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Radical simplification Only one of the following radicals can be simplified.
Which one?

☐ **A** $\sqrt[27]{0,8}$

☐ **C** $\sqrt[6]{0,0008}$

☐ **B** $\sqrt[4]{0,016}$

☐ **D** $\sqrt[8]{1,69}$

$$\sqrt[27]{0,8} = \sqrt[27]{2^3 \cdot 10^{-1}}$$

$\sqrt[27]{2^3 \cdot 10^{-1}}$ cannot be simplified because the numbers 27, 3, -1 have greatest common divisor equal to 1.
Therefore the radical $\sqrt[27]{0,8}$ cannot be simplified.

$$\sqrt[4]{0,016} = \sqrt[4]{2^4 \cdot 10^{-3}}$$

$\sqrt[4]{2^4 \cdot 10^{-3}}$ cannot be simplified because the numbers 4, 4, -3 have greatest common divisor equal to 1.
Therefore the radical $\sqrt[4]{0,016}$ cannot be simplified.

$$\sqrt[6]{0,0008} = \sqrt[6]{2^3 \cdot 10^{-4}}$$

$\sqrt[6]{2^3 \cdot 10^{-4}}$ cannot be simplified because the numbers 6, 3, -4 have greatest common divisor equal to 1.
Therefore the radical $\sqrt[6]{0,0008}$ cannot be simplified.

$$\sqrt[8]{1,69} = \sqrt[8]{1,3^2} = \sqrt[4]{1,3}$$

So the correct answer is D.