

Exercise 2.1

Question 1. Express each of the following as a rational number of the form $\frac{p}{q}$, where p and q are integers and $q \neq 0$ \therefore

(i) 2^{-3}

(ii) $(-4)^{-2}$

(iii) $\frac{1}{3^{-2}}$

(iv) $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-5}$

(v) $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-2}$

Answer:

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

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

$$\text{(iii)} \frac{1}{3^{-2}} = 3^2 = 9$$

$$\text{(iv)} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-5} = 2^5 = 32$$

$$\text{(v)} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-2} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{4}$$

Question 2. Find the values of the following:

$$\text{(i)} 3^{-1} + 4^{-1}$$

$$\text{(ii)} (3^0 + 4^{-1}) \times 2^2$$

$$\text{(iii)} (3^{-1} + 4^{-1} + 5^{-1})^0$$

$$\text{(iv)} \left(\left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{-1} - \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^{-1} \right)^{-1}$$

Answer:

(i) We know from the property of powers that for every natural number a , $a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} 3^{-1} + 4^{-1} &= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \\ &= \frac{4+3}{12} \\ &= \frac{7}{12} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) We know from the property of powers that for every natural number a , $a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$.

Moreover, a^0 is 1 for every natural number a not equal to 0. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} & (3^0 + 4^{-1}) \times 2^2 \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\right) \times 4 \\ &= \frac{5}{4} \times 4 \\ &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) We know from the property of powers that for every natural number a , $a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$.

Moreover, a^0 is 1 for every natural number a not equal to 0. Then,

$$(3^{-1} + 4^{-1} + 5^{-1})^0 = 1 \quad \rightarrow (\text{Ignore the expression inside the bracket and use } a^0 = 1)$$

(iv) We know from the property of powers that for every natural number a , $a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$.

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-1} - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1} \right)^{-1} = (3-4)^{-1} \\ &= (-1)^{-1} \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Question 3. Find the value of each of the following:

$$(i) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-1} + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1}$$

$$(ii) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-2} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-2} + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-2}$$

$$(iii) \left(2^{-1} \times 4^{-4}\right) \div 2^{-2}$$

$$(iv) \left(5^{-1} \times 2^{-1}\right) \div 6^{-1}$$

Answer:

$$(i) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-1} + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$= 2 + 3 + 4 = 12$$

$$(ii) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-2} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-2} + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-2}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{9}} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{16}}$$

$$= 4 + 9 + 16 = 29$$

$$\text{(iii)} \quad (2^{-1} \times 4^{-4}) \div 2^{-2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \div \frac{1}{2^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \times 4 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{(iv)} \quad (5^{-1} \times 2^{-1}) \div 6^{-1}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{2} \right) \div \frac{1}{6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} \times 6 = \frac{3}{5}$$

Question 4. Simplify:

$$\text{(i)} \quad (4^{-1} \times 3^{-1})^2$$

$$\text{(ii)} \quad (5^{-1} \div 6^{-1})^3$$

$$\text{(iii)} \quad (2^{-1} + 3^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$\text{(iv)} \quad (3^{-1} + 4^{-1})^{-1} \times 5^{-1}$$

Answer:

$$(i) (4^{-1} \times 3^{-1})^2$$

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

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

$$= \left(\frac{1^2}{12^2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{24}\right)$$

$$(ii) (5^{-1} \div 6^{-1})^3$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{5} \div \frac{1}{6}\right)^3$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{5} \times 6\right)^3$$

$$= \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)^3 = \frac{216}{125}$$

$$(iii) (2^{-1} + 3^{-1})^{-1}$$

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

$$= \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\frac{5}{6}}\right) = \frac{6}{5}$$

$$(iv) (3^{-1} + 4^{-1})^{-1} \times 5^{-1}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1} \times \frac{1}{5}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)^{-1} \times \frac{1}{5} = \frac{12}{5}$$

Question 5. Simplify:

$$(i) (3^2 + 2^2) \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3$$

$$(ii) (3^2 - 2^2) \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-3}$$

$$(iii) \left(\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-3} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-3} \right) \div \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-3}$$

$$(iv) (2^2 + 3^2 - 4^2) \div \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2$$

