

Given this rational expression: $\frac{25c^4}{4d^9}$

Why can you do this?

$$\frac{(25c^4) \cdot 2}{(4d^9) \cdot 2}$$

THIS IS ACTUALLY = 1

Here you are actually multiplying the original expression by 1, and this doesn't change the value of the expression.

But you can't do this?

$$\frac{\sqrt{25c^4}}{\sqrt{4d^9}}$$

This is the same as taking the square root of the whole ratio which changes the value of the original expression.

Simplify.

$$\frac{\sqrt[3]{m^5}}{\sqrt[4]{m^3}} = \frac{m^{\frac{5}{3}}}{m^{\frac{3}{4}}} = m^{\frac{5}{3} - \frac{3}{4}} = m^{\frac{20}{12} - \frac{9}{12}} = m^{\frac{11}{12}}$$

Simplify.

$$\left(\frac{2g^{-5}h^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{54gh^4} \right)^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

The following is only one of the many ways to simplify this expression.

1. simplify inside parentheses first

$$= \left(\frac{1}{27g^6h^{\frac{9}{2}}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

2. apply the neg. on the exponent

$$= (27g^6h^{\frac{9}{2}})^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

3. apply the $\frac{1}{3}$ power

$$= 27^{\frac{1}{3}} g^{6 \cdot \frac{1}{3}} h^{\frac{9}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \sqrt[3]{27} g^2 h^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

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

Simplify without using a calculator.

$$3^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 27^{\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow 3^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (3^3)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 3^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 3^{\frac{3}{2}} = 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}} = 3^2 = 9$$

or

$$\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{27} = \sqrt{81} = 9$$

Simplify without using a calculator.

$$8^{\frac{4}{3}}$$

$$\swarrow \quad \searrow$$

$$\sqrt[3]{8^4} \text{ or } (\sqrt[3]{8})^4 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(2)^4 = 16$$

There are other ways to simplify this. They all lead to the same answer.

$$6^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\swarrow \quad \searrow$$

$$\sqrt{6^3} \text{ or } (\sqrt{6})^3 \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \sqrt{6 \cdot 6 \cdot 6}$$

$$= \sqrt{6^2 \cdot 6}$$

$$= 6\sqrt{6}$$

Simplify without using a calculator.

$$25^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$\swarrow \quad \searrow$$

$$(\sqrt[3]{25})^2 \text{ or } \sqrt[3]{25^2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\swarrow \quad \searrow$$

$$\sqrt[3]{625} \text{ or } \sqrt[3]{25 \cdot 25}$$

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

$$= 5\sqrt[3]{5} \quad = \sqrt[3]{5^3 \cdot 5}$$

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

OR $25^{\frac{2}{3}} = (5^2)^{\frac{2}{3}} = 5^{\frac{4}{3}} = \sqrt[3]{5^4} = \sqrt[3]{5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5}$
 $= \sqrt[3]{5^3 \cdot 5} = 5\sqrt[3]{5}$

Simplify without using a calculator.

$$4^{-\frac{5}{2}} =$$

$$\frac{1}{4^{\frac{5}{2}}}$$

$$\swarrow \quad \searrow$$

$$\frac{1}{(\sqrt{4})^5} \text{ or } \frac{1}{\sqrt{4^5}} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\sqrt{4} = 2$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{32}$$

Simplify without using a calculator.

$$9^{1.5} = 9^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\swarrow \quad \searrow$$

$$(\sqrt{9})^3 \text{ or } \sqrt{9^3} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\sqrt{9} = 3$$

$$(3)^3$$

$$= 27$$

You can now finish Hwk #2: Sec 7-4

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