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Introduction

PROCESS
To better prepare students for college and careers, educators used public comments along with their professional expertise and experience to revise Ohio’s Learning Standards. In spring 2016, the public gave feedback on the standards through an online survey. Advisory committee members, representing various Ohio education associations, reviewed all survey feedback and identified needed changes to the standards. Then they sent their directives to working groups of educators who proposed the actual revisions to the standards. The Ohio Department of Education sent their revisions back out for public comment in July 2016. Once again, the Advisory Committee reviewed the public comments and directed the Working Group to make further revisions. Upon finishing their work, the department presented the revisions to the Senate and House education committees as well as the State Board of Education.

UNDERSTANDING MATHEMATICS
These standards define what students should understand and be able to do in their study of mathematics. Asking a student to understand something means asking a teacher to assess whether the student has understood it. But what does mathematical understanding look like? One hallmark of mathematical understanding is the ability to justify, in a way appropriate to the student’s mathematical maturity, why a particular mathematical statement is true, or where a mathematical rule comes from. There is a world of difference between a student who can summon a mnemonic device to expand a product such as $(a + b)(x + y)$ and a student who can explain where the mnemonic device comes from. The student who can explain the rule understands the mathematics at a much deeper level. Then the student may have a better chance to succeed at a less familiar task such as expanding $(a + b + c)(x + y)$. Mathematical understanding and procedural skill are equally important, and both are assessable using mathematical tasks of sufficient richness.

The content standards are grade-specific. However, they do not define the intervention methods or materials necessary to support students who are well below or well above grade-level expectations. It is also beyond the scope of the standards to define the full range of supports appropriate for English learners and for students with special needs. At the same time, all students must have the opportunity to learn and meet the same high standards if they are to access the knowledge and skills necessary in their post-school lives. Educators should read the standards allowing for the widest possible range of students to participate fully from the outset. They should provide appropriate accommodations to ensure maximum participation of students with special education needs. For example, schools should allow students with disabilities in reading to use Braille, screen reader technology or other assistive devices. Those with disabilities in writing should have scribes, computers, or speech-to-text technology. In a similar vein, educators should interpret the speaking and listening standards broadly to include sign language. No set of grade-specific standards can fully reflect the great variety in abilities, needs, learning rates, and achievement levels of students in any given classroom. However, the standards do provide clear signposts along the way to help all students achieve the goal of college and career readiness.

The standards begin on page 4 with the eight Standards for Mathematical Practice.
Standards for Mathematical Practice

The Standards for Mathematical Practice describe varieties of expertise that mathematics educators at all levels should seek to develop in their students. These practices rest on important “processes and proficiencies” with longstanding importance in mathematics education. The first of these are the NCTM process standards of problem solving, reasoning and proof, communication, representation, and connections. The second are the strands of mathematical proficiency specified in the National Research Council’s report *Adding It Up*: adaptive reasoning, strategic competence, conceptual understanding (comprehension of mathematical concepts, operations and relations), procedural fluency (skill in carrying out procedures flexibly, accurately, efficiently, and appropriately), and productive disposition (habitual inclination to see mathematics as sensible, useful, and worthwhile, coupled with a belief in diligence and one’s own efficacy).

1. **Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.**
   Mathematically proficient students start by explaining to themselves the meaning of a problem and looking for entry points to its solution. They analyze given, constraints, relationships, and goals. They make conjectures about the form and meaning of the solution and plan a solution pathway rather than simply jumping into a solution attempt. They consider analogous problems, and try special cases and simpler forms of the original problem in order to gain insight into its solution. They monitor and evaluate their progress and change course if necessary. Older students might, depending on the context of the problem, transform algebraic expressions or change the viewing window on their graphing calculator to get the information they need. Mathematically proficient students can explain correspondences between equations, verbal descriptions, tables, and graphs or draw diagrams of important features and relationships, graph data, and search for regularity or trends. Younger students might rely on using concrete objects or pictures to help conceptualize and solve a problem. Mathematically proficient students check their answers to problems using a different method, and they continually ask themselves, “Does this make sense?” They can understand the approaches of others to solving more complicated problems and identify correspondences between different approaches.

2. **Reason abstractly and quantitatively.**
   Mathematically proficient students make sense of quantities and their relationships in problem situations. They bring two complementary abilities to bear on problems involving quantitative relationships: the ability to decontextualize—to abstract a given situation and represent it symbolically and manipulate the representing symbols as if they have a life of their own, without necessarily attending to their referents—and the ability to contextualize, to pause as needed during the manipulation process in order to probe into the referents for the symbols involved. Quantitative reasoning entails habits of creating a coherent representation of the problem at hand; considering the units involved; attending to the meaning of quantities, not just how to compute them; and knowing and flexibly using different properties of operations and objects.

3. **Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.**
   Mathematically proficient students understand and use stated assumptions, definitions, and previously established results in constructing arguments. They make conjectures and build a logical progression of statements to explore the truth of their conjectures. They are able to analyze situations by breaking them into cases, and can recognize and use counterexamples. They justify their conclusions, communicate them to others, and respond to the arguments of others. They reason inductively about data, making plausible arguments that take into account the context from which the data arose. Mathematically proficient students are also able to compare the effectiveness of two plausible arguments, distinguish correct logic or reasoning from that which is flawed, and—if there is a flaw in an argument—explain what it is. Elementary students can construct arguments using concrete referents such as objects, drawings, diagrams, and actions. Such arguments can make sense and be correct, even though they are not generalized or made formal until later grades. Later, students learn to determine domains to which an argument applies. Students at all grades can listen or read the arguments of others, decide whether they make sense, and ask useful questions to clarify or improve the arguments.
Standards for Mathematical Practice, continued

4. **Model with mathematics.**
Mathematically proficient students can apply the mathematics they know to solve problems arising in everyday life, society, and the workplace. In early grades, this might be as simple as writing an addition equation to describe a situation. In middle grades, a student might apply proportional reasoning to plan a school event or analyze a problem in the community.

By high school, a student might use geometry to solve a design problem or use a function to describe how one quantity of interest depends on another. Mathematically proficient students who can apply what they know are comfortable making assumptions and approximations to simplify a complicated situation, realizing that these may need revision later.

They are able to identify important quantities in a practical situation and map their relationships using such tools as diagrams, two-way tables, graphs, flowcharts, and formulas. They can analyze those relationships mathematically to draw conclusions. They routinely interpret their mathematical results in the context of the situation and reflect on whether the results make sense, possibly improving the model if it has not served its purpose.