Answer:

$$(i) (3^2 + 2^2) \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3$$

$$= (9 + 4) \times \frac{1}{8} = \frac{13}{8}$$

$$(ii) (3^2 - 2^2) \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-3}$$

$$= (9 - 4) \times \frac{1}{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3}$$

$$= 5 \times \frac{1}{\left(\frac{8}{27}\right)} = \frac{135}{8}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii)} \quad & \left(\left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{-3} - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{-3} \right) \div \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^{-3} \\
 &= (3^3 - 2^3) \div 4^3 \\
 &= (27 - 8) \div 64 \\
 &= 19 \times \frac{1}{64} = \frac{19}{64}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iv)} \quad & (2^2 + 3^2 - 4^2) \div \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^2 \\
 &= (4 + 9 - 16) \div \left(\frac{9}{4} \right) \\
 &= -3 \times \frac{4}{9} = -\frac{4}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 6. By what number should 5^{-1} be multiplies so that the product may be equal to -7^{-1} ?

Answer:

Using the property $a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$ for every natural number a , we have $5^{-1} = \frac{1}{5}$ and $(-7)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{7}$. We have to find a number x such that

$$\frac{1}{5} \times x = -\frac{1}{7}$$

Multiply bith sides by 5, we get

$$x = \frac{-5}{7}$$

Hence, the required number is $\frac{-5}{7}$

Question 7. By what number should $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1}$ be multiplies so that the product may be equal to $\left(-\frac{4}{7}\right)^{-1}$?

Answer:

Using the property $a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$ for every natural number a, we have $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1} = 2$ and $\left(\frac{-4}{7}\right)^{-1} = \frac{-7}{4}$.

We have to find the number x such that

$$2x = \frac{-7}{4}$$

Dividing both sides by 2, we get

$$x = \frac{-7}{8}$$

Hence, the required number is $\frac{-7}{8}$.

Question 8. By what number should $(-15)^{-1}$ be multiplies so that the product may be equal to $(-5)^{-1}$.

Answer:

Using the property $a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$ for every natural number a, we have $(-15)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{15}$ and $(-5)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{5}$. We have to find a number x such that

$$\frac{-\frac{1}{15}}{\frac{x}{1}} = \frac{-1}{5}$$

$$\text{Or } \frac{1}{15} \times \frac{1}{x} = -\frac{-1}{5}$$

$$\text{Or } x = \frac{1}{3}$$

Hence, $(-15)^{-1}$ should be divided by $\frac{1}{3}$ to obtain $(-5)^{-1}$.

Exercise 2.2

Q1. Write each of the following in exponential form:

$$(i) \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

$$(ii) \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2}$$

Solution:

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

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-4}$$

$$(ii) \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-1+(-2)+(-2)}$$

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-6}$$

Q2. Evaluate:

$$(i) 5^{-2}$$

$$(ii) (-3)^{-2}$$

$$(iii) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-4}$$

$$(iv) \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

Solution:

$$(i) 5^{-2} = \frac{1}{5^2} = \frac{1}{25}$$

$$(ii) (-3)^{-2} = \frac{1}{(-3)^2} = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$(iii) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-4} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{81}} = 81$$

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

Q3. Express each of the following as a rational number in the form $\frac{p}{q}$:

$$(i) 6^{-1}$$

$$(ii) -7^{-1}$$

$$(iii) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1}$$

$$(iv) (-4)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{-3}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

$$(v) \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

Solution:

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

$$(ii) -7^{-1} = \frac{1}{-7} = \frac{-1}{7}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{-4} \times = \frac{2}{-3} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$(v) \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{\frac{3}{5}} \times \frac{1}{\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{5}{3} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Q4. Simplify:

$$(i) \{4^{-1} \times 3^{-1}\}^2$$

$$(ii) \{5^{-1} \div 6^{-1}\}^3$$

$$(iii) \{2^{-1} + 3^{-1}\}^{-1}$$

$$(iv) \{3^{-1} + 4^{-1}\}^{-1} \times 5^{-1}$$

$$(v) \{4^{-1} + 5^{-1}\}^{-1} + 3^{-1}$$

Solution:

$$(i) \{4^{-1} \times 3^{-1}\}^2 = \left(\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \\ = \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{144}\right)$$

$$(ii) (5^{-1} \div 6^{-1})^3 = \left(\frac{1}{5} \div \frac{1}{6}\right)^3 \\ = \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{216}{125}\right)$$

$$(iii) \{2^{-1} + 3^{-1}\}^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\right)^{-1} \\ = \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)$$

$$(iv) \{3^{-1} + 4^{-1}\}^{-1} \times 5^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1} \times \frac{1}{5} \\ = \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)^{-1} \times \frac{1}{5} \\ = 12 \times \frac{1}{5} = \frac{12}{5}$$

$$(v) \{4^{-1} + 5^{-1}\}^{-1} + 3^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5}\right)^{-1} \div \frac{1}{3} \\ = \left(\frac{5+4}{20}\right)^{-1} \times 3 \\ = \frac{1}{20} \times 3 = \frac{3}{20}$$

