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## EXERCISE 1.1

**Q.1.** Is zero a rational number? Can you write it in the form  $\frac{p}{q}$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers and  $q \neq 0$ ?

**Sol.** Yes, zero is a rational number. It can be written as  $\frac{0}{1}, \frac{0}{2}$ , etc., in the form

$\frac{p}{q}$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers and  $q \neq 0$ . **Ans.**

**Q.2.** Find six rational numbers between 3 and 4.

**Sol.** To find six rational numbers between 3 and 4 denominator should be made equal to  $6 + 1 = 7$ .

$$\text{Therefore, } 3 = \frac{3 \times 7}{7} = \frac{21}{7} \quad 4 = \frac{4 \times 7}{7} = \frac{28}{7}$$

Six rational numbers between 3 and 4 can be found by varying the numerator between 21 and 28.

Or, the numbers are  $\frac{22}{7}, \frac{23}{7}, \frac{24}{7}, \frac{25}{7}, \frac{26}{7}, \frac{27}{7}$ . **Ans.**

**Q.3.** Find five rational numbers between  $\frac{3}{5}$  and  $\frac{4}{5}$ .

**Sol.** To find five rational numbers between  $\frac{3}{5}$  and  $\frac{4}{5}$ , we may add the given numbers and divide by 2, and repeat the process.

$$\frac{\frac{3}{5} + \frac{4}{5}}{2} = \frac{7}{5 \times 2} = \frac{7}{10} = x_1$$

$$\frac{\frac{7}{10} + \frac{4}{5}}{2} = \frac{7+8}{10} = \frac{15}{10}$$

$$\text{Next rational number} = \frac{15}{10 \times 2} = \frac{15}{20} = \frac{3}{4} = x_2$$

$$\frac{\frac{3}{4} + \frac{4}{5}}{2} = \frac{15+16}{20} = \frac{31}{20}$$

$$\text{Next rational number} = \frac{31}{20 \times 2} = \frac{31}{40} = x_3$$

$$\frac{\frac{31}{40} + \frac{4}{5}}{2} = \frac{31+32}{40} = \frac{63}{40}$$

$$\text{Next rational number} = \frac{63}{40 \times 2} = \frac{63}{80} = x_4$$

$$\frac{\frac{63}{80} + \frac{4}{5}}{2} = \frac{63+64}{80} = \frac{127}{80}$$

$$\text{Next rational number} = \frac{127}{80 \times 2} = \frac{127}{160} = x_5$$

$$x_1 = \frac{7}{10}, x_2 = \frac{3}{4}, x_3 = \frac{31}{40}, x_4 = \frac{63}{80}, x_5 = \frac{127}{160}. \quad \text{Ans.}$$

(**Note** : Many answers are possible. There are of course infinitely many rational numbers between  $\frac{3}{5}$  and  $\frac{4}{5}$ .)

**Q.4.** *State whether the following statements are true or false. Give reasons for your answers.*

- (i) *Every natural number is a whole number.*
- (ii) *Every integer is a whole number.*
- (iii) *Every rational number is a whole number.*

**Sol.**

- (i) True, since the collection of whole numbers contains all the natural numbers and in addition zero.
- (ii) False. Negative integers are not whole numbers.
- (iii) False. Numbers such as  $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{-3}{5}$ , etc., are rational numbers but not whole numbers.

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## EXERCISE 1.2

**Q.1.** State whether the following statements are true or false. Justify your answers.

- (i) Every irrational number is a real number.
- (ii) Every point on the number line is of the form  $\sqrt{m}$ , where  $m$  is a natural number.
- (iii) Every real number is an irrational number.

**Sol.** (i) True. All irrational and rational numbers together make up the collection of real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(ii) False, e.g. between  $\sqrt{2}$  and  $\sqrt{3}$  there are infinitely many numbers and these can not be represented in the form  $\sqrt{m}$ , where  $m$  is a natural number.

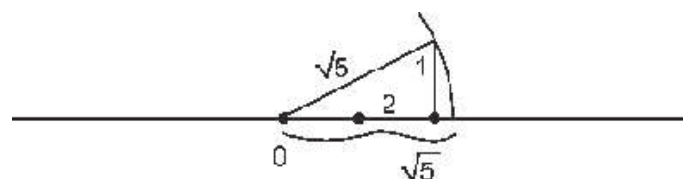
(iii) False. All rational numbers are also real numbers.

**Q.2.** Are the square roots of all positive integers irrational? If not, give an example of the square root of a number that is a rational number.

**Sol.** Square roots of positive integers are not irrational. For example,  $\sqrt{4} = 2$ , which is a rational number.

