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Worksheet 4.5—Exponential and Log Equations

Show all work on a separate sheet of paper. All answers must be given as either simplified, exact answers. No calculator is permitted unless otherwise stated.

Multiple Choice

1. Solve $2^{3x-1} = 32$

- (A) $x = 1$ (B) $x = 2$ (C) $x = 4$ (D) $x = 11$ (E) $x = 13$

2. Solve $\ln x = -1$

- (A) $x = -1$ (B) $x = \frac{1}{e}$ (C) $x = 1$ (D) $x = e$ (E) DNE

3. The domain of the function $f(x) = \log_4(5x+3) - 2$ over the set of real numbers is

- (A) $(-1.4, \infty)$ (B) $(-0.6, \infty)$ (C) $(-\infty, \infty)$ (D) $(-2.6, \infty)$ (E) $(-1\frac{2}{3}, \infty)$

4. If $B = \ln\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{1}{1+x}\right)$, then $e^B =$

- (A) $\ln\left(\frac{1}{1-x^2}\right)$ (B) $\frac{2}{1-x^2}$ (C) $\frac{x}{1-x^2}$ (D) $\ln\left(\frac{x}{1-x^2}\right)$ (E) $\frac{1}{1-x^2}$

5. If $\log_3(x+3) + \log_3 x = \log_3 28$, then x equals

- (A) 3 (B) 4 (C) 7 (D) 12 (E) 21

6. If $3^{x+y} = 9$ and $3^{x-y} = 9$ then xy equals

- (A) 6 (B) 0 (C) 5 (D) 7.2 (E) 1

7. Evaluate $(\log_2 4)(\log_4 8)(\log_8 16)$

- (A) 2 (B) 4 (C) 8 (D) (E) 32

8. If $(\log_a b)(\log_b 3)(\log_3 d)(\log_d 0.125) = -1.5$, then the value of a is

- (A) -5 (B) 5 (C) 4 (D) -4 (E) 0.5

9. If $\frac{1}{25}$ of 5^{20} is 125^x , then the value of x is

- (A) -3 (B) 5^3 (C) -5 (D) 6 (E) 2^3

10. If $5^{x+y} = 6$ and $5^{x-y} = 4$, then $25^x = ?$

- (A) $2\sqrt{6}$ (B) 10 (C) 20 (D) 24 (E) 125

All work is
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page.

$$1) \log_2 32 = 3x - 1$$

$$5 = 3x - 1$$

$$3x = 6$$

$$x = 2$$

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

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

$$3) 5x + 3 > 0$$

$$5x > -3$$

$$x > -\frac{3}{5}$$

$$4) \ln\left(\frac{1}{(1-x)(1+x)}\right) = B$$

$$e^B = \frac{1}{(1-x)(1+x)}$$

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

$$5) \log_3(x^2 + 3x) = \log_3 28$$

Domain $x > 0$
 $x > -3$

$$x^2 + 3x = 28$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 28 = 0$$

$$(x+7)(x-4) = 0$$

$$x = 4$$

$$6) 3^{x+y} = 3^2$$

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

$$\begin{cases} x+y = 2 \\ x-y = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$2x = 4$$

$$x = 2 \quad y = 0$$

$$2 \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$7) \frac{\log 4}{\log 2} \cdot \frac{\log 8}{\log 4} \cdot \frac{\log 16}{\log 8} \cdot \frac{\log 16}{\log 2} = 4$$

$$8) \frac{\log b}{\log a} \cdot \frac{\log 3}{\log b} \cdot \frac{\log a}{\log 3} \cdot \frac{\log 0.125}{\log a} = -1.5$$

