

Review: cont'd

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two nice properties of radicals:

$$\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{b} \quad \text{for } a, b \text{ }^{\text{positive}} \text{ real numbers}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} = \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b}} \quad \text{for } a, b \text{ positive real numbers and } b \neq 0$$

simplify:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{16} &= 4 \\ \sqrt{100} &= 10 \\ \sqrt{81} &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

simplify:

$$\sqrt{8} = \sqrt{4} \sqrt{2} = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{12} = \sqrt{4} \sqrt{3} = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\sqrt{27} = \sqrt{9} \sqrt{3} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\sqrt{98} = \sqrt{49} \sqrt{2} = 7\sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{50} = \sqrt{25} \sqrt{2} = 5\sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{24} = \sqrt{4} \sqrt{6} = 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$\sqrt{48} = \sqrt{4} \sqrt{12} = \sqrt{4} \sqrt{4} \sqrt{3} = 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$= \sqrt{16} \sqrt{3} = 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{13} &= \sqrt{13} \\ \sqrt{21} &= \sqrt{21} \\ \sqrt{6} &= \sqrt{6}\end{aligned}$$

$$5\sqrt{2} \neq \sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

← denominator is rational

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

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}$$

if you insist,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{12}}{\sqrt{12}} = \frac{\sqrt{12}}{12} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{12} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}$$