

4.1: Square Roots and Cube Roots and More!!!

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Complete the following operations (Bonus Cool points for doing them in your head)

memorize

$$\begin{aligned} 1^2 &= 1 \times 1 = 1 \\ 2^2 &= 2 \times 2 = 4 \\ 3^2 &= 3 \times 3 = 9 \\ 4^2 &= 16 \\ 5^2 &= 25 \\ 6^2 &= 36 \\ 7^2 &= 49 \\ 8^2 &= 64 \\ 9^2 &= 81 \\ 10^2 &= 100 \\ 11^2 &= 121 \\ 12^2 &= 144 \\ 13^2 &= 169 \\ 14^2 &= 196 \\ 15^2 &= 225 \end{aligned}$$

memorize

$$\begin{aligned} 1^3 &= 1 \times 1 \times 1 = 1 \\ 2^3 &= 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8 \\ 3^3 &= 27 \\ 4^3 &= 64 \\ 5^3 &= 125 \\ 6^3 &= 216 \\ 7^3 &= 343 \\ 8^3 &= 512 \\ 9^3 &= 729 \\ 10^3 &= 1000 \end{aligned}$$

These are squares and cubes. We could go even further and do powers of 4, 5, etc.

Roots are the reverse operation of these powers : just like \times, \div
 $+, -$

Root:

$$y \sqrt[y]{x}$$

y : integer (No y means $y=2$)
 x : Real number

This root tells us to find a real number that equals "X" when it is multiplied by itself "Y" number of times

Example:

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

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt[2]{436} &= \sqrt[2]{144} \\ &= \sqrt[2]{12 \cdot 12} = 12 \end{aligned}$$

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



$$\sqrt[3]{125} = \sqrt[3]{\underbrace{5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5}_3} = 5$$

$$\sqrt{(4)(36)} = 12$$

one way

other way

Roots can be distributed just like powers. The root of two numbers multiplied or divided together can be broken apart.

Example:

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{(4)(36)} &= \sqrt{4} \cdot \sqrt{36} \\ &= 2 \cdot 6 \\ &= 12\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\sqrt[y]{(x)(t)} = \sqrt[y]{x} \cdot \sqrt[y]{t} \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt[y]{\frac{x}{t}} = \frac{\sqrt[y]{x}}{\sqrt[y]{t}}}$$

yo. try

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{(16)(144)} &= \sqrt{16} \cdot \sqrt{144} \\ &= 4 \cdot 12 = \underline{\underline{48}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{(9)(81)} &= \sqrt{9} \cdot \sqrt{81} \\ &= 3 \cdot 9 = \underline{\underline{27}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt[3]{27x^3} &= \sqrt[3]{27} \cdot \sqrt[3]{x^3} \\ &= 3 \cdot x = \underline{\underline{3x}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\star 27 &= 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \\ x^3 &= x \cdot x \cdot x\end{aligned}$$

You can apply a root to a variable the same way as you would to a number.

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt[3]{y^3} &= \sqrt[3]{\underbrace{y \cdot y \cdot y}_{3 \text{ } y\text{'s}}} \\ &= y\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{9y^4x^6} &= \sqrt{\underbrace{3 \cdot 3}_2 \cdot \underbrace{y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y}_2 \cdot \underbrace{x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x}_2} \\ &= 3 \cdot y \cdot y \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \\ &= 3y^2x^3\end{aligned}$$

you try

$$\sqrt{4x^2} = \sqrt{\underbrace{2 \cdot 2}_2 \cdot \underbrace{x \cdot x}_2} = 2x$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt[3]{64a^6} &= \sqrt[3]{\underbrace{4 \cdot 4 \cdot 4}_3 \cdot \underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot a}_3 \cdot \underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot a}_3} = 4 \cdot a \cdot a \\ &= 4a^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt{18x^3} = \sqrt{\underbrace{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3}_2 \cdot \underbrace{x \cdot x \cdot x}_2} = \underline{\underline{3x\sqrt{2x}}}$$

What happens if the number does not go into the root evenly?

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{18x^3} &= \sqrt{\underbrace{3 \cdot 3}_2 \cdot 2 \cdot \underbrace{x \cdot x}_2 \cdot x} \\ &= 3x\sqrt{2x}\end{aligned}$$

Take out what you can from the root and leave what remains behind.

you try

$$\sqrt{12} = \sqrt{3 \cdot \underbrace{2 \cdot 2}_2} = \underline{\underline{2\sqrt{3}}}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{16a^5} = \sqrt[3]{\underbrace{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}_3 \cdot 2 \cdot \underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot a}_3 \cdot a \cdot a} = \underline{\underline{2a^3\sqrt{2a^2}}}$$

Homework: pg. 158 Q: 1-8 (ace)
9, 11, 13, 15

Bathroom

Steph

Negative numbers
in exponents

$$- 10^2$$

vs.

$$(-10)^2$$

$$= - (10)^2$$

$$= - 100$$

$$= (-10) \cdot (-10)$$

$$= 100$$