

Secondary Math 3 Properties/Domains/Solving Logarithms Notes

Objectives: Use definition/properties of logs to:

1. Rewrite equations in exponential form
2. Rewrite equations in logarithmic form
3. Evaluate logarithmic expressions without a calculator

$f(x) = b^x, b \neq 0, b \neq 1$	$f(x) = \log_b x, b \neq 0, b \neq 1$
Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$ Range: $(0, \infty)$ Horizontal Asymptote: $y = 0$ Intercept: $(0, 1)$ End Behavior: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty; \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 0$	Domain: $(0, \infty)$ Range: $(-\infty, \infty)$ Vertical Asymptote: $x = 0$ Intercept: $(1, 0)$ End Behavior: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty; \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = -\infty$

Exponential and logarithmic functions are inverses of each other. Two of the most widely used logarithms are the common log, which is base 10, and is written as $\log_{10} x = \log x$ and the natural log, which is base e , and is written as $\log_e x = \ln x$.

Definition of a Logarithm

$$\log_b x = c \text{ if and only if } b^c = x$$

$$\ln x = c \text{ if and only if } e^c = x$$

Objective 1 Examples:

Rewrite each of the following in exponential form.

a. $\log_4 64 = 3$

b. $\log_5 \frac{1}{25} = -2$

c. $\log_{65} 1 = 0$

Objective 2 Examples:

Rewrite each of the following in logarithmic form.

a. $3^4 = 81$

b. $10^{-2} = \frac{1}{100}$

c. $6^1 = 6$

Basic Properties of Logarithms

where $b > 0$, $b \neq 1$, $x > 0$, and c is any real number

1. $\log_b 1 = 0$

1. $\ln 1 = 0$

2. $\log_b b = 1$

2. $\ln e = 1$

3. $\log_b b^c = c$

3. $\ln e^c = c$

4. $b^{\log_b x} = x$

4. $e^{\ln x} = x$

Objective 3 Examples:

Use the properties of logarithms to evaluate the expression without a calculator.

a. $\log 10^{-4}$

b. $e^{\ln 6}$

c. $\log_3 1$

d. $\log_{50} 50$

Secondary Math 3H Domains and Graphs of Logarithms

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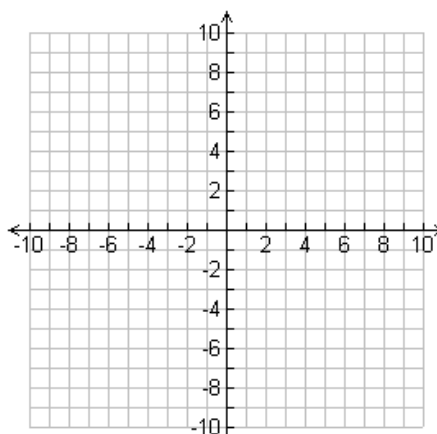
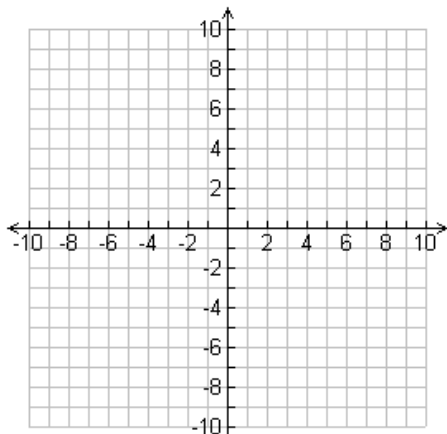
1. Find the domain of logarithmic functions
2. Graph logarithmic functions

You cannot take the log of 0 or a negative number, so $f(x) = \log(x)$ has a domain of $x > 0$, or the domain is $(0, \infty)$

Examples: Find the domain and graph the function.

a. $f(x) = \log_4(x + 1)$

b. $f(x) = -2 \log_5(-2x + 6) + 3$



Secondary Math 3H Solving Logarithmic Equations Part 1 Notes

The Principle of Exponential Equality

For any real number b , where $b \neq -1, 0,$ or 1 , $b^{x_1} = b^{x_2}$ is equivalent to $x_1 = x_2$. In other words, powers of the same base are equal if and only if the exponents are equal.

Example Set #1: Use the properties of exponents to solve each equation

a. $\log_2 8 = x$

b. $\log_7 x = 2$

c. $\log_x 125 = 3$

Example set #2: Use the properties of exponents to solve each equation

a. $27^2 = 9^{x+1}$

b. $\log_4(3x - 2) = 2$

Example Set #3: Use the properties of exponents to solve each equation

a. $9^{x-3} = 81^{x+6}$

b. $\log_x \frac{1}{216} = -3$

c. $\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^{6-x} = 4^8$