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Text Books: For this course we use free online resources:

See the folder Educational Resources in Shared class files

- 1) <http://www.stitz-zeager.com/szca07042013.pdf> (**Book1**)
- 2) Trigonometry by Michael Corral (**Book 2**)

Other online resources:

Tutorials:

- http://www.wtamu.edu/academic/anns/mps/math/mathlab/col_algebra/index.htm
- <http://archives.math.utk.edu/visual.calculus/>
- <http://www.ltcconline.net/green/java/index.html>
- <http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Trigonometry>
- <http://www.sosmath.com/trig/trig.html>

Animation Lessons:

- <http://flashytrig.com/intro/teacherintro.htm>

Test worksheet generator for Mathematics Teachers

- <https://www.kutasoftware.com/>

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Chapter 6

Exponential and logarithmic Functions (Page 417)

Objectives: By the end of this chapter students should be able to:

- Identify Exponential and logarithmic Functions
- Identify graphs of exponential and logarithmic functions
- Sketches graphs of Exponential and Logarithmic functions
- Identify the relationship between exponential and logarithmic functions
- Identify and state rules of exponential and logarithmic functions
- Find domain and range of exponential and logarithmic functions
- Simplify exponential and logarithmic functions using their rules

Motivation

- 1) **Interest:** **Compound**
 Compounded Continuously

Formulas:

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

$$A = Pe^{rt} \quad (\text{Continuous Compounding})$$

A = Amount

P = Principal

r = Rate of interest (in %)

t = Time (usually in years)

n = Number of times amount is compounded

2) Radioactive Decay & Population Growth

Radioactive Decay: If m_0 is the initial mass of a radio active substance with half life h , then the mass $m(t)$ remaining at time t is modeled by the function

$$m(t) = m_0 e^{-rt}, \text{ where } r = \frac{\ln 2}{h}$$

Population Growth: A population that experiences a population growth increases according to the model: $n(t) = n_0 e^{rt}$, where $n(t)$ = Population at time t , n_0 = Initial size of population, r = relative rate of growth (expressed as a proportion of the population), t = time.

Example: C-14 Dating. The burial cloth of an Egyptian mummy is examined to contain 59% of the C-14 it contained originally. How long ago was the mummy buried? (The half-life of C-14 is 5730 years)

Example: YouTube video

- Exponential growth and decay word problem: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m5Tf6vgoJtQ>
- Exponential decay: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HTDop6eEsaA>

- Half-life example: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hqzakjo_dYg

Compound Interest

Compound Interest is calculated by the formula:

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

Example: YouTube video

- Compound interest: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rm6UdfRs3gw>

Example 4: If \$4000 is borrowed at a rate of 5.75% interest per year, compounded quarterly, find the amount due at the end of the given number of years. a) 4 years b) 6 years c) 8 years

For $r = 1$, the compound interest formula becomes $A(t) = P \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{nt}$.

The Number e

Consider the expression $\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n$. We would like to investigate the value that this expression gets

close to if n keeps getting larger. That is as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n \rightarrow ?$

n	$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n$
1	2
10	2.593742
100	2.7048138
10000	2.71814592
100000	2.718268273
1000000	2.7182804693
10000000	2.718281692544
10^8	2.7182818148676
10^9	2.71828182709990
...	
∞	2.71828182845904...

From the **above table** we can make the following observation:

As n increases without bound $\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n$ approaches the number e , or equivalently

When $n \rightarrow \infty$ the value $\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n \rightarrow e$