5. **Use appropriate tools strategically.**
Mathematically proficient students consider the available tools when solving a mathematical problem. These tools might include pencil and paper, concrete models, a ruler, a protractor, a calculator, a spreadsheet, a computer algebra system, a statistical package, or dynamic geometry software. Proficient students are sufficiently familiar with tools appropriate for their grade or course to make sound decisions about when each of these tools might be helpful, recognizing both the insight to be gained and their limitations. For example, mathematically proficient high school students analyze graphs of functions and solutions generated using a graphing calculator. They detect possible errors by strategically using estimation and other mathematical knowledge. When making mathematical models, they know that technology can enable them to visualize the results of varying assumptions, explore consequences, and compare predictions with data. Mathematically proficient students at various grade levels are able to identify relevant external mathematical resources, such as digital content located on a website, and use them to pose or solve problems. They are able to use technological tools to explore and deepen their understanding of concepts.

6. **Attend to precision.**
Mathematically proficient students try to communicate precisely to others. They try to use clear definitions in discussion with others and in their own reasoning. They state the meaning of the symbols they choose, including using the equal sign consistently and appropriately. They are careful about specifying units of measure and labeling axes to clarify the correspondence with quantities in a problem. They calculate accurately and efficiently and express numerical answers with a degree of precision appropriate for the problem context. In the elementary grades, students give carefully formulated explanations to each other. By the time they reach high school they have learned to examine claims and make explicit use of definitions.

7. **Look for and make use of structure.**
Mathematically proficient students look closely to discern a pattern or structure. Young students, for example, might notice that three and seven more is the same amount as seven and three more, or they may sort a collection of shapes according to how many sides the shapes have. Later, students will see $7 \times 8$ equals the well remembered $7 \times 5 + 7 \times 3$, in preparation for learning about the distributive property. In the expression $x^2 + 9x + 14$, older students can see the 14 as $2 \times 7$ and the 9 as $2 + 7$. They recognize the significance of an existing line in a geometric figure and can use the strategy of drawing an auxiliary line for solving problems. They also can step back for an overview and shift perspective. They can see complex things, such as some algebraic expressions, as single objects or as being composed of several objects. For example, they can see $5 - 3(x - y)^2$ as 5 minus a positive number times a square and use that to realize that its value cannot be more than 5 for any real numbers $x$ and $y$. 
Standards for Mathematical Practice, continued

8. Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.
Mathematically proficient students notice if calculations are repeated, and look both for general methods and for shortcuts. Upper elementary students might notice when dividing 25 by 11 that they are repeating the same calculations over and over again, and conclude they have a repeating decimal. By paying attention to the calculation of slope as they repeatedly check whether points are on the line through (1, 2) with slope 3, students might abstract the equation \((y - 2)/(x - 1) = 3\). Noticing the regularity in the way terms cancel when expanding \((x - 1)(x + 1), (x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1), and (x - 1)(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1)\) might lead them to the general formula for the sum of a geometric series. As they work to solve a problem, mathematically proficient students maintain oversight of the process, while attending to the details. They continually evaluate the reasonableness of their intermediate results.

CONNECTING THE STANDARDS FOR MATHEMATICAL PRACTICE TO THE STANDARDS FOR MATHEMATICAL CONTENT
The Standards for Mathematical Practice describe ways in which developing student practitioners of the discipline of mathematics increasingly ought to engage with the subject matter as they grow in mathematical maturity and expertise throughout the elementary, middle, and high school years.

Designers of curricula, assessments, and professional development should all attend to the need to connect the mathematical practices to mathematical content in mathematics instruction.

The Standards for Mathematical Content are a balanced combination of procedure and understanding. Expectations that begin with the word “understand” are often especially good opportunities to connect the practices to the content. Students who lack understanding of a topic may rely on procedures too heavily. Without a flexible base from which to work, they may be less likely to consider analogous problems, represent problems coherently, justify conclusions, apply the mathematics to practical situations, use technology mindfully to work with the mathematics, explain the mathematics accurately to other students, step back for an overview, or deviate from a known procedure to find a shortcut. In short, a lack of understanding effectively prevents a student from engaging in the mathematical practices. In this respect, those content standards which set an expectation of understanding are potential “points of intersection” between the Standards for Mathematical Content and the Standards for Mathematical Practice. These points of intersection are intended to be weighted toward central and generative concepts in the school mathematics curriculum that most merit the time, resources, innovative energies, and focus necessary to qualitatively improve the curriculum, instruction, assessment, professional development, and student achievement in mathematics.
Mathematical Content Standards for High School

**PROCESS**
The high school standards specify the mathematics that all students should study in order to be college and career ready. Additional mathematics that students should learn in order to take advanced courses such as calculus, advanced statistics, or discrete mathematics is indicated by (+), as in this example:

(+) **Represent complex numbers on the complex plane in rectangular and polar form (including real and imaginary numbers).**

All standards without a (+) symbol should be in the common mathematics curriculum for all college and career ready students. Standards with a (+) symbol may also appear in courses intended for all students. However, standards with a (+) symbol will not appear on Ohio’s State Tests.

The high school standards are listed in conceptual categories:
- Modeling
- Number and Quantity
- Algebra
- Functions
- Geometry
- Statistics and Probability

Conceptual categories portray a coherent view of high school mathematics; a student’s work with functions, for example, crosses a number of traditional course boundaries, potentially up through and including calculus.

Modeling is best interpreted not as a collection of isolated topics but in relation to other standards. Making mathematical models is a Standard for Mathematical Practice, and specific modeling standards appear throughout the high school standards indicated by a star symbol (★).

Proofs in high school mathematics should not be limited to geometry. Mathematically proficient high school students employ multiple proof methods, including algebraic derivations, proofs using coordinates, and proofs based on geometric transformations, including symmetries. These proofs are supported by the use of diagrams and dynamic software and are written in multiple formats including not just two-column proofs but also proofs in paragraph form, including mathematical symbols. In statistics, rather than using mathematical proofs, arguments are made based on empirical evidence within a properly designed statistical investigation.
HOW TO READ THE HIGH SCHOOL CONTENT STANDARDS

Conceptual Categories are areas of mathematics that cross through various course boundaries.

Domains are larger groups of related standards. Standards from different domains may sometimes be closely related.

Clusters are groups of related standards. Note that standards from different clusters may sometimes be closely related, because mathematics is a connected subject.

Standards define what students should understand and be able to do.

G shows there is a definition in the glossary for this term.

(★) indicates that modeling should be incorporated into the standard. (See the Conceptual Category of Modeling pages 12-13)

(+) indicates that it is a standard for students who are planning on taking advanced courses. Standards with a (+) sign will not appear on Ohio’s State Tests.

Some standards have course designations such as (A1, M1) or (A2, M3) listed after an a., b., or c. These designations help teachers know where to focus their instruction within the standard. In the example below the beginning section of the standard is the stem. The stem shows what the teacher should be doing for all courses. (Notice in the example below that modeling (★) should also be incorporated.)