Q5. Express each of the following rational numbers with a negative exponent:

(i) $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3$

(ii) $(3)^5$

(iii) $\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^4$

(iv) $\left\{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4\right\}^{-3}$

(v) $\left\{\left(\frac{7}{4}\right)^4\right\}^{-3}$

Solution:

(i) $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3$

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

(ii) $(3)^5$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-5}$$

(iii) $\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^4$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} & \left\{ \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^4 \right\}^{-3} \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^{-12} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} & \left\{ \left(\frac{7}{4} \right)^4 \right\}^{-3} \\ &= \left(\frac{7}{4} \right)^{-12} \end{aligned}$$

Q6. Express each of the following rational numbers with a positive exponent.

$$\text{(i)} \left(\frac{3}{4} \right)^{-2}$$

$$\text{(ii)} \left(\frac{5}{4} \right)^{-3}$$

$$\text{(iii)} 4^3 \times 4^{-9}$$

$$\text{(iv)} \left\{ \left(\frac{4}{3} \right)^{-3} \right\}^{-4}$$

$$\text{(v)} \left\{ \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^4 \right\}^{-2}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{-2} \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad & \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-3} \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad & 4^3 \times 4^{-9} \\ &= 4^{3-9} = 4^{-6} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} \quad & \left\{ \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-3} \right\}^{-4} \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-4 \times -3} \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{12} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} \quad & \left\{ \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4 \right\}^{-2} \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{4 \times -2} \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-8} \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^8 \end{aligned}$$

Q7. Simplify:

$$(i) \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{-3} - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{-3} \right\} \div \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^{-3}$$

$$(ii) (3^2 - 2^2) \times \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^{-3}$$

$$(iii) \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{-1} \times (-4)^{-1} \right\}^{-1}$$

$$(iv) \left[\left\{ \left(\frac{-1}{4} \right)^2 \right\}^{-2} \right]^{-1}$$

$$(v) \left\{ \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^2 \right\}^3 \times \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{-4} \times 3^{-1} \times 6^{-1}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}(i) & \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{-3} - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{-3} \right\} \div \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^{-3} = \left(\frac{1}{(1/3)^3} - \frac{1}{(1/2)^3} \right) \div \frac{1}{(1/4)^3} \\&= \left(\frac{1}{(1/27)} - \frac{1}{(1/8)} \right) \div \frac{1}{(1/64)} \\&= \left(\frac{27}{1} - \frac{8}{1} \right) \div 64 \\&= (19) \times \frac{1}{64} \\&= \frac{19}{64}\end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned}(3^2-2^2) \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-3} &= (9-4) \times \frac{1}{(2/3)^2} \\&= 5 \times \frac{27}{8} \\&= \frac{135}{8}\end{aligned}$$

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1} \times (-4)^{-1}\right)^{-1} &= \left(\left(\frac{1}{1/2}\right) \times \left(\frac{1}{-4}\right)\right)^{-1} \\&= \left(2 \times \left(\frac{1}{-4}\right)\right)^{-1} \\&= \left(\frac{1}{-2}\right) \\&= \frac{1}{1/(-2)} \\&= -2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{(iv)} \quad \left(\left(\left(\frac{-1}{4}\right)^2\right)^{-2}\right)^{-1} &= \left(\left(\frac{(-1)^2}{4^2}\right)^{-2}\right)^{-1} \\&= \left(\left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^{-2}\right)^{-1} \\&= \left(\left(\frac{1}{(1/16)^2}\right)\right)^{-1} \\&= \left(\frac{1}{(1/256)}\right)^{-1} \\&= 256^{-1} = \frac{1}{256}\end{aligned}$$

(v)

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^2 \right\}^3 \times \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{-4} \times 3^{-1} \times 6^{-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{2^2}{3^2} \right)^3 \times \frac{1}{(1/3)^4} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{6} \\ &= \frac{4^3}{9^3} \times 81 \times \frac{1}{18} \\ &= \frac{64}{729} \times 81 \times \frac{1}{18} \\ &= \frac{64}{9} \times \frac{1}{18} \\ &= 64 \times \frac{1}{162} \\ &= \frac{64}{162} \\ &= \frac{32}{81} \end{aligned}$$

Q8. By what number should 5^{-1} be multiplies so that the product may be equal to $(-7)^{-1}$?