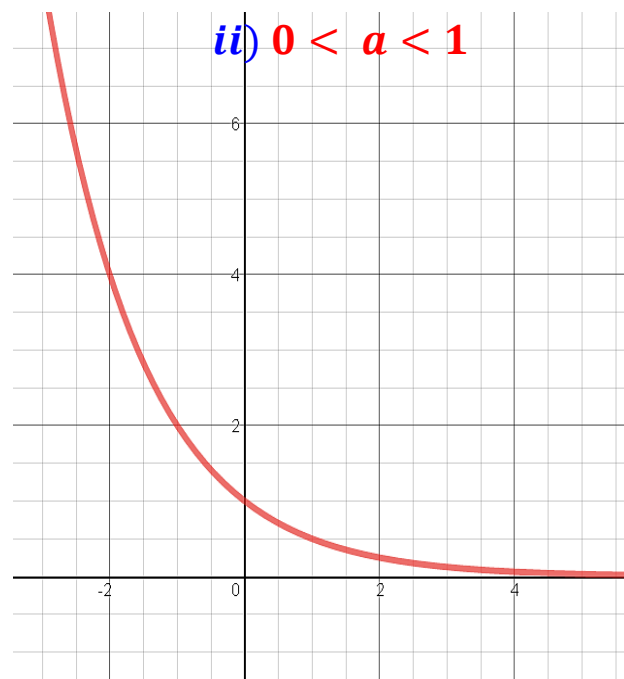
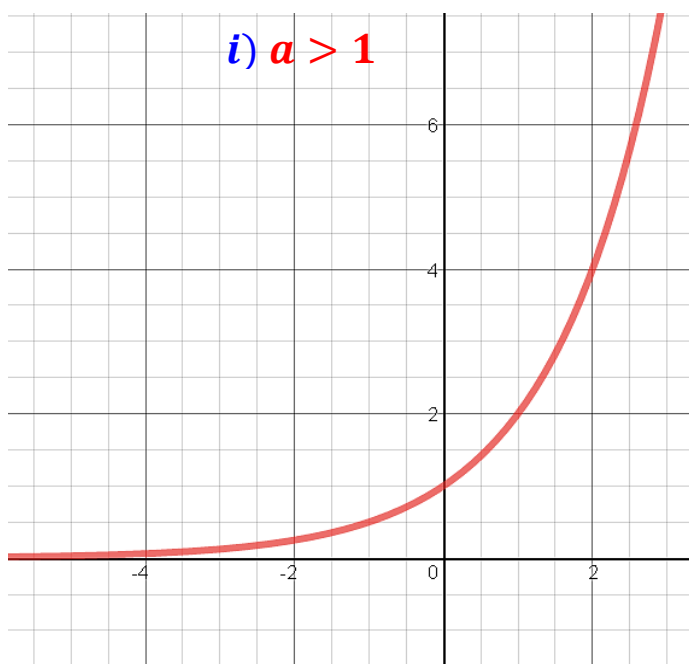
6.1 Exponential Functions

Exponential Functions of base a

Definition: An exponential function with base a is the function defined by $f(x) = a^x$, where $a > 0$ and $a \neq 1$.

Example 1: a) $f(x) = 2^x$
 b) $g(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x = 2^{-x}$
 c) $f(x) = e^x$

Graphs of $f(x) = a^x$: there are two cases i) $a > 1$ and ii) $0 < a < 1$



Properties of the exponential function $f(x) = a^x$:

- 1) The domain of $f(x) = a^x$ is the set of all real numbers = $(-\infty, \infty)$
- 2) The function $f(x) = a^x$ is increasing for $a > 1$ and decreasing for $0 < a < 1$
- 3) The range of $f(x) = a^x$ is $\{y \mid y > 0\} = (0, \infty)$
- 4) The function $f(x) = a^x$ has y intercept $(0, 1)$ but has **no** x - intercept
- 5) The function $f(x) = a^x$ is a **one - to - one function**, hence it has inverse which is a function.

Examples: YouTube videos

- Exponential growth and ...: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6WMZ7J0wwMI>
- Exponential decay and ...: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AXAMVxaxjDg>

Example 2: Sketch the graph of the following exponential functions:

a. $f(x) = 2^x$

d. $f(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$

a. $f(x) = 0.8^x$

e. $f(x) = 3^x$

b. $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{3}^x$

f. $f(x) = 0.6^x$

Transformations:

Translations, Reflections, and Vertical and Horizontal Stretches and Shrinks

Translations:

- 1) **Vertical Translation:** $y = f(x) \pm c$, for $c > 0$

The graph of $y = f(x) + c$ is the graph of $y = f(x)$ shifted vertically c units up

The graph of $y = f(x) - c$ is the graph of $y = f(x)$ shifted vertically c units down

- 2) **Horizontal Translations:** $y = f(x \pm c)$, for $c > 0$

The graph of $y = f(x - c)$ is the graph of $y = f(x)$ shifted horizontally c units to the right

The graph of $y = f(x + c)$ is the graph of $y = f(x)$ shifted horizontally c units to the left.