Looking at the course designations, an Algebra 1 teacher should be focusing his or her instruction on a. which focuses on linear functions; b. which focuses on quadratic functions; and e. which focuses on simple exponential functions. An Algebra 1 teacher can ignore c., d., and f, as the focuses of these types of functions will come in later courses. However, a teacher may choose to touch on these types of functions to extend a topic if he or she wishes.
Notice that in the standard below, the stem has a course designation. This shows that the full extent of the stem is intended for an Algebra 2 or Math 3 course. However, a. shows that Algebra 1 and Math 2 students are responsible for a modified version of the stem that focuses on transformations of quadratics functions and excludes the $f(kx)$ transformation. However, again a teacher may choose to touch on different types of functions besides quadratics to extend a topic if he or she wishes.
Algebra 1 Critical Areas of Focus

CRITICAL AREA OF FOCUS #1
Relationships Between Quantities and Reasoning with Equations

By the end of eighth grade students have learned to solve linear equations in one variable and have applied graphical methods to analyze and solve systems of linear equations in two variables. Now students build on these earlier experiences by analyzing and explaining the process of solving an equation. Students develop fluency writing, interpreting, and translating between various forms of linear equations and inequalities, and using them to solve problems. They master the solution of linear equations and apply related solution techniques and the laws of exponents to the creation and solution of simple exponential equations. All this work is grounded on understanding quantities and on the relationships between them. Students apply this learning in real-world and modeling situations.

CRITICAL AREA OF FOCUS #2
Linear and Exponential Relationships

In earlier grades, students define, evaluate, and compare functions, and use them to model relationships between quantities. Students will learn function notation and develop the concepts of domain and range. Their understanding moves beyond viewing functions as processes that take inputs and yield outputs and to viewing functions as objects in their own right followed by an informal introduction of inverse functions. They explore many examples of functions, including sequences; they interpret functions given graphically, numerically, symbolically, and verbally, translate between representations, and understand the limitations of various representations. They work with functions given by graphs and tables, keeping in mind that, depending upon the context, these representations are likely to be approximate or incomplete. Their work includes functions that can be described or modeled by formulas as well as those that cannot. When functions describe relationships between quantities arising from a context, students reason with the units in which those quantities are measured. Students build on and informally extend their understanding of integer exponents to consider exponential functions. They compare and contrast linear and exponential functions, distinguishing between additive and multiplicative change. They interpret arithmetic sequences as linear functions and geometric sequences as exponential functions.

CRITICAL AREA OF FOCUS #3
Descriptive Statistics

In middle school, students developed an understanding of statistical problem solving through the format of the GAISE Model. They were expected to display numerical data and summarize it using measures of center and variability. By the end of middle school, students were creating scatterplots and recognizing linear trends in data. Now, they apply those concepts by using the GAISE model in the context of real-world applications. Students develop formal means of assessing how a model fits data. They use regression techniques to describe approximately linear relationships between quantities. Students use graphical representations and knowledge of the context to make judgments about the appropriateness of linear models. In Algebra 2/Mathematics 3, students will look at residuals to analyze the goodness of fit.

CRITICAL AREA OF FOCUS #4
Expressions and Equations

Students extend understanding of the laws of exponents to rational exponents. They apply this new understanding of number and strengthen their ability to see structure in and create quadratic and exponential expressions. Students create and solve equations, inequalities, and systems of equations involving quadratic expressions.

CRITICAL AREA OF FOCUS #5
Quadratic Functions and Modeling

In preparation for work with quadratic relationships students explore distinctions between rational and irrational numbers. Students consider quadratic functions, comparing the key characteristics of quadratic functions to those of linear and exponential functions. They select from among these functions to model phenomena. Students learn to gather information about quadratic and exponential functions by interpreting various forms of expressions representing the functions. For example, they identify the real solutions of a quadratic equation as the zeros of a related quadratic function. When quadratic equations do not have real solutions, students learn that the graph of the related quadratic function does not cross the horizontal axis. Students relate their prior experience with transformations to that of building new functions from existing ones and recognize the effect of the transformations on the graphs. Formal work with complex numbers and more specialized functions—absolute value, step, and piecewise-defined, will occur in Algebra 2/Mathematics 3.
ALGEBRA 1 COURSE OVERVIEW

NUMBER AND QUANTITY

QUANTITIES
- Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems.

ALGEBRA

SEEING STRUCTURE IN EXPRESSIONS
- Interpret the structure of expressions.
- Write expressions in equivalent forms to solve problems.

ARITHMETIC WITH POLYNOMIALS AND RATIONAL EXPRESSIONS
- Perform arithmetic operations on polynomials.

CREATING EQUATIONS
- Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.

REASONING WITH EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES
- Understand solving equations as a process of reasoning and explain the reasoning.
- Solve equations and inequalities in one variable.
- Solve systems of equations.
- Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically.

FUNCTIONS

INTERPRETING FUNCTIONS
- Understand the concept of a function, and use function notation.
- Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context.
- Analyze functions using different representations.

MATHEMATICAL PRACTICES

1. Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
2. Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
3. Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.
4. Model with mathematics.
5. Use appropriate tools strategically.
6. Attend to precision.
7. Look for and make use of structure.
8. Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.

BUILDING FUNCTIONS
- Build a function that models a relationship between two quantities.
- Build new functions from existing functions.

LINEAR, QUADRATIC, AND EXPONENTIAL MODELS
- Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential models, and solve problems.
- Interpret expressions for functions in terms of the situation they model.

STATISTICS AND PROBABILITY

INTERPRETING CATEGORICAL AND QUANTITATIVE DATA
- Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable.
- Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables
- Interpret linear models.
High School—Modeling

Modeling links classroom mathematics and statistics to everyday life, work, and decision-making. Modeling is the process of choosing and using appropriate mathematics and statistics to analyze empirical situations, to understand them better, and to improve decisions. Quantities and their relationships in physical, economic, public policy, social, and everyday situations can be modeled using mathematical and statistical methods. When making mathematical models, technology is valuable for varying assumptions, exploring consequences, and comparing predictions with data.

A model can be very simple, such as writing total cost as a product of unit price and number bought, or using a geometric shape to describe a physical object like a coin. Even such simple models involve making choices. It is up to us whether to model a coin as a three-dimensional cylinder, or whether a two-dimensional disk works well enough for our purposes. Other situations—modeling a delivery route, a production schedule, or a comparison of loan amortizations—need more elaborate models that use other tools from the mathematical sciences. Real-world situations are not organized and labeled for analysis; formulating tractable models, representing such models, and analyzing them is appropriately a creative process. Like every such process, this depends on acquired expertise as well as creativity.

Some examples of such situations might include the following:
- Estimating how much water and food is needed for emergency relief in a devastated city of 3 million people, and how it might be distributed.
- Planning a table tennis tournament for 7 players at a club with 4 tables, where each player plays against each other player.
- Designing the layout of the stalls in a school fair so as to raise as much money as possible.
- Analyzing stopping distance for a car.
- Modeling savings account balance, bacterial colony growth, or investment growth.
- Engaging in critical path analysis, e.g., applied to turnaround of an aircraft at an airport.
- Analyzing risk in situations such as extreme sports, pandemics, and terrorism.
- Relating population statistics to individual predictions.

