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MATH 101	"Stop touching things." –Mandalorian, The Mandalorian	
Spring 2022		
HW 3: Due 02/15		

**Problem 1.** (10pt) Is the following statement true or false, explain: *Any* number to the zero power is 1, i.e.  $x^0 = 1$  for all real numbers x.

**Problem 2.** (10pt) Is the following statement true or false, explain:  $\frac{1}{x^{-3}} = \frac{1}{x \cdot x \cdot x}$ 

**Problem 3.** (10pt) Is the following statement true or false, explain using words and a calculator computation:  $\sqrt[3]{2}$  is the number that when cubed yields 2.

**Problem 4.** (10pt) Showing all your work, simplify the following as much as possible:

- (a)  $(x^{-2}y^5)^3$
- (b)  $\frac{x^{-3}y^4}{x^3y^5}$ (c)  $x(x^5y)^2y^{-6}$

**Problem 5.** (10pt) Showing all your work, simplify the following as much as possible:

(a) 
$$\left(\frac{x^3}{y^{-1}}\right)^{-1}$$

(b) 
$$\frac{(x^2y)^0x^4}{(y^3)^2}$$

(c) 
$$\frac{(x^{-3}y^4)^{-5}x^2y}{x^{-2}y^0}$$

**Problem 6.** (10pt) Showing all your work, simplify the following as much as possible:

- (a)  $(x^7y^8)^{1/2}$
- (b)  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^5}}{\sqrt[3]{y^2}}\right)^4$ (c)  $\frac{x(x^{3/2}y^{2/3})^2}{(x^6y)^{1/3}}$

**Problem 7.** (10pt) Showing all your work, simplify the following as much as possible:

(a) 
$$\frac{(y\sqrt{x})^4}{\sqrt{y} \, x^{-3/2}}$$

(b) 
$$(\sqrt[3]{yx^2})^2(yx^2)^{1/3}$$

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(c)  $\left(\frac{x^4}{y^7}\right)^{-2/3}$ 

**Problem 8.** (10pt) Showing all your work, simplify the following as much as possible:

- (a)  $\sqrt{72}$
- (b)  $\sqrt{180}$
- (c)  $\sqrt{500}$

**Problem 9.** (10pt) Showing all your work, simplify the following as much as possible:

- (a)  $\frac{\sqrt{60}}{3}$
- (b)  $\sqrt[3]{80}$
- (c)  $\sqrt[4]{2^{12} \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^9 \cdot 7^4}$

**Problem 10.** (10pt) Rationalize the following fractions:

- (a)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$
- (b)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$
- (c)  $\frac{4}{1-\sqrt{2}}$
- (d)  $\frac{6}{3+\sqrt{6}}$
- (e)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{4}}$