Reflections

- 1) **Across the x-axis:**

The graph of $y = -f(x)$ is the **reflection** of the graph of $y = f(x)$ across the **x-axis**.

- 2) **Across the y-axis:**

The graph of $y = f(-x)$ is the **reflection** of the graph of $y = f(x)$ across the **y-axis**.

Stretches and Shrinks

Vertical Stretching and shrinking

To graph $y = cf(x)$:

If $c > 1$, **stretch** the graph of $y = f(x)$ **vertically** by a **factor of c**

If $0 < c < 1$, **shrink** the graph of $y = f(x)$ **vertically** by a **factor of c**

Horizontal Stretching and shrinking

To graph $y = f(cx)$:

If $c > 1$, **shrink** the graph of $y = f(x)$ **horizontally** by a **factor of $1/c$**

If $0 < c < 1$, **stretch** the graph of $y = f(x)$ **horizontally** by a **factor of $1/c$**

Example 3: Sketch the graph (Transformations of Exponential Functions)

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

b. $f(x) = 2^x + 2$

c. $f(x) = 2^{x-1}$

d. $f(x) = -2^{x+1} - 2$

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The Natural Exponential Function

Definition: The Natural Exponential Function is defined by $f(x) = e^x$, with base e .

Continuously Compounded Interest

Continuously Compounded Interest is calculated by the formula: $A(t) = Pe^{rt}$

Where $A(t)$ = Amount after t years, P = Principal, r = Interest rate per year, and t = Number of years

Example 1: A sum of \$5000 is invested at an interest rate of 9% per year compounded continuously

- Find the value of $A(t)$ of the investment after t years
- Draw a graph of $A(t)$

Laws of Exponents

Laws	Examples
$x^1 = x$	$6^1 = 6$
$x^0 = 1$	$7^0 = 1$
$x^{-1} = 1/x$	$4^{-1} = 1/4$
$x^m x^n = x^{m+n}$	$x^2 x^3 = x^{2+3} = x^5$
$x^m / x^n = x^{m-n}$	$x^6 / x^2 = x^{6-2} = x^4$
$(x^m)^n = x^{mn}$	$(x^2)^3 = x^{2 \times 3} = x^6$
$(xy)^n = x^n y^n$	$(xy)^3 = x^3 y^3$
$(x/y)^n = x^n / y^n$	$(x/y)^2 = x^2 / y^2$
$x^{-n} = 1/x^n$	$x^{-3} = 1/x^3$

And the Laws about Fractional Exponents:

Laws	Examples
$x^{1/n} = \sqrt[n]{x}$	$x^{1/3} = \sqrt[3]{x}$
$x^{\frac{m}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{x^m} = (\sqrt[n]{x})^m$	$x^{\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt[3]{x^2} = (\sqrt[3]{x})^2$

Proof of the law: $x^{\frac{m}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{x^m} = (\sqrt[n]{x})^m$ follows from the fact that $\frac{m}{n} = m \times (1/n) =$

$(1/n) \times m$

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Example: YouTube video:

- Rational exponent: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aYE26a5E1iU>

