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Learning Goal 5.2

Use exponent laws to evaluate expression with positive and negative rational exponents.

Evaluate the following expressions **without a calculator**. Leave your answers as fractions.

a. 3^{-2}

b. 2^{-4}

c. $(0.3)^{-4}$

d. $\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-3}$

e. $\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-2}$

f. $\frac{1}{5^{-3}}$

Simplify the following expressions to a single power with only positive exponents. Do not evaluate. Show all your work.

a. $\left(\left(\left(11\right)^3 \times 11^{-7}\right)^{-3}\right)^2$

b. $\left(32^{-2} \times 128\right)^{-4}$

c. $\left(-\left(q^{-5} \times q^{-4}\right)^2\right)^{-4}$

d. $-\left(\frac{t^{-9}}{t^{-12}}\right)^{-4}$

e. $\left(-\left(\frac{w^{-3}}{w^3}\right)^2\right)^{-8}$

f. $\left(\frac{-81^2}{27^{-6}}\right)^{-3}$