**Q.3.** Show how  $\sqrt{5}$  can be represented on the number line.

**Sol.** To represent  $\sqrt{5}$  on the number line we take a length of two units from 0 on the number line in positive direction and one unit perpendicular to it. The hypotenuse of the triangle thus formed is of length  $\sqrt{5}$ . Then with the help of a divider a length equal to the hypotenuse of  $\sqrt{5}$  units can be cut on the number line.



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## EXERCISE 1.3

**Q.1.** Write the following in decimal form and say what kind of decimal expansion each has :

$$(i) \frac{36}{100} \quad (ii) \frac{1}{11} \quad (iii) 4\frac{1}{8} \quad (iv) \frac{3}{13} \quad (v) \frac{2}{11} \quad (vi) \frac{329}{400}$$

**Sol.** (i) 0.36, terminating. (ii)  $0.\overline{09}$ , recurring non-terminating.  
 (iii) 4.125, terminating. (iv)  $0.\overline{230769}$ , recurring non-terminating.  
 (v)  $0.\overline{18}$ , non-terminating recurring. (vi) 0.8225, terminating.

**Q.2.** You know that  $\frac{1}{7} = 0.\overline{142857}$ . Can you predict what the decimal expansions of  $\frac{2}{7}, \frac{3}{7}, \frac{4}{7}, \frac{5}{7}, \frac{6}{7}$  are, without actually doing the long division? If so, how?

**Sol.**  $\frac{2}{7} = 2 \times \frac{1}{7} = 0.\overline{285714}$ ,  $\frac{3}{7} = 3 \times \frac{1}{7} = 0.\overline{428571}$   $\frac{4}{7} = 4 \times \frac{1}{7} = 0.\overline{571428}$ ,  
 $\frac{5}{7} = 5 \times \frac{1}{7} = 0.\overline{714285}$   $\frac{6}{7} = 6 \times \frac{1}{7} = 0.\overline{857142}$

**Q.3.** Express the following in the form of  $\frac{p}{q}$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers and  $q \neq 0$ .

$$(i) 0.\overline{6} \quad (ii) 0.4\overline{7} \quad (iii) 0.\overline{001}$$

**Sol.** (i)  $x = 0.\overline{6} = 0.666 \dots$  to be written in  $\frac{p}{q}$  form.

One digit 6 is repeating.

We multiply it with 10 on both sides.

$$\begin{aligned} 10x &= 6.\overline{6} \\ \Rightarrow 10x &= 6 + x \\ \Rightarrow 10x - x &= 6 \\ 9x &= 6 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{6}{9} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \text{Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $x = 0.4\bar{7} = 0.4777 \dots$   
 One digit is repeating.  
 We multiply by 10 on both sides.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \quad 10x &= 4.\bar{7} \\ &= 4.3 + .4\bar{7} \\ &= 4.3 + x \\ \Rightarrow \quad 9x &= 4.3 \\ \Rightarrow \quad x &= \frac{4.3}{9} = \frac{43}{90} \quad \text{Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

(iii)  $x = 0.\overline{001}$ .  
 Here three digits repeats; we multiply with 1000.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \quad 1000x &= 1.\overline{001} \\ 1000x &= 1 + x \\ \Rightarrow \quad 1000x - x &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \quad 999x &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \quad x &= \frac{1}{999} \quad \text{Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

**Q.4.** Express  $0.99999 \dots$  in the form  $\frac{p}{q}$ . Are you surprised by your answer? With your teacher and classmates discuss why the answer makes sense.

**Sol.**  $x = 0.99999 \dots = 0.\bar{9}$   
 One digit repeat; we multiply by 10.

$$\begin{aligned} 10x &= 9.\bar{9} \\ \Rightarrow 10x &= 9 + x \\ \Rightarrow 9x &= 9 \\ x &= 1 \quad \text{Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

The answer makes sense as  $0.\bar{9}$  is infinitely close to 1, i.e., we can make the difference between 1 and  $0.99 \dots$  as small as we wish by taking enough 9's.

**Q.5.** What can the maximum number of digits be in the repeating block of digits in the decimal expansion of  $\frac{1}{17}$ ? Perform the division to check your answer.

**Sol.** The maximum number of digits in the repeating block is 16 ( $< 17$ ).

Division gives  $\frac{1}{17} = \overline{0.0588235294117647}$

The repeating block has 16 digits. **Ans.**

**Q.6.** Look at several examples of rational numbers in the form  $\frac{p}{q}$  ( $q \neq 0$ ), where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers with no common factors other than 1 and having terminating decimal representations (expansions). Can you guess what property  $q$  must satisfy?