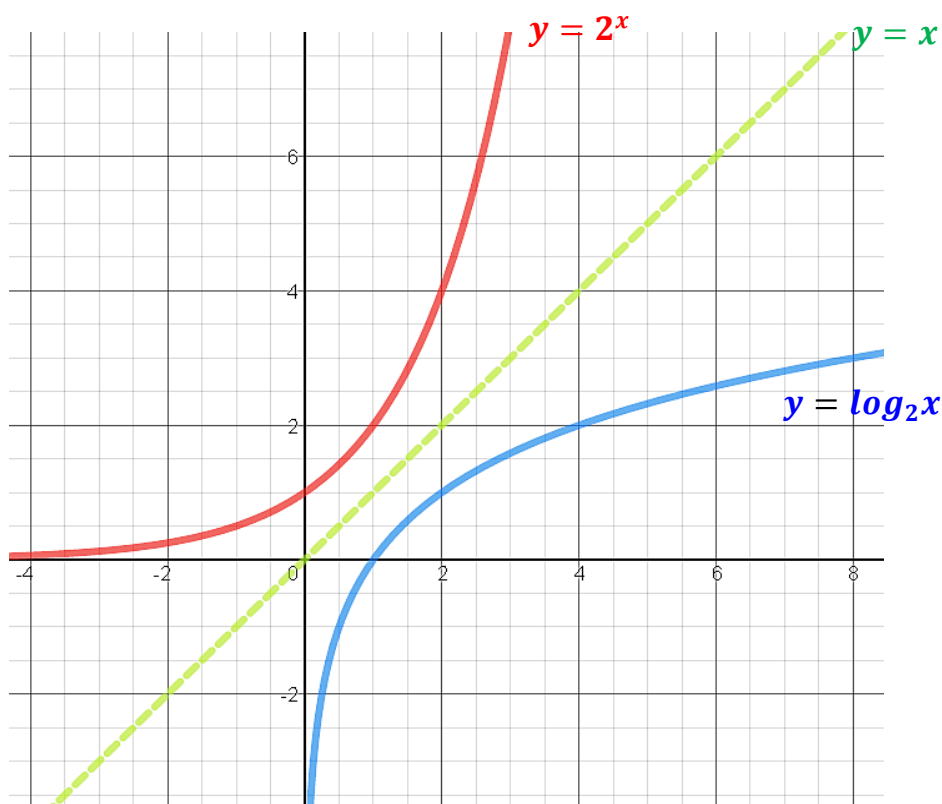
6.2 Logarithmic Functions and Their Graphs (page 423)

Consider the exponential function $y = a^x$, $a > 0$ and $a \neq 1$

- $y = a^x$ is a **one-to-one function**, thus it has an inverse which is a function
- The inverse of $y = a^x$ is a function called the **logarithmic function**

Recall, the inverse of a function is obtained by interchanging the x and the y in the equation defining the function. Thus, the inverse of $y = a^x$ is given by $x = a^y$ which is the same as $y = \log_a x$. That is we are saying $x = a^y \Leftrightarrow y = \log_a x$

Graphically: The graph of $y = \log_a x$ obtained by reflecting the graph of $y = a^x$ across the line $y = x$. For example, consider $y = 2^x$



Example: YouTube video

- Intro to logarithm: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mQTWzLpCcW0>

Logarithmic Function with Base a

Definition: (log function to any base a)

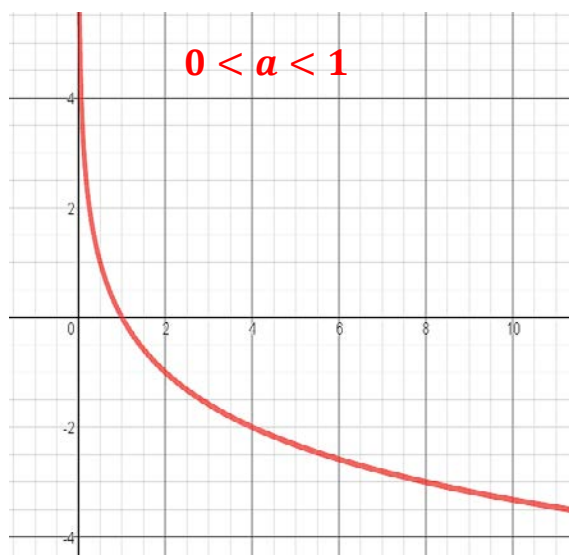
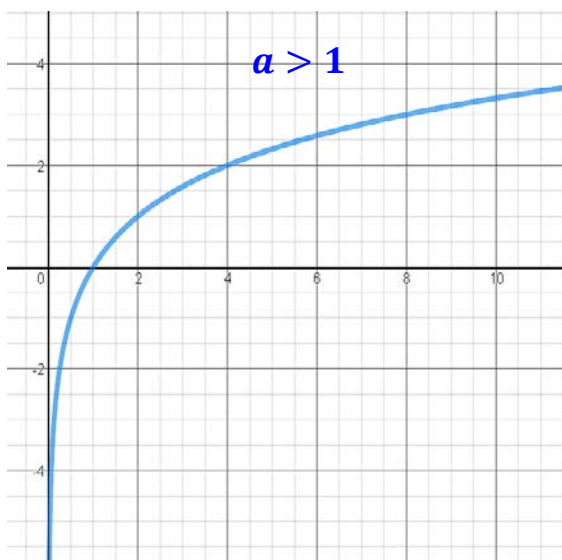
$y = \log_a x$ is the number y such that $x = a^y$, where $x > 0$, $a > 0$ and $a \neq 1$

