Section 6.1 Exponent Laws

1. Simplify, then evaluate. Give your answer as a whole number or a fraction.

| a) $4^{-3} \times 4^{5}$ | b) $3^{-1} \times 3^{-3}$ |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| c) $5^3 \times 5^{-7} \times 5^3$ | d) $2^{-5} \times 2^{-4} \times 2^{2}$ |

- 2. Refer to question 1. Write each power with a negative exponent as a power with a positive exponent. Then, evaluate. Use a calculator to check your answers.
- **3.** Write each power as a fraction with a positive exponent.

a)
$$\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{-3}$$
 b) $\left(\frac{3}{8}\right)^{-2}$

- 4. Simplify each expression. Then evaluate for the given values. Give your answer as a whole number or a fraction. a) $(g^{-2})(g^{-1})(g^4)$, for g = 5b) $(w^{-5})(w^{-4})(w^7)$, for w = 3c) $(p^{-3})(p^5q^{-2})$, for p = 4 and q = -1d) $(a^{-2}b^5)(a^{-1}b^{-2})$, for a = -2 and b = -3
- **5.** Simplify, then evaluate. Give your answer as a whole number or a fraction.
 - a) $7^4 \div 7^7$ b) $5^{-6} \div 5^{-4}$ c) $\frac{2^6}{2^{-3}}$ d) $\frac{10^{-5}}{10^{-3}}$
- 6. Simplify each expression. Then evaluate for the given values. Give your answer as a whole number or a fraction.

a)
$$(x^{-2} \div x^{-5})$$
, for $x = -3$
b) $(z^{-6} \div z^{-4})$, for $z = 4$
c) $\frac{b^{-3}c^5}{bc^{-2}}$, for $b = -1$ and $c = 2$
d) $(s^{-3}t^2) \div (s^{-5}t^{-1})$, for $s = 5$ and $t = 2$

7. Simplify, then evaluate. Give your answer as a whole number or a fraction. $\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i}^{3})^{-1} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i}^{-1})^{-3}$

BLM 6-4

a)
$$(4^{\circ})^{1}$$
 b) $(5^{\circ})^{\circ}$
c) $[(-2)^{-2}]^{-4}$ d) $[(-10)^{3}]^{-2}$

- **8.** Simplify each expression. Then evaluate for the given values. Give your answer as a whole number or a fraction.
 - **a)** $(w^{-2})^{-1}$, for w = 7
 - **b)** $(5x^3)^{-2}$, for x = -2
 - c) $(p^2q^3)^{-2}$, for p = 3 and q = -1
 - **d)** $(b^{-2}c^3)^{-1}$, for b = 4 and c = 5
- **9.** Simplify. Write your answer as a power with a positive exponent.

a)
$$y^3 \times y^5$$

b) $v^{-4} \div v$
c) $m^2 n^4 \times m^{-2} n^{-3}$
d) $\frac{a^4 b^{-5}}{a^3 b^3}$
e) $(s^{-3})^{-1}$
f) $\left(\frac{x^{-3}}{y^{-1}}\right)^{-2}$

10. Simplify, then evaluate to three decimal places.

a)
$$\frac{1.07^8}{1.07^{11}}$$

b) $\frac{1.04^{-1}}{1.04^3}$
c) $(8.1^{-3})^{-1}$
d) $(-1.01^3)^{-2}$

- **11. a)** Evaluate $(k^4)^{-2} + (k^{-3})(k^2)$ for k = 2.
 - **b)** Use a CAS graphing calculator to check your answer to part a).