**Sol.**  $\frac{2}{5} = 0.4$ ,  $\frac{3}{2} = 1.5$ ,  $\frac{7}{8} = 0.875$ ,  $\frac{7}{10} = 0.7$ .

All the denominators are either 2 (or its power), 5 (or its power) or a combination of both. **Ans.**

**Q.7.** Write three numbers whose decimal expansion are non-terminating non-recurring.

**Sol.** 7.314114111411114.....  
0.101002000300004.....  
 $\pi = 3.1416$ ..... **Ans.**

**Q.8.** Find three different irrational numbers between the rational numbers  $\frac{5}{7}$  and  $\frac{9}{11}$ .

**Sol.**  $\frac{5}{7} = 0.\overline{714285}$        $\frac{9}{11} = 0.\overline{81}$

There are an infinite number of irrational numbers between these two numbers. We may choose any three of them, e.g.

0.7234596.....  
0.7425735.....  
0.78123957..... **Ans.**

**Q.9.** Classify the following numbers as rational or irrational :

(i)  $\sqrt{23}$                       (ii)  $\sqrt{225}$                       (iii) 0.3796  
(iv) 7.478478 .....      (v) 1.101001000100001....

**Sol.** Rational —  $\sqrt{225} = 15$ , and 0.3796

Irrational —  $\sqrt{23}$ , 7.478478....., 1.101001000100001.... **Ans.**

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## EXERCISE 1.4

**Q.1.** Visualise 3.765 on the number line, using successive magnification.

**Sol.** Step one — The given number lies between 3 and 4.

Step two — Magnify the interval between 3 and 4 and divide it into 10 equal parts.

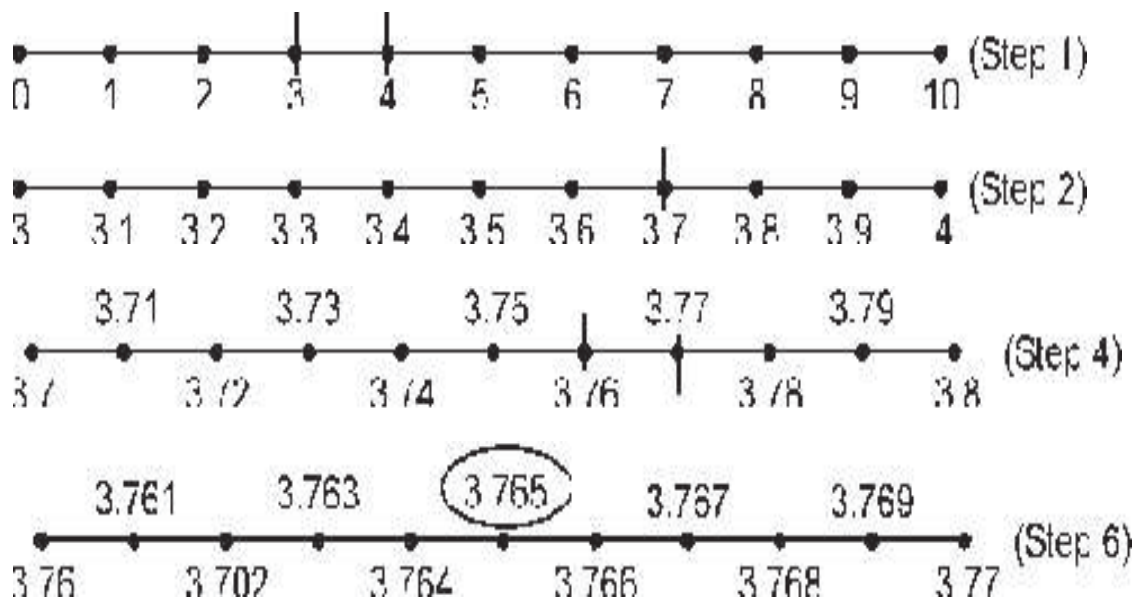
Step three — The given number lies between 3.7 and 3.8.

Step four — Divide the interval between 3.7 and 3.8 into ten equal parts and magnify it.

Step five — The given number lies between 3.76 and 3.77.

Step six — Magnify the interval between 3.76 and 3.77 and divide it into ten equal parts.

Step seven — 3.765 is the fifth division in this magnification.



**Q.2.** Visualise  $4.\overline{26}$  on the number line, up to 4 decimal places.

**Sol.** Step one — On the number line the given number  $4.\overline{26}$  lies between 4 and 5. (For four decimal places number is 4.2626.)

Step two — Magnify the interval between 4 and 5 and divide it into 10 equal parts.

