Algebra 1 7.2

Use the properties of exponents to divide monomials

Simplify expressions containing negative exponents

Simplify expressions containing zero exponents

Compare measurements using order of magnitude

exponent

base

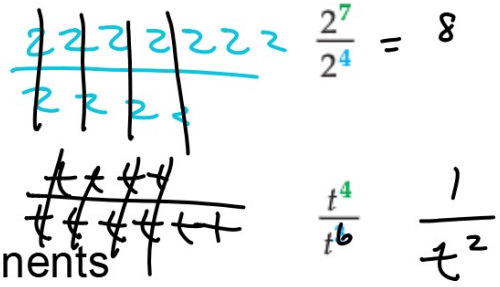
quotient

factors

negative exponent

order of magnitude

Triangle puzzle



Patterns:

10^6	1,000,000
10^5	100,000
10^4	10,000
10^3	1000
10^2	100
10^1	10
10^0	1

$(\quad)^0 = 1$

KeyConcept Zero Exponent Property

Words	Any nonzero number raised to the zero power is equal to 1.
Symbols	For any nonzero number a, $a^0 = 1$.
Examples	$15^0 = 1$ $\left(\frac{b}{c}\right)^0 = 1$ $\left(\frac{2}{7}\right)^0 = 1$

why?

replace zero powers with something =
what would that be?

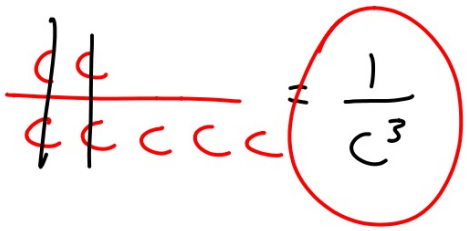
Example 3 Zero Exponent

Simplify each expression. Assume that no denominator equals zero.

a. $\left(-\frac{4n^2q^5r^2}{9n^3q^2r}\right)^0$ $= 1$

b. $\frac{x^5y^0}{x^3}$ $\frac{x^5 \cdot 1}{x^3} = \frac{xxxxx}{xxx}$ $x^2 = \frac{x^2}{1}$

Method 1

$\frac{c^2}{c^5} =$  $= \frac{1}{c^3}$

Method 2

$\frac{c^2}{c^5} = c^{2-5} = c^{-3}$

neg expon = reciprocal

An expression can only have one answer...

2^3 $2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 8$

$2^{-3} = \frac{1}{2^3} = \frac{1}{8}$

What do you think - might stand for (in this context)?

KeyConcept Negative Exponent Property

Words For any nonzero number a and any integer n, a^{-n} is the reciprocal of a^n. Also, the reciprocal of a^{-n} is a^n.

Symbols For any nonzero number a and any integer n, $a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n}$.

Examples $2^{-4} = \frac{1}{2^4} = \frac{1}{16}$ $\qquad \frac{1}{j^{-4}} = j^4$

negative exponent = code for reciprocal

Example 4 Negative Exponents

Simplify each expression. Assume that no denominator equals zero.

a. $\dfrac{n^{-5}p^4}{r^{-2}}$ $\dfrac{r^2 p^4}{n^5} =$

final answer: exponents positive, no zero exponents

b. $\dfrac{5t^4u^5}{-20r^2t^7r^3}$

final answer: exponents positive
no zero exponents

$\dfrac{5t^4u^5}{-20r^2t^7r^3}$ $= \dfrac{5\,t\,t\,t\,t\,u\,u\,u\,u\,u}{-20\,r\,r\,t\,t\,t\,t\,t\,t\,t\,r\,r\,r}$

$\dfrac{-1\,u^5}{4\,r^5t^3} = -\dfrac{1}{4}\dfrac{u^5}{r^5t^3}$

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final answer: exponents positive
no zero exponents

Simplify each expression. Assume that no denominator equals zero.

4A. $\frac{wx^2y^6}{w^6v^3}$

4B. $\frac{32a^8b^3c^4}{4a^3b^5c^2}$ c^2 a^8 c^4

4C. $\frac{5j^{-3}k^2m^{-6}}{25k^{-4}m^{-2}}$

$\frac{w\,x\,x\,y\,y\,y\,y\,y\,y}{w\,v\,v\,v}$

$\frac{32\,b\,b\,b\,c\,c}{4\,a\,a\,a\,b\,b\,b\,b\,b\,b\,a\,a\,a\,a\,a\,a\,a\,a\,c\,c\,c}$

1. $\frac{x^2y^6}{v^3}$

$\frac{8}{a^6b^2c^2}$

$$\frac{(3x^2)^2 y^3}{24y} \quad \frac{(3xx)(3xx)yyyxx}{24y}$$

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$$\frac{9x^6y^2}{24}$$

$$\frac{3x^6y^2}{8}$$