

Math 4. Class Work 23

Exponent 2

Exponentiation is a mathematical operation written as a^n

$$a^n = \underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot a \dots \cdot a}_{n \text{ times}}$$

We have two numbers, the **base** a , and the **exponent** n . The exponent indicates how many copies of the base are multiplied together.

- When n is a **positive** integer, we have repeated multiplication of the base n times. In that case, a^n is called the **n -th power of a** , or a raised to the power n .

Properties of exponent:

$$1. a^n = \underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot a \dots \cdot a}_{n \text{ times}}$$

$$2. a^n \cdot a^m = a^{n+m}$$

$$3. (a^n)^m = a^{n \cdot m}$$

$$4. a^1 = a, \text{ for any } a$$

$$5. a^0 = 1, \text{ for any } a \neq 0$$

$$6. (a \cdot b)^n = a^n \cdot b^n$$

- A positive number raised to any power will result in a positive number.
- A negative number, raised to a power, represented by an even number, is positive, represented by an odd number is negative.

$a^1 = a$ and $a^0 = 1$ for any number a , but 0.

$$a^{10} = a^{10} \cdot 1 = a^{10+0} = a^{10} \cdot a^0$$

Last time added: If a number a in a power n is divided by the same number in a power m ,

$$\frac{a^n}{a^m} = \frac{\underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot \dots \cdot a}_{n \text{ times}}}{\underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot \dots \cdot a}_{m \text{ times}}} = \left(\underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot \dots \cdot a}_{n \text{ times}} \right) : \left(\underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot \dots \cdot a}_{m \text{ times}} \right) = a^n : a^m = a^{n-m}$$

$$\text{Division } \frac{a^5}{a^2} = \frac{a \cdot a \cdot a \cdot a \cdot a}{a \cdot a} = a^{5-2} = a^3$$

Problems

1. Write the following expressions in a shorter way, replacing product with power:

Examples:

$$(-a) \cdot (-a) \cdot (-a) \cdot (-a) = (-a)^4, \quad 3m \cdot m \cdot m \cdot 2k \cdot k \cdot k \cdot k = 6m^3k^4$$

a) $(-y) \cdot (-y) \cdot (-y) \cdot (-y)$;

b) $(-5m)(-5m) \cdot 2n \cdot 2n \cdot 2n$;

c) $-y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y$;

d) $-5m \cdot m \cdot 2n \cdot n \cdot n$;

e) $(ab) \cdot (ab) \cdot (ab) \cdot (ab) \cdot (ab) \cdot (ab)$;

f) $p - q \cdot q \cdot q \cdot q \cdot q$;

g) $a \cdot b \cdot b \cdot b \cdot b \cdot b$;

h) $(p - q) \cdot (p - q) \cdot (p - q)$;

2. Simplify the expressions:

a) $2^4 + 2^4$;

b) $2^m + 2^m$;

c) $2^m \cdot 2^m$;

d) $3^2 + 3^2 + 3^2$;

e) $3^k + 3^k + 3^k$;

f) $3^k \cdot 3^k \cdot 3^k$;

3. What will be last digit of

a) 2^{22} ; b) 3^{33} ; c) 4^{44} ; d) 5^{55} ; e) 6^{66} ; f) 7^{77} ;

4. Compare:

Example: What is greater 31^{11} or 17^{14} ?

We can see that $31 < 32 = 2^5$; $2^4 = 16 < 17$,

$$31^{11} < 32^{11}, \quad \text{then } (2^5)^{11} = 2^{55}$$

$$(17)^{14} > 16^{14}, \quad \text{then } (2^4)^{14} = 2^{56}$$

We can write the following:

$$31^{11} < 32^{11} = 2^{55} < 2^{56} = 16^{14} < (17)^{14}$$

$$31^{11} < 17^{14}$$

a) 127^{23} and 513^{18}

b) 9997^{10} and 100003^8

c) 5^{300} and 3^{500}

5. Exponents can help write numbers in their expanded form. In our base-10 place value system, the position of the digit indicates which power of 10 should be multiplied by the digit. Write the numbers in expanded form.

a) **Last class:** $345 = 300 + 40 + 5 = 100 \cdot 3 + 10 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 5 = 10^2 \cdot 3 + 10^1 \cdot 4 + 10^0 \cdot 5$

Very large numbers can be written using this system, as well as very small numbers.

$$0.3 = \frac{1}{10} \cdot 3 = 10^{-1} \cdot 3;$$

$$0.456 = \frac{1}{10} \cdot 4 + \frac{1}{100} \cdot 5 + \frac{1}{1000} \cdot 6 = 10^{-1} \cdot 4 + 10^{-2} \cdot 5 + 10^{-3} \cdot 6$$

b) $0.1 =$

c) $0.01 =$

d) $0.021 =$

e) $0.4361 =$

f) $0.10201 =$

g) $0.654321 =$

6. Reduce the fractions

a) $\frac{49^4 \cdot 7^5}{7^{12}};$ b) $\frac{3^{10} \cdot 27}{81^3};$ c) $\frac{125^3 \cdot 5^7}{5^{18}};$