

Chapter # 1

REAL NUMBERS

Exercise # 1.2

Question # 1: Rationalize the denominator of the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i). } & \frac{13}{4+\sqrt{3}} \\
 &= \frac{13}{4+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{4-\sqrt{3}}{4-\sqrt{3}} \\
 &= \frac{13(4-\sqrt{3})}{(4)^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2} \\
 &= \frac{13(4-\sqrt{3})}{16-3} \\
 &= \frac{13(4-\sqrt{3})}{13} \\
 &= 4 - \sqrt{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\because a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b)$$

(Answer)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii). } & \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{5}} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}} \\
 &= \frac{(\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{5})}{(\sqrt{5})^2} \\
 &= \frac{(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5})}{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

(Answer)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(v). } & \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}} \\
 &= \frac{(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})^2}{(\sqrt{3})^2 - (\sqrt{2})^2} \\
 &= \frac{(\sqrt{3})^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2 - 2(\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{2})}{3-2} \\
 &= \frac{3+2-2\sqrt{3} \times 2}{1} \\
 &= 5 - 2\sqrt{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

(Answer)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii). } & \frac{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} \\
 &= \frac{(\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{3})^2} \\
 &= \frac{(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{15})}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

(Answer)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iv). } & \frac{6-4\sqrt{2}}{6+4\sqrt{2}} \\
 &= \frac{6-4\sqrt{2}}{6+4\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{6-4\sqrt{2}}{6-4\sqrt{2}} \\
 &= \frac{(6-4\sqrt{2})^2}{(6)^2 - (4\sqrt{2})^2} \\
 &= \frac{(6)^2 + (4\sqrt{2})^2 - 2(6)(4\sqrt{2})}{36 - (16 \times 2)} \\
 &= \frac{36 + (16 \times 2) - 48\sqrt{2}}{36 - 32} \\
 &= \frac{36 + 32 - 48\sqrt{2}}{4} \\
 &= \frac{68 - 48\sqrt{2}}{4} \\
 &= \frac{4(17 - 12\sqrt{2})}{4} \\
 &= 17 - 12\sqrt{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \because (a-b)^2 &= a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \\
 a^2 - b^2 &= (a+b)(a-b)
 \end{aligned}$$

(Answer)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(vi). } & \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{5}} \\
 &= \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5}} \\
 &= \frac{4\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5})}{(\sqrt{7})^2 - (\sqrt{5})^2} \\
 &= \frac{4\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5})}{7-5} \\
 &= \frac{4\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5})}{2} \\
 &= 2\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\because a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b)$$

(Answer)

Question # 2: Simplify the following:

(i). $\left(\frac{81}{16}\right)^{-\frac{3}{4}}$

$$= \left(\frac{16}{81}\right)^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{2^{4 \times \frac{3}{4}}}{3^{4 \times \frac{3}{4}}}$$

$$= \frac{2^3}{3^3}$$

$$= \frac{8}{27} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

2		16
2		8
2		4
2		2
		1

3		81
3		27
3		9
3		3
		1

(ii). $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{-2} \div \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^3 \times \frac{16}{27}$

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

$$= \frac{4^2}{3^2} \times \frac{3^6}{4^3} \times \frac{4^2}{3^3}$$

$$= 4^{2+2-3} \times 3^{6-2-3}$$

$$= 4 \times 3$$

$$= 12 \quad (\text{Answer})$$

3		81
3		27
3		9
3		3
		1

(iii). $(0.027)^{-\frac{1}{3}}$

$$= \left(\frac{27}{1000}\right)^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1000}{27}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{10^3}{3^3}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{10^{3 \times \frac{1}{3}}}{3^{3 \times \frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$= \frac{10}{3} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

