

## 10. Exponents

### Exercise 10.1

#### 1 A. Question

Express the following numbers in the exponential form:

1728

#### Answer

We prime factorize the number

$$1728 = 3^3 \times 2^6$$

$$\Rightarrow 1728 = 3^3 \times 4^3$$

Since the powers are same so the bases can be multiplied

$$\Rightarrow 1728 = 12^3$$

#### 1 B. Question

Express the following numbers in the exponential form:

$$\frac{1}{512}$$

#### Answer

We prime factorize the number 512

$$512 = 2^9$$

Since reciprocal of a number results in negative power,

$$\text{So } \frac{1}{512} = 2^{-9}$$

#### 1 C. Question

Express the following numbers in the exponential form:

0.000169.

#### Answer

We prime factorize the number 169

$$169 = 13^2$$

So we can say that

$$0.000169 = 13^2 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.000169 = (13 \times 10^{-3})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.000169 = 0.013^2$$

## 2 A. Question

Write the following numbers using base 10 and exponents:

12345

### Answer

The number can be expanded by expressing the number in terms of its digits and multiplying each digit with 10 raised to a specific power according to its place value

$$12345 = 1 \times 10^4 + 2 \times 10^3 + 3 \times 10^2 + 4 \times 10 + 5$$

## 2 B. Question

Write the following numbers using base 10 and exponents:

1010.0101

### Answer

$$1010.0101 = 1 \times 10^3 + 0 \times 10^2 + 1 \times 10 + 0 + \frac{0}{10} + \frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{0}{10^3} + \frac{1}{10^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1010.0101 = 1 \times 10^3 + 1 \times 10 + \frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{1}{10^4}$$

## 2 C. Question

Write the following numbers using base 10 and exponents:

0.1020304

### Answer

$$0.1020304 = 0 + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{0}{10^2} + \frac{2}{10^3} + \frac{0}{10^4} + \frac{3}{10^5} + \frac{0}{10^6} + \frac{4}{10^7}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.1020304 = \frac{1}{10} + \frac{2}{10^3} + \frac{3}{10^5} + \frac{4}{10^7}$$

### 3. Question

Find the value of  $(-0.2)^{-4}$

**Answer**

Since the power is negative so

$$(-0.2)^{-4} = \frac{1}{(-0.2)^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow (-0.2)^{-4} = \frac{1}{0.0016}$$

### Exercise 10.2

#### 1 A. Question

Simplify:

$$3^1 \times 3^2 \times 3^3 \times 3^4 \times 3^5 \times 3^6 .$$

**Answer**

Since the bases are same so the powers can be added

$$3^1 \times 3^2 \times 3^3 \times 3^4 \times 3^5 \times 3^6 = 3^{(1+2+3+4+5+6)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^1 \times 3^2 \times 3^3 \times 3^4 \times 3^5 \times 3^6 = 3^{21}$$

#### 1 B. Question

Simplify:

$$2^2 \times 3^3 \times 2^4 \times 3^5 \times 3^6 .$$

**Answer**

Since there are two bases so their powers can be separately added.

$$2^2 \times 3^3 \times 2^4 \times 3^5 \times 3^6 = 2^{(2+4)} \times 3^{(3+5+6)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^2 \times 3^3 \times 2^4 \times 3^5 \times 3^6 = 2^6 \times 3^{14}$$

### 2. Question

How many zeros are there in  $10^4 \times 10^3 \times 10^2 \times 10$ ?

**Answer**

Since the bases are same so the powers can be added

$$10^4 \times 10^3 \times 10^2 \times 10 = 10^{(4+3+2+1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^4 \times 10^3 \times 10^2 \times 10 = 10^{10}$$

Since the power of 10 is 10 so there are 10 zeroes.

### 3. Question

Which is larger:  $(5^3 \times 5^4 \times 5^5 \times 5^6)$  or  $(5^7 \times 5^8)$ ?

**Answer**

$$5^3 \times 5^4 \times 5^5 \times 5^6 = 5^{(3+4+5+6)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^3 \times 5^4 \times 5^5 \times 5^6 = 5^{18}$$

$$5^7 \times 5^8 = 5^{(7+8)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^7 \times 5^8 = 5^{15}$$

Since the power of 5 in  $5^3 \times 5^4 \times 5^5 \times 5^6$  is greater so  $5^3 \times 5^4 \times 5^5 \times 5^6$  is greater than  $5^7 \times 5^8$

## Exercise 10.3

### 1 A. Question

Simplify:

$$10^{-1} \times 10^2 \times 10^{-3} \times 10^4 \times 10^{-5} \times 10^6;$$

**Answer**

Since the bases are same so their powers are solved algebraically

$$10^{-1} \times 10^2 \times 10^{-3} \times 10^4 \times 10^{-5} \times 10^6 = 10^{(-1+2-3+4-5+6)}$$

On solving we get,

$$\Rightarrow 10^{-1} \times 10^2 \times 10^{-3} \times 10^4 \times 10^{-5} \times 10^6 = 10^3$$

### 1 B. Question

Simplify:

$$\frac{2^3 \times 3^2 \times 5^4}{3^3 \times 5^2 \times 2^4}.$$

**Answer**

$$\frac{2^3 \times 3^2 \times 5^4}{3^3 \times 5^2 \times 2^4}$$

Since the denominator and numerator have common base so their powers can be subtracted

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2^3 \times 3^2 \times 5^4}{3^3 \times 5^2 \times 2^4} = \frac{5^2}{3 \times 2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2^3 \times 3^2 \times 5^4}{3^3 \times 5^2 \times 2^4} = \frac{25}{6}$$

## 2. Question

Which is larger:  $(3^4 \times 2^3)$  or  $(2^5 \times 3^2)$ ?

