

## Exercise 7(B)

### Solution 1:

(i)

$$2^{2x+1} = 8$$

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

We know that if bases are equal, the powers are equal

$$\Rightarrow 2x+1=3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x=3-1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1$$

(ii)

$$2^{5x-1} = 4 \times 2^{3x+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{5x-1} = 2^2 \times 2^{3x+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{5x-1} = 2^{3x+1+2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{5x-1} = 2^{3x+3}$$

We know that if bases are equal, the powers are equal

$$\Rightarrow 5x-1=3x+3$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x-3x=3+1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{4}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2$$

(iii)

$$3^{4x+1} = 27^{(x+1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{4x+1} = (3^3)^{x+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{4x+1} = 3^{3x+3}$$

We know that if bases are equal, the powers are equal

$$\Rightarrow 4x+1=3x+3$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 3x=3 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2$$

(iv)

$$49^{x+4} = 7^2(343)^{(x+1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow (7 \times 7)^{x+4} = 7^2(7 \times 7 \times 7)^{(x+1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow (7^2)^{x+4} = 7^2(7^3)^{(x+1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 7^{2x+8} = 7^2 \times 7^{3x+3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 7^{2x+8} = 7^{3x+3+2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 7^{2x+8} = 7^{3x+5}$$

We know that if bases are equal, the powers are equal

$$\Rightarrow 2x+8=3x+5$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 2x=8 - 5$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3$$

### Solution 2:

(i)

$$4^{2x} = \frac{1}{32}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2 \times 2)^{2x} = \frac{1}{2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2^{2 \times 2x} = 2^{-5}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{4x} = 2^{-5}$$

We know that if bases are equal, the powers are equal

$$\Rightarrow 4x = -5$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-5}{4}$$

(ii)

$$\sqrt{2^{x+3}} = 16$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\frac{x+3}{2}} = 2^4$$

We know that if bases are equal, the powers are equal

(iii)

$$\left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}\right)^{x+1} = \frac{125}{27}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right]^{x+1} = \frac{5 \times 5 \times 5}{3 \times 3 \times 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{\frac{x+1}{2}} = \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{\frac{x+1}{2}} = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{-3}$$

We know that if bases are equal, the powers are equal

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+1}{2} = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow x+1 = -6$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -6 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -7$$

(iv)

$$\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^{x-1} = \frac{27}{8}$$

$$\left[\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right]^{x-1} = \frac{3^3}{2^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{x-1}{3}} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{x-1}{3}} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-3}$$

We know that if bases are equal, the powers are equal

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{3} = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow x-1 = -9$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -9 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -8$$

### Solution 3:

(i)

$$4^{x-2} - 2^{x+1} = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (2^2)^{x-2} = 2^{x+1}$$

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

We know that if bases are equal, the powers are equal

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 4 = x + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - x = 4 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5$$

(ii)

$$3^{x^2} : 3^x = 9 : 1$$

$$\frac{3^{x^2}}{3^x} = \frac{9}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{x^2} = 9 \times 3^x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{x^2} = 3^2 \times 3^x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{x^2} = 3^{x+2}$$

We know that if bases are equal, the powers are equal

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = x + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x + x - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - 2) + 1(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 1)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 1 = 0 \text{ or } x - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1 \text{ or } x = 2$$

**Solution 4:**

(i)

$$8 \times 2^{2x} + 4 \times 2^{x+1} = 1 + 2^x$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \times (2^x)^2 + 4 \times 2^x \times 2^1 = 1 + 2^x$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \times (2^x)^2 + 4 \times (2^x) \times 2^1 - 1 - 2^x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \times (2^x)^2 + (2^x) \times (8 - 1) - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \times (2^x)^2 + 7(2^x) - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8y^2 + 7y - 1 = 0 \quad [y = 2^x]$$

$$\Rightarrow 8y^2 + 8y - y - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8y(y + 1) - 1(y + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (8y - 1)(y + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8y = 1 \text{ or } y = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{8} \text{ or } y = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = \frac{1}{8} \text{ or } 2^x = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = \frac{1}{2^3} \text{ or } 2^x = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = 2^{-3} \text{ or } 2^x = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -3$$

[ $\because 2^x = -1$  is not possible]

