

Indices and surds

\sqrt{a} surd form
 $a^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Index form

Prime factorisation

1) $\sqrt{18} = 2\sqrt{2}$
 $\sqrt{2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 3}$

$2 \times 2 \times 3$

2	3
2	2
2	2
	1

2) $4\sqrt{12} = 4\sqrt{2 \times 2 \times 3} = 8\sqrt{3}$

3) $\sqrt{24} = 2\sqrt{6}$

4) $\sqrt{72} = 6\sqrt{2}$

5) $6\sqrt{27} = 18\sqrt{3}$

6) $3\sqrt{15} = 3\sqrt{15}$

Rationalisation

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

↳ have to change this so multiply it by the same thing

$\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$

$$\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{6\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{5\sqrt{6}}{12}$$

$$\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}-1} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}+1} \Rightarrow \frac{3\sqrt{2}+3}{2+1} \Rightarrow \frac{3(\sqrt{2}+1)}{3} \Rightarrow \boxed{\sqrt{2}+1}$$

↳ use 3rd identity

Expand & Simplify

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} (2+4\sqrt{2})^2 &= 2^2 + 2(2)(4\sqrt{2}) + (4\sqrt{2})^2 \\ &= 4 + 16\sqrt{2} + 32 \\ &= \boxed{36 + 16\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} (5-3\sqrt{2})^2 &= 25 - 2(3\sqrt{2})(5) + (3\sqrt{2})^2 \\ &= 25 - 30\sqrt{2} + 18 \\ &= \boxed{43 - 30\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} (3-4\sqrt{2})^2 &= 9 - 24\sqrt{2} + 32 \\ &= \boxed{41 - 24\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} (1+2\sqrt{5})^2 &= 1 + 4\sqrt{5} + 20 \\ &= \boxed{21 + 4\sqrt{5}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c)} (2^{2-n})(4^{2n+3}) &= 2^3 \\ (2^{2-n})(2^{4n+6}) &= 2^3 \\ 2^{3n+8} &= 2^3 \\ 3n+8 &= 3 \\ 3n &= -5 \\ n &= \boxed{-5/3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(4g)} 2^{3n} \times 4^{n+2} &= 64 \\ 2^{3n} \times 2^{2n+2} &= 2^6 \\ 2^{5n+2} &= 2^6 \\ 5n+2 &= 6 \\ 5n &= 4 \\ n &= 0.8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} 2^{3n+1} \times 8^{n-1} &= 128 \\ 2^{3n+1} \times 2^{3n-3} &= 2^7 \\ 2^{6n-2} &= 2^7 \\ 6n-2 &= 7 \\ 6n &= 9 \\ n &= 5/6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{d)} 3^{n+2} \times 3^{4-2n} &= 3^{-3} \\ 3^{-n+5} &= 3^{-3} \\ -n+5 &= -3 \\ -n &= -8 \\ n &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

5a)

$$\frac{3^{6n}}{3^{5-n}} = \frac{3^{2n+1}}{3^{2n+6}}$$

$$3^{6n-(5-n)} = 3^{(2n+1)-(2n+6)}$$

$$3^{7n-5} = 3^{-5}$$

$$7n-5 = -5$$

$$n = 0$$

$$4(3^{2n}) = 15 + 7(3^n)$$

$$4a^2 = 15 + 7a$$

$$4a^2 - 7a - 15 = 0$$

$$4a^2 - 12a + 5a - 15 = 0$$

$$4a(a-3) + 5(a-3) = 0$$

$$(a-3)(4a+5) = 0$$

$$a = 3$$

$$a = -\frac{5}{4}$$

$$2(2^{2n}) - 7(2^n) - 4 = 0$$

$$2y^2 - 7y - 4 = 0$$

$$2y^2 - 8y + y - 4 = 0$$

$$2y(y-4) + 1(y-4) = 0$$

$$(y-4)(y+1) = 0$$

$$y = 4$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$2^n = 4$$

$$2^n = 4$$

$$n = 2$$

$$3^n = 9$$

$$3^n = 3^1$$

$$n = 1$$

$$3^n = -\frac{4}{5}$$

not possible