

rules for exponentials

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$$x^a \cdot x^b = x^{a+b}$$

$$(x^a)^b = x^{ab}$$

$$\sqrt[n]{x} = x^{1/n}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = x^{-1}$$

$\log_2(x)$ ← this is
the power you need to
raise 2 to, to get x .

$$2^2 \times 2^3 = 2^5$$

$2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$

$$2^3 = 8$$

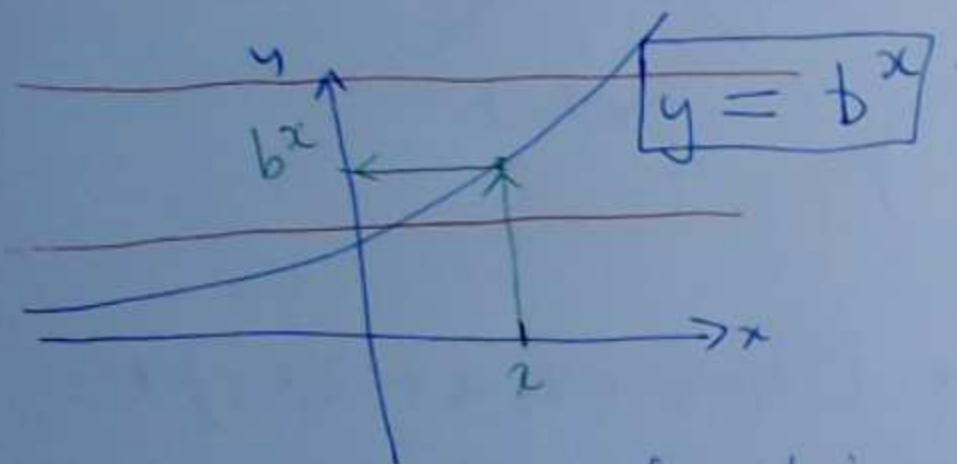
$$2^a = 8$$

$$a=3$$

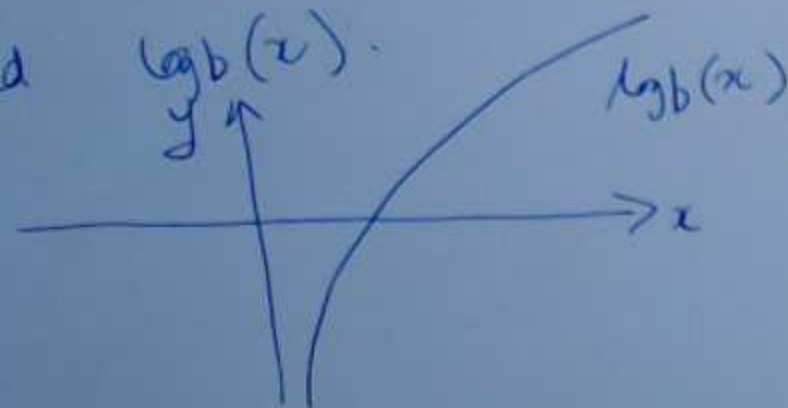
$$2^a = 16 \quad a=4$$

$$2^a = 10 ?$$

$\log_b(x) \leftarrow$ this is the number you need to raise b to the power of to get x . (2)



there is an inverse function called $\log_b(x)$.



Q: when does a function have an inverse?

A: it passes the horizontal line test.

i.e. every horizontal line hits the graph of the function exactly once.

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$$\log_2(4) \leftarrow \text{number st. } 2^{\star} = 4.$$
$$= 2.$$

$$\log_2(5) \leftarrow \text{number st. } 2^{\star} = 5. \approx 2.321...$$

on the calculator: $\ln(x) \leftarrow \log_e(x)$

$$\log(x) \leftarrow \log_{10}(x)$$

$$x^a x^b = x^{a+b}$$

$$\log_b(xy) = \log_b(x) + \log_b(y)$$

rules for logarithms

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$$\log_b(xy) = \log_b(x) + \log_b(y)$$

$$\log_b(1) = 0$$

$$\log_b(x^a) = a \log_b(x)$$

$$\log_b(b) = 1$$

$$\log_b\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = -\log_b(x)$$

$$b^{\log_b(x)} = x = \log_b(b^x) \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \log_b \text{ and } b^x \\ \text{are inverses} \end{array}$$