In situations like these, the models devised depend on a number of factors: How precise an answer do we want or need? What aspects of the situation do we most need to understand, control, or optimize? What resources of time and tools do we have? The range of models that we can create and analyze is also constrained by the limitations of our mathematical, statistical, and technical skills, and our ability to recognize significant variables and relationships among them. Diagrams of various kinds, spreadsheets and other technology, and algebra are powerful tools for understanding and solving problems drawn from different types of real-world situations.
High School—Modeling continued

One of the insights provided by mathematical modeling is that essentially the same mathematical or statistical structure can sometimes model seemingly different situations. Models can also shed light on the mathematical structures themselves, for example, as when a model of bacterial growth makes more vivid the explosive growth of the exponential function.

The basic modeling cycle is summarized in the diagram. It involves (1) identifying variables in the situation and selecting those that represent essential features, (2) formulating a model by creating and selecting geometric, graphical, tabular, algebraic, or statistical representations that describe relationships between the variables, (3) analyzing and performing operations on these relationships to draw conclusions, (4) interpreting the results of the mathematics in terms of the original situation, (5) validating the conclusions by comparing them with the situation, and then either improving the model or, if it is acceptable, (6) reporting on the conclusions and the reasoning behind them. Choices, assumptions, and approximations are present throughout this cycle.

In descriptive modeling, a model simply describes the phenomena or summarizes them in a compact form. Graphs of observations are a familiar descriptive model—for example, graphs of global temperature and atmospheric CO₂ over time.

Analytic modeling seeks to explain data on the basis of deeper theoretical ideas, albeit with parameters that are empirically based; for example, exponential growth of bacterial colonies (until cut-off mechanisms such as pollution or starvation intervene) follows from a constant reproduction rate. Functions are an important tool for analyzing such problems.

Graphing utilities, spreadsheets, computer algebra systems, and dynamic geometry software are powerful tools that can be used to model purely mathematical phenomena, e.g., the behavior of polynomials as well as physical phenomena.

MODELING STANDARDS
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High School—Number and Quantity

NUMBERS AND NUMBER SYSTEMS
During the years from kindergarten to eighth grade, students must repeatedly extend their conception of number. At first, “number” means “counting number”: 1, 2, 3... Soon after that, 0 is used to represent “none” and the whole numbers are formed by the counting numbers together with zero. The next extension is fractions. At first, fractions are barely numbers and tied strongly to pictorial representations. Yet by the time students understand division of fractions, they have a strong concept of fractions as numbers and have connected them, via their decimal representations, with the base-ten system used to represent the whole numbers. During middle school, fractions are augmented by negative fractions to form the rational numbers. In Grade 8, students extend this system once more, augmenting the rational numbers with the irrational numbers to form the real numbers. In high school, students will be exposed to yet another extension of number, when the real numbers are augmented by the imaginary numbers to form the complex numbers.

With each extension of number, the meanings of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division are extended. In each new number system—integers, rational numbers, real numbers, and complex numbers—the four operations stay the same in two important ways: They have the commutative, associative, and distributive properties and their new meanings are consistent with their previous meanings.

Extending the properties of whole number exponents leads to new and productive notation. For example, properties of whole number exponents suggest that \((5^{1/3})^3\) should be \(5^{(1/3) \cdot 3} = 5^1 = 5\) and that \(5^{1/3}\) should be the cube root of 5.

Calculators, spreadsheets, and computer algebra systems can provide ways for students to become better acquainted with these new number systems and their notation. They can be used to generate data for numerical experiments, to help understand the workings of matrix, vector, and complex number algebra, and to experiment with non-integer exponents.

QUANTITIES
In real-world problems, the answers are usually not numbers but quantities: numbers with units, which involves measurement. In their work in measurement up through Grade 8, students primarily measure commonly used attributes such as length, area, and volume. In high school, students encounter a wider variety of units in modeling, e.g., acceleration, currency conversions, derived quantities such as personhours and heating degree days, social science rates such as per-capita income, and rates in everyday life such as points scored per game or batting averages. They also encounter novel situations in which they themselves must conceive the attributes of interest. For example, to find a good measure of overall highway safety, they might propose measures such as fatalities per year, fatalities per year per driver, or fatalities per vehicle-mile traveled. Such a conceptual process is sometimes called quantification. Quantification is important for science, as when surface area suddenly “stands out” as an important variable in evaporation. Quantification is also important for companies, which must conceptualize relevant attributes and create or choose suitable measures for them.
Number and Quantity Standards

**QUANTITIES**

**N.Q**

*Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems.*

**N.Q.1** Use units as a way to understand problems and to guide the solution of multi-step problems; choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays. ★

**N.Q.2** Define appropriate quantities for the purpose of descriptive modeling. ★

**N.Q.3** Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities. ★
High School—Algebra

**EXPRESSIONS**
An expression is a record of a computation with numbers, symbols that represent numbers, arithmetic operations, exponentiation, and, at more advanced levels, the operation of evaluating a function. Conventions about the use of parentheses and the order of operations assure that each expression is unambiguous. Creating an expression that describes a computation involving a general quantity requires the ability to express the computation in general terms, abstracting from specific instances.

Reading an expression with comprehension involves analysis of its underlying structure. This may suggest a different but equivalent way of writing the expression that exhibits some different aspect of its meaning. For example, $p + 0.05p$ can be interpreted as the addition of a 5% tax to a price $p$. Rewriting $p + 0.05p$ as $1.05p$ shows that adding a tax is the same as multiplying the price by a constant factor.

Algebraic manipulations are governed by the properties of operations and exponents, and the conventions of algebraic notation. At times, an expression is the result of applying operations to simpler expressions. For example, $p + 0.05p$ is the sum of the simpler expressions $p$ and $0.05p$. Viewing an expression as the result of operation on simpler expressions can sometimes clarify its underlying structure.

A spreadsheet or a computer algebra system (CAS) can be used to experiment with algebraic expressions, perform complicated algebraic manipulations, and understand how algebraic manipulations behave.

**EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES**
An equation is a statement of equality between two expressions, often viewed as a question asking for which values of the variables the expressions on either side are in fact equal. These values are the solutions to the equation. An identity, in contrast, is true for all values of the variables; identities are often developed by rewriting an expression in an equivalent form.

The solutions of an equation in one variable form a set of numbers; the solutions of an equation in two variables form a set of ordered pairs of numbers, which can be plotted in the coordinate plane. Two or more equations and/or inequalities form a system. A solution for such a system must satisfy every equation and inequality in the system.

An equation can often be solved by successively deducing from it one or more simpler equations. For example, one can add the same constant to both sides without changing the solutions, but squaring both sides might lead to extraneous solutions. Strategic competence in solving includes looking ahead for productive manipulations and anticipating the nature and number of solutions.

