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NOTES

FUNDAMENTAL

- A number which can be expressed in the form of $\frac{p}{q}$, Where P and q are integers and $q \neq 0$ is called a rational number.

Example:- $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{5}$ etc.

Representation of Rational Number as Decimals.

- **Case I:-** When remainder becomes zero $\frac{1}{2} = .5, \frac{1}{4} = .25, \frac{1}{8} = .125$ it is a terminating Decimal expansion.
- **Case II:-** When Remainder never becomes zero..

Example:- $\frac{1}{3} = .3333, \frac{2}{3} = .6666$ it is a non - terminating Decimal expansion.

- There are infinitely rational numbers between any two given rational numbers.
- **Irrational Number:** The number which cannot be part in form of $\frac{p}{q}$ and neither there are terminating nor recurring are known as irrational Number.

Example:- $\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}$ etc.

- **Rationalization:** "Changing of an irrational number into rational number is called rationalization and the factor by which we multiply and divide the number is called rationalizing factor.

Example:- Rationalizing factor of $\frac{1}{2-\sqrt{3}}$ is $2+\sqrt{3}$.

Rationalizing factor of $\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$ is $\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}$

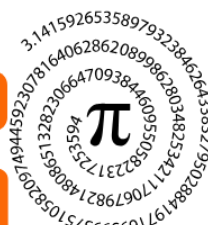
LAW OF EXPONENTS FOR REAL NUMBERS

- $a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$
- $\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$
- $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$
- $a^0 = 1$

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Some useful results on irrational number

- Negative of an irrational number is an irrational number.
- The sum of a rational and an irrational number is an irrational number.
- The product of a non - zero rational number and an irrational number is an irrational number.

Some results on square roots

- $(\sqrt{x})^2 = x, x \geq 0$
- $\sqrt{x} \times \sqrt{y} = \sqrt{xy}, x \geq 0 \text{ and } y \geq 0$
- $(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}) \times (\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}) = x - y, (x \geq 0 \text{ and } y \geq 0)$
- $(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})^2 = x + y + 2\sqrt{xy}, (x \geq 0 \text{ and } y \geq 0)$
- $(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y})^2 = x + y - 2\sqrt{xy}, (x \geq 0 \text{ and } y \geq 0)$
- $\frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{y}} = \sqrt{\frac{x}{y}}, (x \geq 0 \text{ and } y \geq 0)$
- $(a + \sqrt{b})(a - \sqrt{b}) = a^2 - b, (b \geq 0)$
- $(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}) \times (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}) = \sqrt{ac} + \sqrt{bc} + \sqrt{ad} + \sqrt{bd}, (a \geq 0, b \geq 0, c \geq 0 \text{ and } d \geq 0)$