**Answer**

We divide the two expressions

$$\frac{3^4 \times 2^3}{2^5 \times 3^2}$$

Since the denominator and numerator have common base so their powers can be subtracted

$$\frac{3^4 \times 2^3}{2^5 \times 3^2} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2$$

Since the fraction is greater than 1 so  $(3^4 \times 2^3)$  is greater than  $(2^5 \times 3^2)$

## 3. Question

Suppose m and n are distinct integers. Can  $\frac{3^m \times 2^n}{2^m \times 3^n}$  be an integer? Give reasons.

**Answer**

We divide the two expressions

$$\frac{3^m \times 2^n}{2^m \times 3^n}$$

Since the denominator and numerator have common base so their powers can be subtracted

$$\frac{3^m \times 2^n}{2^m \times 3^n} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{m-n}$$

Since m and n are two distinct integers so the power can never become 0 and hence the fraction can never an integer.

## 4. Question

Suppose  $b$  is a positive integer such that  $\frac{2^4}{b^2}$  is also an integer. What are the possible values of  $b$ ?

**Answer**

Since  $\frac{2^4}{b^2}$  is an integer so

the numerator must be greater than denominator

$$\frac{2^4}{b^2} = \left(\frac{4}{b}\right)^2$$

So  $b$  has to be either 1, 2 or 4 to become an integer.

## Exercise 10.4

### 1 A. Question

Simplify:

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

**Answer**

$$\frac{(2^5)^6 \times (3^3)^2}{(2^6)^5 \times (3^2)^3} = \frac{2^{30} \times 3^6}{2^{30} \times 3^6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2^5)^6 \times (3^3)^2}{(2^6)^5 \times (3^2)^3} = 1$$

### 1 B. Question

Simplify:

$$\frac{(5^{-3})^2 \times 3^4}{(3^{-2})^{-3} \times (5^3)^{-2}}$$

**Answer**

$$\frac{(5^{-3})^2 \times 3^4}{(3^{-2})^{-3} \times (5^3)^{-2}} = \frac{5^{-6} \times 3^4}{3^{-6} \times 5^{-6}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(5^{-3})^2 \times 3^4}{(3^{-2})^{-3} \times (5^3)^{-2}} = \frac{3^4}{3^{-6}} = 3^{10}$$

## 2. Question

Can you find two integers  $m, n$  such that  $2^{m+n} = 2^{mn}$  ?

**Answer**

$$2^{m+n} = 2^{mn}$$

$$\Rightarrow m + n = mn$$

Let  $m = n$

So we get

$$2m = m^2$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 2$$

Since  $m = n$ , so

$$n = 2$$

## 3. Question

If  $(2^m)^4 = 4^6$ , find the value of  $m$ .

**Answer**

$$(2^m)^4 = 4^6$$

$$\Rightarrow (4^m)^2 = 4^6$$

Since the bases are same so their powers can be equated

$$2m = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 3$$

## Exercise 10.5

### 1 A. Question

Simplify:

$$\frac{6^8 \times 5^3}{10^3 \times 3^4};$$

**Answer**

$$\frac{6^8 \times 5^3}{10^3 \times 3^4} = \frac{(3 \times 2)^8 \times 5^3}{(5 \times 2)^3 \times 3^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6^8 \times 5^3}{10^3 \times 3^4} = \frac{3^8 \times 2^8 \times 5^3}{5^3 \times 2^3 \times 3^4}$$

Since the bases are common in numerator and denominator so their powers are subtracted

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6^8 \times 5^3}{10^3 \times 3^4} = 3^4 \times 2^5 = 2592$$

### 1 B. Question

Simplify:

$$\frac{(15)^{-3} \times (-12)^4}{5^{-6} \times (36)^2};$$

**Answer**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(15)^{-3} \times (-12)^4}{5^{-6} \times 36^2} &= \frac{(5 \times 3)^{-3} \times (-4 \times 3)^4}{5^{-6} \times 6^4} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{(15)^{-3} \times (-12)^4}{5^{-6} \times 36^2} &= \frac{(5)^{-3} \times 3^{-3} \times (-4)^4 \times 3^4}{5^{-6} \times (3 \times 2)^4} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{(15)^{-3} \times (-12)^4}{5^{-6} \times 36^2} &= \frac{(5)^{-3} \times (2)^8 \times 3}{5^{-6} \times 3^4 \times 2^4} \end{aligned}$$

