

1. (12 points) Write without negative exponents and simplify.

(a)  $\left(\frac{3}{x}\right)^{-4}$  **Solution:**  $\frac{x^4}{81}$

(b)  $\frac{2y^{-4}}{x^{-3}}$  **Solution:**  $\frac{2x^3}{y^4}$

(c)  $\frac{3t^2(2t^{-3})^{-2}}{3t^{-3}}$  **Solution:**  $\frac{t^{11}}{4}$

2. (12 points) Write each power in radical form.

(a)  $(12d)^{2/3}$  **Solution:** Any of these:  $\sqrt[3]{(12d)^2} = \left(\sqrt[3]{12d}\right)^2 = \sqrt[3]{144d^2}$

(b)  $(9 - 4x^2)^{0.5}$  **Solution:**  $\sqrt{9 - 4x^2}$

3. (10 points) Write each radical as a power with a fractional exponent.

(a)  $x\sqrt[3]{x}$  **Solution:**  $x^{4/3}$

(b)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$  **Solution:**  $x^{-2/3}$

4. (16 points) The heron population of Saltmarsh Refuge is estimated by conservationists at

$$P(t) = 400t^{-1/3}$$

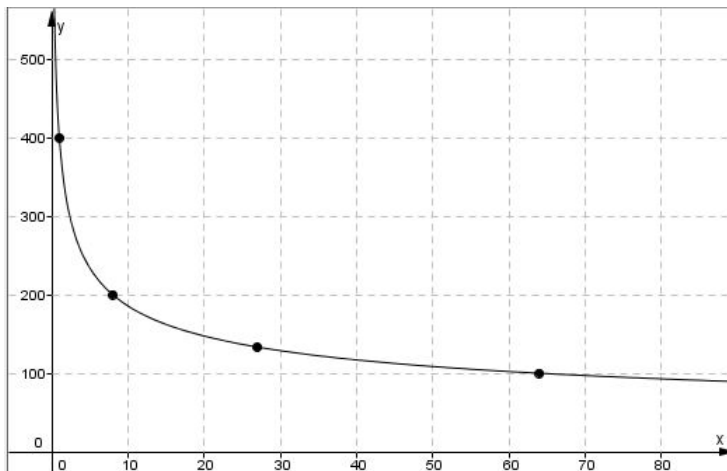
where  $t$  is the number of year since the refuge was established in 2000.

(a) Complete the table

**Solution:**

|        |  |       |  |     |  |     |  |     |  |     |
|--------|--|-------|--|-----|--|-----|--|-----|--|-----|
| $t$    |  | 0.001 |  | 1   |  | 8   |  | 27  |  | 64  |
| $P(t)$ |  | 4000  |  | 400 |  | 200 |  | 133 |  | 100 |

(b) Sketch a graph for the function for  $0 \leq t \leq 64$



- (c) Approximately how many heron were there in 2012?

From the graph, this number is approximately 170. We can evaluate the function to be more sure:  $P(12) = 400(12)^{-1/3} = \frac{400}{\sqrt[3]{12}} \approx \frac{400}{2.894} \approx 175$

- (d) In what year will there be only 10 heron left?

**Solution:**  $P(t) = 10 \Leftrightarrow 400t^{-1/3} = 10 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt[3]{t} = 40 \Leftrightarrow t = 40^3 = 64000$  which corresponds to the year 68000. Hey, it's just around the corner.

5. (12 points) Write an equation for the circle

- (a) with radius 2 and center (1, 3).

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

- (b) centered at (4, 5) and passing through (1, 2).

The square of the radius is  $(4 - 1)^2 + (5 - 2)^2 = 18$ , so the equation is  $(x - 4)^2 + (y - 5)^2 = 18$

- (c) with diameter from (-3, 2) to (5, 4).

The center is at  $\left(\frac{-3 + 5}{2}, \frac{2 + 4}{2}\right) = (1, 3)$  and the square of the radius is  $(5 - 1)^2 + (4 - 3)^2 = 17$  so the equation is  $(x - 1)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 17$ .

6. (12 points) Find the logarithm.

- (a)
- $\log_2 64$
- Solution:**
- $\log_2 64 = 6 \Leftrightarrow 2^6 = 64$

- (b)
- $\log_3 \frac{1}{27}$
- Solution:**
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- $\log_3 \frac{1}{27} = -3 \Leftrightarrow 3^{-3} = \frac{1}{27}$

7. (12 points) Solve for the unknown value.

- (a)
- $\log_2(1 - 2x) = 4$
- Solution:**
- $\log_2(1 - 2x) = 4 \Leftrightarrow (1 - 2x) = 2^4 \Leftrightarrow 2x = -15 \Leftrightarrow x = -\frac{15}{2}$

- (b)
- $6 \cdot 10^{2.07x} = 216$
- Solution:**
- $6 \cdot 10^{2.07x} = 216 \Leftrightarrow 10^{2.07x} = 36 \Leftrightarrow 2.07x = \log(36) \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{\log(36)}{2.07} \approx 0.7943$

- (c)
- $105 = \frac{1}{3}(10^{0.5x} - 1)$
- Solution:**
- $105 = \frac{1}{3}(10^{0.5x} - 1) \Leftrightarrow (10^{0.5x} - 1) = 316 \Leftrightarrow 0.5x = \log(316) \Leftrightarrow x = 2(2.4997 \approx 4.9994)$

8. (14 points) A obsessive saver puts 2¢ in a box on the first day of the month of January, 4¢ on the second day, 8¢ on the third day, and keeps doubling the number of cents she puts in the box for every day of the month thereafter.

- (a) Make a table of the number cents she puts in the box each day for the first week.

**Solution:**

|       |   |   |   |    |    |    |     |
|-------|---|---|---|----|----|----|-----|
| day   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7   |
| cents | 2 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128 |

- (b) Write a function which gives the number of cents she puts in the box on the  $n$ th day.

**Solution:**  $A(n) = 2^n$

- (c) How much money did she put in the box on the 15th day of the month.

**Solution:**  $A(15) = 2^{15} = 32768$

- (d) What if she had deposited the money in an account bearing 5% daily interest? How much money would she have at the end of the first week? You can write this as a sum, but you don't have to compute the sum.

**Solution:** The original 2¢ earns 6 day's interest, so it will be worth  $2 \cdot (1.05)^6$ ¢. Similarly, the 4¢ of day 2 will earn 5 day's interest and be worth  $2 \cdot (1.05)^5$ ¢, and so on, for a total of  $2 \cdot (1.05)^6 + 4 \cdot (1.05)^5 + 8 \cdot (1.05)^4 + 16 \cdot (1.05)^3 + 32 \cdot (1.05)^2 + 64 \cdot (1.05) + 128 \approx 2.68 + 5.105 + 9.724 + 18.522 + 35.28 + 67.2 + 128 \approx 266.5$ ¢.