

Math-1010 Lesson 3-5

The Logarithm Function

Finding the Inverse: exchange the locations of 'x' and 'y' in the equation then solve for 'y'.

$$f(x) = (x - 2)^2$$

$$y = (x - 2)^2$$

$$x = (y - 2)^2$$

$$\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{(y - 2)^2}$$

$$\pm \sqrt{x} = y - 2$$

$$\pm \sqrt{x} + 2 = y$$

$$y = 2 \pm \sqrt{x}$$

Domain, Range, and Inverse Functions

Domain: The input values (that have corresponding outputs)

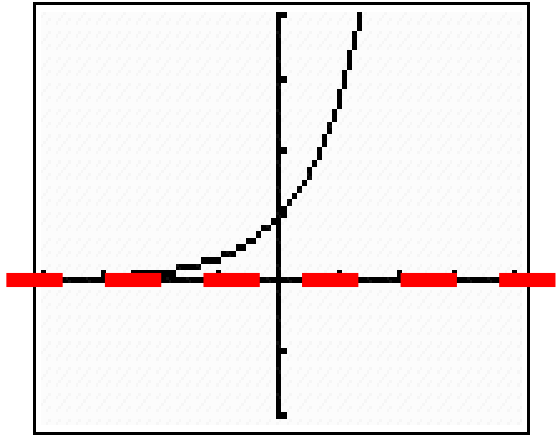
Range: The output values (that have corresponding inputs)

Inverse of a Function: A function resulting from an “exchange” of the inputs and outputs.

$f(x) : \textit{Domain, Range}$

$f^{-1}(x) :$
Domain = range of $f(x)$
Range = domain of $f(x)$

Exponential Function



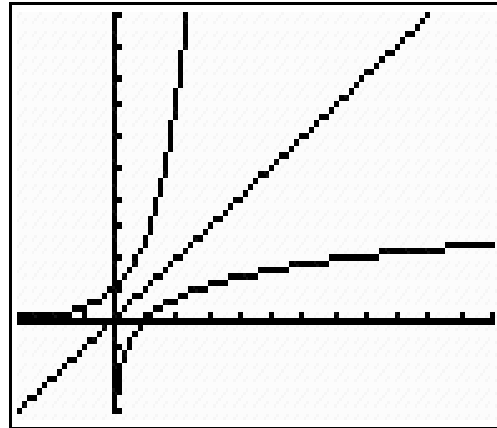
$$f(x) = 10^x$$

Domain = ? $(-\infty, \infty)$

Range = ? $(0, \infty)$

Horizontal asymptote =
? **$y = 0$**

Inverse Functions



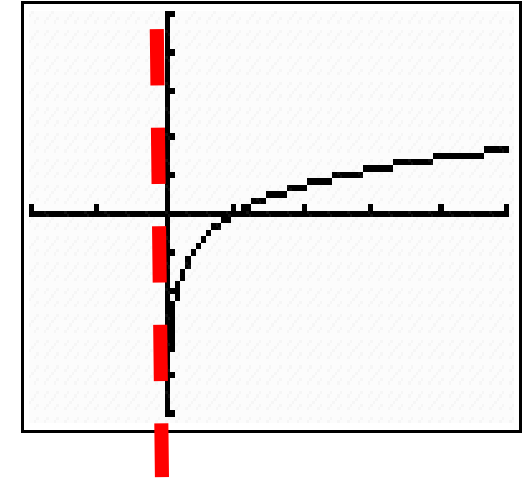
$$f(x) = \log x$$

Domain = ? $(0, \infty)$

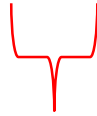
Range = ? $(-\infty, \infty)$

Vertical asymptote
= ? **$x = 0$**

Logarithm Function



Logarand

$$g(x) = 3 \log x$$


Logarand

Vertical Asymptote: The value of 'x' that makes the logarand equal to zero.

