

Solve the following equations graphically

1.  $4e^{0.1x} = 60$

2.  $120 = 75e^{0.3x}$

3.  $62 = 50e^{0.02x}$

$x = 0.16$

Solve the following equations algebraically

4.  $6^{3x-9} - 10 = -3$

5.  $7e^{3x} = 42$

$\log_6 6^{3x-9} = \log_6 7$   
 $3x-9 = \log_6(7) + 9$

$3x = \frac{\log_6(7) + 9}{3}$   
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 $= 3.36$

6.  $11^{6x+2} = 12$

7.  $5^{\frac{x}{4}} = 30$

$\log_5 5^{\frac{x}{4}} = \log_5 30$

$\frac{x}{4} = 4 \cdot \log_5(30)$

$x = 4 \cdot \log_5(30) = 8.45$

8.  $3\ln(x-3) + 4 = 5$

9.  $\ln x^2 = 4$

$\ln(x-3) = \frac{1}{3}$

$x-3 = e^{\frac{1}{3}} + 3$

$e^{\ln(x-3)} = e^{\frac{1}{3}}$

$x = e^{\frac{1}{3}} + 3 = 4.40$

10.  $\log_4(x-5) = -1$

11. The price  $P$  of a gallon of gas after  $t$  years is given by the equation  $P = P_0(1+r)^t$  where  $P_0$  is the initial price of gas and  $r$  is the rate of inflation. If the price of a gallon of gas is currently \$3.25, how long will it take for the price to rise to \$4.00 if the rate of inflation is 10.5%?



12. A veterinarian has instructed Harrison to give his dog one 325-mg aspirin tablet for arthritis. The amount of aspirin,  $A$ , remaining in the dog's body after  $t$

minutes can be expressed by  $A = 325 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{t}{16}}$ . How long will it take for the amount of aspirin to drop to 50-mg?

$$\frac{50}{325} = \frac{325 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{t}{16}}}{325} \quad \log_{1/2} \frac{50}{325} = \log_{1/2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{t}{16}} \rightarrow 16 \cdot \log_{1/2} \left( \frac{50}{325} \right) = \frac{t}{16} \cdot 16 \quad t = 16 \cdot \log_{1/2} \left( \frac{50}{325} \right) = 43.2 \text{ hrs}$$

13. How long will it take for a \$150 initial investment in an account that pays 3.8% compounded continuously to grow to \$1,500?

14. Match the equations with the solutions.

Hints:

a.  $9e^{3x} = 27$

\_\_\_\_\_  $x \approx 1.099$

b.  $9e^x = 27$

\_\_\_\_\_  $x \approx 0.341$

c.  $9e^{3x-4} = 27$

\_\_\_\_\_  $x \approx 0.366$

d.  $9e^{3x} + 2 = 27$

\_\_\_\_\_  $x \approx 1.700$

a)  $\frac{9e^{3x}}{9} = \frac{27}{9}$   
 $\ln e^{3x} = \ln 3$

$x = \frac{\ln(3)}{3}$

c)  $\frac{9e^{3x-4}}{9} = \frac{27}{9}$   $\ln$   
 $\ln e^{3x-4} = \ln(3)$   
 $3x-4 = \ln(3)$   
 $3x = \ln(3) + 4$   
 $x = \frac{\ln(3) + 4}{3}$

$\frac{3x}{3} = \frac{\ln(3)}{3}$  Review

1. The population of Smallville in the year 1890 was 6,250. Assume the population increased at a rate of 2.75% per year.

a. Find the population in 1915.

b. Find the population in 1940.