Since the bases are common in numerator and denominator so their powers are subtracted

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(15)^{-3} \times (-12)^4}{5^{-6} \times 36^2} = \frac{5^3 \times 2^4}{3^3} = \frac{2000}{27}$$

### 1 C. Question

Simplify:

$$\frac{(0.22)^4 \times (0.222)^3}{(0.2)^5 \times (0.2222)^2}.$$

**Answer**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(0.22)^4 \times (0.222)^3}{(0.2)^5 \times (0.2222)^2} &= \frac{2^4 \times (0.11)^4 \times 2^3 \times (0.111)^3}{2^5 \times (0.1)^5 \times 2^2 \times (0.1111)^2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{(0.22)^4 \times (0.222)^3}{(0.2)^5 \times (0.2222)^2} &= \frac{2^4 \times (11 \times 10^{-2})^4 \times 2^3 \times (111 \times 10^{-3})^3}{2^5 \times (10^{-1})^5 \times 2^2 \times (1111 \times 10^{-4})^2} \end{aligned}$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{(0.22)^4 \times (0.222)^3}{(0.2)^5 \times (0.2222)^2} = \frac{2^4 \times 11^4 \times 10^{-8} \times 2^3 \times 111^3 \times 10^{-9}}{2^5 \times 10^{-5} \times 2^2 \times 1111^2 \times 10^{-8}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(0.22)^4 \times (0.222)^3}{(0.2)^5 \times (0.2222)^2} = \frac{11^4 \times 10^{-4} \times 111^3}{1111^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(0.22)^4 \times (0.222)^3}{(0.2)^5 \times (0.2222)^2} = \frac{11^2 \times 10^{-4} \times 111^3}{101^2} = \frac{165483351 \times 10^{-4}}{10201}$$

## 2. Question

Is  $\frac{(10^4)^3}{5^{13}}$  an integer? Justify your answer.

**Answer**

$$\frac{(10^4)^3}{5^{13}} = \frac{(5^4 \times 2^4)^3}{5^{13}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(10^4)^3}{5^{13}} = \frac{5^{12} \times 2^{12}}{5^{13}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(10^4)^3}{5^{13}} = \frac{2^{12}}{5}$$

Since after reducing the expression there is a 5 in the denominator but no multiple of 5 in the numerator so it is not an integer

## 3. Question

Which is larger :  $(100)^4$  or  $(125)^3$ ?

**Answer**

We divide the two numbers

$$\frac{100^4}{125^3} = \frac{(25 \times 4)^4}{(5^3)^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{100^4}{125^3} = \frac{5^8 \times 2^8}{5^9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{100^4}{125^3} = \frac{2^8}{5}$$

Since the numerator is greater than the denominator so  $100^4$  is greater than  $125^3$

## Exercise 10.6

### 1 A. Question

Simplify:

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^8 \times \left(\frac{6}{4}\right)^3;$$

**Answer**

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^8 \times \left(\frac{6}{4}\right)^3 = \frac{2^8 \times (2 \times 3)^3}{3^8 \times (2^2)^3}$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^8 \times \left(\frac{6}{4}\right)^3 = \frac{2^8 \times 2^3 \times 3^3}{3^8 \times 2^6}$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^8 \times \left(\frac{6}{4}\right)^3 = \frac{2^{11} \times 3^3}{3^8 \times 2^6}$$

Since bases are same so the powers can be subtracted

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^8 \times \left(\frac{6}{4}\right)^3 = \frac{2^5}{3^5} = \frac{32}{243}$$

### 1 B. Question

Simplify:

$$(1.8)^6 \times (4.2)^{-3}$$

**Answer**

$$(1.8)^6 \times (4.2)^{-3} = (18 \times 10^{-1})^6 \times (42 \times 10^{-1})^{-3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1.8)^6 \times (4.2)^{-3} = (3^2 \times 2 \times 10^{-1})^6 \times (7 \times 3 \times 2 \times 10^{-1})^{-3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1.8)^6 \times (4.2)^{-3} = 3^{12} \times 2^6 \times 10^{-6} \times 7^{-3} \times 3^{-3} \times 2^{-3} \times 10^3$$

$$\Rightarrow (1.8)^6 \times (4.2)^{-3} = 3^9 \times 2^3 \times 7^{-3} \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1.8)^6 \times (4.2)^{-3} = \frac{3^9 \times 2^3}{7^3 \times 10^3} = \frac{157464}{343000}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1.8)^6 \times (4.2)^{-3} = \frac{19683}{42875}$$

### 1 C. Question

Simplify:

$$\frac{(0.0006)^9}{(0.015)^{-4}}.$$

**Answer**

$$\frac{(0.0006)^9}{(0.015)^{-4}} = \frac{6^9 \times 0.0001^9}{15^{-4} \times 0.001^{-4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(0.0006)^9}{(0.015)^{-4}} = \frac{(3 \times 2)^9 \times (10^{-4})^9}{(3 \times 5)^{-4} \times (10^{-3})^{-4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(0.0006)^9}{(0.015)^{-4}} = \frac{(3 \times 2)^9 \times (5 \times 2)^{-36}}{(3 \times 5)^{-4} \times (5 \times 2)^{12}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(0.0006)^9}{(0.015)^{-4}} = \frac{3^9 \times 2^9 \times 5^{-36} \times 2^{-36}}{3^{-4} \times 5^{-4} \times 5^{12} \times 2^{12}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(0.0006)^9}{(0.015)^{-4}} = \frac{3^{13}}{5^{44} \times 2^{39}}$$

**2. Question**

Can it happen that for some integer  $m \neq 0$ ,  $\left(\frac{4}{25}\right)^m = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{m^2}$ ?