3		27
3		9
3		3
		1

(iv). $\sqrt[7]{\frac{x^{14} \times y^{21} \times z^{35}}{y^{14} z^7}}$

$$= (x^{14} y^{21-14} z^{35-7})^{\frac{1}{7}}$$

$$= (x^{14} y^7 z^{28})^{\frac{1}{7}}$$

$$= x^{14 \times \frac{1}{7}} y^{7 \times \frac{1}{7}} z^{28 \times \frac{1}{7}}$$

$$= x^2 y z^4 \quad (\text{Answer})$$

(v). $\frac{5 \cdot (25)^{n+1} - 25 \cdot (5)^{2n}}{5 \cdot (5)^{2n+3} - (25)^{n+1}}$

$$= \frac{5 \cdot 5^{2(n+1)} - 5^2 \cdot 5^{2n}}{5 \cdot 5^{2n+3} - 5^{2(n+1)}}$$

$$= \frac{5 \cdot 5^{2n+2} - 5^{2n+2}}{5 \cdot 5^{2n+3} - 5^{2n+2}}$$

$$= \frac{5 \cdot 5^{2n+2} \cdot 5 - 5^{2n+2}}{5 \cdot 5^{2n+2} \cdot 5 - 5^{2n+2}}$$

$$= \frac{5^{2n+2} \cdot (5 \cdot 5 - 1)}{5^{2n+2} \cdot (5 \cdot 5 - 1)}$$

$$= \frac{4}{25-1}$$

$$= \frac{4}{24}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

(vi). $\frac{(16)^{x+1} + 20(4^{2x})}{(2)^{x-3} \times 8^{x+2}}$

$$= \frac{(2^4)^{x+1} + 20(2^{2 \times 2x})}{2^{x-3} \times 2^{3(x+2)}}$$

$$= \frac{2^{4x+4} + 20(2^{4x})}{2^{x-3} \times 2^{3x+6}}$$

$$= \frac{2^{4x} \cdot 2^4 + 20(2^{4x})}{2^{x-3+3x+6}}$$

$$= \frac{2^{4x}(2^4 + 20)}{2^{4x+3}}$$

$$= \frac{2^{4x}(16+20)}{2^{4x} \cdot 2^3}$$

$$= \frac{36}{8}$$

$$= \frac{9}{2} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

(vii). $(64)^{\frac{-2}{3}} \div (9)^{\frac{-3}{2}}$

$$= (4^3)^{\frac{-2}{3}} \div (3^2)^{\frac{-3}{2}}$$

$$= 4^{-2} \div 3^{-3}$$

$$= \frac{4^{-2}}{3^{-3}}$$

$$= \frac{3^3}{4^2}$$

$$= \frac{27}{16} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

(viii). $\frac{3^n \times 9^{n+1}}{3^{n-1} \times 9^{n-1}}$

$$= \frac{3^n \times 3^{2(n+1)}}{3^{n-1} \times 3^{2(n-1)}}$$

$$= \frac{3^{2n+2}}{3^{-1} \times 3^{2n-2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{3^{2n} \times 3^2 \times 3^1}{3^{2n} \times 3^{-2}} \\
 &= 3^{2+1+2} \\
 &= 3^5 = 243 \quad (\text{Answer})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ix). } & \frac{5^{n+3} - 6 \times 5^{n+1}}{9 \times 5^n - 4 \times 5^n} \\
 &= \frac{5^n \times 5^3 - 6 \times 5^n \times 5^1}{5^n(9-4)} \\
 &= \frac{5^n(5^3 - 6 \times 5)}{5^n(9-4)} \\
 &= \frac{125-30}{5} \\
 &= \frac{95}{5} \\
 &= 19 \quad (\text{Answer})
 \end{aligned}$$

Question # 3: If $x = 3 + \sqrt{8}$ then find the value of:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{x}{1} &= \frac{3+\sqrt{8}}{1} \\
 \frac{1}{x} &= \frac{1}{3+\sqrt{8}} \times \frac{3-\sqrt{8}}{3-\sqrt{8}} \\
 &= \frac{3-\sqrt{8}}{3^2-(\sqrt{8})^2} \\
 &= \frac{3-\sqrt{8}}{9-8} \\
 &= \frac{3-\sqrt{8}}{1} \\
 \frac{1}{x} &= 3 - \sqrt{8}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i) } x + \frac{1}{x} &= 3 + \sqrt{8} + 3 - \sqrt{8} \\
 &= 6 \quad (\text{Answer})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) } x - \frac{1}{x} &= 3 + \sqrt{8} - (3 - \sqrt{8}) \\
 &= \cancel{3} + \sqrt{8} - \cancel{3} + \sqrt{8} \\
 &= 2\sqrt{8} \quad (\text{Answer})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) } x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \\
 \because x + \frac{1}{x} &= 6
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking square on both sides