$$\log_b(x) = \frac{\log_a(x)}{\log_a(b)} \quad \text{for any } a.$$

$$\ln(x) = \log_2(x)^{(5)}$$

$$\log_2(5) = \frac{\ln(5)}{\ln(2)} = \frac{\log_{10}(5)}{\log_{10}(2)} \approx \frac{2.31298...}{2.313}$$

$$\log_2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -1$$

$$2^* = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\log_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = -2$$

$$2^2 = 4$$

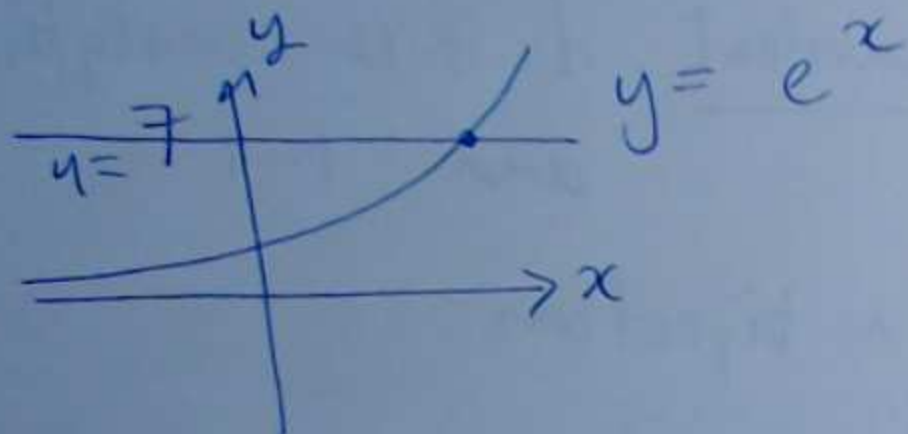
$$\log_2(\sqrt{2}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2^* = \sqrt{2} \approx 1.414...$$

$$\log_2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$2^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{2}$$

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find x s.t.

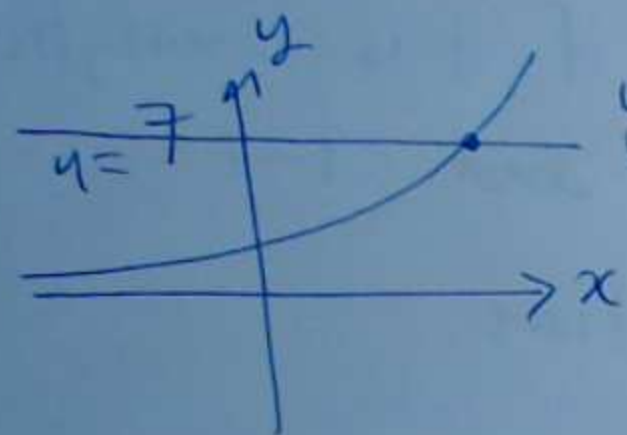
$$e^x = 7$$

$$\ln(e^x) = \ln(7)$$

$$x = \ln(7)$$

$$\ln(e^x) = x$$

$$e^{\ln(x)} = x$$



$$y = e^x$$

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$$\ln(e^x) = x$$

$$e^{\ln(x)} = x$$

Examples

Q1.

$$\log_9(81) = 2 \quad 9^x = 81$$

$$\log_4(16) = 2$$

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Q4 $2^{\log_2(7)} = 7$

$b^{\log_b(x)} = x$

$\log_b(b^x) = x$

Q6 $\log_3(x) = 2$

↑
raise both sides to the power
of 3

$3^{\log_3(x)} = 3^2 = 9$

"
x

$x = 9$

$a = b$

$3^a = 3^b$

$e^x = 7$
 $\log(x) = 7$

⑦

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take $\ln$
 $\log(x) = 7$
take $\exp$

⑦

Q8

$$\log_x 8 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\frac{\log_2 8}{\log_2 x} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\frac{3}{\log_2 x} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$2^{\log_2(x)} = 2^2$$

$$x = 2^2 = 4$$

$$\boxed{x = 4}$$

try

$$\log_x 8 = \frac{\log_2 8}{\log_2 x}$$

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Q9

$$\log_2(2x-1) = 3$$

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$$2x-1 = 8$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{9}{2}$$

inverse rule

$$b^{\log_b(x)} = x = \log_b(b^x)$$

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$$\log_b(x+y) = ?$$

↑ NO

$$\log_b(x+y) \neq \log_b(x) + \log_b(y)$$

WARNING!!!