Some equations have no solutions in a given number system, but have a solution in a larger system. For example, the solution of $x + 1 = 0$ is an integer, not a whole number; the solution of $2x + 1 = 0$ is a rational number, not an integer; the solutions of $x^2 - 2 = 0$ are real numbers, not rational numbers; and the solutions of $x^2 + 2 = 0$ are complex numbers, not real numbers.

The same solution techniques used to solve equations can be used to rearrange formulas. For example, the formula for the area of a trapezoid, $A = \frac{(b_1+b_2)}{2}h$, can be solved for $h$ using the same deductive process.

Inequalities can be solved by reasoning about the properties of inequality. Many, but not all, of the properties of equality continue to hold for inequalities and can be useful in solving them.
High School—Algebra, continued

CONNECTIONS WITH FUNCTIONS AND MODELING
Expressions can define functions, and equivalent expressions define the same function. Asking when two functions have the same value for the same input leads to an equation; graphing the two functions allows for finding approximate solutions of the equation. Converting a verbal description to an equation, inequality, or system of these is an essential skill in modeling.
Algebra Standards

SEEING STRUCTURE IN EXPRESSIONS

Interpret the structure of expressions.

A.SSE.1. Interpret expressions that represent a quantity in terms of its context. ★
   - a. Interpret parts of an expression, such as terms, factors, and coefficients.
   - b. Interpret complicated expressions by viewing one or more of their parts as a single entity.

A.SSE.2 Use the structure of an expression to identify ways to rewrite it. For example, to factor $3x(x - 5) + 2(x - 5)$, students should recognize that the "$x - 5$" is common to both expressions being added, so it simplifies to $(3x + 2)(x - 5)$; or see $x^4 - y^4$ as $(x^2)^2 - (y^2)^2$, thus recognizing it as a difference of squares that can be factored as $(x^2 - y^2)(x^2 + y^2)$.

Write expressions in equivalent forms to solve problems.

A.SSE.3 Choose and produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain properties of the quantity represented by the expression. ★
   - a. Factor a quadratic expression to reveal the zeros of the function it defines.
   - b. Complete the square in a quadratic expression to reveal the maximum or minimum value of the function it defines.
   - c. Use the properties of exponents to transform expressions for exponential functions. For example, $8^t$ can be written as $2^{3t}$.

ARITHMETIC WITH POLYNOMIALS AND RATIONAL EXPRESSIONS

Perform arithmetic operations on polynomials.

A.APR.1 Understand that polynomials form a system analogous to the integers, namely, that they are closed under the operations of addition, subtraction, and multiplication; add, subtract, and multiply polynomials.
   - a. Focus on polynomial expressions that simplify to forms that are linear or quadratic. (A1, M2)

CREATING EQUATIONS

Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.

A.CED.1 Create equations and inequalities in one variable and use them to solve problems. Include equations and inequalities arising from linear, quadratic, simple rational, and exponential functions. ★
   - a. Focus on applying linear and simple exponential expressions. (A1, M1)
   - b. Focus on applying simple quadratic expressions. (A1, M2)

A.CED.2 Create equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales. ★
   - a. Focus on applying linear and simple exponential expressions. (A1, M1)
   - b. Focus on applying simple quadratic expressions. (A1, M2)

A.CED.3 Represent constraints by equations or inequalities, and by systems of equations and/or inequalities, and interpret solutions as viable or non-viable options in a modeling context. For example, represent inequalities describing nutritional and cost constraints on combinations of different foods. ★ (A1, M1)
Algebra Standards, continued

Creating EquationsA.CED
Create equations that describe numbers or relationships.
A.CED.4 Rearrange formulas to highlight a quantity of interest, using the same reasoning as in solving equations.★
  a. Focus on formulas in which the variable of interest is linear or square. For example, rearrange Ohm’s law \( V = IR \) to highlight resistance \( R \), or rearrange the formula for the area of a circle \( A = \pi r^2 \) to highlight radius \( r \). (A1)

Reasoning with Equations and InequalitiesA.REI
Understand solving equations as a process of reasoning and explain the reasoning.
A.REI.1 Explain each step in solving a simple equation as following from the equality of numbers asserted at the previous step, starting from the assumption that the original equation has a solution. Construct a viable argument to justify a solution method.

Solve equations and inequalities in one variable.
A.REI.3 Solve linear equations and inequalities in one variable, including equations with coefficients represented by letters.
A.REI.4 Solve quadratic equations in one variable.
  a. Use the method of completing the square to transform any quadratic equation in \( x \) into an equation of the form \( (x - p)^2 = q \) that has the same solutions.
  b. Solve quadratic equations as appropriate to the initial form of the equation by inspection, e.g., for \( x^2 = 49 \); taking square roots; completing the square; applying the quadratic formula; or utilizing the Zero-Product Property after factoring.
  (+) c. Derive the quadratic formula using the method of completing the square.

Solve systems of equations.
A.REI.5 Verify that, given a system of two equations in two variables, replacing one equation by the sum of that equation and a multiple of the other produces a system with the same solutions.
A.REI.6 Solve systems of linear equations algebraically and graphically.
  a. Limit to pairs of linear equations in two variables. (A1, M1)
A.REI.7 Solve a simple system consisting of a linear equation and a quadratic equation in two variables algebraically and graphically. For example, find the points of intersection between the line \( y = -3x \) and the circle \( x^2 + y^2 = 3 \).

Represent and solve equations and inequalities graphically.
A.REI.10 Understand that the graph of an equation in two variables is the set of all its solutions plotted in the coordinate plane, often forming a curve (which could be a line).
A.REI.11 Explain why the \( x \)-coordinates of the points where the graphs of the equation \( y = f(x) \) and \( y = g(x) \) intersect are the solutions of the equation \( f(x) = g(x) \); find the solutions approximately, e.g., using technology to graph the functions, making tables of values, or finding successive approximations.
A.REI.12 Graph the solutions to a linear inequality in two variables as a half-plane (excluding the boundary in the case of a strict inequality), and graph the solution set to a system of linear inequalities in two variables as the intersection of the corresponding half-planes.
High School—Functions

Functions describe situations where one quantity determines another. For example, the return on $10,000 invested at an annualized percentage rate of 4.25% is a function of the length of time the money is invested. Because we continually make theories about dependencies between quantities in nature and society, functions are important tools in the construction of mathematical models.

In school mathematics, functions usually have numerical inputs and outputs and are often defined by an algebraic expression. For example, the time in hours it takes for a car to drive 100 miles is a function of the car’s speed in miles per hour, \( v \); the rule \( T(v) = \frac{100}{v} \) expresses this relationship algebraically and defines a function whose name is \( T \).

The set of inputs to a function is called its domain. We often infer the domain to be all inputs for which the expression defining a function has a value, or for which the function makes sense in a given context.