**Answer**

$$\left(\frac{4}{25}\right)^m = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{m^2}$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{2m} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{m^2}$$

Since the bases are same so the powers can be equated

$$2m = m^2$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 2$$

So it can happen when  $m = 2$

**3. Question**

Find all positive integers  $m, n$  such that  $(3^m)^n = 3^m \times 3^n$ .

**Answer**

$$(3^m)^n = 3^m \times 3^n$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{mn} = 3^{m+n}$$

Since the bases are same so the powers can be equated

$$mn = m + n$$

$$\text{Let } m = n$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 = 2m$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 2$$

$$\text{Answer: } m = 2, n = 2$$

## Exercise 10.7

### 1 A. Question

Use the laws of exponents and simplify.

$$\frac{(12)^6}{162}$$

**Answer**

$$12^6 = (4 \times 3)^6$$

$$\Rightarrow 12^6 = 2^{12} \times 3^6$$

On prime factorizing 162 we get

$$162 = 2 \times 3^4$$

$$\frac{12^6}{162} = \frac{2^{12} \times 3^6}{2 \times 3^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{12^6}{162} = 2^{11} \times 3^2 = 18432$$

### 1 B. Question

Use the laws of exponents and simplify.

$$\frac{3^{-4} \times 10^{-5} \times (625)}{5^{-3} \times 6^{-4}}$$

**Answer**

$$\frac{3^{-4} \times 10^{-5} \times 625}{5^{-3} \times 6^{-4}} = \frac{3^{-4} \times (5 \times 2)^{-5} \times 5^4}{5^{-3} \times (3 \times 2)^{-4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3^{-4} \times 10^{-5} \times 625}{5^{-3} \times 6^{-4}} = \frac{3^{-4} \times 5^{-5} \times 2^{-5} \times 5^4}{5^{-3} \times 3^{-4} \times 2^{-4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3^{-4} \times 10^{-5} \times 625}{5^{-3} \times 6^{-4}} = \frac{5^2}{2} = \frac{25}{2}$$

### 1 C. Question

Use the laws of exponents and simplify.

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

**Answer**

$$\frac{2^{3^2}}{(2^3)^2} = \frac{2^9}{2^6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2^{3^2}}{(2^3)^2} = 2^3 = 8$$

### 2. Question

What is the value of  $\frac{(10^3)^2 \times 10^{-4}}{10^2}$ ?

**Answer**

$$\frac{(10^3)^2 \times 10^{-4}}{10^2} = \frac{10^6 \times 10^{-4}}{10^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(10^3)^2 \times 10^{-4}}{10^2} = \frac{10^2}{10^2} = 1$$

### 3. Question

Simplify:

$$\left( \frac{b^{-3} \cdot b^7 \cdot (b^{-1})^2}{(-b)^2 \cdot (b^2)^3} \right)^{-2}.$$

**Answer**

$$\left( \frac{b^{-3} \times b^7 \times (b^{-1})^2}{(-b)^2 \times (b^2)^3} \right)^{-2} = \left( \frac{b^{-3} \times b^7 \times b^{-2}}{b^2 \times b^6} \right)^{-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{b^{-3} \times b^7 \times (b^{-1})^2}{(-b)^2 \times (b^2)^3} \right)^{-2} = \left( \frac{b^2}{b^8} \right)^{-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{b^{-3} \times b^7 \times (b^{-1})^2}{(-b)^2 \times (b^2)^3} \right)^{-2} = \left( \frac{1}{b^6} \right)^{-2} = b^{12}$$

#### 4 A. Question

Find the value of each of the following expressions:

$$(3^2)^2 - ((-2)^3)^2 - (- (5^2))^2 ;$$

**Answer**

$$(3^2)^2 = 9^2 = 81$$

$$((-2)^3)^2 = (-8)^2 = 64$$

$$(- (5^2))^2 = (-25)^2 = 625$$

So the value of the expression is

$$(3^2)^2 - ((-2)^3)^2 - (- (5^2))^2 = 81 - 64 - 625 = -608$$

#### 4 B. Question

Find the value of each of the following expressions:

$$((0.6)^2)^0 - ((4.5)^0)^{-2} ;$$

**Answer**

The value of any number raised to the power zero is always 1

$$((0.6)^2)^0 = 1$$

$$(4.5)^0 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1^{-2} = 1$$

So the solution of the expression is

$$((0.6)^2)^0 - ((4.5)^0)^{-2} = 1 - 1 = 0$$

#### 4 C. Question

Find the value of each of the following expressions:

$$(4^{-1})^4 \times 2^5 \times \left( \frac{1}{16} \right)^3 \times (8^{-2})^5 \times (64^2)^3 ;$$