Q10 (10)

$$\log_2 [\log_2(x) + \log_2(3x)] = 4$$

$$\underbrace{2^{\log_2(x)}}_{x} \cdot \underbrace{2^{\log_2(3x)}}_{3x} = 2^4 \quad \quad \quad 2^{\log_2(y)} = y$$

$$x \cdot 3x = 2^4 = 16 \quad \quad \quad 2^{a+b} = 2^a 2^b$$

$$3x^2 = 16$$

$$x^2 = 16/3$$

$$x = \pm 4/\sqrt{3}$$

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$$\log_2(x) + \log_2(3x) = 4.$$

$$\log_2(x \cdot 3x) = 4$$

$$\log_b(xy) = \log_b(x) + \log_b(y)$$

$$2 \log_2(3x^2) = 4$$

$$\frac{3x^2}{3} = \frac{16}{3}$$

$$x^2 = \frac{16}{3}$$

$$\dots \quad x = \pm 4/\sqrt{3}$$

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Q1

$$\log_2 6 - \log_2 15 + \log_2 20$$

combine

$$\log_2 (6 \times 20) - \log_2 (15)$$

$$\log_2 \left(\frac{2 \cancel{6} \times 20^4}{15} \right)$$

$\cancel{5 \times 3}$

$$\log_2 (2 \times 4)$$

$$\log_2 (8) = 3$$

$$\log_b (xy) = \log_b (x) + \log_b (y)$$

$$\log_b (x^y) = y \log_b (x)$$

$$\log_b (x) - \log_b (y)$$

$$\log_b (x) + \log_b \left(\frac{1}{y} \right)$$

$$\log_b \left(\frac{x}{y} \right)$$

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Q1

$$\log_2 6 - \log_2 15 + \log_2 (20).$$

$$\log_2 (2 \times 3) - \log_2 (3 \times 5) + \log_2 (4 \times 5).$$

$$\frac{\log_2(2) + \cancel{\log_2(3)} - \cancel{\log_2(3)} + \overset{2}{\log_2(4)}}{1 - \cancel{\log_2(5)} + \cancel{\log_2(5)}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log_b(xy) \\ &= \log_b(x) \\ &\quad + \log_b(y) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \text{Ans. } \frac{\log_2(2)}{1} + \frac{\log_2(4)}{2}$$

$$= 3.$$

ANSWER

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Classwork 12
Intermediate Algebra MTH 35
Topic: Logarithms

Name: _____

Evaluate the expression using Laws of Logarithms.

1. $\log_2 6 - \log_3 15 + \log_2 20$

2. $\log_4 16^{100} + \log_4 64$

3. $\ln(\ln e^{e^2})$

Use Laws of Logarithms to expand or combine the expressions.

4. (Expand) $\log_8 x \sqrt{u} z^2$

$$\log_2(10) + \underbrace{\log_3\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)}_{\frac{1}{9} = 9^{-1}} + \log_{\frac{1}{2}}(5) \quad (14)$$