A function can be described in various ways, such as by a graph, e.g., the trace of a seismograph; by a verbal rule, as in, “I’ll give you a state, you give me the capital city;” by an algebraic expression like \( f(x) = a + bx \); or by a recursive rule. The graph of a function is often a useful way of visualizing the relationship of the function models, and manipulating a mathematical expression for a function can throw light on the function’s properties.

Functions presented as expressions can model many important phenomena. Two important families of functions characterized by laws of growth are linear functions, which grow at a constant rate, and exponential functions, which grow at a constant percent rate. Linear functions with a constant term of zero describe proportional relationships.

A graphing utility or a computer algebra system can be used to experiment with properties of these functions and their graphs and to build computational models of functions, including recursively defined functions.

CONNECTIONS TO EXPRESSIONS, EQUATIONS, MODELING, AND COORDINATES.

Determining an output value for a particular input involves evaluating an expression; finding inputs that yield a given output involves solving an equation. Questions about when two functions have the same value for the same input lead to equations, whose solutions can be visualized from the intersection of their graphs. Because functions describe relationships between quantities, they are frequently used in modeling. Sometimes functions are defined by a recursive process, which can be displayed effectively using a spreadsheet or other technology.
Functions Standards

INTERPRETING FUNCTIONS

Understand the concept of a function, and use function notation.

F.IF.1 Understand that a function from one set (called the domain) to another set (called the range) assigns to each element of the domain exactly one element of the range. If \( f \) is a function and \( x \) is an element of its domain, then \( f(x) \) denotes the output of \( f \) corresponding to the input \( x \). The graph of \( f \) is the graph of the equation \( y = f(x) \).

F.IF.2 Use function notation, evaluate functions for inputs in their domains, and interpret statements that use function notation in terms of a context.

F.IF.3 Recognize that sequences are functions, sometimes defined recursively, whose domain is a subset of the integers. For example, the Fibonacci sequence is defined recursively by \( f(0) = f(1) = 1 \), \( f(n + 1) = f(n) + f(n - 1) \) for \( n \geq 1 \).

Interpret functions that arise in applications in terms of the context.

F.IF.4 For a function that models a relationship between two quantities, interpret key features of graphs and tables in terms of the quantities, and sketch graphs showing key features given a verbal description of the relationship. Key features include the following: intercepts; intervals where the function is increasing, decreasing, positive, or negative; relative maximums and minimums; symmetries; end behavior; and periodicity.★(A2, M3)

a. Focus on linear, quadratic, and exponential functions. (A1, M2)

F.IF.5 Relate the domain of a function to its graph and, where applicable, to the quantitative relationship it describes. For example, if the function \( h(n) \) gives the number of person-hours it takes to assemble \( n \) engines in a factory, then the positive integers would be an appropriate domain for the function.★

b. Focus on linear, quadratic, and exponential functions. (A1, M2)

Analyze functions using different representations.

F.IF.7 Graph functions expressed symbolically and indicate key features of the graph, by hand in simple cases and using technology for more complicated cases. Include applications and how key features relate to characteristics of a situation, making selection of a particular type of function model appropriate.★

a. Graph linear functions and indicate intercepts. (A1, M1)
b. Graph quadratic functions and indicate intercepts, maxima, and minima. (A1, M2)
e. Graph simple exponential functions, indicating intercepts and end behavior. (A1, M1)

F.IF.8 Write a function defined by an expression in different but equivalent forms to reveal and explain different properties of the function.

a. Use the process of factoring and completing the square in a quadratic function to show zeros, extreme values, and symmetry of the graph, and interpret these in terms of a context. (A2, M3)
i. Focus on completing the square to quadratic functions with the leading coefficient of 1. (A1)
b. Use the properties of exponents to interpret expressions for exponential functions. For example, identify percent rate of change in functions such as \( y = (1.02)^t \), and \( y = (0.97)^t \) and classify them as representing exponential growth or decay. (A2, M3)
i. Focus on exponential functions evaluated at integer inputs. (A1, M2)
Functions Standards, continued

INTERPRETING FUNCTIONS F.IF
Analyze functions using different representations.
F.IF.9 Compare properties of two functions each represented in a
different way (algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, or by
verbal descriptions). For example, given a graph of one quadratic
function and an algebraic expression for another, say which has the
larger maximum. (A2, M3)
  b. Focus on linear, quadratic, and exponential functions. (A1, M2)

BUILDING FUNCTIONS F.BF
Build a function that models a relationship between
two quantities.
F.BF.1 Write a function that describes a relationship between
two quantities.★
  a. Determine an explicit expression, a recursive process, or steps
     for calculation from context.
     i. Focus on linear and exponential functions. (A1, M1)
     ii. Focus on situations that exhibit quadratic or
         exponential relationships. (A1, M2)
F.BF.2 Write arithmetic and geometric sequences both recursively
and with an explicit formula, use them to model situations, and
translate between the two forms.★

Build new functions from existing functions.
F.BF.3 Identify the effect on the graph of replacing $f(x)$ by $f(x) + k$,
$kf(x)$, $f(kx)$, and $f(x + k)$ for specific values of $k$ (both positive and
negative); find the value of $k$ given the graphs. Experiment with cases
and illustrate an explanation of the effects on the graph using
technology. Include recognizing even and odd functions from their
graphs and algebraic expressions for them. (A2, M3)
  a. Focus on transformations of graphs of quadratic functions,
     except for $f(kx)$; (A1, M2)
  b. Focus on linear, quadratic, and exponential functions. (A1, M2)

F.BF.4 Find inverse functions.
  a. Informally determine the input of a function when the output
     is known. (A1, M1)

LINEAR, QUADRATIC, AND EXPONENTIAL MODELS F.LE
Construct and compare linear, quadratic, and exponential
models, and solve problems.
F.LE.1 Distinguish between situations that can be modeled with linear
functions and with exponential functions.★
  a. Show that linear functions grow by equal differences over equal
     intervals and that exponential functions grow by equal factors over
     equal intervals.
  b. Recognize situations in which one quantity changes at a
     constant rate per unit interval relative to another.
  c. Recognize situations in which a quantity grows or decays by a
     constant percent rate per unit interval relative to another.
F.LE.2 Construct linear and exponential functions, including arithmetic
and geometric sequences, given a graph, a description of a
relationship, or two input-output pairs (include reading these from
a table).★
F.LE.3 Observe using graphs and tables that a quantity increasing
exponentially eventually exceeds a quantity increasing linearly
or quadratically. ★ (A1, M2)

Interpret expressions for functions in terms of the situation
they model.
F.LE.5 Interpret the parameters in a linear or exponential function in
terms of a context.★
High School—Statistics and Probability

Decisions or predictions are often based on data—numbers in context. These decisions or predictions would be easy if the data always sent a clear message, but the message is often obscured by variability. Statistics provides tools for describing variability in data and for making informed decisions that take it into account.