**Answer**

$$(4^{-1})^4 = 4^{-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow (4^{-1})^4 = 2^{-8}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^3 = (2^{-4})^3$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^3 = 2^{-12}$$

$$(8^{-2})^5 = (2^{-6})^5$$

$$\Rightarrow (8^{-2})^5 = 2^{-30}$$

$$(64^2)^3 = (2^{12})^3$$

$$(64^2)^3 = 2^{36}$$

$$(4^{-1})^4 \times 2^5 \times \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^3 \times (8^{-2})^5 \times (64^2)^3; = 2^{-8} \times 2^5 \times 2^{-12} \times 2^{-30} \times 2^{36}$$

$$\Rightarrow (4^{-1})^4 \times 2^5 \times \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^3 \times (8^{-2})^5 \times (64^2)^3; = 2^{-9}$$

**Additional Problems 10****1 A. Question**

The value of  $(3^m)^n$ , for every pair of integers  $(m,n)$ , is

A.  $3^{m+n}$

B.  $3^{mn}$

C.  $3^{mn}$

D.  $3^m + 3^n$

**Answer**

Using the third law of exponents, If a  $\neq 0$  is a number and m, n are integers, then  $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$

So,  $(3^m)^n = 3^{mn}$

**1 B. Question**

If  $x, y, 2x + \frac{y}{2}$  are nonzero real numbers, then

$$\left(2x + \frac{y}{2}\right)^{-1} \left\{ (2x)^{-1} + \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^{-1} \right\}$$

equals

A. 1

B.  $x \cdot y$

C.  $x \cdot y$

D.  $1/xy$

**Answer**

$$\left(2x + \frac{y}{2}\right)^{-1} \left\{ (2x)^{-1} + \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^{-1} \right\}$$

For a number  $a \neq 0$ , we define

$$a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$$

It is given that  $x, y, 2x + \frac{y}{2}$  are nonzero real numbers,

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\left(2x + \frac{y}{2}\right)} \times \left(\frac{1}{2x} + \frac{2}{y}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{4x + y} \times \left(\frac{y + 4x}{2xy}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{xy}$$

### 1 C. Question

If  $2^x - 2^{x-2} = 192$ , the value of  $x$  is

A. 5

B. 6

C. 7

D. 8

**Answer**



$$\text{Given } 2^x - 2^{x-2} = 192$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x - 2^x \cdot 2^{-2} = 192$$

Taking  $2^x$  common from both the terms,

$$\Rightarrow 2^x (1 - 2^{-2}) = 192$$

For a number  $a \neq 0$  and natural number  $n$ , we define

$$a^{-n} = \left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^n$$

$$\therefore 2^{-2} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x \left(1 - \frac{1}{4}\right) = 192$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x \times \frac{3}{4} = 192$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = 192 \times \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = 64 \times 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = 2^6 \times 2^2$$

For any  $a \neq 0$ , and integers  $m, n$ ,  $a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = 2^8$$

Hence,  $x = 8$

### 1 D. Question

The number  $\left(6^{\left(6^6\right)}\right)^{1/6}$  is equal to

A.  $6^6$

B.  $6^{6^6-1}$

C.  $6^{\left(6^5\right)}$

D.  $6^{\left(5^6\right)}$

**Answer**

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

Using the third law of exponents, If  $a \neq 0$  is a number and  $m, n$  are integers, then  $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$

$$\Rightarrow (6^{(6^6)})^{\frac{1}{6}} = (6)^{6^6 \times \frac{1}{6}}$$

For a number  $a \neq 0$ , we define

$$a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow (6)^{6^6 \times \frac{1}{6}} = (6)^{6^6 \times 6^{-1}}$$

For any  $a \neq 0$ , and integers  $m, n$ ,  $a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$

$$\Rightarrow (6)^{6^6 \times 6^{-1}} = (6)^{6^{6-1}} = (6)^{6^5}$$

### 1 E. Question

The number of pairs positive integers  $(m, n)$  such that  $m^n = 25$  is

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. more than 2

### Answer

Given  $m^n = 25$

$$\Rightarrow m^n = 5^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (m, n) = (5, 2)$$

Hence, only 1 such pair of positive integers is possible.

### 2. Question

The diameter of the Sun is  $1.4 \times 10^9$  meters and that of the Earth is about  $1.2768 \times 10^7$  meters. Find the approximate ratio of the diameter of the Sun to that of the Earth.

