

In case you are bored, consider this problem.

In a box there are "infinitely many" balls, indexed with  $1, 2, 3, \dots$ . Suppose we have one hour to midnight.

① Pick the #1 ball out when you have  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour left.

#10 ball

$\frac{1}{4}$

#100 ball

$\frac{1}{8}$

$\vdots$

When midnight comes, how "many" balls are in the box.

Ans: Infinitely many.

② Pick #1 ball out when you have  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour left.

#2 ball

$\frac{1}{4}$

#3 ball

$\frac{1}{8}$

$\vdots$

When midnight comes, how "many" balls are left.

Ans: No balls are left.

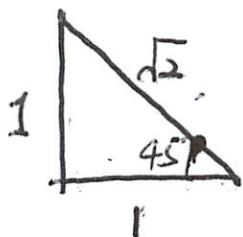
Why: If there is at least one ball, then it has an index, say  $n$ .

But the #  $n$  ball is picked out ~~at~~ when  $\frac{1}{2^n}$  hour left.

So #  $n$  ball is not in, FOR ALL  $n \geq 0$ . Therefore no ball is in.

Topics:

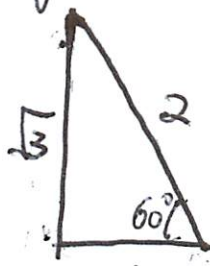
① Most commonly used trig values.



$$\cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

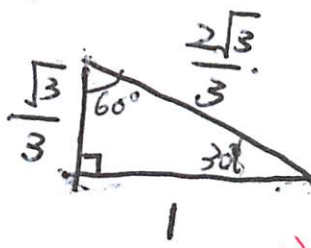
$$\tan \frac{\pi}{4} = 1$$



$$\cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\tan \frac{\pi}{3} = \sqrt{3}$$



$$\cos \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\tan \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\tan \frac{5\pi}{6} = ?$$

$$\cos \frac{2\pi}{3} = ?$$

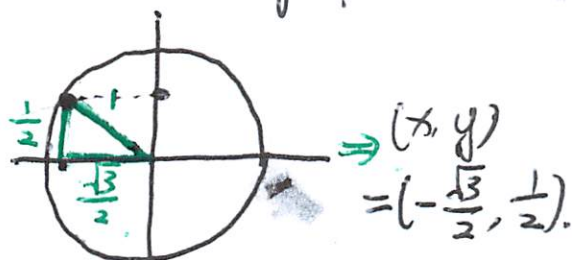
$$\sin \frac{5\pi}{3} = ? \dots$$

$$\tan(\pi - x) = -\tan x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{6}\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right) = -\tan\frac{1}{6}\pi = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

Another way



$$\tan \frac{5\pi}{6} = \frac{y}{x} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

There will be formula sheet on these values at the exams. So feel no pressure on memorizing.

## ② Composite of functions.

$f, g$  functions.

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$$

$f \circ g$  denotes the function  $x \mapsto f(g(x))$

domain = domain of  $g$  where  $g(x) \in$  domain of  $f$ .

Example:  $f(x) = 3x + 5$ ,  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ . (Ex. 6. P41)

Find  $f \circ g$  and  $g \circ f$ , with their domains.

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(\sqrt{x}) = 3\sqrt{x} + 5.$$

domain:  $x \geq 0$ .

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(3x + 5) = \sqrt{3x + 5}.$$

domain:  $x \geq -\frac{5}{3}$ .

Example. Population =  $p$  (hundred thousand) (Ex. 7. P41).

$$\text{CO in the Air} = L(p) = 0.7 \sqrt{p^2 + 3}$$

After  $t$  years, Population =  $p(t) = 1 + 0.02t^3$ .

Question: Level of CO in the air after 4 years?

$$\text{Ans: } L(p(t)) = 0.7 \sqrt{(1 + 0.02t^3)^2 + 3}$$

$$t = 4. \quad L = 0.7 \sqrt{(1 + 0.02 \times 4^3)^2 + 3} = 2.0049 \dots$$

Exercise: Express

(a)  $f(x) = (x^2 + 5x + 1)^5$  (b)  $f(x) = \cos^3 x$ . (c)  $f(x) = \sin x^3$ .

as composite of  $u$  and  $g$  s.t.  $f(x) = g(u(x))$ .

(a)  $g(x) = x^5$ ,  $u(x) = x^2 + 5x + 1$ .

~~$f(x) =$~~   $g(u(x)) = g(x^2 + 5x + 1) = (x^2 + 5x + 1)^5$ .

(b)  $g(x) = x^3$ ,  $u(x) = \cos x$ .

$g(u(x)) = g(\cos x) = (\cos x)^3 = f(x)$ .

(c)  $g(x) = \sin x$ ,  $u(x) = x^3$ .