Data are gathered, displayed, summarized, examined, and interpreted to discover patterns and deviations from patterns. Quantitative data can be described in terms of key characteristics: measures of shape, center, and spread. The shape of a data distribution might be described as symmetric, skewed, flat, or bell shaped, and it might be summarized by a statistic measuring center (such as mean or median) and a statistic measuring spread (such as standard deviation or interquartile range). Different distributions can be compared numerically using these statistics or compared visually using plots. Knowledge of center and spread are not enough to describe a distribution. Which statistics to compare, which plots to use, and what the results of a comparison might mean, depend on the question to be investigated and the real-life actions to be taken.

Randomization has two important uses in drawing statistical conclusions. First, collecting data from a random sample of a population makes it possible to draw valid conclusions about the whole population, taking variability into account. Second, randomly assigning individuals to different treatments allows a fair comparison of the effectiveness of those treatments. A statistically significant outcome is one that is unlikely to be due to chance alone, and this can be evaluated only under the condition of randomness. The conditions under which data are collected are important in drawing conclusions from the data; in critically reviewing uses of statistics in public media and other reports, it is important to consider the study design, how the data were gathered, and the analyses employed as well as the data summaries and the conclusions drawn.

Random processes can be described mathematically by using a probability model: a list or description of the possible outcomes (the sample space), each of which is assigned a probability. In situations such as flipping a coin, rolling a number cube, or drawing a card, it might be reasonable to assume various outcomes are equally likely. In a probability model, sample points represent outcomes and combine to make up events; probabilities of events can be computed by applying the Addition and Multiplication Rules. Interpreting these probabilities relies on an understanding of independence and conditional probability, which can be approached through the analysis of two-way tables.

Technology plays an important role in statistics and probability by making it possible to generate plots, regression functions, and correlation coefficients, and to simulate many possible outcomes in a short amount of time.

**CONNECTIONS TO FUNCTIONS AND MODELING**

Functions may be used to describe data; if the data suggest a linear relationship, the relationship can be modeled with a regression line, and its strength and direction can be expressed through a correlation coefficient.
Statistics and Probability Standards

INTERPRETING CATEGORICAL AND QUANTITATIVE DATA

S.ID Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable.

S.ID.1 Represent data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots) in the context of real-world applications using the GAISE model. ★

S.ID.2 In the context of real-world applications by using the GAISE model, use statistics appropriate to the shape of the data distribution to compare center (median and mean) and spread (mean absolute deviation, interquartile range, and standard deviation) of two or more different data sets. ★

S.ID.3 In the context of real-world applications by using the GAISE model, interpret differences in shape, center, and spread in the context of the data sets, accounting for possible effects of extreme data points (outliers). ★

S.ID.6 Represent data on two quantitative variables on a scatter plot, and describe how the variables are related. ★

   c. Fit a linear function for a scatterplot that suggests a linear association. (A1, M1)

Interpret linear models.

S.ID.7 Interpret the slope (rate of change) and the intercept (constant term) of a linear model in the context of the data. ★

S.ID.8 Compute (using technology) and interpret the correlation coefficient of a linear fit. ★

Summarize, represent, and interpret data on two categorical and quantitative variables.

S.ID.5 Summarize categorical data for two categories in two-way frequency tables. Interpret relative frequencies in the context of the data (including joint, marginal, and conditional relative frequencies). Recognize possible associations and trends in the data. ★
**Glossary**

**Addition and subtraction within 5, 10, 20, 100, or 1000.** Addition or subtraction of two whole numbers with whole number answers, and with sum or minuend in the range 0-5, 0-10, 0-20, or 0-100, respectively. Example: $8 + 2 = 10$ is an addition within 10, $14 - 5 = 9$ is a subtraction within 20, and $55 - 18 = 37$ is a subtraction within 100.

**Additive inverses.** Two numbers whose sum is 0 are additive inverses of one another. Example: $\frac{3}{4}$ and $-\frac{3}{4}$ are additive inverses of one another because $\frac{3}{4} + (-\frac{3}{4}) = (-\frac{3}{4}) + \frac{3}{4} = 0$.

**Algorithm.** See also: computation algorithm.

**Associative property of addition.** See Table 3 in this Glossary.

**Associative property of multiplication.** See Table 3 in this Glossary.

**Bivariate data.** Pairs of linked numerical observations. Example: a list of heights and weights for each player on a football team.

**Box plot.** A method of visually displaying a distribution of data values by using the median, quartiles, and extremes of the data set. A box shows the middle 50% of the data. See also: first quartile and third quartile.

**Commutative property.** See Table 3 in this Glossary.

**Complex fraction.** A fraction $\frac{A}{B}$ where $A$ and/or $B$ are fractions ($B$ nonzero).

**Computation algorithm.** A set of predefined steps applicable to a class of problems that gives the correct result in every case when the steps are carried out correctly. See also: computation strategy.

**Computation strategy.** Purposeful manipulations that may be chosen for specific problems, may not have a fixed order, and may be aimed at converting one problem into another. See also: computation algorithm.

**Counting on.** A strategy for finding the number of objects in a group without having to count every member of the group. For example, if a stack of books is known to have 8 books and 3 more books are added to the top, it is not necessary to count the stack all over again. One can find the total by counting on—pointing to the top book and saying “eight,” following this with “nine, ten, eleven. There are eleven books now.”

**Congruent.** Two plane or solid figures are congruent if one can be obtained from the other by rigid motion (a sequence of rotations, reflections, and translations).

**Dilation.** A transformation that moves each point along the ray through the point emanating from a fixed center, and multiplies distances from the center by a common scale factor.

**Dot plot.** See also: line plot.

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Expanded form. A multi-digit number is expressed in expanded form when it is written as a sum of single-digit multiples of powers of ten. For example, $643 = 600 + 40 + 3$.

Expected value. For a random variable, the weighted average of its possible values, with weights given by their respective probabilities.

First quartile. For a data set with median $M$, the first quartile is the median of the data values less than $M$. Example: For the data set $\{1, 3, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 15, 22, 120\}$, the first quartile is $6.2$ See also: median, third quartile, interquartile range.

Fluency. The ability to use efficient, accurate, and flexible methods for computing. Fluency does not imply timed tests.

Fluently. See also: fluency.

Fraction. A number expressible in the form $\frac{a}{b}$ where $a$ is a whole number and $b$ is a positive whole number. (The word fraction in these standards always refers to a non-negative number.) See also: rational number.

Identity property of 0. See Table 3 in this Glossary.

Independently combined probability models. Two probability models are said to be combined independently if the probability of each ordered pair in the combined model equals the product of the original probabilities of the two individual outcomes in the ordered pair.

Integer. A number expressible in the form $a$ or $-a$ for some whole number $a$.

Interquartile Range. A measure of variation in a set of numerical data, the interquartile range is the distance between the first and third quartiles of the data set. Example: For the data set $\{1, 3, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 15, 22, 120\}$, the interquartile range is $15 - 6 = 9$. See also: first quartile, third quartile.

Justify: To provide a convincing argument for the truth of a statement to a particular audience.