Vertical asymptote = ? **x = 0**

Evaluating Logs on your calculator

$$\log 8 = ?$$

$$\log 0 = ?$$

Push buttons:

error

$\boxed{\log}$ $\boxed{8)}$ $\boxed{=}$

0.903089987

$$\ln 10 = ?$$

$$\log(-3) = ?$$

Push buttons:

error

$\boxed{\ln}$ $\boxed{10)}$ $\boxed{=}$

2.302585093

Exponential Form

$$2^3 = 8$$

base

$$\text{Log}_{\square} \square = \square$$

Logarithm Form

$$\log_2 8 = 3$$

base

“base 2 to the 3rd
power is 8”

$$3^x = 9$$

3 to what power is 9 ?

“log base 2 of 8 is 3”

$$\log_3 9 = x$$

3 to what power is 9?

$$x = 2$$

Exponential Form

Logarithm Form

$$5^x = 25 \quad \text{Log}_{\square} \square = \square \quad \log_5 25 = x$$

$$4^x = 64$$

$$\log_4 64 = x$$

$$b^x = y \quad \text{Why did they use "b"?$$

$$\log_b y = x$$

$$9^x = 81$$

$$\log_9 81 = x$$

$$10^x = 1000$$

$$\log_{10} 1000 = x$$

Your Turn:

Convert to logarithm form

1. $6^x = 36$

2. $5^x = 1$

3. $2^x = 16$

4. $2^5 = x$

5. $3^4 = x$

$$\text{Log} \begin{array}{c} \square \\ \square \end{array} = \square$$

Convert to exponential form

$$\log_{10} 100 = x$$

$$\log_3 27 = x$$

$$\log_9 1 = x$$

$$\log_4 x = 2$$

$$\log_2 x = 5$$

Vocabulary

Common Logarithm: has a base of 10.

$$\log_{10} 100 = x$$

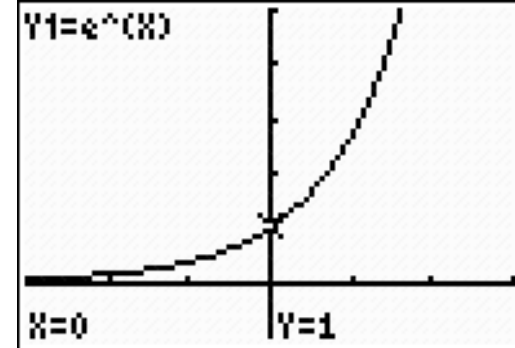
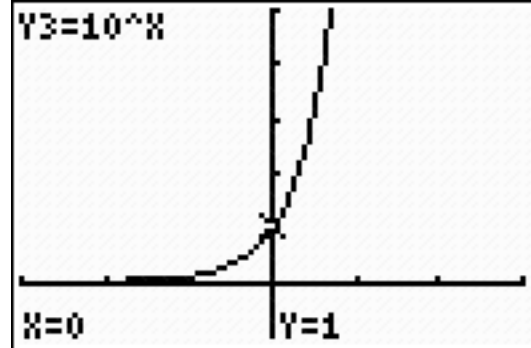
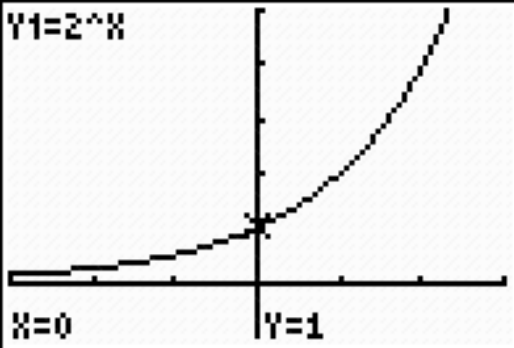
We usually write it in this form: $\log 100 = x$

Natural Logarithm: has a base of e.