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QUESTIONS

1. If $x = \frac{1}{2 - \sqrt{3}}$, what is the value of $x^3 - 2x^2 - 7x + 5$
 - (a) 2
 - (b) 3
 - (c) 5
 - (d) 9
2. What is the value of $\frac{15}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{20} + \sqrt{40} - \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{80}}$, is being given that $\sqrt{5} = 2.236$ and $\sqrt{10} = 3.162$
 - (a) 5.398
 - (b) 4.258
 - (c) 5.355
 - (d) 3.855
3. If the sum of five consecutive integers is S, then the largest of those integers in terms of S is
 - (a) $\frac{S-10}{5}$
 - (b) $\frac{S-4}{4}$
 - (c) $\frac{S+5}{4}$
 - (d) $\frac{S+10}{5}$
4. If $x = \sqrt[3]{2 + \sqrt{3}}$, then $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} =$
 - (a) 2
 - (b) 4
 - (c) 8
 - (d) 9
5. $(5^{61} + 5^{62} + 5^{63})$ is divisible by
 - (a) 31
 - (b) 11
 - (c) 13
 - (d) 17
6. The value of: $\sqrt{-\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3 + 8\sqrt{7 + 4\sqrt{3}}}}$ is
 - (a) 1
 - (b) 2
 - (c) 3
 - (d) 8
7. The value of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6.25} + \sqrt{5.25}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4.25} + \sqrt{3.25}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5.25} + \sqrt{4.25}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3.25} + \sqrt{2.25}}$ is
 - (a) 1.00
 - (b) 1.25
 - (c) 1.50
 - (d) 2.25
8. $\frac{1}{3 - \sqrt{8}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{8} - \sqrt{7}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{6}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5} - 2} =$
 - (a) 5
 - (b) 4
 - (c) 3
 - (d) 2
9. The value of $\sqrt{4^3 16} \sqrt{4^3 16} \sqrt{4^3 16} \dots$ is
 - (a) 2
 - (b) 2^2
 - (c) 2^3
 - (d) 2^5
10. If $m = \sqrt{3 + \sqrt{3 + \sqrt{3 + \dots}}}$
 $n = \sqrt{3 - \sqrt{3 - \sqrt{3 - \dots}}}$
 Then among the following the relation between m and n holds is
 - (a) $m - n + 1 = 0$
 - (b) $m + n - 1 = 0$
 - (c) $m + n + 1 = 0$
 - (d) $m - n - 1 = 0$
11. If $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$, then the value of $\sqrt{1+a} + \sqrt{1-a}$ is
 - (a) $\sqrt{3}$
 - (b) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
 - (c) $2 + \sqrt{3}$
 - (d) $2 - \sqrt{3}$

12. A rational numbers between -3 and 4 .

- (a) -4.5 (b) -3.5 (c) $\frac{13}{2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{2}$

13. The decimal representation of $\frac{-26}{45}$ is

- (a) $.3\bar{5}$ (b) $-.1\bar{55}$ (c) $-.3\bar{55}$ (d) $-0.5\bar{7}$

14. $1.272727 = 1.\overline{27}$ can be expressed in the form $\frac{p}{q}$, where p and q are integers and $q \neq 0$ then it is equal

to

- (a) $\frac{106}{99}$ (b) $\frac{127}{99}$ (c) $\frac{14}{11}$ (d) $\frac{27}{99}$

15. If $A = 2^x$, $B = 4^y$, $C = 8^z$, where $x = 0.\bar{1}$, $y = 0.\bar{4}$, $z = 0.\bar{6}$, then $A \times B \times C$ is

- (a) 8 (b) 2 (c) 16 (d) 4

16. If $x = 2.\bar{3} - 0.\bar{9}$, $y = 2.\bar{5} - 0.\bar{5}$, then $x^2 + y^2 - 2xy$ is

- (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ (b) $\frac{1}{3}$ (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{5}$

17. If $(3)^{0.\bar{4}+0.\bar{5}} = x$, $(27)^{0.\bar{2}\bar{1}+0.\bar{1}\bar{2}} = y$ then $x \times y$ is

- (a) 3^4 (b) 3^3 (c) 3^2 (d) 3^5

18. If $x = \frac{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{1}}{\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{1}}$ and $y = \frac{\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{1}}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{1}}$, find the value of $x^2 - y^2$

- (a) 96 (b) 34 (c) 10 (d) $2\sqrt{2}$

19. If $a = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$ and $b = \frac{1}{a}$, then $a^2 + b^2 =$

- (a) 49 (b) 34 (c) 100 (d) 102

20. $\frac{4^{-3} \times a^{-5} \times b^4}{4^{-5} \times a^{-8} \times b^3} =$

- (a) $\frac{16a^3}{b^7}$ (b) $8\frac{a^2}{b^{-7}}$ (c) $2\frac{a^{-13}}{b^{-7}}$ (d) $\frac{a^8}{b^{-1}}$

21. if $2\sqrt[3]{189} + 3\sqrt[3]{448} - 7\sqrt[3]{56}$ is simplified, then the resultant answer is

