Exercise 34

Inequalities Place the correct symbol (<, >, or =) in the space.

(a)
$$\frac{2}{3}$$
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 0.67 (b) $\frac{2}{3}$ -0.67 (c) |0.67| |-0.67|

(c)
$$|0.67|$$
 $|-0.67|$

Solution

Part (a)

2/3 is 0.666..., which is smaller than 0.67.

$$\frac{2}{3} < 0.67$$

Part (b)

Any positive number is greater than any negative number.

$$\frac{2}{3} > -0.67$$

Part (c)

Both sides evaluate to 0.67.

$$|0.67| = |-0.67|$$