

You must show all your work to receive credit.

1.] (2 pts) Evaluate both expressions.

(a.)  $(4^{2/3})(2^{2/3}) = (4 \cdot 2)^{2/3}$

$= 8^{2/3}$

$= (8^{1/3})^2$

$= (\sqrt[3]{8})^2$

$= 2^2 = \boxed{4}$

(b.)  $(\frac{27}{8})^{2/3} (\frac{16}{81})^{-3/4}$

$= \frac{27^{2/3}}{8^{2/3}} \cdot (\frac{81}{16})^{3/4}$

$= \frac{(\sqrt[3]{27})^2}{(\sqrt[3]{8})^2} \cdot \frac{81^{3/4}}{16^{3/4}} = \frac{3^2}{2^2} \cdot \frac{(4\sqrt{81})^3}{(4\sqrt{16})^3}$

$= \frac{3^2}{2^2} \cdot \frac{3^3}{2^3} = \frac{3^5}{2^5} = \frac{3 \cdot 81}{32} = \boxed{\frac{243}{32}}$

2.] (2 pts) Evaluate both expressions.

(a.)  $e^{3\ln(2) - 2\ln(3)}$

$= e^{\ln(2^3) - \ln(3^2)}$

$= e^{\ln(\frac{2^3}{3^2})}$

$= \frac{2^3}{3^2}$

$= \boxed{\frac{8}{9}}$

(b.)  $\log_9(3^{20})$

$= \log_9(3^2)^{10} = \log_9 9^{10}$

$= 10 \log_9(9) = 10 \cdot 1 = 10.$

(or)

$\log_9(3^{20}) = 20 \log_9 3 = 20 \cdot \log_9(9^{1/2})$

$= 20(\frac{1}{2}) = 10.$

3.] (2 pts) Simplify both expressions (answer should have simple arguments).

(a.)  $\ln(x^2 \sqrt{4-x^2})$

$= \ln(x^2) + \ln(\sqrt{4-x^2})$

$= 2 \ln x + \ln(4-x^2)^{1/2}$

$= 2 \ln x + \frac{1}{2} \ln(4-x^2)$

$= 2 \ln x + \frac{1}{2} \ln(2-x)(2+x)$

$= 2 \ln x + \frac{1}{2} [\ln(2-x) + \ln(2+x)]$

(b.)  $(\frac{1}{y^{5/4}})^{-4/5} = (\frac{y^{5/4}}{1})^{4/5}$

$= y^{\frac{5}{4} \cdot \frac{4}{5}}$

$= y^1 = \boxed{y}$

4.] (2 pts) Find all real numbers  $x$  that satisfy the equation.

$$3^{2x-1} = 9$$

$$3^{2x-1} = 3^2$$

$$2x-1 = 2$$

$$2x = 3$$

$$\underline{x = \frac{3}{2}}$$

5.] (2 pts) Solve the equation for  $x$ ; simplify your answer.

$$4 = 3 + 9e^{-2x}$$

$$1 = 9e^{-2x}$$

$$\frac{1}{9} = e^{-2x}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{1}{9}\right) = \ln(e^{-2x})$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{1}{9}\right) = -2x$$

$$\frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)}{-2} = x$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)$$

$$= \ln\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^{-1/2}$$

$$= \ln 9^{1/2} = \underline{\ln 3}$$