$$\underbrace{\log_2(2) + \log_2(5)}_1 - \log_3(9) + \log_{\frac{1}{2}}(5)$$

$$1 + \log_2(5) - 2 + \frac{\log_2(5)}{\log_2(1/2)} = -1$$

conversion rule

$$\log_b(x) = \frac{\log_c(x)}{\log_c(b)}$$

$$-1 + \log_{1/2}(5) - \log_{1/2}(5)$$

$$= \boxed{-1}$$

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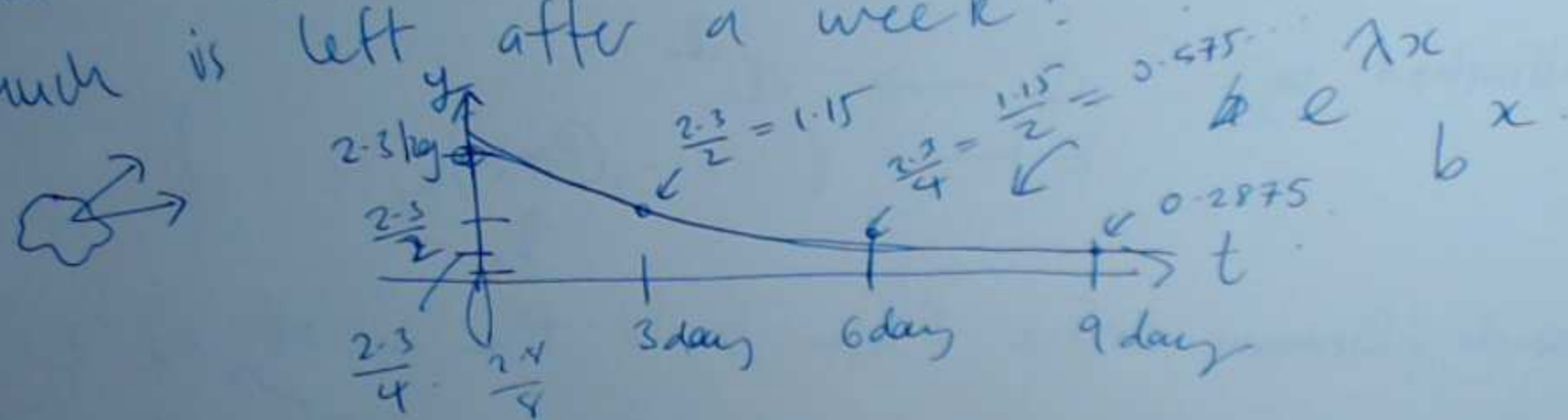
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You have 2.3 kg of radioactive material with a half life of 3 days. How long has much is left after a week?



$$y(0) = 2.3$$

$$y(3) = \frac{2.3}{2} = 1.15$$

$$y(6) = \frac{2.3}{4}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{2.3}{2^{t/3}}$$

$$y(t) = 2.3 \times 2^{-t/3}$$

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bacteria double every day.

	day 1.	day 2	day 3	day 4
# bacteria.	10 1×10	20 2×10	40 4×10	80 8×10

$$b(t) = 10 \times 2^{t-1} = \frac{2^t}{2} \times 10$$

$$b(t) = 5 \times 2^t = \frac{10}{2} \times 2^t$$

bacteria double every 3 days.

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	<u>day 0</u>	<u>day 3</u>	<u>day 6</u>	<u>day 9</u>
#bacteria	10	20	40	80

$$b(t) = 10 \times 2^{t/3}$$

Q: how many bacteria after 4 days?

$$b(4) = 10 \times 2^{4/3} \approx 25 \cdot \boxed{10 \times 2^{(4/3)}}$$

Q: how long until you have 100 bacteria?

$$10 \times 2^{t/3} = 100$$

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$$10 \times 2^{t/3} = 100$$

$$2^{t/3} = 10$$

$$\log_b(b^x) = x$$

$$\log_2(2^{t/3}) = \log_2(10)$$

$$\frac{t}{3} = \log_2(10)$$

$$t = 3 \times \log_2(10)$$

$$= 3 \times \log \frac{\ln(10)}{\ln(2)} \approx 9.97 \approx 10 \text{ days}$$

half life: half every day

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$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^t = 2^{-t}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2^t}$$

day 0	day 1	day 2	...
1	1/2	1/4	

half every 3 days.

$$2^{-t/3}$$

day 0	day 3	day 6	...
1	1/2	1/4	

start with 2.3.

$$y(t) = 2.3 \times 2^{-t/3}$$

how much left after a week?

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$$y(7) = 2 \cdot 3 \times 2^{-7/3} \approx 0.456 \dots$$

Q: how long until you have 1kg left?

$$y(t) = 2 \cdot 3 \times 2^{-t/3} = 1 \quad \text{36 days.}$$

$$\log_2(2^{-t/3}) = \log_2\left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot 3}\right) \quad \text{||}$$
$$\frac{-t}{3} = \log_2\left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot 3}\right) \quad \text{||}$$
$$\frac{-t}{3} = \frac{3 \log_2(2 \cdot 3)}{\ln(2)}$$

$$t = -3 \times \log_2\left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot 3}\right) = 3 \log_2(2 \cdot 3)$$