

Please do the following problems in your spiral

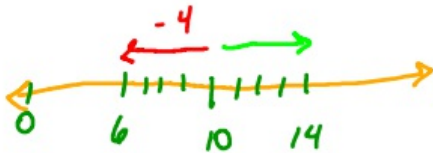
$$5 - 2 = 3$$

$$5 - (-2) = 5 + 2 = 7$$



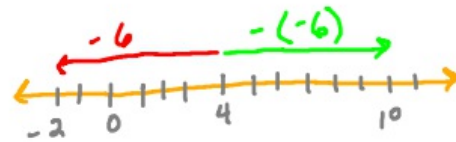
$$10 - 4 = 6$$

$$10 - (-4) = 10 + 4 = 14$$



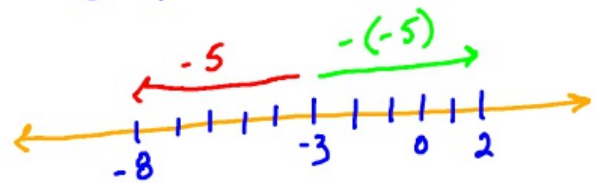
$$4 - 6 = -2$$

$$4 - (-6) = 4 + 6 = 10$$



$$-3 - 5 = -8$$

$$-3 - (-5) = -3 + 5 = 2$$



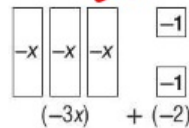
## Lesson 7 - Subtract Linear Expressions

When subtracting expressions, subtract like terms. You can use models or the additive inverse.

### Example 1

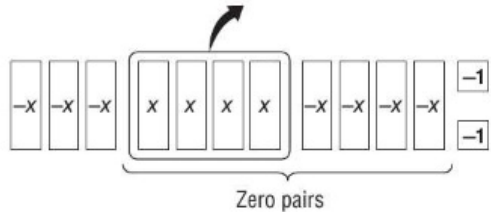
Find  $(-3x - 2) - (4x) = (-3x + -2) + (-4x)$

Step 1 Model the expression  $-3x - 2$ . *ADDING THE OPPOSITE*



$x$	CONSTANTS
$-3x$	$+ -2$
$-4x$	
$-7x + -2 = -7x - 2$	

Step 2 Since there are no positive  $x$ -tiles to remove, add four zero pairs of  $x$ -tiles. Remove four positive  $x$ -tiles.



So,  $(-3x - 2) - (4x) = -7x - 2$ .

### Example 2

Subtract  $(4x + 6) - (-7x + 1) =$

The additive inverse of  $-7x + 1$  is  $7x - 1$ .

$4x + 6$	Arrange like terms in columns.
$+ 7x - 1$	Add.
$11x + 5$	

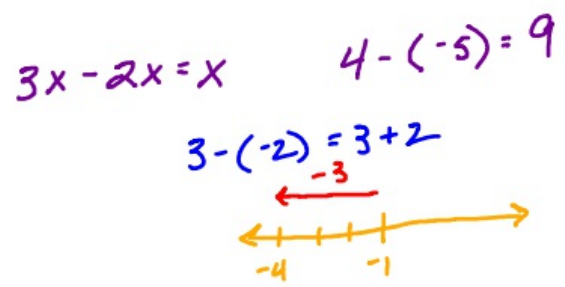
$x$	CONSTANTS
$4x$	$+ 6$
$7x$	$+ -1$
$11x + 5$	

So,  $(4x + 6) - (-7x + 1) = 11x + 5$ .

### Exercises

Subtract. Use models if needed.

1.  $(9x + 10) - (2x + 4) = 7x + 6$
2.  $(3x + 4) - (2x + 5) = x + 9$
3.  $(6x + 3) - (-1x + 2) = 7x + 5$
4.  $(4x + 1) - (x + 3) = 3x + -4$
5.  $(3x + 1) - (2x + 6)$



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