(ii)

$$2^{2x} + 2^{x+2} - 4 \times 2^3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2^x)^2 + 2^x \cdot 2^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2^x)^2 + 2^x \cdot 2^2 - 32 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 4y - 32 = 0 \quad [y = 2^x]$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 8y - 4y - 32 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y(y+8) - 4(y+8) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y+8)(y-4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y+8 = 0 \text{ or } y-4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -8 \text{ or } y = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = -8 \text{ or } 2^x = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^x = 2^2 \quad [\because 2^x = -8 \text{ is not possible}]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2$$

(iii)

$$(\sqrt{3})^{x-3} = (\sqrt[4]{3})^{x+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(3^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{x-3} = \left(3^{\frac{1}{4}}\right)^{x+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{\frac{x-3}{2}} = 3^{\frac{x+1}{4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{2} = \frac{x+1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(x-3) = 2(x+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 12 = 2x + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 2x = 12 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{14}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 7$$

**Solution 5:**

$$4^{2m} = \left(\sqrt[3]{16}\right)^{-\frac{6}{n}} = \left(\sqrt{8}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4^{2m} = \left(\sqrt{8}\right)^2 \dots (1)$$

and

$$\left(\sqrt[3]{16}\right)^{-\frac{6}{n}} = \left(\sqrt{8}\right)^2 \dots (2)$$

From (1)

$$4^{2m} = \left(\sqrt{8}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(2^2\right)^{2m} = \left(\sqrt{2^3}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{4m} = \left[2^{\frac{3}{2}}\right]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{4m} = \left[2^{3 \times \frac{1}{2}}\right]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{4m} = 2^{3 \times \frac{1}{2} \times 2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{4m} = 2^3$$

$$\Rightarrow 4m = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{3}{4}$$

From (2), we have

$$\left(\sqrt[3]{16}\right)^{-\frac{6}{n}} = \left(\sqrt{8}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\sqrt[3]{2 \times 2 \times 2}\right)^{-\frac{6}{n}} = \left(\sqrt{2 \times 2 \times 2}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\sqrt[3]{2^4}\right)^{-\frac{6}{n}} = \left(\sqrt{2^3}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[2^{\frac{4}{3}}\right]^{-\frac{6}{n}} = \left[2^{\frac{3}{2}}\right]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[2^{\frac{4}{3}}\right]^{-\frac{6}{n}} = \left[2^{\frac{3}{2}}\right]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\frac{4}{3} \times \left(-\frac{6}{n}\right)} = 2^{\frac{3}{2} \times 2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\left(-\frac{8}{n}\right)} = 2^3$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{8}{n} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{-8}{3} \quad \text{Thus } m = \frac{3}{4} \quad n = \frac{-8}{3}$$

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**Solution 6:**

Consider the equation

$$(\sqrt{32})^x + 2^{y+1} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2})^x + 2^{y+1} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{2^5})^x + 2^{y+1} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ (2^5)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^x + 2^{y+1} = 2^0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\frac{5x}{2}} + 2^{y+1} = 2^0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5x}{2} - (y+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x - 2(y+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x - 2y - 2 = 0 \dots (1)$$

Now consider the other equation

$$8^y - 16^{4-\frac{x}{2}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2^3)^y - (2^4)^{4-\frac{x}{2}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{3y} - 2^{4\left(4-\frac{x}{2}\right)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{3y} = 2^{4\left(4-\frac{x}{2}\right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y = 4\left(4 - \frac{x}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y = 16 - 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 3y = 16 \dots (2)$$

Thus we have two equations,

$$5x - 2y = 2 \dots\dots(1)$$

$$2x + 3y = 16\dots\dots(2)$$

Multiplying (1) by 3 and (2) by 2, we have

$$15x - 6y = 6\dots\dots(3)$$

$$4x + 6y = 32\dots\dots(4)$$

Adding (3) and (4), we have

$$19x = 38$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2$$

Substituting the value of x in equation (1), we have,

$$5(2) - 2y = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10 - 2y = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y = 10 - 2$$