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 6^2$$

$$(x)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 + 2(x)\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 36$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 36$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 36 - 2$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 34 \quad (\text{Answer})$$

$$\text{(iv) } x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} &= \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) \\
 &= (6)(2\sqrt{8}) \\
 &= 12\sqrt{8} \quad (\text{Answer})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(v) } x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4}$$

$$\because x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 34$$

Taking square on both sides

$$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^2 = (34)^2$$

$$(x^2)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right)^2 + 2(x^2)\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right) = 1156$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} + 2 = 1156$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 1156 - 2$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 1154 \quad (\text{Answer})$$

$$\text{(vi) } \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2$$

$$= (2\sqrt{8})^2$$

$$= 4 \times 8$$

$$= 32 \quad (\text{Answer})$$

Question # 4: Find the rational number

P and Q such that: $\frac{8-3\sqrt{2}}{4+3\sqrt{2}} = p + q\sqrt{2}$

$$\frac{8-3\sqrt{2}}{4+3\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{4-3\sqrt{2}}{4-3\sqrt{2}} = p + q\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{8(4-3\sqrt{2})-3\sqrt{2}(4-3\sqrt{2})}{4^2-(3\sqrt{2})^2} = p + q\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{32-24\sqrt{2}-12\sqrt{2}+(3\sqrt{2})^2}{16-(9 \times 2)} = p + q\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{32-36\sqrt{2}+(9 \times 2)}{16-18} = p + q\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{32-36\sqrt{2}+18}{-2} = p + q\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{50-36\sqrt{2}}{-2} = p + q\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{50}{-2} - \frac{36\sqrt{2}}{-2} = p + q\sqrt{2}$$

$$-25 + 18\sqrt{2} = p + q\sqrt{2}$$

By comparing we get,
 $p = -25$ and $q = 18$

Question # 5: Simplify the following:

(i). $\frac{(25)^{\frac{3}{2}} \times (243)^{\frac{3}{5}}}{(16)^{\frac{5}{4}} \times (8)^{\frac{4}{3}}}$

$$= \frac{(5^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \times (3^5)^{\frac{3}{5}}}{(2^4)^{\frac{5}{4}} \times (2^3)^{\frac{4}{3}}}$$

$$= \frac{5^3 \times 2^3}{2^5 \times 2^4}$$

$$= \frac{125 \times 27}{32 \times 16}$$

$$= \frac{3375}{512} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

3	243
3	81
3	27
3	9
3	3
	1

2	16
2	8
2	4
2	2
	1

(ii). $\frac{54 \times \sqrt[3]{(27)^{2x}}}{9^{x+1} + 216(3^{2x-1})}$

$$= \frac{54 \times (3^3)^{\frac{2x}{3}}}{3^{2(x+1)} + 216(3^{2x} \times 3^{-1})}$$

$$= \frac{54 \times 3^{2x}}{3^{2x+2} + \frac{216(3^{2x})}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{54 \times 3^{2x}}{3^{2x} \times 3^2 + 72(3^{2x})}$$

$$= \frac{54 \times 3^{2x}}{3^{2x}(9+72)}$$

$$= \frac{54}{81}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

(iii). $\sqrt{\frac{(216)^{\frac{2}{3}} \times (25)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(0.04)^{\frac{-3}{2}}}}$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{(2^3 \times 3^3)^{\frac{2}{3}} \times (5^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\left(\frac{4}{100}\right)^{\frac{-3}{2}}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{(2^3)^{\frac{2}{3}} \times (3^3)^{\frac{2}{3}} \times 5^1}{\left(\frac{100}{4}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}}}$$

2	216
2	108
2	54
3	27
3	9
3	3
	1

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2^2 \times 3^2 \times 5}{(25)^{\frac{3}{2}}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2^2 \times 3^2 \times 5}{(5^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}}$$

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

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2^2 \times 3^2}{5^{3-1}}}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{6}{5} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

(iv). $(a^{\frac{1}{3}} + b^{\frac{2}{3}})(a^{\frac{2}{3}} - a^{\frac{1}{3}}b^{\frac{2}{3}} + b^{\frac{4}{3}})$

$$\because a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

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

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

$$= a + b^2 \quad (\text{Answer})$$

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