$$\frac{\log 0.125}{\log a} = -1.5$$

$$\log_a 0.125 = -1.5$$

$$(a^{-1.5}) = (0.125)^{1.5}$$

$$a = 4$$

$$9) \frac{1}{25} \cdot 5^{20} = 125^x$$

$$5^{-2} \cdot 5^{20} = 5^{3x}$$

$$5^{18} = 5^{3x}$$

$$3x = 18$$

$$x = 6$$

$$10) 5^{x+y} = 6$$

$$5^{x-y} = 4$$

$$\log_5 5^{x+y} = \log_5 6$$

$$x+y = \log_5 6$$

$$\log_5 5^{x-y} = \log_5 4$$

$$x-y = \log_5 4$$

$$\begin{cases} x+y = \log_5 6 \\ x-y = \log_5 4 \end{cases}$$

$$2x = \log_5 6 + \log_5 4$$

$$2x = \log_5 (24)$$

$$x = \frac{\log_5 (24)}{2}$$

$$x = .987 \text{ (sto } \rightarrow x)$$

$$25^x = 24$$

or

$$5^{x+y} \cdot 5^{x-y} = 6 \cdot 4$$

$$5^{2x} = 24$$

$$(5^2)^x = 24$$

$$25^x = 24$$

$$e) \log_2(3x) = \log_2(5x-10) \quad \begin{matrix} x > 0 \\ x > 2 \end{matrix}$$

$$3x = 5x - 10$$

$$-2x = -10$$

$$\boxed{x = 5}$$

$$g) \log_9((x-5)(x+3)) = 1 \quad D: \begin{matrix} x > 5 \\ x > -3 \end{matrix}$$

$$9^1 = x^2 - 2x - 15$$

$$0 = x^2 - 2x - 24$$

$$0 = (x-6)(x+4)$$

$$\boxed{x = 6} \quad \cancel{x = -4}$$

$$f) \log_5\left(\frac{x+1}{x-1}\right) = 2$$

$$D: \begin{matrix} x > -1 \\ x > 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$x-1 \left(\frac{x+1}{x-1} = 25\right)$$

$$x+1 = 25x - 25$$

$$26 = 24x$$

$$\boxed{x \neq \frac{12}{13}}$$

no solution

12. Using a **calculator**, solve each of the following to 3 decimals:

(a) $\log_9 x = x^2 - 2$

(b) $e^{x^2} - 2 > x^3 - x$

a) $x = 0.0123, 1.475$

b) $\{x \mid x > 0.885 \text{ or } x < 0.706\}$

13. Evaluate each of the following:

(a) $\log_{49} 7 - \log_8 64$

(b) $\log_3 \sqrt{243 \sqrt{81 \sqrt{3}}}$

a) $\frac{1}{2} - 2 = \frac{-3}{2}$

b) $\log_3 3^{\frac{5}{2}} \cdot 3^4 \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$\log_3 3^{\frac{43}{2}} = \frac{43}{2}$

Short Answer:

11. For each of the following, find the simplified, exact solution accompanied by a three-decimal approximation (if applicable)

(a) $2 \cdot 3^{x/4} = 5 \cdot 7^{(1-x)}$ (b) $\frac{10}{1-e^{-x}} = 2$ (c) $4x^3 e^{3x} = 3x^4 e^{3x}$ (d) $e^x - 12e^{-x} - 1 = 0$

(e) $\log_2 3 + \log_2 x = \log_2 5 + \log_2 (x-2)$ (f) $\log_5 (x+1) - \log_5 (x-1) = 2$

(g) $\log_9 (x-5) + \log_9 (x+3) = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \ln(2 \cdot 3^{x/4}) &= \ln(5 \cdot 7^{(1-x)}) \\ \ln 2 + \frac{x}{4} \ln 3 &= \ln 5 + (1-x) \ln 7 \\ \ln 2 + \frac{x}{4} \ln 3 &= \ln 5 + \ln 7 - x \ln 7 \\ \frac{x}{4} \ln 3 + x \ln 7 &= -\ln 2 + \ln 5 + \ln 7 \\ x \left(\frac{1}{4} \ln 3 + \ln 7 \right) &= \frac{-\ln 2 + \ln 5 + \ln 7}{\left(\frac{1}{4} \ln 3 + \ln 7 \right)} \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \frac{-\ln 2 + \ln 5 + \ln 7}{\frac{1}{4} \ln 3 + \ln 7}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } \ln 4x^3 e^{3x} &= \ln 3x^4 e^{3x} \\ 4x^3 e^{3x} - 3x^4 e^{3x} &= 0 \\ x^3 e^{3x} (4 - 3x) &= 0 \\ x^3 = 0 & \quad e^{3x} = 0 \quad 4 - 3x = 0 \\ x = 0 & \quad \text{never} \quad x = \frac{4}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b) } \frac{10}{1-e^{-x}} = 2$$

