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## Dividing Exponents

Section 10.4 & 10.5  
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## Exponents & Negative numbers

- When negative numbers are raised to an exponent, the following rules hold true:
  - If the exponent is odd- the answer is negative
  - If the exponent is even- the answer is positive
- Examples:

$$\textcircled{1} \ (-2)^2 = 4$$

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

$$\textcircled{3} \ (-2)^4 = 16$$

$$\textcircled{4} \ (-2)^5 = -32$$

## Division of Powers

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$$\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}, a \neq 0$$

$$\frac{a \cdot a \cdot a}{a}$$

## Examples

$$1. \frac{a^3}{a} = a^{2}$$
$$a^{3-1} = a^{2}$$

$$2. \frac{a^{15}}{a^7} = a^8$$

$$3. \frac{a^5 b^4}{a^2 b} = a^3 \cdot b^3$$

$$4. \frac{a^6 b^3 c}{a^2 b} = a^4 b^2 c$$

$$\frac{10}{5} = 2$$

## Examples

$$5. \frac{6a^2b^4}{2a^2b^7} = \frac{3}{b^3}$$

$$6. \frac{-15a^5b^4}{5a^4b^2} = \boxed{-3ab^2}$$

$$7. \frac{a^5b^4c^8}{a^5b^3c^4} = \boxed{b^4c^4}$$

$$8. \frac{-12a^6b^2}{-4a^2b} = \boxed{3a^4b^1}$$

## CLASSWORK

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- ◎ Blue book
  - ◎ Pg 247 # 1-18
  - ◎ Pg 249 # 1-12
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- ◎ Wkst 8.3 A # 1-8
  - ◎ Wkst 8.3 B # 1-7

$$\textcircled{1} \quad b^4 \div b^3 = \frac{b^4}{b^3} = b$$

# HOMEWORK

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◎ Pg 466 # 3-9