- (a) $8\sqrt[3]{7}$ (b) $6\sqrt[3]{7}$ (c) $4\sqrt[3]{7}$ (d) $9\sqrt[3]{7}$

22. If $7\sqrt[4]{162} - 5\sqrt[4]{32} + \sqrt[4]{1250}$ is simplified, then the resultant value is

- (a) $6\sqrt[4]{2}$ (b) $6\sqrt[4]{2}$ (c) $6\sqrt[5]{2}$ (d) $16\sqrt[4]{2}$

23. The two irrational numbers lying between $\sqrt{3}$ and $\sqrt{5}$ are
 (a) $15^{\frac{1}{4}}, \frac{3^{\frac{1}{4}}}{1} \times 15^{\frac{1}{8}}$ (b) $6^{\frac{1}{2}}, 2^{\frac{1}{8}} \times 6^{\frac{1}{4}}$ (c) $6^{\frac{1}{8}}, 2^{\frac{1}{6}} \times 6^{\frac{1}{6}}$ (d) $3^{\frac{1}{8}}, 2^{\frac{1}{8}} \times 6^{\frac{1}{8}}$
24. If $x = \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{3}}$, then the value of $x^3 - 2x^2 - 7x + 5$ is
 (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4
25. If $x = 2 - \sqrt{3}$, then the value of $x^2 + 4x + 4$ is.
 (a) $12 + 2\sqrt{3}$ (b) $19 + 8\sqrt{3}$ (c) $12 + 2\sqrt{3}$ (d) $19 - 8\sqrt{3}$
26. The value of x , when $2^{x+4} \cdot 3^{x+1} = 288$
 (a) 1 (b) -1 (c) 0 (d) 2
27. Which of the following is the value of a in $\frac{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}} = a + b\sqrt{15}$
 (a) 2 (b) -1 (c) -3 (d) 4
28. The square root of $0.\overline{4}$ is
 (a) $0.\overline{6}$ (b) $0.\overline{7}$ (c) $0.\overline{8}$ (d) $0.\overline{9}$
29. If $\sqrt{18225} = 135$, then the value of $\sqrt{182.25} + \sqrt{1.8225} + \sqrt{0.018225} + \sqrt{0.00018225}$ is
 (a) 1.49985 (b) 14.9985 (c) 149.985 (d) 1499.85
30. If $2^{x-1} + 2^{x+1} = 640$, the value of x is
 (a) 7 (b) 8 (c) 9 (d) 6
31. The product of $(0.\overline{09} \times 7.\overline{3})$ is equal to
 (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) 0 (d) $\frac{1}{2}$
32. $0.142857 - 0.285714$ is equal to
 (a) 2 (b) 1 (c) 0 (d) $\frac{1}{2}$
33. $\frac{1}{1 + 2^{x-y}} + \frac{1}{1 + 2^{y-x}} = ?$
 (a) x (b) $x - y$ (c) 1 (d) 0
34. If $x + \sqrt{7} = 7 + \sqrt{y}$, $x + \sqrt{7} = 7 + \sqrt{y}$, and x, y are positive integers, then the value of $\frac{\sqrt{x} + y}{x + \sqrt{y}}$ is.
 (a) 0 (b) 2 (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) 1
35. The largest among the numbers $2^{250}, 3^{150}, 5^{100}$ and 4^{200} is
 (a) 4^{200} (b) 5^{100} (c) 2^{250} (d) 2^{150}

36. $\frac{a^{-1}}{a^{-1}+b^{-1}} + \frac{a^{-1}}{a^{-1}-b^{-1}} = ?$

(a) 0

(b) 1

(c) $\frac{2b^2}{b^2-a^2}$

(d) $\frac{2b^2}{b^2+a^2}$

37. $\frac{x^{-1}}{x^{-1}+y^{-1}} + \frac{x^{-1}}{x^{-1}-y^{-1}} = ?$

(a) $\frac{2y^2}{y^2-x^2}$

(b) $\frac{2x^2}{y^2-x^2}$

(c) $\frac{2y^2}{y^2+z^2}$

(d) $\frac{2x^2}{y^2+x^2}$

38. $\frac{(a^{x+y})^2 (a^{y+z})^2 (a^{z+x})^2}{(a^{4x} \cdot a^{4y} \cdot a^{4z})} = ?$