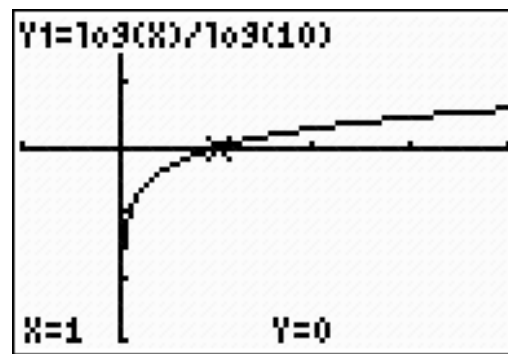
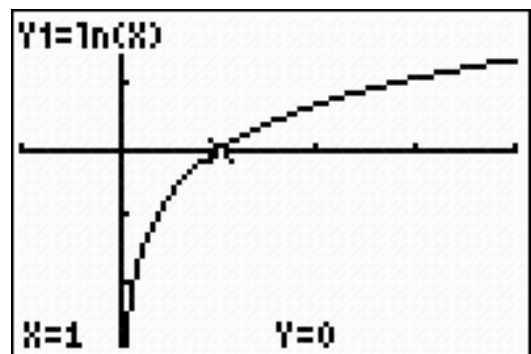
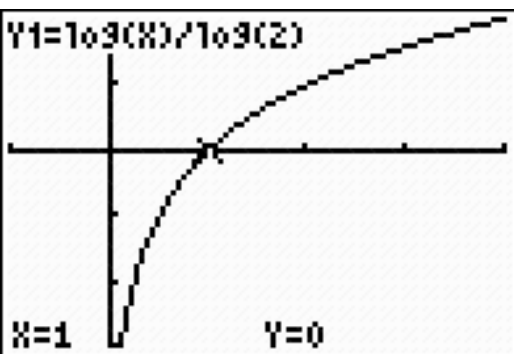
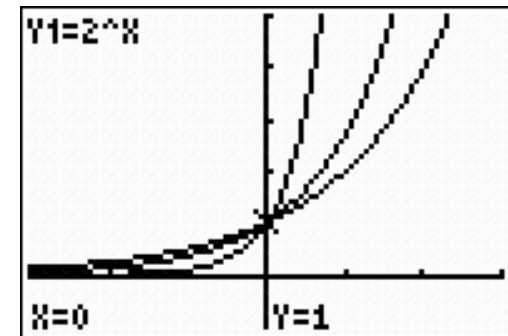
$$\log_e 2.718 = 1$$

We always write it in this form:

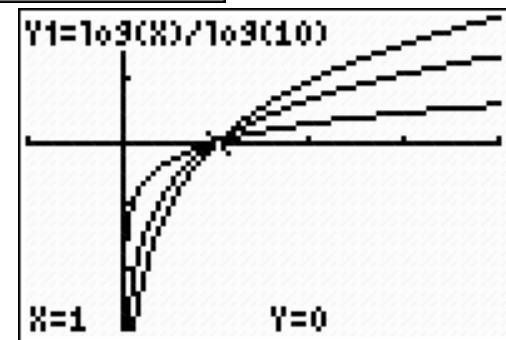
$$\ln 2.718 = 1$$



Base increasing: →



Base increasing: →



Your Turn:

What is the base?

11. $\log_2 8 = x$

12. $\ln 5 = x$

13. $\log 20 = x$

Evaluating Logs on your calculator

$$\log 8 = ?$$

Push buttons:

$$\boxed{\log} \boxed{8)} \boxed{=} \quad 0.903089987$$

$$\ln 10 = ?$$

Push buttons:

