Adding Integers Using a Calculator



Calculators can be used to add integers if the calculator has an integer button. On many models, the integer button looks like this:



Addition of integers using a calculator can be done using one of two methods, depending on the model of calculator.

Calculator Method #1



Enter the value of the first integer, followed by the + / - key only if the integer is negative.

- 2. Press the + key.
- 3. Enter the value of the second integer, followed by the + / key only if the integer is negative. In this example, the second number is not negative, so the + / key is not pushed.

4. Press the = key to display the answer.

Calculator Method #2

Example (-3) + (+12)

1. If the first integer is negative, press the + / - key, then enter the value of the first integer.

3 -3

- 2. Press the + key.

4. Press the = key to display the answer.

9 (-3) + (+12) = **+9**

Example

Check out this example of adding integers using a calculator. (-28) + (+12)

Method #1 $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} +/- \\ \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} + \\ \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} = \\ \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} -16 \\ \end{bmatrix}$

Method #2 +/- 2 8 + 1 2 = -16

(-28) + (+12) = -16