(a) 2a

(b) $x+y+z$

(c) 1

(d) 0

39. The greatest among $\sqrt{11}-\sqrt{9}, \sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5}, \sqrt{13}-\sqrt{11}$ is

(a) $\sqrt{11}-\sqrt{9}$

(b) $\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}$

(c) $\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{5}$

(d) $\sqrt{13}-\sqrt{11}$

40. The smallest of $\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{7}+\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{8}+\sqrt{1}, \sqrt{5}+\sqrt{4}$ is

(a) $\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3}$

(b) $\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{2}$

(c) $\sqrt{8}+\sqrt{1}$

(d) $\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{4}$

ANSWER KEY & HINTS

1. (b): We have,

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

$$= \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{4-3} = 2+\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x-2 = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)^2 = (\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 4 = 3 \Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore x^3 - 2x^2 - 7x + 5$$

$$= x(x^2 - 4x + 1) + 2(x^2 - 4x + 1) + 3$$

$$= x \times 0 + 2 \times 0 + 3 = 3$$

2. (a): We have. $\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{20} + \sqrt{40} - \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{80}$

$$= \sqrt{10} + \sqrt{2^2 \times 5} + \sqrt{2^2 \times 10} - \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2^4 \times 5}$$

$$= \sqrt{10} + 2\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5} - 2^2 - \sqrt{5}$$

$$= \sqrt{10} + 2\sqrt{10} + 2\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{5} - 4\sqrt{5}$$

$$= (1+2)\sqrt{10} + (2-1-4)\sqrt{5}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{10} - 3\sqrt{5} = 3(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5})$$

$$\therefore \frac{15}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{20} + \sqrt{40} - \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{80}}$$

$$= \frac{15}{3(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5})} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5}}$$

$$= \frac{8(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5})}{(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{5})(\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{5})}$$

[Multiplying and dividing by $\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{5}$]

$$= \frac{5(\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{5})}{10 - 5} = \sqrt{10} + \sqrt{5} = 3.162 + 2.236 = 5.398$$

3. (d): Sum of five consecutive integers = S

$$\therefore \text{Third integer} = \frac{S}{5}; \quad \therefore \text{Largest integer} = \frac{S}{5} + 2 = \frac{S+10}{5}$$

4. (b): Given $x = \sqrt[3]{2 + \sqrt{3}}$

Take cube both side, are get

$$x^3 = 2 + \sqrt{3} \quad \text{_____ (1)}$$

$$\frac{1}{x^3} = \frac{1}{(2 + \sqrt{3})} \times \frac{(2 - \sqrt{3})}{(2 - \sqrt{3})} \quad \text{_____ (2)}$$

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

$$\text{So, } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 2 + \sqrt{3} + 2 - \sqrt{3} = 4$$

5. (a): $5^{61} + 5^{62} + 5^{63} = 5^{61}(1 + 5 + 5^2) = 5^{61} \times 31$
which is divisible by 3.

6. (b): $\sqrt{-\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3 + 8\sqrt{7 + 4\sqrt{3}}}}$

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

$$= \sqrt{-\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3 + 8\sqrt{(2)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 + 2 \times 2 \times \sqrt{3}}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{-\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3 + 8\sqrt{(2 + \sqrt{3})^2}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{-\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3 + 8\sqrt{(2 + \sqrt{3})}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{-\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3 + 16 + 8\sqrt{3}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{-\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{(\sqrt{3})^2 + (4)^2 + 2 \times 4 \times \sqrt{3}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{-\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{(4 + 3)^2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{-\sqrt{3} + 4 + \sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

7. (a) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3.25} + \sqrt{2.25}} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{3.25} + \sqrt{2.25})} \times \frac{\sqrt{3.25} - \sqrt{2.25}}{\sqrt{3.25} - \sqrt{2.25}} = \frac{\sqrt{3.25} - \sqrt{2.25}}{3.25 - 2.25} = \sqrt{3.25} - \sqrt{2.25}$