Examples

- Case, $a > 1$: $y = \log_2 x$, $y = \log_3 x$, $y = \log_{1.3} x$; $y = \log x$; $y = \ln x$
- Case, $0 < a < 1$: $y = \log_{1/2} x$, $y = \log_{1/3} x$, $y = \log_{0.4} x$; $y = \log_{1/7} x$

Graphs

Graphs of $y = \log_a x$: **Two cases** i) $a > 1$ and ii) $0 < a < 1$



Properties of the logarithm function $f(x) = \log_a x$

- 1) The domain of $f(x) = \log_a x$ is $\{x/x > 0\} = (0, \infty)$
- 2) The function $f(x) = \log_a x$ is increasing for $a > 1$ and decreasing for $0 < a < 1$
- 3) The range of $f(x) = \log_a x$ is the set of all real numbers, in interval form $(-\infty, \infty)$
- 4) The function $f(x) = \log_a x$ has x intercept $(1, 0)$ has **no** y - intercept
- 5) The function $f(x) = \log_a x$ is a **one - to - one function**, hence it is invertible.
- 6) The function $f(x) = \log_a x$ is the inverse of the exponential function $y = a^x$ and vice versa

Example 1: Graph the following logarithmic functions

- a) $y = \log_3 x, y = \log_{1.3} x; y = \log x; y = \ln x$
- b) $y = \log_{1/3} x, y = \log_{0.4} x; y = \log_{1/7} x$

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Example 2: Find the domain and graph the following logarithmic functions

- a) $y = -\log_3 x$
- b) $y = \log_2(x - 2)$
- c) $y = -\log_{0.2}(x + 1) + 2$

Example 2: Example 6.1.4. Page 425: Find the domain of the following functions

- a) $f(x) = 2 \log(3 - x) - 1$
- b) $g(x) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right)$

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Natural and Common Logarithms

Definition: 1) Logarithms with **base e** are called **natural logarithms**,

Notation: $\ln x$ used instead of $\log_e x$

2) Logarithms with **base 10** are called **common logarithms**

Notation: $\log x$ used instead of $\log_{10} x$

The calculator \log is **base 10**, and the calculator \ln is **base e** .

Example 3: Find using a calculator:

- | | | |
|--------------|-------------|------------|
| a) $\log 13$ | c) $\ln 9$ | e) $\ln e$ |
| b) $\log 10$ | d) $\log 5$ | f) $\ln 5$ |

Conversion between Exponential and Logarithmic Equations

Exponent Form

Logarithmic Form

$$b^y = x \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad y = \log_b x$$

$$e^y = x \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad y = \ln x$$

$$10^y = x \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad y = \log x$$

Example 4: Example 6.1.3 Page 424: Reading

Examples 5: Convert to the exponential form

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|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| a) $\log 1000 = 3$ | c) $\log 5 = b$ | e) $\ln e = 1$ |
| b) $\log_3 81 = 4$ | d) $\ln \sqrt[3]{e} = 1/3$ | f) $\ln 9 = t$ |

Example 6: Convert each of the following to a **logarithmic** or **exponential** equation:

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|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| a) $16 = 2^x$ | d) $7^2 = 49$ | e) $10^{-3} = 0.001$ |
| b) $\log_2 32 = 5$ | f) $x = \log_t M$ | h) $27^{1/3} = 3$ |
| c) $\log_3 9 = 2$ | g) $\ln 4 = y$ | |

Properties of Logarithms (page 437)

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Example: YouTube video

- Logarithm Properties 1: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PupNgv49_WY
- Logarithm Properties 2: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TMmxKZaCqe0>
- Logarithm of power: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pb9V374iOas>

- 1) $\log_b(xy) = \log_b x + \log_b y$ (Product Rule)
- 2) $\log_b(x/y) = \log_b x - \log_b y$ (Quotient Rule)
- 3) $\log_b x^P = P \times \log_b x = P \log_b x$ (Power Rule)

4) $\log_b x = \frac{\log_c x}{\log_c b}$, for $c > 0$ and $c \neq 1$ (Change of Base)