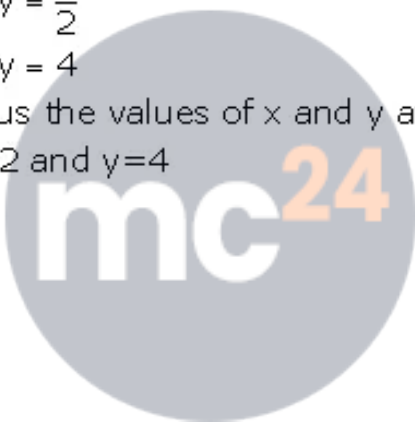
$$\Rightarrow 2y = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{8}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 4$$

Thus the values of x and y are:

$$x=2 \text{ and } y=4$$



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### Solution 7:

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= \left(\frac{x^a}{x^b}\right)^{a+b-c} \times \left(\frac{x^b}{x^c}\right)^{b+c-a} \times \left(\frac{x^c}{x^a}\right)^{c+a-b} \\ &= \left(x^{a-b}\right)^{(a+b-c)} \times \left(x^{b-c}\right)^{(b+c-a)} \times \left(x^{c-a}\right)^{(c+a-b)} \\ &= x^{(a-b)(a+b-c)} \times x^{(b-c)(b+c-a)} \times x^{(c-a)(c+a-b)} \\ &= x^{a^2+ab-ac-ab-b^2+bc} \times x^{b^2+bc-ab-cb-c^2+ac} \times x^{c^2+ac-bc-ac-a^2+ab} \\ &= x^{a^2-ac-b^2+bc+b^2-ab-c^2+ac+c^2-bc-a^2+ab} \\ &= x^0 \\ &= 1 \\ &= \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

We need to prove that

$$\frac{x^{a(b-c)}}{x^{b(a-c)}} \div \left(\frac{x^b}{x^a}\right)^c = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= x^{a(b-c)-b(a-c)} \div \frac{x^{bc}}{x^{ac}} \\ &\Rightarrow = x^{ab-ac-ab+bc} \div x^{bc-ac} \\ &\Rightarrow = x^{ab-ac-ab+bc-(bc-ac)} \\ &\Rightarrow = x^{ab-ac-ab+bc-bc+ac} \\ &\Rightarrow = x^0 \\ &\Rightarrow = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow = \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

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**Solution 8:**

We are given that

$$a^x = b, b^y = c \text{ and } c^z = a$$

Consider the equation

$$a^x = b$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{xyz} = b^{yz} \quad [\text{raising to the power } yz \text{ on both sides}]$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{xyz} = (b^y)^z$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{xyz} = (c)^z \quad [:\cdot b^y = c]$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{xyz} = c^z$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{xyz} = a \quad [:\cdot c^z = a]$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{xyz} = a^1$$

$$\Rightarrow xyz = 1$$

**Solution 9:**

$$\text{Let } a^x = b^y = c^z = k$$

$$\therefore a = k^{\frac{1}{x}}; b = k^{\frac{1}{y}}; c = k^{\frac{1}{z}}$$

Also, we have  $b^2 = ac$

$$\therefore \left(k^{\frac{1}{y}}\right)^2 = \left(k^{\frac{1}{x}}\right) \times \left(k^{\frac{1}{z}}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow k^{\frac{2}{y}} = k^{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{z}}$$

$$\Rightarrow k^{\frac{2}{y}} = k^{\frac{z+x}{xz}}$$

Comparing the powers we have

$$\frac{2}{y} = \frac{z+x}{xz}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{2xz}{z+x}$$

**Solution 10:**

$$\text{Let } 5^p = 4^q = 20^r = k$$

$$5^p = k \Rightarrow 5 = k^{\frac{1}{p}} [\because a^p = b^q \Rightarrow a = b^{\frac{q}{p}}]$$

$$4^q = k \Rightarrow 4 = k^{\frac{1}{q}} [\because a^p = b^q \Rightarrow a = b^{\frac{q}{p}}]$$

$$20^r = k \Rightarrow 20 = k^{\frac{1}{r}} [\because a^p = b^q \Rightarrow a = b^{\frac{q}{p}}]$$

$$5 \times 4 = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow k^{\frac{1}{p}} \times k^{\frac{1}{q}} = k^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

$$\Rightarrow k^{\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}} = k^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

$$\Rightarrow k^0 = k^{\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r} = 0 \text{ [If bases are equal, powers are also equal]}$$

