

EXERCISES FOR POWER (IN)EQUALITIES

Question 1 In Exercises ?? - ??, solve the equation or inequality.

Problem 1.1 $x + 1 = (3x + 7)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$x = 3$

Problem 1.2 $2x + 1 = (3 - 3x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$x = \frac{1}{4}$

Problem 1.3 $t + (3t + 10)^{0.5} = -2$

$t = -3$

Problem 1.4 $3t + (6 - 9t)^{0.5} = 2$

Select All Correct Answers:

1. $t = -\frac{2}{3}$

2. $t = -\frac{1}{3}$ ✓

3. $x = 0$

4. $t = \frac{1}{3}$

5. $t = \frac{2}{3}$ ✓

6. $x = 3$

Problem 1.5 $x^{-1.5} = 8$

$x = \frac{1}{4}$

Problem 1.6 $2x - 1 = (x + 1)^{-0.5}$

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

Problem 1.7 $t^{\frac{2}{3}} = 4$

$t = \pm 8$

Problem 1.8 $(t - 2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + (t - 5)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 3$

$t = 6$

Problem 1.9 $(2x + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 3 + (4 - x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$x = 4$

Problem 1.10 $5 - (4 - 2x)^{\frac{2}{3}} = 1$

$x = -2, 6$

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Problem 1.11 $2t^{\frac{2}{3}} = 6 - t^{\frac{1}{3}}$

$$t = -8, \frac{27}{8}$$

Problem 1.12 $2t^{\frac{1}{3}} = 1 - 3t^{\frac{2}{3}}$

$$t = -1, \frac{1}{27}$$

Problem 1.13 $2x^{1.5} = 15x^{0.75} + 8$

$$x = 16, \frac{1}{16}$$

Problem 1.14 $35x^{-0.75} = x^{-1.5} + 216$

$$x = \frac{1}{81}, \frac{1}{16}$$

Problem 1.15 $10 - \sqrt{t-2} \leq 11$

$$[2, \infty)$$

Problem 1.16 $t^{\frac{2}{3}} \leq 4$

$$[-8, 8]$$

Problem 1.17 $\sqrt[3]{x} \leq x$

$$[-1, 0] \cup [1, \infty)$$

Problem 1.18 $(2 - 3x)^{\frac{1}{3}} > 3x$

$$\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

Problem 1.19 $(t^2 - 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \geq 2$

$$\left[-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}, -1\right) \cup \left(1, \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}\right]$$

Problem 1.20 $(t^2 - 1)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \leq 2$

$$\left(-\infty, -\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}\right] \cup (-1, 1) \cup \left[\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{4}, \infty\right)$$

Problem 1.21 $3(x-1)^{\frac{1}{3}} + x(x-1)^{-\frac{2}{3}} \geq 0$

$$\left[\frac{3}{4}, 1\right) \cup (1, \infty)$$

Problem 1.22 $3(x-1)^{\frac{2}{3}} + 2x(x-1)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \geq 0$

$$\left(-\infty, \frac{3}{5}\right] \cup (1, \infty)$$

Problem 1.23 $2(t-2)^{-\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{2}{3}t(t-2)^{-\frac{4}{3}} \leq 0$

$$(-\infty, 2) \cup (2, 3]$$

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Problem 1.24 $-\frac{4}{3}(t-2)^{-\frac{4}{3}} + \frac{8}{9}t(t-2)^{-\frac{7}{3}} \geq 0$
 $(2, 6]$

Problem 1.25 $2x^{-\frac{1}{3}}(x-3)^{\frac{1}{3}} + x^{\frac{2}{3}}(x-3)^{-\frac{2}{3}} \geq 0$
 $(-\infty, 0) \cup [2, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$

Problem 1.26 $\sqrt[3]{x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x - 8} > x + 1$
 $(-\infty, -1)$

Problem 1.27 $4(7-t)^{0.75} - 3t(7-t)^{-0.25} \leq 0$
 $[4, 7)$

Problem 1.28 $4t^{0.75}(t-3)^{-\frac{2}{3}} + 9t^{-0.25}(t-3)^{\frac{1}{3}} < 0$
 $\left(0, \frac{27}{13}\right)$

Problem 1.29 $x^{-\frac{1}{3}}(x-3)^{-\frac{3}{5}} - x^{-\frac{4}{3}}(x-3)^{-\frac{8}{5}}(x^2 - 3x + 2) \geq 0$
 $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, 3)$

Problem 1.30 $\frac{2}{3}(t+4)^{\frac{3}{5}}(t-2)^{-\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{3}{5}(t+4)^{-\frac{2}{5}}(t-2)^{\frac{2}{3}} \geq 0$
 $(-\infty, -4) \cup \left(-4, -\frac{22}{19}\right] \cup (2, \infty)$

Problem 2 The Cobb-Douglas production model¹ for the country of Sasquatchia is $P = 1.25L^{0.4}K^{0.6}$. Here, P represents the country's production (measured in thousands of Bigfoot Bullion), L represents the total labor (measured in thousands of hours) and K represents the total investment in capital (measured in Bigfoot Bullion.)

- Let $P = 300$ and solve for K as a function of L . If $L = 100$, what is K ? Interpret each of the quantities in this case.

$K = f(L) = (240)^{\frac{5}{3}}L^{-\frac{2}{3}}$. $f(100) \approx 430.2148$. This means in order for the production level of Sasquatchia to reach 300,000 Bigfoot Bullion with a labor investment of 100,000 hours, the country needs to invest approximately 430 Bigfoot Bullion into capital.

- Graph your answer to ?? using a graphing utility. What information does an ordered pair (L, K) on this graph represent?

If a point (L, K) is on the graph of this function, it means a combination of L thousand hours of labor with an investment of K Bigfoot Bullion into the Sasquatchian Economy will result in a production level of 300,000 Bigfoot Bullion.

¹ See Example ?? for more details on these sorts of models.

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