  
 (v) 16.660                          (vi) 4.441  
 6. (i)  $\frac{114 - 41\sqrt{6}}{30}$               (ii)  $\frac{4\sqrt{30} + 9}{21}$   
 7. (i)  $\frac{42}{11}$                           (ii)  $2\sqrt{2}$                           (iii)  $16 - \sqrt{3}$                           (iv) 0  
 9.  $a = 1, b = 1$     10. 24    11. Rational    12.  $-24\sqrt{3}$     13. 322  
 14. 5    15.  $-24\sqrt{2}$     16.  $4\sqrt{3}$     17. 52    20. 93    21. 47  
 22. (i)  $\frac{7\sqrt{6} + 6\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{546}}{84}$               (ii)  $\frac{2\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{30}}{4}$               (iii)  $\frac{2\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{21} + 3}{3}$   
 23. -1.466    24. 3    25. 5.398
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## LAWS OF EXPONENTS

Let  $a > 0, b > 0$  be real numbers and let  $m$  and  $n$  be rational numbers. Then, we have

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|--------------------------------|---|
| (i) $a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$ | (ii) $\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$                    |
| (iii) $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$       | (iv) $a^m \times b^m = (ab)^m$                      |
| (v) $(ab)^m = a^m b^m$         | (vi) $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m = \frac{a^m}{b^m}$ |
| (vii) $a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n}$ | (viii) $a^0 = 1$                                    |

(ii)  $(2\sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{3} - 7\sqrt{5})$  and  $(3\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5})$

(iii)  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{7} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2} + 6\sqrt{11}\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{7} + \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{11}\right)$

2. Multiply

(i)  $3\sqrt{5}$  by  $2\sqrt{5}$

(ii)  $6\sqrt{15}$  by  $4\sqrt{3}$

(iii)  $2\sqrt{6}$  by  $3\sqrt{3}$

(iv)  $3\sqrt{8}$  by  $3\sqrt{2}$

(v)  $\sqrt{10}$  by  $\sqrt{40}$

(vi)  $3\sqrt{28}$  by  $2\sqrt{7}$

3. Divide

(i)  $16\sqrt{6}$  by  $4\sqrt{2}$

(ii)  $12\sqrt{15}$  by  $4\sqrt{3}$

(iii)  $18\sqrt{21}$  by  $6\sqrt{7}$

4. Simplify

(i)  $(3 - \sqrt{11})(3 + \sqrt{11})$  [2014]

(ii)  $(-3 + \sqrt{5})(-3 - \sqrt{5})$  [2014]

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

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

(v)  $(5 + \sqrt{7})(2 + \sqrt{5})$

(vi)  $(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3})$

5. Simplify  $(3 + \sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{2})^2$ .

[2010]

6. Examine whether the following numbers are rational or irrational:

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

(ii)  $(\sqrt{3} + 2)^2$

(iii)  $\frac{2\sqrt{13}}{3\sqrt{52} - 4\sqrt{117}}$

(iv)  $\sqrt{8} + 4\sqrt{32} - 6\sqrt{2}$

7. On her birthday Reema distributed chocolates in an orphanage. The total number of chocolates she distributed is given by  $(5 + \sqrt{11})(5 - \sqrt{11})$ .

[2014]

(i) Find the number of chocolates distributed by her.

(ii) Write the moral values depicted here by Reema.

8. Simplify

(i)  $3\sqrt{45} - \sqrt{125} + \sqrt{200} - \sqrt{50}$

[2010]

(ii)  $\frac{2\sqrt{30}}{\sqrt{6}} - \frac{3\sqrt{140}}{\sqrt{28}} + \frac{\sqrt{55}}{\sqrt{99}}$

(iii)  $\sqrt{72} + \sqrt{800} - \sqrt{18}$

[2014]

### ANSWERS (EXERCISE 1D)

1. (i)  $3(\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})$

(ii)  $\sqrt{2} + 8\sqrt{3} - 6\sqrt{5}$

(iii)  $\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{11}$

2. (i) 30

(ii)  $72\sqrt{5}$

(iii)  $18\sqrt{2}$

(iv) 36

(v) 20

4. (i) -2

(ii) 4

3. (i)  $4\sqrt{3}$

(ii)  $3\sqrt{5}$

(iii)  $3\sqrt{3}$

(v)  $10 + 5\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{35}$

(vi)  $12 - 6\sqrt{3}$

(iv)  $8 - 2\sqrt{15}$

5.  $18 + 12\sqrt{2} + 6\sqrt{3} + 4\sqrt{6}$

(vi)  $\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{15} - 2 + \sqrt{6}$

Clearly, point  $P$  on the number line represents  $2.\overline{32}$  up to 4 decimal places.

### EXERCISE 1E

1. Represent  $\sqrt{5}$  on the number line. [2010, '11, '14]
2. Locate  $\sqrt{3}$  on the number line. [2012, '15]
3. Locate  $\sqrt{10}$  on the number line. [2010]
4. Locate  $\sqrt{8}$  on the number line. [2011]
5. Represent  $\sqrt{4.7}$  geometrically on the number line.
6. Represent  $\sqrt{10.5}$  on the number line. [2014]
7. Represent  $\sqrt{7.28}$  geometrically on the number line.
8. Represent  $(1 + \sqrt{9.5})$  on the number line. [2015]
9. Visualize the representation of 3.765 on the number line using successive magnification. [2015]
10. Visualize the representation of  $4.\overline{67}$  on the number line up to 4 decimal places. [2011]