

Homework Questions 10.2#15, 36(a)(b), 24

(15) $6^x = 36$
 $6^x = 6^2$
 $x = 2$
 $\{2\}$

(24) $10^x = 0.1$
 $10^x = \frac{1}{10}$
 $10^x = 10^{-1}$
 $x = -1$
 $\{-1\}$

$$10^{-1} = \frac{1}{10} = 0.1$$

(36) a) $y = (1.046 \times 10^{-38})(1.0444^x)$

year 2040

$$y = (1.046 \times 10^{-38})(1.0444^{2040})$$

$$= (1.046 \times 10^{-38})(3.079 \times 10^{38})$$

$$= 3220634 \times 10^0$$

$$\boxed{3.2^\circ\text{C}}$$

b) $y = 0.009x - 17.67$
 $= 0.009(2040) - 17.67$
 $= 0.69^\circ\text{C}$
 $= \boxed{0.7^\circ\text{C}}$

10.3 Logarithmic Functions

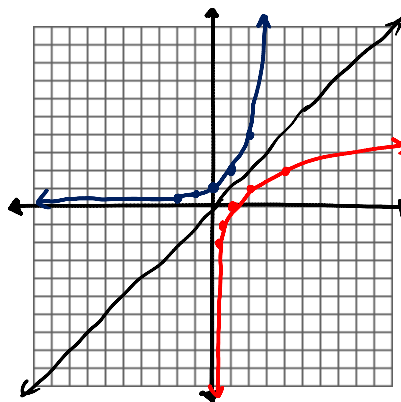
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Objectives:

- Define a logarithm.
- Convert between exponential and logarithmic forms.
- Solve logarithmic equations of the form $\log_a b = k$ for a, b , or k .
- Define and graph logarithmic functions.
- Use logarithmic functions in applications involving growth or decay.

Review

- Graph $y = 2^x$

$$\rightarrow \begin{array}{r|l} x & y \\ \hline -2 & \frac{1}{4} \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{array}$$


- Find and graph it's inverse.

$$x = 2^y$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} x & y \\ \hline \frac{1}{4} & -2 \\ \frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{array}$$

$$x = 2^y$$

means the same:

$$y = \log_2 x$$

$\sqrt{2} = 2^{\frac{1}{2}}$

Logarithm

For all positive numbers a , with $a \neq 1$, and all positive numbers x

$y = \log_a x$ means the same as $x = a^y$

$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{y} \rightarrow \text{exp.} & & \\ \text{base} & & \text{base} \\ \text{exp.} & & \end{array}$

read it = "y equals the log base a of x"

Meaning of $\log_a x$

A logarithm is an exponents.

The expression $\log_a x$ represents the exponent to which the base a must be raised to obtain x .

Converting Between Exponential and Logarithmic Forms

- Fill in the blanks with the equivalent forms.

Exponential Form	Logarithmic Form
$3^2 = 9$	$\log_3 9 = 2$
$\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{-2} = 25$	$\log_{\frac{1}{5}} 25 = -2$
$10^5 = 100,000$	$\log_{10} 100,000 = 5$
$4^{-3} = \frac{1}{64}$	$\log_4 \frac{1}{64} = -3$

- Fill in the blanks with the equivalent forms.

Exponential Form	Logarithmic Form
$2^5 = 32$	$\log_2 32 = 5$
$100^{\frac{1}{2}} = 10$	$\log_{100} 10 = \frac{1}{2}$
$8^{\frac{2}{3}} = 4$	$\log_8 4 = \frac{2}{3}$
$6^{-4} = \frac{1}{1296}$	$\log_6 \frac{1}{1296} = -4$
$\sqrt[3]{64} = 4$ $64^{\frac{1}{3}} = 4$ →	$\log_{64} 4 = \frac{1}{3}$

Solving Logarithmic Equations

Solve each equation.

$$\log_4 x = -2$$

rewrite in exp. form

$$4^{-2} = x$$

$$\frac{1}{4^2} = x$$

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

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{16} \right\}$$

↪ equation w/ logs

$$\log_{\frac{1}{2}}(3x+1) = 2$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 3x+1$$

$$\frac{1}{4} = 3x+1$$

$$-\frac{3}{4} = 3x$$

$$\left\{ -\frac{1}{4} \right\} \quad -\frac{3}{4} \div \frac{3}{1} = -\frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \left\{ -\frac{1}{4} \right\}$$

