

**Review: Inverse Functions**

A function is one-to-one if  $f(a) = f(b)$  implies that  $a = b$  for all  $a, b$  in the domain of  $f$ . That is, in addition to being a function (each  $x$  maps to exactly one  $y$ ), a one-to-one function only has one  $x$ -value mapping to each  $y$ -value. The graph of a one-to-one function passes both the horizontal and vertical line tests.

Example of verifying that a function is one-to-one:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= (x + 4)^3 - 5 \\ f(a) &= f(b) \\ (a + 4)^3 - 5 &= (b + 4)^3 - 5 \\ (a + 4)^3 &= (b + 4)^3 \\ \sqrt[3]{(a + 4)^3} &= \sqrt[3]{(b + 4)^3} \\ (a + 4) &= (b + 4) \\ a &= b \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f(a) = f(b)$  implies that  $a = b$ ,  $f$  is one-to-one.

Example showing that a function is NOT one-to-one:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x^2 \\ f(2) &= 4 \\ f(-2) &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Since two different  $x$ -values yield the same  $y$ -value,  $f$  is not one-to-one.

The one-to-one functions  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are inverses if:  
 $(f \circ g)(x) = x$  and  $(g \circ f)(x) = x$

Example of verifying that two functions are inverses:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x^3 & g(x) &= \sqrt[3]{x} \\ (f \circ g)(x) &= (\sqrt[3]{x})^3 = x \\ (g \circ f)(x) &= \sqrt[3]{x^3} = x \end{aligned}$$

How to find an inverse function:

1. Replace  $f(x)$  with  $y$
2. Interchange  $x$  and  $y$
3. Solve for  $y$  in terms of  $x$ .
4. Replace  $y$  with  $f^{-1}(x)$ .

Example of finding an inverse function:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{5x - 3}{2x + 1} \\ y &= \frac{5x - 3}{2x + 1} \\ x &= \frac{5y - 3}{2y + 1} \\ x(2y + 1) &= 5y - 3 \\ 2xy + x &= 5y - 3 \\ x + 3 &= 5y - 2xy \\ x + 3 &= y(5 - 2x) \\ y &= \frac{3 + x}{5 - 2x} \\ \boxed{f^{-1}(x) &= \frac{3 + x}{5 - 2x}} \end{aligned}$$

Properties of Exponential Functions:

$$\begin{aligned} a^m a^n &= a^{m+n} \\ \frac{a^m}{a^n} &= a^{m-n} = \frac{1}{a^{n-m}} \\ (a^m)^n &= a^{mn} \\ (a^p b^q)^r &= a^{pr} b^{qr}, \left(\frac{a^p}{b^q}\right)^r = \frac{a^{pr}}{b^{qr}} \\ a^{-1} &= \frac{1}{a} \\ a^0 &= 1, a \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Properties of Logarithmic Functions:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Product Rule: } \log_a(MN) &= \log_a M + \log_a N \\ \text{Power Rule: } \log_a(M)^p &= p \log_a M \\ \text{Quotient Rule: } \log_a\left(\frac{M}{N}\right) &= \log_a M - \log_a N \\ \text{Change of Base Formula: } \log_b M &= \frac{\log_a M}{\log_a b} \\ \text{Other Properties: } \log_a a &= 1 \quad \log_a 1 = 0 \\ \log_a a^x &= x \quad a^{\log_a x} = x \\ \ln x &= \log_e x \quad \log x = \log_{10} x \end{aligned}$$

The logarithmic equation  $\log_a b = c$  is equivalent to the exponential equation  $a^c = b$

**Compound Interest**

The amount of money  $A$  that a principal  $P$  will grow to after  $t$  years at interest rate  $r$  (in decimal form), compounded times per year, is given by the formula

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$$

Express in terms of sums and differences of logarithms.

