



7. Which of these has the smallest value?

A 2016<sup>-1</sup>

B 2016<sup>-1/2</sup> C 2016<sup>0</sup>

D 2016<sup>1/2</sup>

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A The number  $2016^0$  has value 1. As  $2016 > 1,2016^{1/2} < 2016^1$ . The values of their reciprocals,  $2016^{-1/2}$  and  $2016^{-1}$  are then in the opposite order. So the five options given are in numerical order, with  $2016^{-1}$ , or  $\frac{1}{2016}$ , being the smallest. 7.