Step three — The given number  $4.\overline{26}$  lies between 4.2 and 4.3.

Step four — Magnify the interval between 4.2 and 4.3 and divide it into ten equal parts.

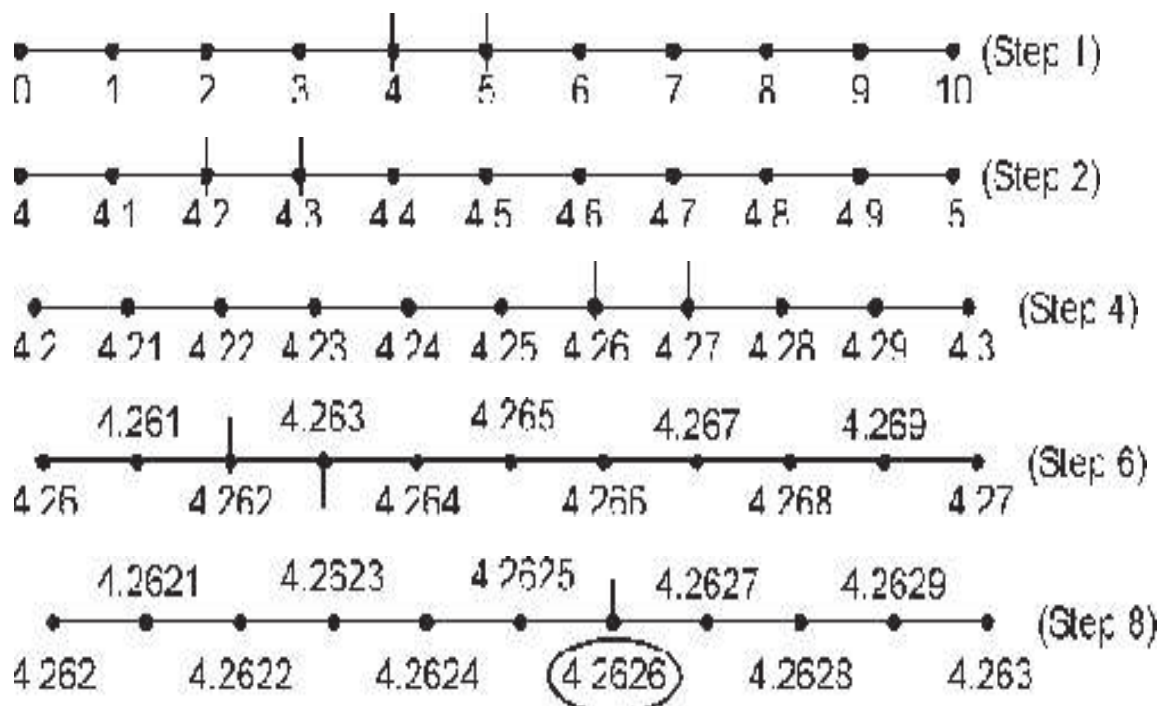
Step five — The given number falls between 4.26 and 4.27.

Step six — Magnify the interval between 4.26 and 4.27 and divide it into ten equal parts.

Step seven — The given number lies between 4.262 and 4.263.

Step eight — Magnify the interval between 4.262 and 4.263 and divide it into ten equal parts.

Step nine — The given number is the sixth division of the given interval.





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## EXERCISE 1.5

**Q.1.** Classify the following numbers as rational or irrational :

$$(i) 2 - \sqrt{5} \quad (ii) (3 + \sqrt{23}) - \sqrt{23} \quad (iii) \frac{2\sqrt{7}}{7\sqrt{7}} \quad (iv) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (v) 2\pi$$

**Ans.** (i)  $2 - \sqrt{5}$ , (iv)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  and, (v)  $2\pi$  are irrational

(ii)  $(3 + \sqrt{23}) - \sqrt{23} = 3$ , and (iii)  $\frac{2\sqrt{7}}{7\sqrt{7}} = \frac{2}{7}$  are rational **Ans.**

**Q.2.** Simplify each of the following expressions :

$$(i) (3 + \sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{2}) \quad (ii) (3 + \sqrt{3})(3 - \sqrt{3})$$

$$(iii) (\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2})^2 \quad (iv) (\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2})$$

**Ans.** (i)  $(3 + \sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{2}) = 3 \times 2 + 3 \times \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} \times 2 + \sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2}$   
 $= 6 + 3\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6}$  **Ans.**

$$(ii) (3 + \sqrt{3})(3 - \sqrt{3})$$

Using identity  $(a + b)(a - b) = a^2 - b^2$ , it equals,  $3^2 - 3 = 9 - 3 = 6$ . **Ans.**

$$(iii) (\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2})^2$$

Using identity  $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + 2ab$ , we have

$$(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2})^2 = 5 + 2 + 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{5} = 7 + 2\sqrt{10}$$
 **Ans.**

$$(iv) (\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2})$$

Using identity  $(a + b)(a - b) = a^2 - b^2$  we have

$$(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}) = (5 - 2) = 3$$
 **Ans.**