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### 3. Exponential functions

$$2^n = \underbrace{2 \cdot 2 \cdots 2}_{n \text{ times}}$$

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$$2^0 = 1$$

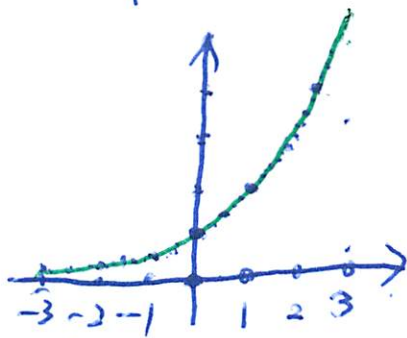
$$2^{-n} = \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$2^{n/m} = \left(2^{1/m}\right)^n = \underbrace{\sqrt[m]{2} \cdot \sqrt[m]{2} \cdots \sqrt[m]{2}}_{n \text{ times}}$$

The above gives the definition of  $f(x) = a^x$  where  $x$  is an rational number.

By "completion", one defines, for any  $a > 0$ , the exponential function  $f(x) = a^x$ .  $x$  is any real number.

Graphical interp.

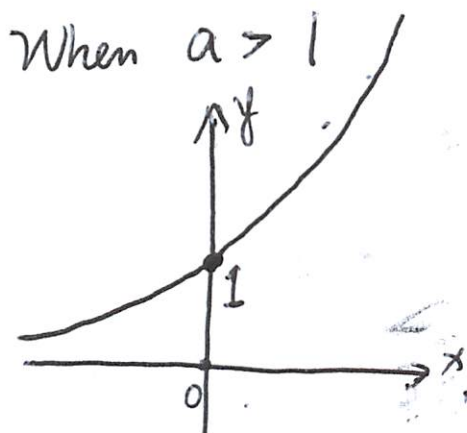


$$f(x) = 2^x.$$

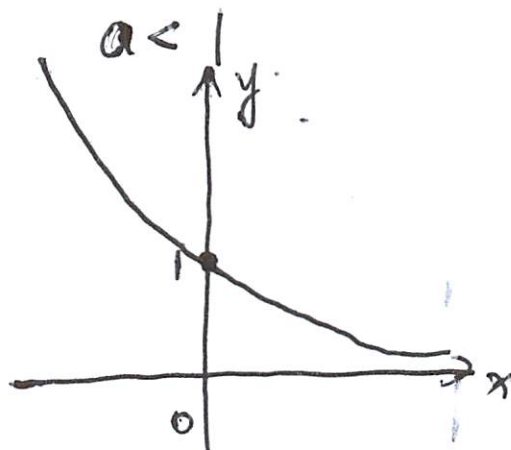
Def: Exponential function:

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

where  $a > 0$ ,  $a \neq 1$ , and  $x$  is any real number.



increasing



decreasing

Properties:

① Equality:  $a \neq 1$ , then  $a^x = a^y \Leftrightarrow x = y$ .

Note: this property gives rise to logarithmic function.

② Inequality:  $x > y$ ,  $b > 1 \Rightarrow b^x > b^y$  increasing  
 $x > y$ ,  $b < 1 \Rightarrow b^x < b^y$  decreasing

③ Product rule:  $b^x \cdot b^y = b^{x+y}$ . Don't mess up with the + ~~operation~~ operation.

④ Quotient rule:  $\frac{b^x}{b^y} = b^{x-y}$ . - operation.

⑤ Power rule:  $(b^x)^y = b^{xy}$ .

~~⑥~~  $(ab)^x = a^x \cdot b^x$ .

$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^x = \frac{a^x}{b^x}$ .

Example: Solve the following exponential eqns:

① ~~2~~  $2^{x^2+3} = 16$ .

$2^{x^2+3} = 2^4$

$x^2 + 3 = 4$

$x^2 = 1$

$x = \pm 1$

②  $2^x 3^{x+1} = 108$ .

