

Before we begin, are there any questions from last day's work?

p.344 #9 and Worksheet 1.8.2

(Since the quiz is **NOT** on logs, correct after quiz.)

Sbd

"Show What You Know: 1.2" is first...

Today's Learning Goal(s):

By the end of the class, I will be able to:

a) use logarithms to solve real world problems.

5. Solve for x (round to three decimal places where necessary) .

a) $\log x = -3$

b) $\log_x 49 = 2$

c) $5^x = 8$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= 49 \\ x &= \pm 7 \\ \therefore x &= 7 \quad [\because x > 0] \end{aligned}$$

d) $3^{x+2} = 5$

e) $\log_4 \frac{1}{64} = x$

$$\log_3 5 = x+2$$

$$\frac{\log 5}{\log 3} = x+2$$

or d) $3^{x+2} = 5$

$$\begin{aligned} \log 3^{x+2} &= \log 5 \\ (x+2) \log 3 &= \log 5 \\ x+2 &= \frac{\log 5}{\log 3} \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \frac{\log 5}{\log 3} - 2$$

$$\approx 1.46 - 2$$

$$\approx -0.5350$$

$$\approx -0.535$$

1.9.1 Solve Problems Arising from Real-World Contexts (Spring 2017)-s17 February 21, 2017

1.9.1: Solve Problems Arising from Real-World Contexts

Date: Feb. 21/17

Exponential Growth

Ex. 1 The population, P million, of Alberta can be modelled by the equation $P = 2.28(1.014)^n$, where n , is the number of years since 1981. Assume that this pattern continues. Determine when the population of Alberta might become 4 million.

Method 1

$$\begin{aligned} 4 &= 2.28(1.014)^n \\ \log 4 &= \log [2.28(1.014)^n] \\ \log 4 &= \log 2.28 + \log 1.014^n \\ \log 4 - \log 2.28 &= n \log 1.014 \\ \frac{\log 4 - \log 2.28}{\log 1.014} &= n \\ n &= 40.43 \end{aligned}$$

Method 2

$$\begin{aligned} 4 &= 2.28(1.014)^n \\ \frac{4}{2.28} &= 1.014^n \\ \log\left(\frac{4}{2.28}\right) &= \log 1.014^n \\ \log\left(\frac{4}{2.28}\right) &= n \log 1.014 \\ \frac{\log\left(\frac{4}{2.28}\right)}{\log 1.014} &= n \\ n &= 40.43 \end{aligned}$$

The population might become 4 million in the year 2021.

Ex. 2 In 1995, Canada's population was 29.6 million, and was growing at about 1.24% per year. Estimate the doubling time for Canada's population growth.

Let P represent Canada's population, in millions.

Let n represent the number of years since 1995.

$$r = 0.0124$$

$$P = P_0 (1 \pm r)^n$$

$$= 29.6 (1 + 0.0124)^n$$

$$59.2 = 29.6 (1.0124)^n$$

$$\frac{59.2}{29.6} = 1.0124^n$$

$$2 = 1.0124^n$$

$$\log 2 = n \log 1.0124$$

$$\frac{\log 2}{\log 1.0124} = n$$

$$n = 56.245$$

$$\approx 56.2$$

The doubling time is 56 years.

Exponential Decay

Note: The *half-life* for caffeine in the bloodstream is about 6 h.
The percent, P , of caffeine left in your body after n hours is represented by the equation:

$$P = 100(0.5)^{\frac{n}{6}}$$

$$P = P_0 (1 \pm r)^n$$

$$P = P_0 (1 - 0.5)^n$$

$$P = P_0 (0.5)^n$$

Ex.3 In April 1986, there was a major nuclear accident at the Chernobyl power plant in Ukraine. The atmosphere was contaminated with quantities of radioactive iodine-131, which has a half-life of 8.1. How long did it take for the level of radiation to reduce to 1% of the level immediately after the accident?

Solution:

Let P represent the percent of the original radiation that was present d days after the accident.

$$P = 100(0.5)^{\frac{d}{8.1}}$$

$$1 = 100(0.5)^{\frac{d}{8.1}}$$

$$0.01 = 0.5^{\frac{d}{8.1}}$$

$$\log 0.01 = \frac{d}{8.1} \log 0.5$$

$$8.1 \times \frac{\log 0.01}{\log 0.5} = d$$

$$d \approx 53.81$$

it took about 54 days.