$$10 = 2(1-e^{-x})$$

$$10 = 2 - 2e^{-x}$$

$$8 = -2e^{-x}$$

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

$$\ln 4$$

no solution

$$\text{d) } e^x - 12e^{-x} - 1 = 0$$

$$e^x - 12e^{-x} = 1$$

$$\left(e^x - \frac{12}{e^x} = 1 \right) e^x$$

$$e^{2x} - 12 = e^x$$

$$e^{2x} - e^x = 12$$

$$e^{2x} - e^x - 12 = 0$$

$$(e^x - 4)(e^x + 3) = 0$$

$$\ln e^x = 4$$

$$x = \ln 4$$

$e^x = -3$
not possible

14. Solve for x:

(a) $2 \log_b x = 2 \log_b (1-a) + 2 \log_b (1+a) - \log_b \left(\frac{1}{a} - a\right)^2$

(b) $\log_b x = 2 - a + \log_b \left(\frac{a^2 b^a}{b^2}\right)$ (c) $\log_2 (x-4) + \log_{\sqrt{2}} (x^3 - 2) + \log_{1/2} (x-4) = 20$

(d) $\log_5 (\ln(x+3) - 1) + \log_{1/5} (\ln(x+3) - 1) = 0$

a) Domain $\begin{cases} 1-a > 0 \\ a < 1 \end{cases}$ $\begin{cases} 1+a > 0 \\ a > -1 \end{cases}$ $\begin{cases} \left(\frac{1}{a} - a > 0\right)^2 \\ 1 - a^2 > 0 \end{cases}$

$D: \{a \mid -1 < a < 1\}$

$\log_b x^2 = \log_b \left(\frac{(1-a)^2 (1+a)^2}{\left(\frac{1}{a} - a\right)^2} \right)$

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

b) $\log_b x = 2 - a + \log_b (a^2 b^a b^{-2})$

$\log_b x = 2 - a + \log_b a^2 + \log_b b^a + \log_b b^{-2}$

$\log_b x = \cancel{2} - a + 2 \log_b a + a - \cancel{2}$

$\log_b x = \log_b a^2$

$x = a^2$

c) $\log_2 (x-4) + \frac{\log_2 (x^3-2)}{\log_2 2^{\frac{1}{2}}} + \frac{\log_2 (x-4)}{\log_2 2^{-1}} = 20$

$\log_2 (x-4) + \frac{\log_2 (x^3-2)}{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{\log_2 (x-4)}{-1} = 20$

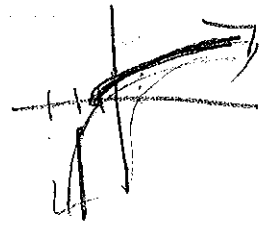
$\log_2 (x-4) + 2 \log_2 (x^3-2) - \log_2 (x-4) = 20$

$\log_2 \left(\frac{(x-4)(x^3-2)^2}{(x-4)} \right) = 20$

$\log_2 (x^3-2)^2 = 20$

$\left(2^{20} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left((x^3-2)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$
 $2^{10} = x^3 - 2$
 $x^3 = 2^{10} + 2$
 $x = (2^{10} + 2)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