### Answer

Given the diameter of the Sun =  $1.4 \times 10^9$  meter

And the diameter of the Earth is =  $1.2768 \times 10^7$  meters

$$\text{Ratio of the diameter of the sun and that of the earth} = \frac{1.4 \times 10^9}{1.2768 \times 10^7}$$

For any number  $a \neq 0$  and positive integers  $m$  and  $n$ , not necessarily distinct,

$$\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$$

$$\text{Ratio of the diameter of the sun and that of the earth} = \frac{1.4 \times 10^{9-7}}{1.2768}$$

$$\text{Ratio of the diameter of the sun and that of the earth} = \frac{1.4 \times 10^2}{1.2768} = \frac{140}{1.2768} = 109.65$$

### 3 A. Question

Find the value of each of the following expressions:

$$(-0.75)^3 + (0.3)^{-3} - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3};$$

**Answer**

$$(-0.75)^3 + (0.3)^{-3} - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3}$$

$$= (-0.75 \times -0.75 \times -0.75) + (0.3 \times 0.3 \times 0.3)^{-1} - \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3$$

{Using For a number  $a \neq 0$ , we define

$$a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (-0.75)^3 + (0.3)^{-3} - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3} = -0.421875 + (0.027)^{-1} - \left(\frac{-8}{27}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (-0.75)^3 + (0.3)^{-3} - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3} = -0.421875 + \frac{1}{0.027} + \frac{8}{27}$$

$$\Rightarrow (-0.75)^3 + (0.3)^{-3} - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3} = -0.421875 + \frac{1000}{27} + \frac{8}{27}$$

$$\Rightarrow (-0.75)^3 + (0.3)^{-3} - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3} = -0.421875 + \frac{1008}{27}$$

$$\Rightarrow (-0.75)^3 + (0.3)^{-3} - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3} = -0.421875 + 37.333333$$

$$\Rightarrow (-0.75)^3 + (0.3)^{-3} - \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3} = 36.91$$

### 3 B. Question

Find the value of each of the following expressions:

$$\frac{(8 \times (4^2)^4 \times 3^3 \times 27^2) + (9 \times 6^3 \times 4^7 \times (3^2)^3)}{(24 \times (6^2)^4 \times (2^4)^2) + (144 + (2^3)^4 \times (9^2)^2 \times 4^2)}$$

**Answer**

Using the third law of exponents, If a  $\neq 0$  is a number and m, n are integers, then  $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(8 \times (4^2)^4 \times 3^3 \times 27^2) + (9 \times 6^3 \times 4^7 \times (3^2)^3)}{(24 \times (6^2)^4 \times (2^4)^2) + (144 \times (2^3)^4 \times (9^2)^2 \times 4^2)} \\ &= \frac{(2^3 \times (4)^8 \times 3^3 \times 3^{3^2}) + (3^2 \times (2.3)^3 \times 2^{2^7} \times (3)^6)}{(8 \times 3 \times (6)^8 \times (2)^8) + (12^2 \times (2)^{12} \times (3^2)^4 \times 2^{2^2})} \end{aligned}$$

Using For a  $\neq 0$  and b  $\neq 0$ , and integer m,

$$(a \times b)^m = a^m \times b^m$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow \frac{(8 \times (4^2)^4 \times 3^3 \times 27^2) + (9 \times 6^3 \times 4^7 \times (3^2)^3)}{(24 \times (6^2)^4 \times (2^4)^2) + (144 \times (2^3)^4 \times (9^2)^2 \times 4^2)} \\ &= \frac{(2^3 \times (2^2)^8 \times 3^3 \times 3^6) + (3^2 \times (2)^3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{14} \times (3)^6)}{(2^3 \times 3 \times (2.3)^8 \times (2)^8) + ((4.3)^2 \times (2)^{12} \times (3)^8 \times 2^4)} \\ & \Rightarrow \frac{(8 \times (4^2)^4 \times 3^3 \times 27^2) + (9 \times 6^3 \times 4^7 \times (3^2)^3)}{(24 \times (6^2)^4 \times (2^4)^2) + (144 \times (2^3)^4 \times (9^2)^2 \times 4^2)} \\ &= \frac{(2^3 \times (2)^{16} \times 3^3 \times 3^6) + (3^2 \times (2)^3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{14} \times (3)^6)}{(2^3 \times 3 \times (2)^8 \times 3^8 \times (2)^8) + (2^4 \times (3)^2 \times (2)^{12} \times (3)^8 \times 2^4)} \end{aligned}$$