If we change the base b to $c = 10$ or $c = e$, then the change of base formula becomes:

$$\log_b x = \frac{\log x}{\log b} \quad \text{OR} \quad \log_b x = \frac{\ln x}{\ln b}$$

Example: YouTube video

- Change base formula: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OkFdDqW9xxM>
- Sum of logarithm: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pkGrXzakRFs>

5) **Other properties:** Let $b > 0$ and $b \neq 1$, then:

- a) $\log_b 1 = 0$, and so $\ln 1 = 0$
- b) $\log_b b = 1$, and so $\ln e = 1$
- c) $\log_b b^x = x$, and so $\ln e^x = x$
- d) $b^{\log_b x} = x$, and so $e^{\ln x} = x$

Example 1: Example 6.2.1 page 438: Reading

Example 1: Find each of the following using properties of log.

- a) $\log 10000$
- b) $\log_2 \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)$
- c) $\log_5 5^3$
- d) $\log_7 49$
- e) $\log 100$
- f) $\log_3 3$

Example 2: Find the value each of the following using log properties

- a) $\log_{10} 5$
- b) $\log_{1/3} 81$
- c) $\log \sqrt[3]{42}$

Example 3: Simplify the following

- a) $(2^{\sqrt{5}})^{\sqrt{20}}$
- b) $\log_2(\log_9 81)$
- c) $\log_2(128/16)$
- d) $e^{\ln \sqrt[3]{81}}$

Example 4: Evaluate without a calculator whenever possible, otherwise use a calculator

- a) $\log \sqrt[3]{100}$
- b) $\log_3 \sqrt[4]{27}$
- c) $\log_2 25$
- d) $\ln(\sqrt[7]{e^2})$

Example 5: Evaluate:

- a) $\log_2 5$
- b) $\log_{0.32} 99$

Example 6: Write as a single log:

- a) $\log_2(x-2) + 3\log_2 x - \log_2(3+x)$
- b) $\log_b x + 2\log_b y - 3\log_b x$
- c) $2\log_4 x + \log_4 y - \frac{1}{3}z$

Example 7: Expand using **log properties**:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{a) } \log(3\sqrt{x}) & \text{c) } \log\left(\frac{x^{1/2}}{y^2 \sqrt[3]{z}}\right) & \text{e) } \log_a\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{a^2b}{c^4}}\right) \\ \text{b) } \log_5\left(\frac{\sqrt{x+1}}{9x^2(x-3)}\right) & \text{d) } \log_b(x^2y^3z^2) & \end{array}$$

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Solving Exponential Equations and Logarithmic Equations:

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Tutorial 45: [Exponential Equations](#);

Tutorial 46: [Logarithmic Equations](#)

Example: YouTube video:

- Solving logarithm equations: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kv2iHde7Xgw>
- Solving exponential and log equations: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Ilg6kVZaWoU>

Form

1. $b^x = b^y$

2. $b^x = y$

3. $\log_b x = \log_b y$

4. $\log_b x = y$

Strategy

Bases are the **same**, **drop bases** to obtain $x = y$

Take **log** or **ln** of **both sides** to change to the **log** form

Bases are the **same**, **drop the logs** to obtain $x = y$

Convert to **exponential form** to solve $b^y = x$

Example 1: Solve each of the following

a) $4^{3x} = 32^{x-2}$

b) $e^{x+3} = e^{x^2-4x}$

c) $2^{5x} = 64$

d) $9^{x^2} \times 3^{5x} = 27$

e) $3^{x^2-5x} = \frac{1}{81}$

g) $4^{x+3} = 3^{-x}$

h) $7e^{x+3} = 5$

i) $3^x - 3^{-x} = 4$

j) $2e^{4x} + 5e^{2x} + 3 = 0$

f) $3^x = 7$

Example 2: State the domain and solve the following

a) $\log_2 x = 6$

b) $\log_3 x + \log_3(2x - 3) = 3$

c) $\log_3 x + \log_3(x + 1) = \log_3 2$

d) $\log_2(x + 1) + \log_2(3x - 5) = \log_2(5x - 3) + 2$

e) $\log_4 x + \log_4(x + 1) = \log_4 2$

f) $\log(x + 2) - 3 \log 2 = 1$

g) $\log_b 81 = -2$

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