Similarly, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{4.25} + \sqrt{3.25}} = \sqrt{4.25} - \sqrt{3.25}$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{5.25} + \sqrt{4.25}} = \sqrt{5.25} - \sqrt{4.25}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{6.25} + \sqrt{5.25}} = \sqrt{6.25} - \sqrt{5.25}$$

∴ Expression

$$= \sqrt{3.25} - \sqrt{2.25} + \sqrt{4.25} - \sqrt{3.25} + \sqrt{5.25} - \sqrt{4.25} + \sqrt{6.25} - \sqrt{5.25} = \sqrt{6.25} - \sqrt{2.25} = 2.5 - 1.5 = 1$$

8. (a): Here, $\frac{1}{3 - \sqrt{8}} = \frac{(3 + \sqrt{8})}{(3 - \sqrt{8})(3 + \sqrt{8})}$

$$= \frac{3 + \sqrt{8}}{9 - 8} = 3 + \sqrt{8}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{8} - \sqrt{7}} = \frac{\sqrt{8} + \sqrt{7}}{(\sqrt{8} - \sqrt{7})(\sqrt{8} + \sqrt{7})}$$

$$= \sqrt{8} + \sqrt{7} \text{ and..... so on}$$

$$\text{Expression} = (3 + \sqrt{8}) - (\sqrt{8} + \sqrt{7}) + (\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6}) - (\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{5}) + (\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2})$$

$$= (3 + \sqrt{8}) - (\sqrt{8} + \sqrt{7}) - \sqrt{7} + \sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{5} + 2 = 3 + 2 = 5$$

9. (b) $x = \sqrt{4^3 16 \sqrt{4^3 16 \dots}}$

$$\text{On squaring both sides, } x^2 = 4^3 16 \sqrt{4^3 16 \dots}$$

$$\text{On cubing, } x^6 = 64 \times 16x$$

$$x = 4$$

10. (d) $m = \sqrt{3 + \sqrt{3 + \sqrt{3 + \dots}}}$

on squaring both sides,

$$m^2 = 3 + m \Rightarrow m^2 - m = 3 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Again, } n = \sqrt{3 - \sqrt{3 - \sqrt{3 - \dots}}}$$

On squaring both sides,

$$n^2 = 3 - n$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 + n = 3 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\therefore m^2 - m = n^2 + n \Rightarrow (m^2 - n^2) = m + n$$

$$\Rightarrow (m + n)(m - n) - (m + n) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m+n)(m-n-1) = 0$$

11. (a) $a = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad \therefore \sqrt{1+a} + \sqrt{1-a}$

$$= \sqrt{1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} + \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}$$

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

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

12. (d) We know that between two rational numbers x and y such that $x < y$ there is a rational number $\frac{x+y}{2}$. This is

$$x < \frac{x+y}{2} < y \text{ therefore, a rational number between } -3 \text{ and } 4 \text{ is } \frac{-3+4}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ i.e., } -3 < \frac{1}{2} < 4$$

13. (d) By actual division

$$\begin{array}{r} 45 \overline{) 260} \quad (.577 \\ \underline{225} \\ 350 \\ \underline{315} \\ 350 \\ \underline{315} \\ 35 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{-16}{45} = -0.5\overline{7}$$

14. (c) Let $x = 1.\overline{27}$ then $x = 1.27272727 \dots$ (i)

$$\Rightarrow 100x = 127.272727 \dots \dots \dots$$
 (ii)

On subtraction (i) and (ii) we get

$$99x = (127.272727 \dots) - (1.272727)$$

$$\Rightarrow 99x = 126$$

$$x = \frac{126}{99} = \frac{14}{11}$$

$$\text{Hence, } 1.\overline{27} = \frac{14}{11}$$

15. (a) $A \times B \times C = 2^x \times 4^y \times 8^z$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x \times 2^y \times 2^{3z}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{(x+2y+3z)} \Rightarrow 2^{\left(\frac{1}{9} + \frac{8}{9} + \frac{18}{9}\right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 = 8$$