Line plot. A method of visually displaying a distribution of data values where each data value is shown as a dot or mark above a number line. Also known as a dot plot. See also:

Mean. A measure of center in a set of numerical data, computed by adding the values in a list and then dividing by the number of values in the list. (To be more precise, this defines the arithmetic mean) Example: For the data set $\{1, 3, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 15, 22, 120\}$, the mean is 21.

Mean absolute deviation. A measure of variation in a set of numerical data, computed by adding the distances between each data value and the mean, then dividing by the number of data values. Example: For the data set $\{2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 15, 22, 120\}$, the mean absolute deviation is 20.
**Median.** A measure of center in a set of numerical data. The median of a list of values is the value appearing at the center of a sorted version of the list—or the mean of the two central values, if the list contains an even number of values. Example: For the data set \{2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 15, 22, 90\}, the median is 11.

**Midline.** In the graph of a trigonometric function, the horizontal line halfway between its maximum and minimum values.

**Multiplication and division within 100.** Multiplication or division of two whole numbers with whole number answers, and with product or dividend in the range 0-100. Example: 72 ÷ 8 = 9.

**Multiplicative inverses.** Two numbers whose product is 1 are multiplicative inverses of one another. Example: \(\frac{3}{4}\) and \(\frac{4}{3}\) are multiplicative inverses of one another because \(\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{4}{3} = \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} = 1\).

**Number line diagram.** A diagram of the number line used to represent numbers and support reasoning about them. In a number line diagram for measurement quantities, the interval from 0 to 1 on the diagram represents the unit of measure for the quantity.

**Percent rate of change.** A rate of change expressed as a percent. Example: if a population grows from 50 to 55 in a year, it grows by \(\frac{5}{50} = 10\%\) per year.

**Probability distribution.** The set of possible values of a random variable with a probability assigned to each.

**Properties of operations.** See Table 3 in this Glossary.

**Properties of equality.** See Table 4 in this Glossary.

**Properties of inequality.** See Table 5 in this Glossary.

**Probability.** A number between 0 and 1 used to quantify likelihood for processes that have uncertain outcomes (such as tossing a coin, selecting a person at random from a group of people, tossing a ball at a target, or testing for a medical condition).

**Probability model.** A probability model is used to assign probabilities to outcomes of a chance process by examining the nature of the process. The set of all outcomes is called the sample space, and their probabilities sum to 1. See also: uniform probability model.

**Prove:** To provide a logical argument that demonstrates the truth of a statement. A proof is typically composed of a series of justifications, which are often single sentences, and may be presented informally or formally.

**Random variable.** An assignment of a numerical value to each outcome in a sample space.

**Rational expression.** A quotient of two polynomials with a nonzero denominator.
Rational number. A number expressible in the form \( \frac{a}{b} \) or \( \frac{-a}{b} \) for some fraction \( \frac{a}{b} \). The rational numbers include the integers.

Rectilinear figure. A polygon all angles of which are right angles.

Rigid motion. A transformation of points in space consisting of a sequence of one or more translations, reflections, and/or rotations. Rigid motions are here assumed to preserve distances and angle measures.

Repeating decimal. The decimal form of a rational number. See also: terminating decimal.

Sample space. In a probability model for a random process, a list of the individual outcomes that are to be considered.

Scatter plot. A graph in the coordinate plane representing a set of bivariate data. For example, the heights and weights of a group of people could be displayed on a scatter plot.\(^5\)

Similarity transformation. A rigid motion followed by a dilation.

Standard Algorithm. See computational algorithm.

Tape diagram. A drawing that looks like a segment of tape, used to illustrate number relationships. Also known as a strip diagram, bar model, fraction strip, or length model.

Terminating decimal. A decimal is called terminating if its repeating digit is 0.

Third quartile. For a data set with median \( M \), the third quartile is the median of the data values greater than \( M \). Example: For the data set \{2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 15, 22, 120\}, the third quartile is 15. See also: median, first quartile, interquartile range.

Transitivity principle for indirect measurement. If the length of object A is greater than the length of object B, and the length of object B is greater than the length of object C, then the length of object A is greater than the length of object C. This principle applies to measurement of other quantities as well.

Trapezoid. 1. A trapezoid is a quadrilateral with at least one pair of parallel sides. (inclusive definition) 2. A trapezoid is a quadrilateral with exactly one pair of parallel sides. (exclusive definition)

Whole numbers. The numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, ....

\(^5\) Adapted from Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, op. cit.
TABLE 3. THE PROPERTIES OF OPERATIONS.
Here \( a, b \) and \( c \) stand for arbitrary numbers in a given number system. The properties of operations apply to the rational number system, the real number system and the complex number system.

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<td>COMMUTATIVE PROPERTY OF ADDITION</td>
<td>(a + b = b + a)</td>
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<td>ADDITIVE IDENTITY PROPERTY OF 0</td>
<td>(a + 0 = 0 + a = a)</td>
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<td>EXISTENCE OF ADDITIVE INVERSES</td>
<td>For ever ( a ) there exists (-a) so that ( a + (-a) = (-a) + a = 0)</td>
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<td>ASSOCIATIVE PROPERTY OF MULTIPLICATION</td>
<td>((a \times b) \times c = a \times (b \times c))</td>
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<td>EXISTENCE OF MULTIPLICATIVE INVERSES</td>
<td>For every ( a \neq 0 ) there exists ( \frac{1}{a} ) so that ( a \times \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{a} \times a = 1)</td>
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<td>(a \times (b + c) = a \times b + a \times c)</td>
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TABLE 4. THE PROPERTIES OF EQUALITY.
Here \( a, b \) and \( c \) stand for arbitrary numbers in the rational, real or complex number systems.

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<td>SYMMETRIC PROPERTY OF EQUALITY</td>
<td>If ( a = b ), then ( b = a ).</td>
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<td>TRANSITIVE PROPERTY OF EQUALITY</td>
<td>If ( a = b ) and ( b = c ), then ( a = c ).</td>
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<td>ADDITION PROPERTY OF EQUALITY</td>
<td>If ( a = b ), then ( a + c = b + c ).</td>
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<td>SUBTRACTION PROPERTY OF EQUALITY</td>
<td>If ( a = b ), then ( a - c = b - c ).</td>
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<tr>
<td>MULTIPLICATION PROPERTY OF EQUALITY</td>
<td>If ( a = b ), then ( a \times c = b \times c ).</td>
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<td>DIVISION PROPERTY OF EQUALITY</td>
<td>If ( a = b ) and ( c \neq 0 ), then ( a \div c = b \div c ).</td>
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<td>SUBSTITUTION PROPERTY OF EQUALITY</td>
<td>If ( a = a ), then ( b ) may be substituted for ( a ) in any expression containing ( a ).</td>
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TABLE 5. THE PROPERTIES OF INEQUALITY.
Here $a$, $b$ and $c$ stand for arbitrary numbers in the rational or real number systems.

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