

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

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## Today's Learning Goal(s):

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

- Convert between the exponential and logarithmic forms of an equation
- Solve an exponential equation by **"taking the log of both sides"**.

**NOTE:** There is no handout for today's lesson.

If you did not print the pages in advance as advised, then copy these examples onto lined paper in your notebook.

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10a) Express 7 as a power of 3

$$\begin{aligned} 3^x &= 7 \rightarrow x = \log_3 7 \\ &= \frac{\log 7}{\log 3} \\ &= 1.77124 \therefore 3^{1.77124} = 7 \end{aligned}$$

b) Express 5 as a power of 2

$$\begin{aligned} 2^x &= 5 & \log_2 5 &= x \\ & & \frac{\log 5}{\log 2} &= x \\ & & x &= 2.3219 \\ & & \therefore 2^{2.3219} &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

## 1.8.0 Warm-up

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1. Complete the chart:

Exponential Equation	Logarithmic Equation
$2^5 = 32$	$5 = \log_2 32$
$3^4 = 81$	
$10^3 = 1000$	
$2^x = 256$	
$2^6 = 64$	$\log_2 64 = 6$
	$\log_2 8 = y$

## 1.8.0 Warm-up (cont'd)

2. Solve for  $x$ . (Round to 3 decimal places)

a)  $2^x = 18$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \log_2 18 \\
 &= \frac{\log 18}{\log 2} \\
 &\doteq 4.1699 \\
 &\doteq 4.170
 \end{aligned}$$

b)  $3^x = 25$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \log_3 25 \\
 &= \frac{\log 25}{\log 3} \\
 &\doteq 2.9299 \\
 &\doteq 2.930
 \end{aligned}$$

check

$$\begin{aligned}
 &2^{4.170} \\
 &\doteq 18.00
 \end{aligned}$$

4.1699

2.9299

## 1.8.1: Solving Exponential Equations Using Logarithms

Date: Feb. 16/18Laws of Logarithms for Powers  $\log_a x^n = n \log_a x$  [ $x > 0, a > 0, a \neq 1$ ]

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{Ex. 1} & \log 8 & \text{and} & \log 8 \\
 & = 0.903 & & = \log 2^3 \\
 & & & = 3 \log 2 \\
 & & & = 3(0.301) \\
 & & & = 0.903
 \end{array}$$

**New: To solve an exponential equation, take the logarithm of each side.**

Ex. 2 Solve each equation to 3 decimal places.

a)  $2^x = 55$

Method 1 (from last day)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log_2 55 &= x \\
 x &= \frac{\log 55}{\log 2} \\
 &\approx 5.7813 \\
 &\approx 5.781
 \end{aligned}$$

Method 2 (New: Take the "log" of both sides)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log 2^x &= \log 55 \\
 x \cdot \log 2 &= \log 55 \\
 x &= \frac{\log 55}{\log 2} \\
 &\approx 5.7813
 \end{aligned}$$

↖

5.7813

b)  $5^x = 20$

$$\log 5^x = \log 20$$

$$x \log 5 = \log 20$$

$$x = \frac{\log 20}{\log 5}$$

$$\approx 1.8613$$

$$\approx 1.861$$

1.8613

c)  $3^{2x+1} = 14$

$$\log 3^{2x+1} = \log 14$$

$$(2x+1)\log 3 = \log 14$$

$$2x+1 = \frac{\log 14}{\log 3}$$

$$2x = \frac{\log 14}{\log 3} - 1$$

$$x = \frac{\frac{\log 14}{\log 3} - 1}{2}$$

$$\approx 0.7010$$

$$\approx 0.701$$

0.701

*(Be careful of Bad Form)***Bad Form**

$$2x + 1\log 3 = \log 14$$

$$2x = \log 14 - 1\log 3$$

**∴ Need Brackets**

Law of Logarithms for Multiplication

[ $x > 0, y > 0, a > 0, a \neq 1$ ]

$$\log_a xy = \log_a x + \log_a y$$

Law of Logarithms for Division

[ $x > 0, y > 0, a > 0, a \neq 1$ ]

$$\log_a \left( \frac{x}{y} \right) = \log_a x - \log_a y$$

Ex. 3 [from 1.4.1 Ex. 2b] Suppose you invest \$1000 at 8% per year, compounded *quarterly*.  
 b) Estimate how many years it takes for the investment to grow to \$2800.

$$2800 = 1000(1.02)^{4x}$$

Method 1 (take the log of both sides immediately)

$$\begin{aligned} \log_2 2800 &= \log_2 [1000(1.02)^{4x}] \\ &= \log_2 1000 + \log_2 (1.02)^{4x} \\ &= \log_2 1000 + 4x \log_2 1.02 \\ \frac{\log_2 2800 - \log_2 1000}{4 \log_2 1.02} &= \frac{4x \log_2 1.02}{4 \log_2 1.02} \\ x &= 12.9985 \\ &\approx 12.999 \end{aligned}$$

Method 2 (Isolate the "exponential" first)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2800}{1000} &= (1.02)^{4x} \\ \log_2 \left( \frac{2800}{1000} \right) &= \log_2 1.02^{4x} \\ &= 4x \log_2 1.02 \\ \frac{\log_2 \left( \frac{2800}{1000} \right)}{4 \log_2 1.02} &= x \end{aligned}$$

12.99

## 1.8.2: Logarithmic Functions Worksheet

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1. Evaluate each of the following.

a)  $\log 100$                       b)  $\log 0.01$                       c)  $\log 100\,000$

2. Use your calculator to evaluate each of the following to three decimal places.

a)  $\log 25$                       b)  $\log 0.004$                       c)  $\log 636$

3. Write in exponential form.

a)  $\log 10\,000 = 4$                       b)  $\log 10 = 1$                       c)  $\log 0.0001 = -4$

d)  $\log_4 64 = 3$                       e)  $\log_6 \frac{1}{216} = -3$                       f)  $\log_3 2187 = 7$

4. Write each of the following in logarithmic form.

a)  $3^4 = 81$                       b)  $4^{-2} = \frac{1}{16}$                       c)  $4^{\frac{-3}{2}} = \frac{1}{8}$

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

a)  $\log x = -3$                       b)  $\log_x 49 = 2$                       c)  $5^x = 8$

d)  $3^{x+2} = 5$                       e)  $\log_4 \frac{1}{64} = x$

**Answers**

1a) 2	b) -2	c) 5	2a) 1.398	b) -2.398	c) 2.803
3a) $10^4 = 10\,000$	b) $10^1 = 10$	c) $10^{-4} = 0.0001$	d) $4^3 = 64$	e) $6^{-3} = \frac{1}{216}$	f) $3^7 = 2187$
4a) $\log_3 81 = 4$	b) $\log_4 \frac{1}{16} = -2$	c) $\log_4 \frac{1}{8} = \frac{-3}{2}$			