$2^x \cdot 3^x \cdot 3^1 = 108$

$(2 \cdot 3)^x = 36$

$6^x = 6^2$

$x = 2$

③  $(\sqrt{2})^{x^2} = \frac{8}{4}$

$\sqrt{2} = 2^{1/2}$ ,  $8 = 2^3$

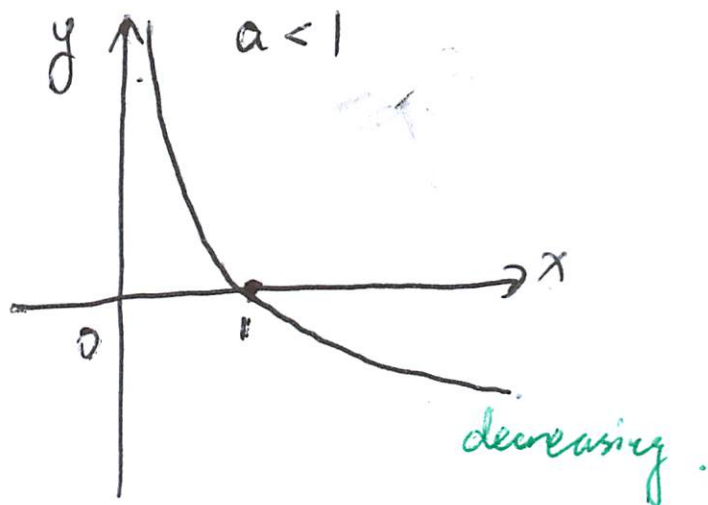
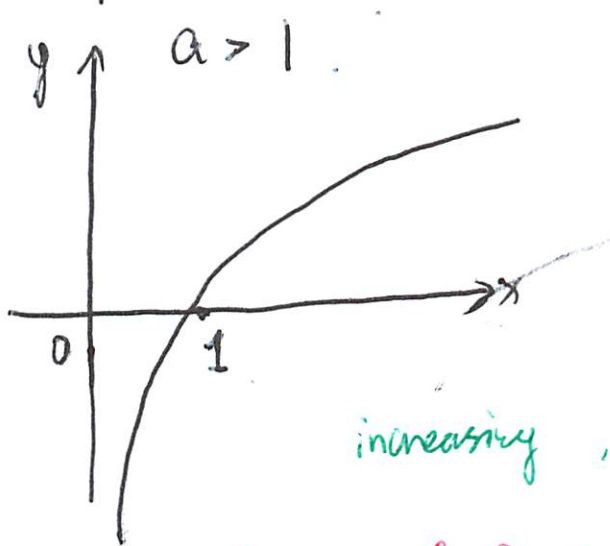
$(2^{1/2})^{x^2} = \frac{(2^3)^x}{2^2}$

$2^{1/2 x^2} = \frac{2^{3x} 2^2}{2^2} = 2^{3x-2}$

$\frac{1}{2} x^2 = 3x - 2 \Rightarrow x = 3 \pm \sqrt{5}$   
 $x^2 - 6x + 4 = 0$

- ③ Inequality rule:  $x > y$ ,  $b > 1$ , then  $\log_b x > \log_b y$ .  
 $x > y$ ,  $b < 1$ , then  $\log_b x < \log_b y$ .

Graph of  $f(x) = \log_a x$ .



Domain of  ~~$y = \log_a x$~~   $f(x) = \log_a x$  :  $x > 0$

- ③ Product Rule:  $\log_a(xy) = \log_a x + \log_a y$ .

Say  $m = \log_a x$ ,  $n = \log_a y$ .

$\Leftrightarrow a^m = x$ ,  $a^n = y$ .

$\Leftrightarrow a^m \cdot a^n = xy = a^{m+n} \Leftrightarrow m+n = \log_a(xy)$ .

- ④ Quotient Rule:  $\log_a \frac{x}{y} = \log_a x - \log_a y$ .

Exercise: Prove this by the same method I used above.

Set  $m = \log_a x$ ,  $n = \log_a y$ .

$a^m = x$ ,  $a^n = y$ .

$a^{m-n} = \frac{a^m}{a^n} = \frac{x}{y} \Rightarrow m-n = \log_a \frac{x}{y}$ .

④ Logarithmic function:

If  $a^x = y$  then we say  $x = \log_a y$ .

$f(x) = \log_a x$  is the "inverse" of  ~~$f(x) = e^x$~~   $g(x) = e^x$ .

$$f(x) = \log_a x = b \Leftrightarrow a^b = x.$$

Examples:  $\log_2 8 = ?$

b/c  $8 = 2^3 \Rightarrow \log_2 8 = 3$ .

$$\log_2 2 = 1$$

b/c  $2^1 = 2$ .

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

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

b/c  $2^{-x} = \frac{1}{2^x}$

$$\log_2 1 = 0$$

$$2^0 = 1$$

$$\log_2 64 = 6$$

$$2^6 = 64$$

$$\log_3 27 = 3$$

$$3^3 = 27$$

$$\log_2 \frac{1}{8} = -3$$

$$2^{-3} = \frac{1}{8}$$

Properties:

① Equality:  $\log_a x = \log_a y \Leftrightarrow x = y$ .

$$\log_a x = l \Rightarrow a^l = x.$$

$$\log_a y = r \Rightarrow a^r = y.$$



⑤ Power Rule:  $\log_a x^y = y \log_a x$ .

Set  $m = \log_a x$ .  $a^m = x$ .

$$x^y = (a^m)^y = a^{my} \Rightarrow my = \log_a x^y.$$

⑥ Inversion Rule:  $a^{\log_a x} = x$ .