Solution:

Expressing in fraction form, we get:

$$5^{-1} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{And } (-7)^{-1} = \frac{1}{-7}$$

We have to find a number x such that

$$\frac{1}{5}x = \frac{-1}{7}$$

Multiplying both side by 5, we get:

$$x = -\frac{5}{7}$$

Hence, 5^{-1} be multiplied by $-\frac{5}{7}$ to obtain $(-7)^{-1}$.

Q9. By what number should $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1}$ be multiplies so that the product may be equal to $\left(\frac{-4}{7}\right)^{-1}$?

Solution:

Expressing in fraction form, we get

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

$$\text{And } \left(\frac{-4}{7}\right)^{-1} = \frac{7}{-4}$$

And $\left(\frac{-7}{7}\right)^{-1} = -\frac{7}{4}$

We have to find a number x such that:

$$2x = -\frac{7}{4}$$

Dividing both side by 2, we get

$$x = -\frac{7}{8}$$

Hence, $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1}$ should be multiplies by $-\frac{7}{8}$ to obtain $\left(\frac{-4}{7}\right)^{-1}$.

Q10. By what number should $(-15)^{-1}$ be divided so that the quotient may be equal to $(-5)^{-1}$

Solution:

Expressing in fraction form, we get:

$$(-15)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{15} \quad (\text{using } a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a})$$

And

$$(-5)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{5} \quad (\text{using } a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a})$$

We have to find a number xx such that

$$-\frac{1}{15} \div x = -\frac{1}{5}$$

Solving this equation, we get:

$$-\frac{1}{15} \times \frac{1}{x} = -\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{15} = -\frac{x}{5} - \frac{5}{-15} = x \quad x = \frac{1}{3}$$

Hence, $(-15)^{-1}$ should be divided by $\frac{1}{3}$ to obtain $(-5)^{-1}$

Q11. By what number should $\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{-2}$ be multiplies so that the product may be $\left(\frac{7}{3}\right)^{-1}$?

Solution:

Expressing as a positive exponent, we have:

$$\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{-2} = \frac{1}{(5/3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{25/9}$$

$$= \frac{9}{25}$$

and

$$= \left(\frac{7}{3}\right)^{-1} = \frac{3}{7}$$

We have to find a number x such that

$$\frac{9}{25} \times x = \frac{3}{7}$$

Multiplying both sides by $25/9$, we get:

$$x = \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{25}{9} = \frac{1}{7} \times \frac{25}{3} = \frac{25}{21}$$

Hence, $\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{-2}$ should be multiplied by $\frac{25}{21}$ to obtain $\left(\frac{7}{3}\right)^{-1}$.

Q12. Find x , if:

$$(i) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-4} \times \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-8} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-4x}$$

$$(ii) \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-19} \times \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^8 = \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-2x+1}$$

$$(iii) \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^5 = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{2x+1}$$

$$(iv) \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-3} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{15} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{2+3x}$$

$$(v) \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-x} \div \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-4} = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^5$$

$$(vi) \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{2x+1} \times \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^5 = \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{x+2}$$

Answer:

(i) We have:

$$\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-4} \times \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-8} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-4x}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-12} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-4x}$$

$$-12 = -4x$$

$$3 = x$$

Therefore, $x = 3$

(ii) We have:

$$\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-19} \times \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^8 = \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-2x+1}$$

$$\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-11} = \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-2x+1}$$

$$-11 = -2x + 1$$

$$-12 = -2x$$

$$6 = x$$

Therefore, $x = 6$

(iii) We have:

$$\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^5 = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{2x+1}$$

$$\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{2x+1}$$

$$2 = 2x + 1$$

$$1 = 2x$$

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

Therefore, $x = \frac{1}{2}$

(iv) We have:

$$\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-3} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{15} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{2+3x}$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{12} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{2x+1}$$

$$12 = 2 + 3x$$

$$10 = 3x$$

$$\frac{10}{3} = x$$

$$\text{Therefore, } x = \frac{10}{3}$$

(v) We have:

$$\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-x} \div \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-4} = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^5$$

$$\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-x+4} = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^5$$

$$-x + 4 = 5$$

$$-x = 1$$

$$x = -1$$

$$\text{Therefore, } x = -1$$

(vi) We have:

$$\left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{2x+1} \times \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^5 = \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{x+2}$$

$$\left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{2x+6} = \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{x+2}$$

$$2x + 6 = x + 2$$

$$x = -4$$

$$\text{Therefore, } x = -4$$

Q13.

