

SM3-A HANDOUT 5-6 (Log of a Quotient Property of Logarithms
The Change of Base formula, Simplifying Logarithms)

1. $f(x) = 3(4)^{x-1} + 5$ Find $f^{-1}(x)$

2. $\log_3 x^4 y$

Expand the log:

3. $3 \log 2 + 2 \log x + \log 3 + 5 \log y$

Condense the log:

4. $7 = 2(3)^x$

Convert to a logarithm:

5. $3 \log_5 (x - 6) = 6$

Convert to an exponential;

6. $f(x) = 3 \log(x + 2) - 5$

What is the
Domain and range?

7. $f(x) = 2 \log(2x - 4) - 6$

What is the logarand?

8. What is the asymptote?

9. What do I mean when I say: "A log is an exponent"?

Log of a Product Property of Logarithms:

$$\log_b (RS) = \log_b R + \log_b S$$

$$\log_2 15 = \log_2 3 + \log_2 5$$

log of a product = sum of the logs of the factors.

Log of Power Property of Logarithms

$$c \sqrt[c]{\log_b R^c} \rightarrow c \log_b R$$

$$\log_2 3^4$$

$$\log 32$$

$\frac{x^2}{y^3}$ Using properties of exponents: rewrite this so the 'y' term is NOT in the denominator. $x^2 y^{-3}$

$\log_3\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) = \log_3(5 * 2^{-1})$ Negative Exponent Property

Log of a Product Property

Log of a Power Property

Definition of Subtraction: (adding a negative is subtraction)

Log of a Quotient Property

$\log_b\left(\frac{R}{S}\right) = \log_b R - \log_b S$

$\log_3\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)$ "expand the quotient"

$\ln 8 - \ln 3$ "condense the quotient"

"Negative Log" → denominator of the logarand

Expand the Quotient

$\log \frac{4}{5}$

$\ln \frac{3}{7}$

Condense the quotient

$\log_4 5 - \log_4 2$

$\log_5 8 - \log_5 16$

Expand the Logarithm

$\log\left(\frac{2x}{3y^5}\right) = \log 2x - \log 3y^5$ The denominator is a product!

$= \log 2x - (\log 3 + 5 \log y)$

Distributive property!

Logs of factors in the numerator will be positive.

Logs of factors in the denominator will be negative.

Expand the quotient

$$\ln \frac{zx^2}{5y^3}$$
$$= \log_4 \left(\frac{w^5}{x^7} \right)^2$$
$$\log_4 \frac{2\sqrt{x}}{4yz}$$

Change-of-Base Formula for Logarithms

$$\log_c a = \frac{\log_b a}{\log_b c}$$

Change to log base 10 or base 'e'
(your calculator can do these).

Convert to base 10.

$$\log_4 5 = \frac{\log_{10} 5}{\log_{10} 4} = \frac{0.699}{0.6021} = 1.161$$

$$\log_4 5 = \frac{\ln 5}{\ln 4} = \frac{1.609}{1.386} = 1.161$$

Simplify

$$\log_2 2$$

$$\log_2 2 = x$$

$$2^x = 2$$

$$x = 1$$

Using Change of base:

$$\log_2 2 = \frac{\log 2}{\log 2} = 1$$

Simplify: $\log_4 16$ "4 raised to what power equals 16?"
 $\log_4 4^2$ $(2 \log_4 4)$ $2(1) = 2$

$\log_2 \sqrt{2}$
 "2 raised to what power equals the square root of 2?"

Simplify: $5 \log_3 27$
 $5 \log_3 3^3$ $(3 * 5) \log_3 3$ 15

$6 \log_2 (16) - 4$

Simplify:

$8 \log_5 (125) + 3$

$2 \log_9 (81) - 5$

$-6 \log_3 (\sqrt[2]{3}) + 4$