16. (a) $x = 2 + \frac{3}{9} - 1 = \frac{3}{2}$ $y = 2 + \frac{5}{9} - \frac{5}{9} = 2$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 - 2xy = \frac{9}{4} + 4 - 2 \cdot \frac{3}{2} \times 2$$

$$\frac{1}{4}$$

17. (c) $x = (3)^{\frac{4+5}{9}} = (3)^{\frac{9}{9}} = 3$

$$\therefore x \cdot y = 9$$

18. (b) $x = \frac{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{1}}{\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{1}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{1}}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{1}}$

$$\frac{(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{1})^2}{2 - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2 + 1 + 2\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$$

And similarly $y = 3 - 2\sqrt{2}$

$$x^2 + y^2 = (x + y)^2 - 2xy = (6)^2 - 2(9 - 8) = 34$$

19. (b) $b = \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{3 + 2\sqrt{2}} = 3 - 2\sqrt{2}$

$$\therefore a^2 + b^2 = (3 + 2\sqrt{2})^2 + (3 - 2\sqrt{2})^2$$

$$= 2(3^2 + (2\sqrt{2})^2) = 34$$

20. (a) $4^{-3+5} \times a^{-5+8} \times b^{-4-3} = \frac{16 \times a^3}{b^7}$

21. (c) $2(27 \times 7)^{1/3} + 3(64 \times 7)^{1/3} - 7(8 \times 7)^{1/3}$

$$\Rightarrow 6(7)^{1/3} + 12(7)^{1/3} - 14(7)^{1/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (7)^{1/3} 6 + 12 - 14$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \times (7)^{1/3} = 4\sqrt[3]{7}$$

22. (d) $7(81 \times 2)^{1/4} - 5(16 \times 2)^{1/4} + (625 \times 2)^{1/4}$

$$\Rightarrow 21(2)^{1/4} - 10(2)^{1/4} + 5(2)^{1/4}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2)^{1/4} (21 - 10 + 5) = 16\sqrt[4]{2}$$

23. (a) We know that, if a and b are two distinct positive irrational numbers, then $\sqrt{ab}$ is an irrational number lying between a and b .

$$\therefore \text{Irrational number between } \sqrt{3} \text{ and } \sqrt{5} \text{ is } \sqrt{\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{5}} = \sqrt{\sqrt{15}} = 15^{1/4}$$

$$\text{Irrational number between } \sqrt{3} \text{ and } 15^{1/4} \text{ is } \sqrt{\sqrt{3} \times 15^{1/4}} = 3^{1/4} \times 15^{1/8}$$

$$\text{Hence, required irrational numbers are } 15^{1/4} \text{ and } 3^{1/4} \times 15^{1/8}$$

24. (c) We have,

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x - 2 = -\sqrt{3} \Rightarrow (x - 2)^2 = (-\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 4 = 3 \Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore x^3 - 2x^2 - 7x + 5$$

$$= x(x^2 - 4x + 1) + 2(x^2 - 4x + 1) + 3$$

$$= x \times 0 + 2 \times 0 + 3 = 3.$$

25. (d) $(2 - \sqrt{3})^2 + 4(2 - \sqrt{3}) + 4$

$$= 4 + 3 - 4\sqrt{3} + 8 - 4\sqrt{3} + 4 = 19 - 8\sqrt{3}$$

26. (a) $2^{x+4} 3^{x+1}$

$$= 2^5 \times 3^2$$

$$\therefore x + 4 = 5 \text{ \& } x + 1 = 2 \therefore x = 1$$

27. (d) $\frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{(\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3})^2}{2}$
 $= \frac{8-2\sqrt{15}}{2} = 4-\sqrt{15} \quad \therefore a=4, b=-1$

28. (a) $\bar{.4} = \frac{4}{9} = \frac{2}{3} = .6666..... = \bar{.6}$

29. (b) $\sqrt{182.25} + \sqrt{1.8225} + \sqrt{0.018225} + \sqrt{0.00018225} \Rightarrow 13.5 + 1.35 + 0.135 + 0.0135 \Rightarrow 14.9985$