$$24. \log_a x^3 y^2 z = \log_a x^3 + \log_a y^2 + \log_a z$$

$$= 3\log_a x + 2\log_a y + \log_a z$$

$$26. \log_b \frac{x^2 y}{b^3} = \log_b x^2 + \log_b y - \log_b b^3$$

$$= 2\log_b x + \log_b y - 3$$

Express in terms of sums and differences of logarithms.

$$30. \ln \sqrt[3]{5x^5} = \ln (5x^5)^{1/3} = \ln (5^{1/3} x^{5/3})$$

$$= \ln 5^{1/3} + \ln x^{5/3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \ln 5 + \frac{5}{3} \ln x$$

$$34. \log_a \sqrt{\frac{a^6 b^8}{a^2 b^5}} = \log_a \sqrt{a^{6-2} b^{8-5}} = \log_a \sqrt{a^4 b^3}$$

$$= \log_a (a^4 b^3)^{1/2} = \log_a (a^2 b^{3/2}) =$$

$$= \log_a a^2 + \log_a b^{3/2} = 2 + \frac{3}{2} \log_a b$$

Express as a single logarithm and, if possible, simplify.

$$40. \frac{1}{2} \log a - \log 2 = \log a^{1/2} - \log 2 = \log \left( \frac{a^{1/2}}{2} \right)$$

$$= \log \left( \frac{\sqrt{a}}{2} \right)$$

$$48. \log_a \frac{a}{\sqrt{x}} - \log_a \sqrt{ax} = \log_a \left( \frac{\frac{a}{\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{ax}} \right)$$

$$= \log_a \left( \frac{a}{\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{ax}} \right) = \log_a \left( \frac{a}{\sqrt{a} \sqrt{x^2}} \right)$$

$$= \log_a \left( \frac{a}{x \sqrt{a}} \right) = \log_a \left( \frac{\sqrt{a}}{x} \right)$$

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{a}} = \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{a}} = \sqrt{a}$$

$$= \log_a a^{1/2} - \log_a x$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \log_a x$$

Express as a single logarithm and, if possible, simplify.

$$52. 120 \left( \ln \sqrt[5]{x^3} + \ln \sqrt[3]{y^2} - \ln \sqrt[4]{16z^5} \right)$$

$$= 120 \ln \left( \frac{\sqrt[5]{x^3} \cdot \sqrt[3]{y^2}}{\sqrt[4]{16z^5}} \right)$$

$$= \ln \left( \frac{x^{3/5} y^{2/3}}{16^{1/4} z^{5/4}} \right)^{120}$$

$$= \ln \left( \frac{x^{3 \cdot \frac{120}{5}} y^{2 \cdot \frac{120}{3}}}{(2^4)^{\frac{120}{4}} z^{\frac{5 \cdot 120}{4}}} \right)$$

$$= \ln \left( \frac{x^{72} y^{80}}{2^{120} z^{150}} \right)$$

Simplify.

66.  $\log_t t^{2713} = 2713$

$$\log_a b = c \Leftrightarrow a^c = b$$

68.  $\log_q q^{\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{3}$

$5^x$  &  $\log_5 x$   
 inverses

70.  $5^{\log_5(4x-3)} = 4x-3$

72.  $e^{\ln x^3} = x^3$

74.  $\log 10^{-k} = -k$

76.  $\log_b \sqrt{b^3} = \log_b (b^3)^{1/2} = \log_b b^{3/2} = \boxed{\frac{3}{2}}$

Determine whether the statement is true. Assume that a, x, M, and N are positive.

102.  $\log_N(MN)^x = x \log_N M + x$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= x \log_N(MN) = \\ &= x [\log_N M + \log_N N] = \\ &= x [\log_N M + 1] = \\ &= x \log_N M + x = \text{RHS.} \end{aligned}$$

Write without using logarithms.

$$\log_a b = c \Leftrightarrow a^c = b$$

106.  $\log_a x + \log_a y - mz = 0$

$$\log_a x + \log_a y = mz$$

$$\log_a xy = mz$$

$$a^{mz} = xy$$

**Homework:**

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