

CHAPTER 1 NUMBER SYSTEMS

EXERCISE 1.5

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Question 1. Find :

(i) $64^{\frac{1}{2}}$

(ii) $32^{\frac{1}{5}}$

(iii) $125^{\frac{1}{3}}$

Solution :

(i) $64^{\frac{1}{2}}$

We know that

$$a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}, \text{ where } a > 0.$$

We conclude that $64^{\frac{1}{2}}$ can also be written as

$$\sqrt[2]{64} = \sqrt[2]{8 \times 8}$$

$$\sqrt[2]{64} = \sqrt[2]{8 \times 8} = 8.$$

Therefore, the value of $64^{\frac{1}{2}}$ will be 8.

(ii) $32^{\frac{1}{5}}$

We know that

$$a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}, \text{ where } a > 0.$$

We conclude that $32^{\frac{1}{5}}$ can also be written as

$$\sqrt[5]{32} = \sqrt[5]{2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2}$$

$$\sqrt[5]{32} = \sqrt[5]{2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2} = 2$$

Therefore, the value of $32^{\frac{1}{5}}$ will be 2.

(iii) $125^{\frac{1}{3}}$

We know that

$$a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}, \text{ where } a > 0.$$

We conclude that $125^{\frac{1}{3}}$ can also be written as

$$\sqrt[3]{125} = \sqrt[3]{5 \times 5 \times 5}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{125} = \sqrt[3]{5 \times 5 \times 5} = 5$$

Therefore, the value of $125^{\frac{1}{3}}$ will be 5.

Question 2. Find:

(i) $9^{\frac{3}{2}}$

(ii) $32^{\frac{2}{5}}$

(iii) $16^{\frac{3}{4}}$

(iv) $125^{\frac{-1}{3}}$

Solution :

(i) $9^{\frac{3}{2}}$

We know that

$$a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}, \text{ where } a > 0.$$

We conclude that $9^{\frac{3}{2}}$ can also be written as

$$\sqrt[2]{(9)^3} = \sqrt[2]{9 \times 9 \times 9} = \sqrt[2]{3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3}$$

$$\sqrt[2]{(9)^3} = \sqrt{3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3}$$

$$= 3 \times 3 \times 3$$

$$= 27$$

Therefore, the value of $9^{\frac{3}{2}}$ will be 27.

(ii) $32^{\frac{2}{5}}$

We know that

$$a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}, \text{ where } a > 0.$$

We conclude that $32^{\frac{2}{5}}$ can also be written as

$$\sqrt[5]{(32)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt[5]{(2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2)(2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2)}$$

$$= 2 \times 2$$

$$= 4$$

Therefore, the value of $32^{\frac{2}{5}}$ will be 4.

(iii) $16^{\frac{3}{4}}$

We know that

$$a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}, \text{ where } a > 0.$$

We conclude that $16^{\frac{3}{4}}$ can also be written as

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt[4]{(16)^3} \\ &= \sqrt[4]{(2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2)(2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2)(2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2)} \\ &= 2 \times 2 \times 2 \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the value of $16^{\frac{3}{4}}$ will be 8.

(iv) $125^{\frac{-1}{3}}$

We know that

$$a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n}$$

We conclude that $125^{\frac{-1}{3}}$ can also be written as $\frac{1}{125^{\frac{1}{3}}}$, or $\left(\frac{1}{125}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$.

We know that

$$a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a}, \text{ where } a > 0.$$

We know that $\left(\frac{1}{125}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$ can also be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{1}{125}\right)} &= \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{1}{5 \times 5 \times 5}\right)} \\ &= \frac{1}{5}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the value of $125^{\frac{-1}{3}}$ will be $\frac{1}{5}$.

Question 3. Simplify :

(i) $2^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$

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

$$(iii) \frac{11^{\frac{1}{2}}}{11^{\frac{1}{4}}}$$

$$(iv) 7^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 8^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Solution :

$$(i) 2^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

We know that

$$a^m \cdot a^n = a^{(m+n)}.$$

We can conclude that

$$2^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{3}} = (2)^{\frac{2+1}{3}}.$$

$$2^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{3}} = (2)^{\frac{10+3}{13}} = (2)^{\frac{13}{13}}$$

Therefore, the value of $2^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$ will be $(2)^{\frac{13}{13}}$.

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

We know that $a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$

We conclude that $\left(3^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^7$ can also be written as $\left(3^{\frac{7}{3}}\right)$.

$$(iii) \frac{11^{\frac{1}{2}}}{11^{\frac{1}{4}}}$$

We know that

$$\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$$

We conclude that

$$\frac{11^{\frac{1}{2}}}{11^{\frac{1}{4}}} = 11^{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\frac{11^{\frac{1}{2}}}{11^{\frac{1}{4}}} = 11^{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}} = 11^{\frac{2-1}{4}}$$

$$\frac{11^{\frac{1}{2}}}{11^{\frac{1}{4}}}$$

Therefore, the value of $\frac{11^{\frac{1}{2}}}{11^{\frac{1}{4}}}$ will be $11^{\frac{1}{4}}$.

$$(iv) 7^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 8^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

We know that

$$a^m \cdot b^m = (a \times b)^m$$

We can conclude that

$$7^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 8^{\frac{1}{2}} = (7 \times 8)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$7^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 8^{\frac{1}{2}} = (7 \times 8)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (56)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Therefore, the value of $7^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 8^{\frac{1}{2}}$ will be $(56)^{\frac{1}{2}}$.