**Solution 11:**

$$(m+n)^{-1}(m^{-1}+n^{-1}) = m^x n^y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(m+n)} \times \left( \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} \right) = m^x n^y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(m+n)} \times \left( \frac{m+n}{mn} \right) = m^x n^y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{mn} = m^x n^y$$

$$\Rightarrow m^{-1} n^{-1} = m^x n^y$$

Comparing the coefficients of  $x$  and  $y$ , we get

$$x = -1 \text{ and } y = -1$$

LHS,

$$x + y + 2 = (-1) + (-1) + 2 = 0 = \text{RHS}$$

**Solution 12:**

$$5^{x+1} = 25^{x-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^{x+1} = (5^2)^{x-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^{x+1} = 5^{2x-4} \text{ [If bases are equal, powers are also equal]}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 1 = 2x - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - x = 4 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5$$

$$\therefore 3^{x-3} \times 2^{3-x} = 3^{5-3} \times 2^{3-5} = 3^2 \times 2^{-2} = 9 \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{9}{4}$$

**Solution 13:**

$$4^{x+3} = 112 + 8 \times 4^x$$

$$\Rightarrow 4^x \times 4^3 = 112 + 8 \times 4^x$$

$$\Rightarrow 64 \times 4^x = 112 + 8 \times 4^x$$

$$\text{Let } 4^x = y$$

$$64y = 112 + 8y$$

$$\Rightarrow 56y = 112$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2$$

Substituting we get,

$$4^x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{2x} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(18x)^{3x} = \left(\frac{18}{2}\right)^{3 \times \frac{1}{2}} = 9^{3 \times \frac{1}{2}} = \left(9^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^3 = 3^3 = 27$$

**Solution 14(i):**

(i)

$$\begin{aligned}
4^{x-1} \times (0.5)^{3-2x} &= \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^{-x} \\
\Rightarrow (2^2)^{x-1} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{3-2x} &= \left(\frac{1}{2^3}\right)^{-x} \\
\Rightarrow 2^{2x-2} \times 2^{-(3-2x)} &= (2^{-3})^{-x} \\
\Rightarrow 2^{2x-2-3+2x} &= 2^{3x} \\
\Rightarrow 2^{4x-5} &= 2^{3x} \\
\Rightarrow 4x - 5 &= 3x \\
\Rightarrow 4x - 3x &= 5 \\
\Rightarrow x &= 5
\end{aligned}$$

**Solution 14(ii):**

$$\begin{aligned}
a^{2(3x+5)} \times a^{4x} &= a^{8x+12} \\
\Rightarrow a^{6x+10+4x} &= a^{8x+12} \\
\Rightarrow 10x + 10 &= 8x + 12 \text{ [If bases are the same, powers are also same]} \\
\Rightarrow 2x &= 2 \\
\Rightarrow x &= 1
\end{aligned}$$

**Solution 14(iii):**

$$\begin{aligned}
(81)^{\frac{3}{4}} - \left(\frac{1}{32}\right)^{\frac{2}{5}} + x \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1} \cdot 2^0 &= 27 \\
\Rightarrow 3^{4 \cdot \frac{3}{4}} - (2^{-5})^{\frac{2}{5}} + x(2) &= 27 \\
\Rightarrow 3^3 - 2^2 + 2x &= 27 \\
\Rightarrow 2x + 27 - 4 &= 27 \\
\Rightarrow 2x &= 4 \\
\Rightarrow x &= 2
\end{aligned}$$

**Solution 14(iv):**

$$\begin{aligned}2^{3x} \times 2^3 &= 2^{3x} \times 2 + 48 \\ \Rightarrow 8 \times 2^{3x} &= 2^{3x} \times 2 + 48 \\ \Rightarrow 2^{3x} (8 - 2) &= 48 \\ \Rightarrow 2^{3x} \times 6 &= 48 \\ \Rightarrow 2^{3x} &= 8 \\ \Rightarrow 2^{3x} &= 2^3 \\ \Rightarrow 3x &= 3 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 1\end{aligned}$$

**Solution 14(v):**

$$\begin{aligned}3 \times 2^x + 3 - 2^x \times 2^2 + 5 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2^x (3 - 4) + 8 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow -2^x &= -8 \\ \Rightarrow 2^x &= 8 \\ x &= 3\end{aligned}$$



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