

# Product/Quotient of Powers

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Multiplying Powers with like bases...

- ① Multiply Coefficients
- ② Add exponents that have the same base
- ③ Write answer as one expression.

Ex)  $6x \cdot 4x^2$

①  $6 \cdot 4 = 24$

② Add:  $x^{1+2} = x^3$

③ Combine:  $\boxed{24x^3}$

Ex)  $7x^4y \cdot 3y^5x^6 \cdot 2y$

①  $7 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 = 42$

②  $x^{4+6} = x^{10}$

$y^{1+5+1} = y^7$

③  $\boxed{42x^{10}y^7}$

Ex)  $\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^4 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^5 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)$

Add exponents:  $\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^{4+5+1} = \boxed{\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^{10}}$

## Dividing Powers with like bases...

- ① Divide Coefficients (if possible)
- ② Subtract exponents
- ③ Move negative exponents to top/bottom and make positive.

$$\text{Ex)} \quad \frac{9a^4}{3a}$$

$$\text{①} \quad \frac{9}{3} = 3$$

$$\text{②} \quad a^{4-1}$$

$$\text{③} \quad \boxed{3a^3}$$

$$\text{Ex)} \quad \frac{5c^5d}{3c^3d^2}$$

$$\text{①} \quad \frac{5}{3} \rightarrow \text{does not reduce}$$

$$\text{②} \quad c^{5-3} = c^2$$

$$d^{1-2} = d^{-1}$$

$$\text{③} \quad \boxed{\frac{5c^2}{3d}}$$