Using For any a  $\neq 0$ , and integers m,n,

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow \frac{(8 \times (4^2)^4 \times 3^3 \times 27^2) + (9 \times 6^3 \times 4^7 \times (3^2)^3)}{(24 \times (6^2)^4 \times (2^4)^2) + (144 \times (2^3)^4 \times (9^2)^2 \times 4^2)} \\ &= \frac{(2^{3+16} \times 3^{3+6}) + (3^{2+3+6} \times (2)^{3+14})}{(2^{3+8+8} \times 3^{8+1}) + ((2)^{12+4+4} \times (3)^{8+2})} \\ & \Rightarrow \frac{(8 \times (4^2)^4 \times 3^3 \times 27^2) + (9 \times 6^3 \times 4^7 \times (3^2)^3)}{(24 \times (6^2)^4 \times (2^4)^2) + (144 \times (2^3)^4 \times (9^2)^2 \times 4^2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{(2^{19} \times 3^9) + (3^{11} \times (2)^{17})}{(2^{19} \times 3^9) + ((2)^{20} \times (3)^{10})} \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{(8 \times (4^2)^4 \times 3^3 \times 27^2) + (9 \times 6^3 \times 4^7 \times (3^2)^3)}{(24 \times (6^2)^4 \times (2^4)^2) + (144 \times (2^3)^4 \times (9^2)^2 \times 4^2)} \\
&= \frac{(2)^{17}(2^2 \times 3^9) + 3^9(3^2 \times (2)^{17})}{(2)^{17}(2^2 \times 3^9) + (2)^{17} \times 3^9((2)^3 \times 3)} \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{(8 \times (4^2)^4 \times 3^3 \times 27^2) + (9 \times 6^3 \times 4^7 \times (3^2)^3)}{(24 \times (6^2)^4 \times (2^4)^2) + (144 \times (2^3)^4 \times (9^2)^2 \times 4^2)} = \frac{4 + 9}{4 + 8 \times 3} \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{(8 \times (4^2)^4 \times 3^3 \times 27^2) + (9 \times 6^3 \times 4^7 \times (3^2)^3)}{(24 \times (6^2)^4 \times (2^4)^2) + (144 \times (2^3)^4 \times (9^2)^2 \times 4^2)} = \frac{13}{4 + 8 \times 3} \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{(8 \times (4^2)^4 \times 3^3 \times 27^2) + (9 \times 6^3 \times 4^7 \times (3^2)^3)}{(24 \times (6^2)^4 \times (2^4)^2) + (144 \times (2^3)^4 \times (9^2)^2 \times 4^2)} = \frac{13}{28}
\end{aligned}$$

### 3 C. Question

Find the value of each of the following expressions:

$$\frac{(2^{19} \times 27^3) + (15 \times 4^9 \times 9^4)}{(6^9 \times 2^{10}) + 12^{10}}$$

**Answer**

$$\frac{(2^{19} \times 27^3) + (15 \times 4^9 \times 9^4)}{(6^9 \times 2^{10}) + 12^{10}} = \frac{(2^{19} \times 3^{3^3}) + (3 \times 5 \times 2^{2^9} \times 3^{2^4})}{((2 \times 3)^9 \times 2^{10}) + (3 \times 2^2)^{10}}$$

Using For  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , and integer  $m$ ,

$$(a \times b)^m = a^m \times b^m$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2^{19} \times 27^3) + (15 \times 4^9 \times 9^4)}{(6^9 \times 2^{10}) + 12^{10}} = \frac{(2^{19} \times 3^9) + (3 \times 5 \times 2^{18} \times 3^8)}{(2^9 \times 3^9 \times 2^{10}) + (3^{10} \times 2^{20})}$$

Using For any  $a \neq 0$ , and integers  $m, n$ ,

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2^{19} \times 27^3) + (15 \times 4^9 \times 9^4)}{(6^9 \times 2^{10}) + 12^{10}} = \frac{(2^{19} \times 3^9) + (5 \times 2^{18} \times 3^9)}{(2^{19} \times 3^9) + (3^{10} \times 2^{20})}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2^{19} \times 27^3) + (15 \times 4^9 \times 9^4)}{(6^9 \times 2^{10}) + 12^{10}} = \frac{2^{18} \times 3^9(2) + 2^{18} \times 3^9(5)}{2^{18} \times 3^9(2) + 2^{18} \times 3^9(3 \times 2^2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2^{19} \times 27^3) + (15 \times 4^9 \times 9^4)}{(6^9 \times 2^{10}) + 12^{10}} = \frac{2 + 5}{2 + 12}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2^{19} \times 27^3) + (15 \times 4^9 \times 9^4)}{(6^9 \times 2^{10}) + 12^{10}} = \frac{7}{14} \Rightarrow \frac{(2^{19} \times 27^3) + (15 \times 4^9 \times 9^4)}{(6^9 \times 2^{10}) + 12^{10}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

#### 4. Question

How many digits are there in the number  $2^3 \times 5^4 \times 20^5$ ?

#### Answer

$$2^3 \times 5^4 \times 20^5 = 2^3 \times 5^4 \times (4 \times 5)^5$$

Using For  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , and integer  $m$ ,

$$(a \times b)^m = a^m \times b^m$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 \times 5^4 \times 20^5 = 2^3 \times 5^4 \times 4^5 \times 5^5$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 \times 5^4 \times 20^5 = 2^3 \times 5^4 \times (2^2)^5 \times 5^5$$

Using third law of exponents, If  $a \neq 0$  is a number and  $m, n$  are integers, then

$$(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 \times 5^4 \times 20^5 = 2^3 \times 5^4 \times 2^{10} \times 5^5$$

Using For any  $a \neq 0$ , and integers  $m, n$ ,

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 \times 5^4 \times 20^5 = 2^{3+10} \times 5^{4+5}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 \times 5^4 \times 20^5 = 2^{13} \times 5^9$$

We know that  $2 \times 5 = 10$

$$\text{So, } 2^3 \times 5^4 \times 20^5 = (2^9 \times 5^9) \times 2^4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 \times 5^4 \times 20^5 = 10^9 \times 16$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 \times 5^4 \times 20^5 = 16000000000$$

Hence, there are 11 digits in the given number.