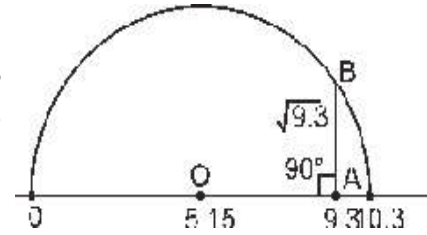
**Q.3.** Recall,  $\pi$  is defined as the ratio of the circumference (say  $c$ ) of a circle to its diameter (say  $d$ ). That is,  $\pi = \frac{c}{d}$ . This seems to contradict the fact that  $\pi$  is irrational. How will you resolve this contradiction?

**Ans.** With a scale or tape we get only an approximate rational number as the result of our measurement. That is why  $\pi$  can be approximately represented as a quotient of two rational numbers. As a matter of mathematical truth it is irrational.

**Q.4.** Represent  $\sqrt{9.3}$  on the number line.

**Sol.** To represent  $\sqrt{9.3}$ , draw a segment of 9.3 units on the number line. Let A represent 9.3

Extend it by 1 cm. Show point  $\frac{10.3}{2}$



= 5.15 by on the number line. With 'O' as centre and radius 5.15 units, draw a semicircle. Draw AB perpendicular to OA to cut the hemisphere at B. The length AB is  $\sqrt{9.3}$  units.

**Q.5.** Rationalise the denominators of the following :

(i)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}$       (ii)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{6}}$       (iii)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}}$       (iv)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-2}$

**Sol.** (i)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{7}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{7}$  **Ans.**

(ii)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{6}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}}{7-6} = \sqrt{7}+\sqrt{6}$  **Ans.**

(iii)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{5-2} = \frac{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}}{3}$  **Ans.**

(iv)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}-2} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}+2}{\sqrt{7}+2} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+2}{7-4} = \frac{\sqrt{7}+2}{3}$  **Ans.**

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## EXERCISE 1.6

**Q.1. Find :** (i)  $64^{\frac{1}{2}}$  (ii)  $32^{\frac{1}{5}}$  (iii)  $125^{\frac{1}{3}}$

**Sol.** (i)  $64^{\frac{1}{2}} = (8^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 8$  **Ans.** (ii)  $32^{\frac{1}{5}} = (2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2)^{\frac{1}{5}} = (2^5)^{\frac{1}{5}} = 2$  **Ans.**

(iii)  $125^{\frac{1}{3}} = (5 \times 5 \times 5)^{\frac{1}{3}} = (5^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 5$  **Ans.**

**Q.2. Find :** (i)  $9^{\frac{3}{2}}$  (ii)  $32^{\frac{2}{5}}$  (iii)  $16^{\frac{3}{4}}$  (iv)  $125^{\frac{-1}{3}}$

**Sol.** (i)  $9^{\frac{3}{2}} = \left(9^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^3 = (3)^3 = 27$  **Ans.** (ii)  $32^{\frac{2}{5}} = \left(32^{\frac{1}{5}}\right)^2 = (2)^2 = 4$  **Ans.**

(iii)  $16^{\frac{3}{4}} = \left(16^{\frac{1}{4}}\right)^3 = (2)^3 = 8$  **Ans.** (iv)  $125^{\frac{-1}{3}} = \frac{1}{(125)^{\frac{1}{3}}} = \frac{1}{5}$  **Ans.**

**Q.3. Simplify :** (i)  $2^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{5}}$  (ii)  $\left(\frac{1}{3^3}\right)^7$  (iii)  $\frac{11^{\frac{1}{2}}}{11^{\frac{1}{4}}}$  (iv)  $7^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 8^{\frac{1}{2}}$

**Sol.** (i)  $2^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{5}} = 2^{\left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{5}\right)} = 2^{\frac{13}{15}}$  **Ans.** (ii)  $\left(\frac{1}{3^3}\right)^7 = (3^{-3})^7 = (3)^{-21}$  **Ans.**

(iii)  $\frac{11^{\frac{1}{2}}}{11^{\frac{1}{4}}} = 11^{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}} = 11^{\frac{1}{4}}$  **Ans.** (iv)  $7^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 8^{\frac{1}{2}} = (56)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  **Ans.**