

9-2: Properties of Logarithms

I can understand the properties of logarithms and use them to simplify logs.

I can apply multiple properties to a single logarithm.

$$\log_6 36 = \cancel{8} = 2$$

$$6^2 = 36$$

Find the value of each logarithm without using a calculator.

1. $\log_7 7 = x = 1$ $7^x = 7$

2. $\log_{18} 18 = 1$

3. $\log_5 1 = x = 0$
 $5^x = 1$

4. $\log_9 1 = 0$

$$\log_a 1 = 0$$

$$\log_a a = 1$$

Evaluate

any
base

$$\log_5 1 = 0$$

$$\ln 1 = 0$$

$$\log_4 4 = 1$$

$$\log_{10} 10 = 1$$

Evaluate the logarithm:

1. $\log_3(3^2) = x = 2$

$$3^x = 3^2$$

2. $\log_5(5^8) = 8$

Without evaluating, predict what the following logs equal:

3. $\log_2 2^{10} = 10$

4. $\log_{20} 20^7 = 7$

Inverse Property of Logarithms

If b and r are positive real numbers, with $b \neq 0$, then

$$\log_a a^r = r$$

Evaluate

$$\log_4 4^3 = 3$$

$$\ln e^{-0.5} = -0.5$$

Recall: $b^x = a \iff \log_b a = x$

How would we write the following exponential as a log?

exponential: $5^{(\log_5 20)} = x = 20$

logarithm: $\log_5 x = \log_5 20$

Inverse Property of Logarithms

If b and M are positive real numbers, with $b \neq 0$, then

$$\log_{20} 20^7$$

$$b^{\log_b M} = M$$

Evaluate

$$5^{\log_5 20} = 20$$

$$8^{\log_8 \sqrt{23}} = \sqrt{23}$$

$$12^{\log_{12} \sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$10^{\log_{10} 0.2} = 0.2$$

Exponent Rules Review

$$\underline{2^5} \cdot \underline{2^3} = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 2^{5+3} = 2^8$$

$$\frac{\underline{2^5}}{\underline{2^3}} = \frac{\cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \underline{2} \cdot \underline{2}}{\cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{2}} = 2^{5-3} = 2^2$$

$$(2^3)^5 = (2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2) \cdot (2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2) \cdot (2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2) \cdot (2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2) \cdot (2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2) \\ = 2^{3 \cdot 5} = 2^{15}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{8} = 8^{1/3}$$

powers in sky,
roots in the ground
(fraction exponent)

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

(negative exponents flip it)

Product Rule of Logarithms

If M^N and b are positive real numbers, with $b \neq 0$, then

$$\log_b(MN) = \log_b M + \log_b N$$

multiply

add

Which exponent rule is this similar to?

$$2^3 \cdot 2^5 = 2^{3+5} = 2^8$$

Why would we want to be able to split up a logarithm?

Write each of the following logarithms as the sum of logarithms.

$$\log_2(5 \cdot 3)$$

$$\log_2(5) + \log_2(3)$$

$$\ln(6z)$$

$$\ln(6) + \ln(z)$$

$$\log_4(9 \cdot 5)$$

$$\log_4(9) + \log_4(5)$$

$$\log(5w)$$

$$\log(5) + \log(w)$$

How do you predict we would write the following logarithm as two logarithms?

$$\log_b\left(\frac{M}{N}\right) = \log_b M - \log_b N$$

Quotient Rule of Logarithms

If M, N and b are positive real numbers, with $b \neq 0$, then

$$\log_b\left(\frac{M}{N}\right) = \log_b M - \log_b N$$

$$\log_2\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) = \log_2(5) - \log_2(3)$$

$$\log\left(\frac{y}{5}\right) = \log(y) - \log(5)$$

$$\log_7\left(\frac{9}{5}\right) =$$

$$\log_7(9) - \log_7(5)$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{p}{3}\right)$$

Write the following as the sum or difference of logarithms.

(expand the logarithm)

$$\log_3 \left(\frac{4x}{y} \right) = \log_3(4) + \log_3(x) - \log_3(y)$$

$$\log_3 \left(\frac{3m}{n} \right) = \log_3(3) + \log_3(m) - \log_3(n)$$

$$\log_3 \left(\frac{q}{3p} \right) = \log_3(q) - \log_3(3) - \log_3(p)$$

Show that the following logs are equal:

$$\log_2(4)^3 = 3 \cdot \log_2 4$$

$$\log_2(4^3)$$

$$\log_2(4 \cdot 4 \cdot 4)$$

$$\log_2 4 + \log_2 4 + \log_2 4 = 3 \cdot \log_2 4$$

Power Rule of Logarithms

If M and b are positive real numbers, with $b \neq 0$, then

$$\log_b M^r = r \log_b M$$

Use the power Rule of Logarithms to express all powers as factors.

$$\log_8 3^5 = 5 \cdot \log_8 3$$

$$\ln x^{\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{3} \cdot \ln x$$

$$\log_2 5^{1.6} = 1.6 \cdot \log_2 5 \quad \log b^5 = 5 \log b$$

Expand the logarithm.

$$\log_2(x^2 \cdot y^3) = \log_2 x^2 + \log_2 y^3$$

$$2 \cdot \log_2 x + 3 \cdot \log_2 y$$

$$\log_4(a^2 b)$$

$$\log \left(\frac{100x}{\sqrt{y}} \right) =$$

$$\log 100 + \log x - \log y^{1/2}$$

$$\log 100 + \log x - \frac{1}{2} \log y$$

$$\log_3 \left(\frac{9m^4}{\sqrt[3]{n}} \right) = \log_3 9 + \log_3 m^4 - \log_3 n^{1/3}$$

$$\log_3 + 4 \log_3 m - \frac{1}{3} \log_3 n$$

Write each of the following as a single logarithm.

$$\log_6 3 + \log_6 12 = \log_6 (3 \cdot 12) = \log_6 (36)$$

$$\log(x-2) - \log x = \log\left(\frac{x-2}{x}\right)$$

$$\log_5 x - 3\log_5 2 = \log_5\left(\frac{x}{2^3}\right) = \log_5\left(\frac{x}{8}\right)$$

$$\log(x-1) + \log(x+1) - 3\log x$$

Rewrite and express in terms of a and b
given that $a = \ln 3$ and $b = \ln 4$

$\ln 12$

$\ln 16$

How do we evaluate logs in a calculator??

Change of Base Formula

If $a \neq 0$, $b \neq 0$, and M are positive real numbers, then

$$\log_a M = \frac{\log_b M}{\log_b a}$$

which means:

$$\log_a M = \frac{\log M}{\log a} = \frac{\ln M}{\ln a}$$

Use your calculator to approximate the following:

$$\log_4 45 = \frac{\log(45)}{\log(4)} = 2.75$$

$$\log_3 75 = \frac{\ln(75)}{\ln(3)} = \frac{\log(75)}{\log(3)}$$

$$\log_6 40$$

$$= \frac{\log(40)}{\log(6)} =$$