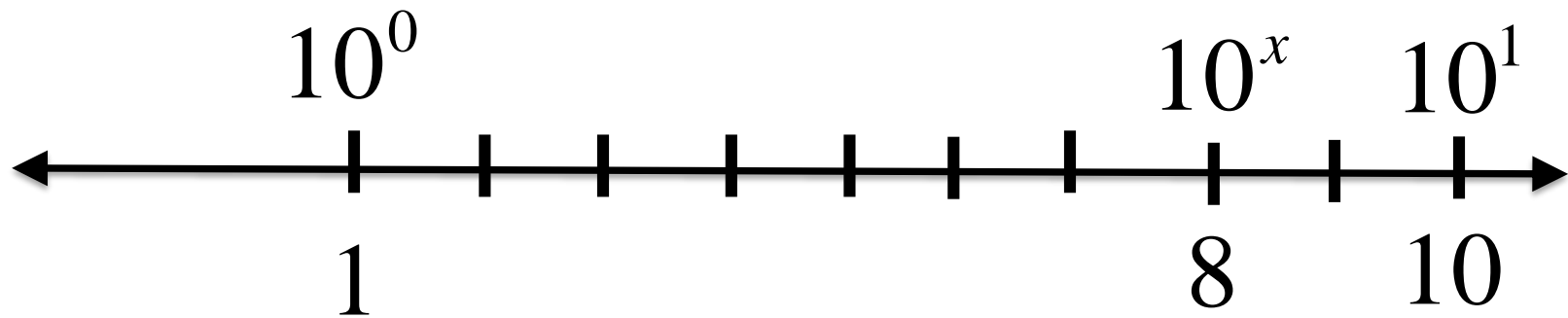
$$\boxed{\ln} \boxed{10)} \boxed{=} \quad 2.302585093$$

Estimate the value of the log:

$$\log 8 = ?$$

$$\log 8 = x$$

$$10^x = 8$$



$$x \approx 0.8$$

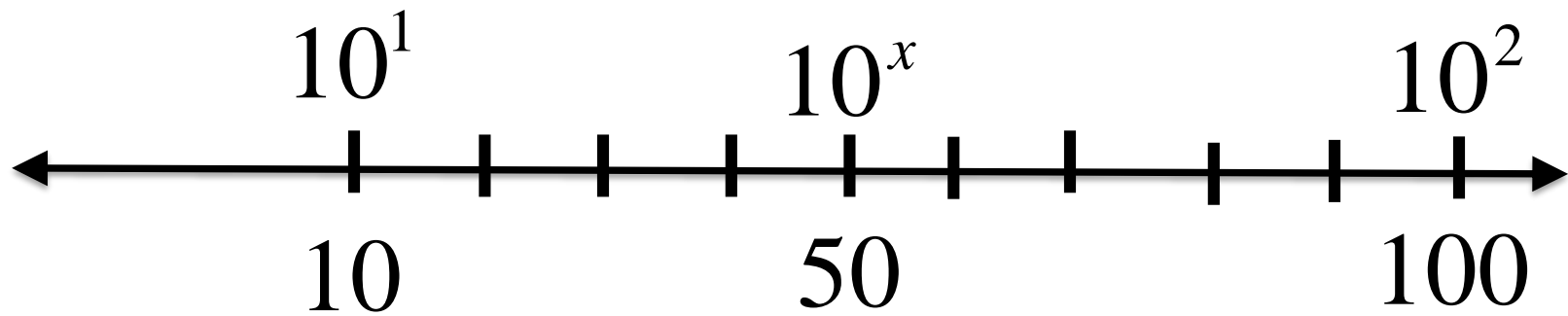
$$x \approx 0.9$$

Find $\log 8$ on your calculator.

$$\log 8 = 0.903$$

Estimate the value of the log:

$$\log 50 = ? \quad \log 50 = x \quad 10^x = 50$$



$$x \approx 1.5$$

$$x \approx 1.6$$

Find $\log 50$ on your calculator. $\log 50 = 1.7$

Your Turn:

Estimate the value of the log:

14. $\log 8 = ?$ $\log 8 = x$ $10^x = 8$

15. $\log 10 = ?$

16. $\ln 5 = ?$

Finding the Inverse $f^{-1}(x) = ?$

$$f(x) = 2(5)^x \quad f^{-1}(x) = \log_5\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$$

$$x = 2(5)^y$$

$$\frac{x}{2} = (5)^y$$

Base: 5

“A log is an exponent”

$$y = \log_5\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$$