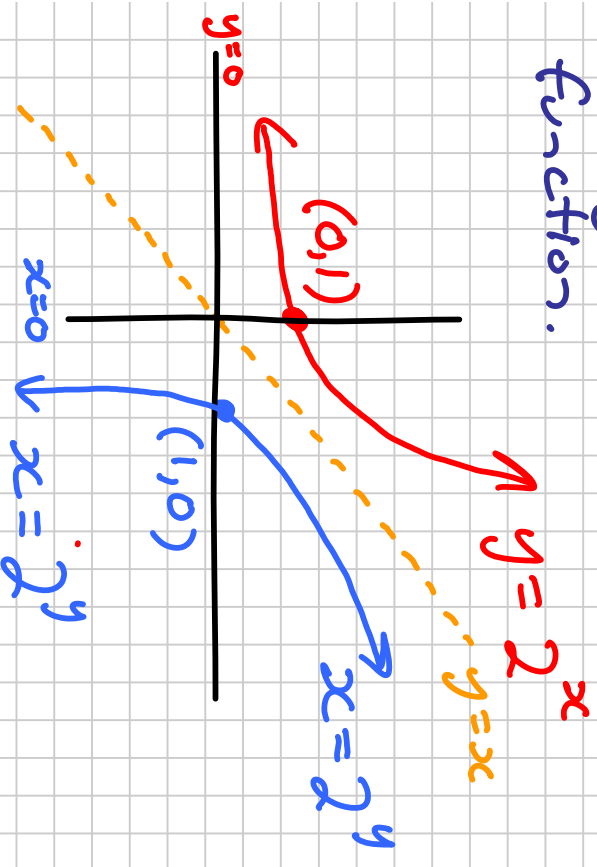


## 5.2 Logarithmic Functions Pt. 1

Note Title: A logarithmic function is the inverse of an exponential function.

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"log of x base 2"

or  
 $y = \log_2 x$

Gives  $y = \log_b x$   
 $x > 0$   
 $b > 0, b \neq 1$

D:  $x > 0$

R:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Exponential Form

$$x = b^y$$

Logarithmic Form

$$\longrightarrow y = \log_b x$$

① Express in logarithmic form

a)  $n = 4^x$

$$x = \log_4 n$$

b)  $a = b^c$

$$c = \log_b a$$

c)  $2^{-4} = \frac{1}{16}$

$$-4 = \log_2 \frac{1}{16}$$

② Express in exponential form

a)  $\log_k T = x$

$$k^x = T$$

b)  $\log 10000 = 4$

$$\begin{aligned} 10^4 &= 10000 \\ 10^4 &= 10000 \end{aligned}$$

$$\log x = \log_{10} x \quad \begin{array}{l} * \text{No. base can} \\ \text{assume 10} \end{array}$$

COMMON LOGARITHM

③ Evaluate

$$a) \log_2 64 = x$$

$$2^x = 64$$

$$x = 6$$

$$b) \log_4 \frac{1}{16} = x$$

$$4^x = \frac{1}{16}$$

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

$$x = -2$$

$$c) \log_4 4^5$$

$$4^x = 4^5$$

$$x = 5$$

$$d) \log_{1000} 1000^?$$

$$?$$

\*NOTE:

$$4^{\log_4 x} = x$$

$$5^{\log_5 4} = 4$$

$$e) \log_2 7$$

Change of Base Rule

$$= \frac{\log 7}{\log 2}$$

$$= \boxed{2.81}$$

$$f) \log_7 2$$

$$= \frac{\log 2}{\log 7}$$

$$= \boxed{0.36}$$

④ Solve

a)  $\log_x 125 = 3$

$$x^3 = 125$$

$$x = 5$$

b)  $3 = \log_2 \left( \frac{x}{4} \right)$

$$2^3 = \frac{x}{4}$$

$$8 = \frac{x}{4}$$

$$x = 32$$

$$c) \log_{\sqrt{2}} 16 = x$$

$$\sqrt{2}^x = 16$$

"square both sides"

$$2^{\frac{x}{2}} = 2^4 \text{ OR } 2^x = (2^4)^2$$

$$2^x = 2^8$$

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

$$2^x = 2^8$$

$$x = 8$$

$$x = 8$$

$$d) \log_{-3x} 36 = 2$$

$$(-3x)^2 = 36$$

$$9x^2 = 36$$

$$x^2 = 4$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

$$* \quad 6 > 0$$

$$x = -2$$



$$e) \log_x 32 = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\left(x^{\frac{5}{2}}\right)^{\frac{2}{5}} = \left(32\right)^{\frac{2}{5}}$$

$$x = \left(5\sqrt{32}\right)^2$$

$$x = (2)^2$$

$$x = 4$$

$$f) x = \log_5 0.04$$

$$5^x = 0.04$$

$$5^x = \frac{4}{100}$$

$$5^x = \frac{1}{25}$$

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

$$x = -2$$

Ball # 1-4 (a, c, e...)