$$d) \log_5(\ln(x+3)-1) + \frac{\log_5(\ln(x+3)-1)}{\log_5 5^{-1}} = 0$$



$$\underbrace{\log_5(\ln(x+3)-1)} - \underbrace{\log_5(\ln(x+3)-1)} = 0$$

↑ like terms ↑

$$0 = 0$$

∴ True for all values in the Domain
 $\{x \mid x > e-3\}$

$$\text{Domain } (\ln(x+3)-1) > 0$$

$$\ln(x+3)-1 = 0$$

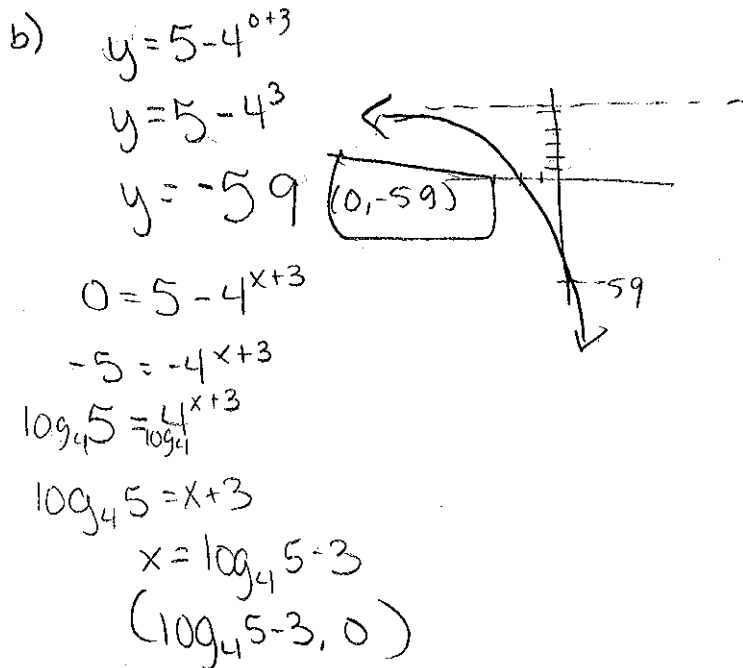
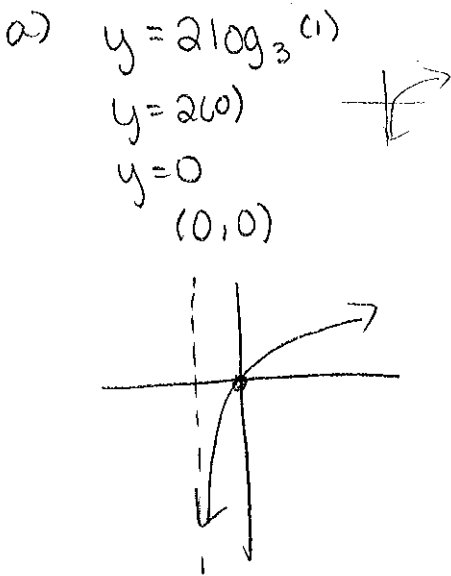
$$\ln(x+3) = 1$$

$$e^1 = x+3$$

$$x = e-3$$

15. Find the x - and y -intercepts of the following, then sketch the graphs.

(a) $y = 2 \log_3(x+1)$ (b) $y = 5 - 4^{x+3}$



16. Find the inverse of the following functions.

(a) $g(x) = 5 + \log_3(2x+2)$

(b) $f(x) = e^{x+2} - 1$

$$x = 5 + \log_3(2y+2)$$

$$x - 5 = \log_3(2y+2)$$

$$3^{x-5} = 2y+2$$

$$3^{x-5} - 2 = \frac{2y}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{3^{x-5} - 2}{2}$$

$$y =$$

$$x = e^{y+2} - 1$$

$$\ln(x+1) = \ln e^{y+2}$$

$$\ln(x+1) = y+2$$

$$y = \ln(x+1) - 2$$

17. Solve the following literal equations for the indicated variable.

(a) $T = T_s + D_0 e^{-kt}$ for k .

(b) $y = \frac{a}{1 + b e^{-(x-c)/d}}$ for d

(c) $y = a e^{-(x-b)^2/c}$ for c

a) $T = T_s + D_0 e^{-kt}$
 $T - T_s = D_0 e^{-kt}$
 $\frac{T - T_s}{D_0} = \frac{D_0 e^{-kt}}{D_0}$

$\ln \frac{T - T_s}{D_0} = \ln e^{-kt}$
 $\ln \left(\frac{T - T_s}{D_0} \right) = \frac{-kt}{\cancel{k}}$

$\ln \left(\frac{T - T_s}{D_0} \right) = -k$

or
 $k = \ln \left(\frac{D_0}{T - T_s} \right)^{\frac{1}{t}}$

b) $y = \frac{a}{1 + b e^{-(x-c)/d}}$

$(1 + b e^{-(x-c)/d}) y = \frac{a}{y}$

$1 + b e^{-(x-c)/d} = \frac{a}{y}$

$\frac{b e^{-(x-c)/d}}{b} = \frac{a}{y} - 1$

$\ln e^{-(x-c)/d} = \frac{\frac{a}{y} - 1}{b}$

(d) $-(x-c)/d = \ln \left(\frac{a}{y} - 1 \right) (d)$

$\frac{-(x-c)}{\ln \left(\frac{a}{y} - 1 \right)} = \frac{\ln \left(\frac{a}{y} - 1 \right) d}{\ln \left(\frac{a}{y} - 1 \right)}$

$d = \frac{-x-c}{\ln \left(\frac{a}{y} - 1 \right)}$