

Algebra 1 7.2

Use the properties of exponents to divide monomials

$$\frac{2^7}{2^4}$$

Simplify expressions containing negative exponents

$$\frac{t^4}{t^3}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{t} \cancel{t} \cancel{t} t}{\cancel{t} \cancel{t} \cancel{t}} = t = t^1$$

Simplify expressions containing zero exponents

Compare measurements using order of magnitude

base

quotient

factors

negative exponent

order of magnitude

$$\frac{\cancel{2} \cancel{2} \cancel{2} \cancel{2} 2 2 2}{\cancel{2} \cancel{2} \cancel{2} \cancel{2}} = 2^3 = 8$$

Triangle puzzle

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$$\frac{9}{12}$$

$$\left(\frac{5x^2y}{6}\right)\left(\frac{5x^2y}{6}\right) = \frac{25}{36}x^4y^2$$

Simplify each expression.

2A. $\left(\frac{3x^4}{4}\right)^3$

2B. $\left(\frac{5x^5y}{6}\right)^2$

2C. $\left(\frac{2y^2}{3z^3}\right)^2$

2D. $\left(\frac{4x^3}{5y^4}\right)^3$

$$\left(\frac{3xxx}{4}\right)\left(\frac{3xxx}{4}\right)\left(\frac{3xxx}{4}\right) = \frac{27x^{12}}{64}$$

$$\frac{25x^{10}y^2}{36}$$

KeyConcept Zero Exponent Property

Words Any nonzero number raised to the zero power is equal to 1. why?

Symbols For any nonzero number a , $a^0 = 1$.

Examples $15^0 = \underline{1}$ $\left(\frac{b}{c}\right)^0 = 1$ $\left(\frac{2}{7}\right)^0 = 1$

$$\frac{b^2 x^3}{x^2 b^2} = \frac{\cancel{b} \cdot \cancel{b} \cdot \cancel{x} \cdot \cancel{x} \cdot \cancel{x}}{\cancel{x} \cdot \cancel{x} \cdot \cancel{b} \cdot \cancel{b}} = \cancel{x}$$

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3A. $\frac{b^4 c^2 d^0}{b^2 c}$

$$\begin{array}{r} b \cdot b \cdot b \cdot b \cdot c \cdot 1 \\ \hline b \cdot b \cdot \cancel{d} \\ \hline 1 \cdot b^2 c \\ \hline b^2 c \end{array}$$

3B. $\left(\frac{2f^4 g^7 h^3}{15f^3 g^9 h^6} \right)^0$

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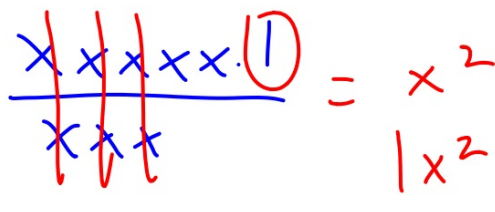
replace zero powers with something =
what would that be?

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. $\frac{x^5y^0}{x^3}$



$= \frac{x^2 \cdot 1}{1} = x^2$

Method 1 $()^0 = 1$ -c Method 2

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

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

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An expression can only have one answer...

$\text{exp} = \text{neg} \rightarrow \text{move}$

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

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

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

$$\frac{1}{j^{-4}} = j^4$$

$$\frac{1}{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{16}$$

negative exponent = code for reciprocal

$$\frac{j \cdot j \cdot j \cdot j}{1} = j^4$$

Example 4 Negative Exponents

Simplify each expression. Assume that no denominator equals zero.

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

$\frac{p p p p r r}{n n n n n}$

$= \frac{p^4 r^2}{n^5}$

final answer: exponents positive,
no zero exponents

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

final answer: exponents positive
no zero exponents

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \cancel{t} \cancel{t} \cancel{t} \cancel{t} u u u u u \\ - 4 r r r r r \cancel{t} \cancel{t} \cancel{t} \cancel{t} \cancel{t} \cancel{t} \\ \hline - \frac{1 u^5}{4 r^5 t^3} \end{array}$$

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final answer: exponents positive
no zero exponents

Simplify each expression. Assume that no denominator equals zero.

4A. $\frac{v^{-3}wx^2}{wy^{-6}}$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \cancel{w} \cancel{x} \cancel{x} \cancel{y} \cancel{y} \cancel{y} \cancel{y} \cancel{y} \cancel{y} \\ \cancel{v} \cancel{v} \cancel{v} \cancel{y} \\ x^2 y^6 \\ \hline v^3 \end{array}}$$

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

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} 8 \cancel{b} \cancel{b} \cancel{b} \cancel{b} \cancel{c} \cancel{c} \\ aaaaaa \\ \hline 8 \\ a''c^2b^2 \end{array}}$$

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

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} 5 \\ \hline 25 \end{array} \frac{\begin{array}{c} k k k k k k \\ j j j m m m m m \end{array}}{\begin{array}{c} 1 k^6 \\ 5 j^3 m^4 \end{array}} = \frac{k^6}{5 j^3 m^4}$$