30. (b) $2^{x-1} [1+2^2] = 640$
 $2^{x-1} = 128 = 2^7 \Rightarrow x-1=7, x=8$

31. (c) $(0.\overline{09} \times 7.\bar{3}) = \frac{9}{99} \times 7\frac{3}{9} = \frac{1}{11} \times \frac{22}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$

32. (d) $0.\overline{142857} \div 0.\overline{285714}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{142.857}{999999} \div \frac{285714}{999999} \Rightarrow \frac{142857}{285714} = \frac{1}{2}$

33. (c) $\frac{1}{1+2^{x-y}} + \frac{1}{1+2^{y-x}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1+\frac{2^x}{2^y}} + \frac{1}{1+\frac{2^y}{2^x}}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{2^y}{2^y+2^x} + \frac{2^x}{2^y+2^x} = \frac{2^x+2^y}{2^x+2^y} = 1$

34. (d) $x + \sqrt{7} = 7 + \sqrt{y}$
 $\Rightarrow x=7 \quad y=7; \therefore \frac{\sqrt{x}+y}{x+\sqrt{y}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+7}{7+\sqrt{7}} = 1$

35. (a) (1) $2^{250} = (2^5)^{50} = 32^{50};$

(2) $3^{150} = (3^3)^{50} = (27)^{50}$

(3) $3^{100} = (5^2)^{50} = (25)^{50};$

(4) $4^{200} = (4^4)^{50} = (256)^{50}$

Hence, 4^{200} is the greatest.

36. (c) We have,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a^{-1}}{a^{-1}+b^{-1}} + \frac{a^{-1}}{a^{-1}-b^{-1}} \\ &= \frac{1/a}{1/a + 1/b} + \frac{1/a}{1/a - 1/b} = \frac{1/a}{\frac{b+a}{ab}} + \frac{1/a}{\frac{b-a}{ab}} \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \cdot \frac{ab}{b+a} + \frac{1}{a} \cdot \frac{ab}{b-a} = \frac{b}{b+a} + \frac{b}{b-a} \\ &= \frac{b(b-a) + b(b+a)}{(b+a)(b-a)} = \frac{b^2 - ab + b^2 + ab}{b^2 - a^2} \\ &= \frac{2b^2}{b^2 - a^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$37. \quad (a) \quad \frac{x^{-1}}{x^{-1}+y^{-1}} + \frac{x^{-1}}{x^{-1}-y^{-1}} \Rightarrow \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}} + \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{1}{x} \times xy}{x+y} + \frac{\frac{1}{x} \times xy}{x-y} \Rightarrow \frac{y}{y+x} - \frac{y}{y-x} \Rightarrow \frac{2y^2}{y^2 - x^2}$$

$$38. \quad (c) \quad \frac{(a^{x+y})^2 (a^{y+z})^2 (a^{z+x})^2}{(a^{4x} \cdot a^{4y} \cdot a^{4z})} \Rightarrow \frac{a^{2x+2y} \cdot a^{2y+2z} \cdot a^{2z+2x}}{a^{4x} \cdot a^{4y} \cdot a^{4z}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^{4x+4y+4z}}{a^{4x+4y+4z}} = 1$$

$$39. \quad (b) \quad \sqrt{11} - \sqrt{9} \times \frac{\sqrt{11} + \sqrt{9}}{\sqrt{11} + \sqrt{9}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{11} + \sqrt{9}};$$

$$\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{5} \times \frac{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{5}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{5}}$$

$$\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3} \times \frac{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}};$$

$$\sqrt{13} - \sqrt{11} \times \frac{\sqrt{13} + \sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{13} + \sqrt{11}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{13} + \sqrt{11}}$$

Hence, $\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}$ is the greatest

$$40. \quad (c) \quad (\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{3})^2 = 6 + 3 + 2\sqrt{18} = 9 + 2\sqrt{18}$$

$$(\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{2})^2 = 7 + 2 + 2\sqrt{14} = 9 + 2\sqrt{14}$$