#### 5. Question

If  $a^7 = 3$ , find the value of 
$$\frac{(a^{-2})^{-3} \times (a^3)^4 \times (a^{-17})^{-1}}{a^7}.$$

#### Answer

Given:  $a^7 = 3$

$$\frac{(a^{-2})^{-3} \times (a^3)^4 \times (a^{-17})^{-1}}{a^7} = \frac{(a^6) \times (a^{12}) \times (a^{17})}{a^7}$$

{Using the third law of exponents, If  $a \neq 0$  is a number and  $m, n$  are integers, then  $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$ }

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a^{-2})^{-3} \times (a^3)^4 \times (a^{-17})^{-1}}{a^7} = \frac{(a^{6+12+17})}{a^7}$$

{Using For any  $a \neq 0$ , and integers  $m, n$ ,

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a^{-2})^{-3} \times (a^3)^4 \times (a^{-17})^{-1}}{a^7} = \frac{(a^{35})}{a^7}$$

For any number  $a \neq 0$  and positive integers  $m$  and  $n$ , not necessarily distinct,

$$\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a^{-2})^{-3} \times (a^3)^4 \times (a^{-17})^{-1}}{a^7} = a^{35-7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a^{-2})^{-3} \times (a^3)^4 \times (a^{-17})^{-1}}{a^7} = a^{28}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a^{-2})^{-3} \times (a^3)^4 \times (a^{-17})^{-1}}{a^7} = (a^7)^4$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a^{-2})^{-3} \times (a^3)^4 \times (a^{-17})^{-1}}{a^7} = (3)^4 = 81$$

## 6. Question

If  $2^m \times a^2 = 2^8$ , where  $a, m$  are positive integers, find all possible values of  $a + m$ .

### Answer

$$\text{Given: } 2^m \times a^2 = 2^8$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^m \times a^2 = 2^8 \times 1^2$$

$$\text{Then } a + m = 8 + 1 = 9$$

$$\text{Also, } 2^m \times a^2 = 2^4 \times 4^2$$

$$\text{Then } a + m = 4 + 4 = 8$$

Similarly,  $2^m \times a^2 = 2^2 \times 8^2$

Then  $a + m = 2 + 8 = 10$

### 7. Question

Suppose  $3^k \times b^2 = 6^4$  for some positive integers k, b. Find all possible values of k + b.

### Answer

Given:  $3^k \times b^2 = 6^4$

$$\Rightarrow 3^k \times b^2 = (2 \times 3)^4$$

Using For  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , and integer m,

$$(a \times b)^m = a^m \times b^m$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^k \times b^2 = 2^4 \times 3^4$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^k \times b^2 = 4^2 \times 3^4$$

On comparing,

$$k = 4, b = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow k+b = 8$$

### 8. Question

Find the value of  $\frac{(625)^{6.25} \times (25)^{2.60}}{(625)^{7.25} \times (5)^{1.20}}$ .

### Answer

$$\frac{625^{6.25} \times 25^{2.60}}{625^{7.25} \times 5^{1.20}} = \frac{(5^4)^{6.25} \times (5^2)^{2.60}}{(5^4)^{7.25} \times 5^{1.20}}$$

Using the third law of exponents, If  $a \neq 0$  is a number and m, n are integers, then  $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{625^{6.25} \times 25^{2.60}}{625^{7.25} \times 5^{1.20}} = \frac{5^{25} \times 5^{5.2}}{5^{29} \times 5^{1.20}}$$

Using For any  $a \neq 0$ , and integers m, n,

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{625^{6.25} \times 25^{2.60}}{625^{7.25} \times 5^{1.20}} = \frac{5^{25+5.2}}{5^{29+1.2}}$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{625^{6.25} \times 25^{2.60}}{625^{7.25} \times 5^{1.20}} = \frac{5^{30.2}}{5^{30.2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{625^{6.25} \times 25^{2.60}}{625^{7.25} \times 5^{1.20}} = 1$$

### 9. Question

A person had some rupees which is a power of 5. He gave a part of it to his friend which is also a power of 5. He was left with ₹ 500. How much did money he have?

### Answer

Let the money he have be Rs  $5^x$  and that he gave to his friend be Rs  $5^y$ , such that  $x > y$ .

According to the question,

$$5^x - 5^y = 500$$

We can see from the equation that  $5^x > 500$  because 500 is the money that he is left with.

$$\text{So } 5^x = 625$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4$$

$$\text{Then } 625 - 5^y = 500$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^y = 125$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 3$$

So, the money he had = Rs 625 and that he gave to his friend = Rs 125