(i) if $x = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-4}$, find the value of x^{-2} .

(ii) If $x = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{-2} \div \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2$, find the value of x^{-1} .

Answer:

(i) First, we have to find x .

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-4} \\&= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4 \\&= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^6\end{aligned}$$

Hence, x^{-2} is:

$$\begin{aligned}x^{-2} &= \left(\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^6\right)^{-2} \\&= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-12} \\&= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{12}\end{aligned}$$

(ii) First we will have to find x .

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{-2} \div \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 \\&= \left(\frac{4^{-2}}{5^{-2}}\right) \times 4^2 \\&= \frac{4^0}{5^{-2}} \\&= (5^2)^{-1} \\&= \frac{1}{5^2}\end{aligned}$$

Q14. Find the value of x for which $5^{2x} \div 5^{-3} = 5^5$.

Answer: We have:

$$5^{2x} \div 5^{-3} = 5^5$$

$$5^{2x+3} = 5^5$$

$$2x + 3 = 5$$

$$2x = 2$$

$$x = 1$$

Hence, x is 1.

Exercise 2.3

1. Express the following numbers in standard form:

(i) 6020000000000000

(ii) 0.0000000000943

(iii) 0.00000000085

(iv) 846×10^7

(v) 3759×10^{-4}

(vi) 0.00072984

(vii) 0.000437×10^4

(viii) $4 \div 100000$

Answers:

To express a number in the standard form, move the decimal point such that there is only one digit to the left of the decimal point.

(i) $6020000000000000 = 6.02 \times 10^{15}$ (The decimal point is moved 15 places to the left.)

(ii) $0.0000000000943 = 9.43 \times 10^{-12}$ (The decimal point is moved 12 places to the right.)

(iii) $0.00000000085 = 8.5 \times 10^{-10}$ (The decimal point is moved 10 places to the right.)

(iv) $846 \times 10^7 = 8.46 \times 10^2 \times 10^7 = 8.46 \times 10^9$ (The decimal point is moved two places to the left.)

(v) $3759 \times 10^{-4} = 3.759 \times 10^3 \times 10^{-4} = 3.759 \times 10^{-1}$ (The decimal point is moved three places to the left.)

(vi) $0.00072984 = 7.984 \times 10^{-4}$ (The decimal point is moved four places to the right.)

(vii) $0.000437 \times 10^4 = 4.37 \times 10^{-4} \times 10^4 = 4.37 \times 10^0 = 4.37$ (The decimal point is moved four places to the right.)

(viii) $4 \div 100000 = 4 \times 100000^{-1} = 4 \times 10^{-5}$ (Just count the number of zeros in 1,00,000 to determine the exponent of 10.)

2. Write the following numbers in the usual form:

(i) 4.83×10^7

(ii) 3.02×10^{-6}

(iii) 4.5×10^4

(iv) 3×10^{-8}

(v) 1.0001×10^9

(vi) 5.8×10^2

(vii) 3.61492×10^6

(viii) 3.25×10^{-7}

Answers:

(i) $4.83 \times 10^7 = 4.83 \times 1,00,00,000 = 4,83,00,000$

(ii) $3.02 \times 10^{-6} = \frac{3.02}{10^6} = \frac{3.02}{10,00,000} = 0.00000302$

(iii) $4.5 \times 10^4 = 4.5 \times 10,000 = 45,000$

(iv) $3 \times 10^{-8} = \frac{3}{8} = \frac{3}{10,00,00,000} = 0.00000003$

(v) $1.0001 \times 10^9 = 1.0001 \times 1,00,00,00,000 = 1,00,01,00,000$

(vi) $5.8 \times 10^2 = 5.8 \times 100 = 580$

(vii) $3.61492 \times 10^6 = 3.61492 \times 10,00,000 = 3614920$

(viii) $3.25 \times 10^{-7} = \frac{3.25}{10^7} = \frac{3.25}{1,00,00,000} = 0.000000325$