Set  $m = \log_a x \Leftrightarrow a^m = x \Leftrightarrow a^{\log_a x} = x$ .

$$\log_a a^x = x.$$

Power rule:  $\log_a a^x = x \cdot \log_a a = x \cdot 1 = x$ .

⑦ Special Values:  $\log_a 1 = 0$ .  $\log_a a = 1$ .

Example: Evaluate  $\log_2 \frac{1}{8} + \log_2 128$ .

$$= \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{8} \cdot 128 \right) = \log_2 16 = 4.$$

Example: Solve the ~~eqn~~ eqn.

$$\log_3 (2x+1) - 2 \log_3 (x-3) = 2.$$

$$\text{LHS} = \log_3 (2x+1) - \log_3 ((x-3)^2) \quad (\text{power rule})$$

$$= \log_3 \frac{2x+1}{(x-3)^2} = \text{RHS} = 2. \quad (\text{quotient rule})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x+1}{(x-3)^2} = 3^2 = 9.$$

(either by def or by taking  $3^{\quad}$  with inversion)

$$2x+1 = 9(x-3)^2 = 9(x^2 - 6x + 9) = 9x^2 - 54x + 81$$

$$9x^2 - 56x + 80 = 0.$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 9 \quad 20 \\ \times \\ 1 \quad 4 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow (9x-20)(x-4) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4 \text{ or } \boxed{\frac{20}{9}}$$

does not work b/c need to guarantee that  $2x+1 > 0$ ,  $x-3 > 0$ .

### Attendance Quiz:

1. Solve  $(\sqrt[3]{2})^{x+10} = 2^{x^2}$ .

2. Solve  $\log_3 x + \log_3 (2x+1) = 1$ .

### ⑥ Natural logarithm.

In practice, the following base is most commonly used

$$e = 2.718... = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x.$$

$e^x$  satisfies millions of nice properties.

How to compute  $\log_a b$  knowing only  $\log_e x$  ( $\ln x$ ).

$\log_e x$  is usually denoted as  $\ln x$ .

(sometimes  $\log x$ ).

Change of base: theorem:

$$\log_a b = \frac{\ln b}{\ln a}.$$

Proof: Say  $m = \log_a b$ .  $a^m = b$ .

Take  $\ln$  on both sides:  $\ln a^m = \ln b$ .  
(power rule)  $= m \ln a$ .

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{\ln b}{\ln a} = \log_a b.$$

Examples: Simplify  $10 \log_5 t + 3 \log_2 t$ . Express it into terms of  $\ln$ .

$$10 \log_5 t + 3 \log_2 t = 10 \cdot \frac{\ln t}{\ln 5} + 3 \cdot \frac{\ln t}{\ln 2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \left( \frac{10}{\ln 5} + \frac{3}{\ln 2} \right) \ln t$$

Example: Change  $10^{2x}$  to an exponential with base  $e$ .

$$10^{2x} = e^{\ln 10^{2x}} \quad (x = e^{\ln x})$$

$$= e^{2x \cdot \ln 10} = e^{(2 \ln 10)x}$$

~~$$10^{2x} = e^{\ln 10^{2x}}$$~~

$$10^{2x} = e^m \Rightarrow \ln 10^{2x} = m = 2x \cdot \ln 10.$$

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Sol'n to attendance quiz:

1. Solve  $(\sqrt[3]{2})^{x+10} = 2^{x^2}$ .

•  $\sqrt[3]{2} = 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$  So  $(\sqrt[3]{2})^{x+10} = (2^{\frac{1}{3}})^{x+10}$ .

$$= 2^{\frac{1}{3}(x+10)} = 2^{x^2}$$

Equality Rule  $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3}(x+10) = x^2$ .

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - x - 10 = 0.$$

~~C~~ Criss-Cross  $\Rightarrow$ : 
$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \quad 5 \\ 1 \quad -2 \end{array}$$

$$(3x+5)(x-2) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2 \text{ or } -\frac{5}{3}.$$

2. Solve  $\log_3 x + \log_3 (2x+1) = 1$ .

Product rule  $\Rightarrow \log_3 x(2x+1) = 1$

Special Value  $\Rightarrow = \log_3 3$ .

Equality Rule  $\Rightarrow x(2x+1) = 3$ .

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + x - 3 = 0$$

~~C~~ Criss-Cross  $\Rightarrow$ : 
$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \quad 3 \\ 1 \quad -1 \end{array} \quad (2x+3)(x-1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1, -\frac{3}{2}$$

$\log_3(2x+1)$   
b/c of  $\log_3 x$ .  
 $x > 0, 2x+1 > 0$ .