Solving Logarithmic Equations

Solve each equation.

$$\log_x 3 = 2$$

$$x^2 = 3$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

$$\sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3}$$

base can't be negative

$$\log_{\sqrt{3}} 3 = 2$$

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

$$\{\sqrt{3}\}$$

$$\log_{49} \sqrt[3]{7} = x$$

$$49^x = \sqrt[3]{7}$$

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

$$7^{2x} = 7^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2x = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\{\frac{1}{6}\}$$

Properties of Logarithms

For any positive real number b , with $b \neq 1$, the following are true.

$$\log_b b = 1$$

and

$$\log_b 1 = 0$$

(because $b^1 = b$)

(because $b^0 = 1$)

- Evaluate each logarithm.

$$\log_7 7 = 1$$

$$\log_{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{2} = 1$$

$$\log_9 1 = 0$$

$$\log_{0.2} 1 = 0$$

Logarithmic Function

If a and x are positive numbers, with $a \neq 1$, then

$$g(x) = \log_a x$$

defines the **logarithmic function with base a** .

- Graph $g(x) = \log_3 x$

$$y = \log_3 x$$

No y-int

$$3^y = x$$

x-int
(1,0)

Increasing

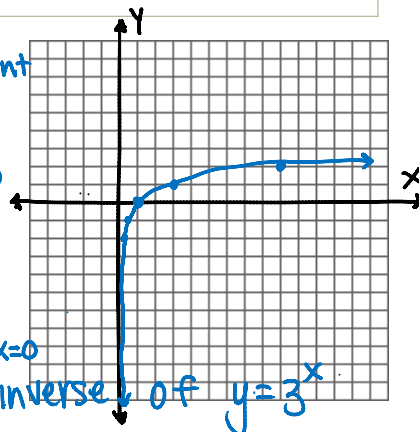
Domain: $(0, \infty)$

Range: $(-\infty, \infty)$

VA: y-axis AKA: $x=0$

Function is the inverse of $y=3^x$

X	y
$\frac{1}{9}$	-2
$\frac{1}{3}$	-1
1	0
3	1
9	2



Graphing a Logarithmic Function

- Graph $f(x) = \log_{\frac{1}{2}} x$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^y = x$$

X	y
1	0
$\frac{1}{2}$	1
$\frac{1}{4}$	2
2	-1
4	-2
8	-3

Decreasing

x-int: (1,0)

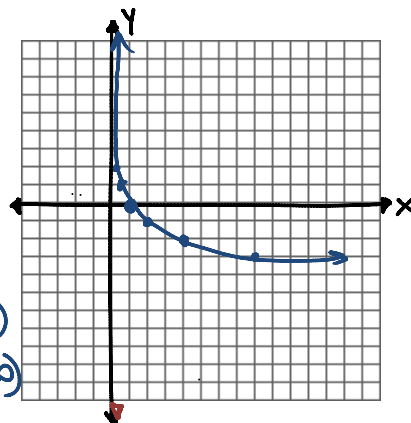
y-int: none

Domain: $(0, \infty)$

Range: $(-\infty, \infty)$

VA: $x=0$

Function is inverse of $y = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$
 $f(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$



Characteristics of the Graph of $g(x) = \log_a x$

Logarithmic Function

- The graph contains the point $(1, 0)$.
- The function is one-to-one.
 - When $a > 1$, the graph will rise from left to right, from the fourth quadrant to the first. Increasing
 - When $0 < a < 1$, the graph will fall from left to right, from the first quadrant to the fourth. Decreasing
- The graph will approach the y-axis, but never touch it. (The y-axis is an asymptote.)
- The domain is $(0, \infty)$, and the range is $(-\infty, \infty)$.

Solving an Application of a Logarithmic Function

- Suppose the gross national product (GNP) of a small country (in millions of dollars) is approximated by

$$G(t) = 15.0 + 2.00 \log_{10} t$$

Where t is the time in years since 2003.

- Approximate to the nearest tenth the GNP for $t = 1$ and $t = 10$.

$$G(1) = 15.0 + 2.00 \log_{10} 1$$

$$G(1) = 15.0 + 2.00(0)$$

$$G(1) = \$15 \text{ million}$$

$$G(10) = 15.0 + 2.00 \log_{10} 10$$

$$G(10) = 15.0 + 2.00(1)$$

$$G(10) = \$17 \text{ million}$$