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◆ **Polynomial** functions have a variable base with a number exponent; **exponential** functions have the opposite!

- Exponential functions have a:
 - Base** that is _____, _____, & ____ 1.
 - Exponent (power)** that contains a _____.

Recall **Polynomial Function**

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

New **Exponential Function**

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

Base
Power

EXAMPLE Determine if each function is an exponential function.

(A) $f(x) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^x$

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

(B) $f(y) = 1^y$

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

(C) $f(x) = 10^{x+1}$

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

◆ You will be asked to evaluate exponential functions for specified values of x .

- For exponents that cannot easily be done by hand, type (BASE) (POWER) into a calculator.

EXAMPLE Evaluate the exponential function $f(x) = 2^x$ for each given value of x .

(A) $x = 4$

(B) $x = -3$

(C) $x = 3.14$

(D) $x = 12$

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PRACTICE

Determine if each function is an exponential function. If so, identify the power & base, then evaluate for $x = 4$.

(A)

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

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

$$f(4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(B)

$$f(x) = 3(1.5)^x$$

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

$$f(4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(C)

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

Exponential function? ☐

Power: _____

Base: _____

$$f(4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

◆ You will have to evaluate exponential expressions & graph exponential functions with a base of e :

- e , like π (3.14...), is **NOT** a variable, but a **number**.

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

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

$$e = 2.718281828459 \dots$$

◆ A calculator should be used to evaluate an exponential function of base e : **2nd** **LN** **(POWER)**

EXAMPLE

Evaluate the exponential function $f(x) = e^x$ for each given value of x .

(A)

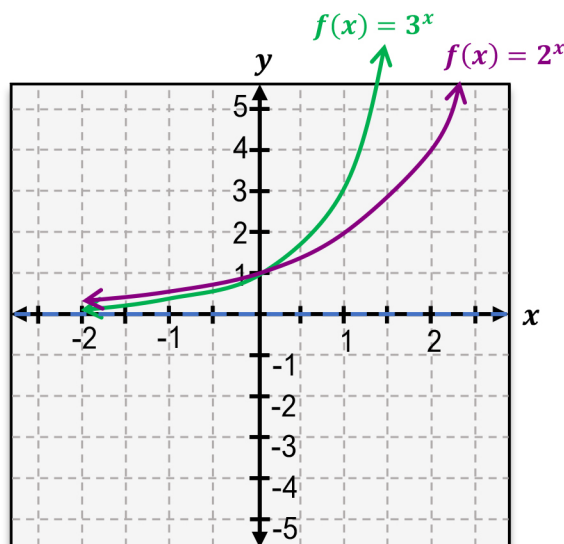
$$x = 2$$

(B)

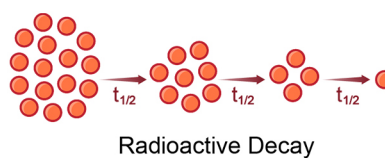
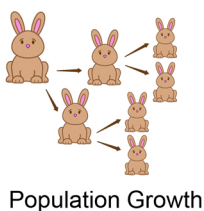
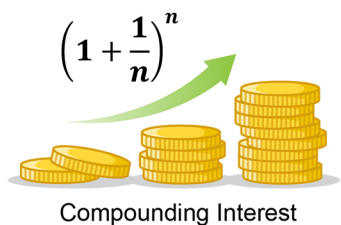
$$x = -3$$

◆ The graph of $f(x) = e^x$ is _____ the graphs of $f(x) = 2^x$ and $f(x) = 3^x$ because $2 < ____ < 3$.

- Just like **any** exponential function, exponential functions of base e can be graphed using _____.



◆ e comes from the idea of compounding interest, but is useful in many different contexts.

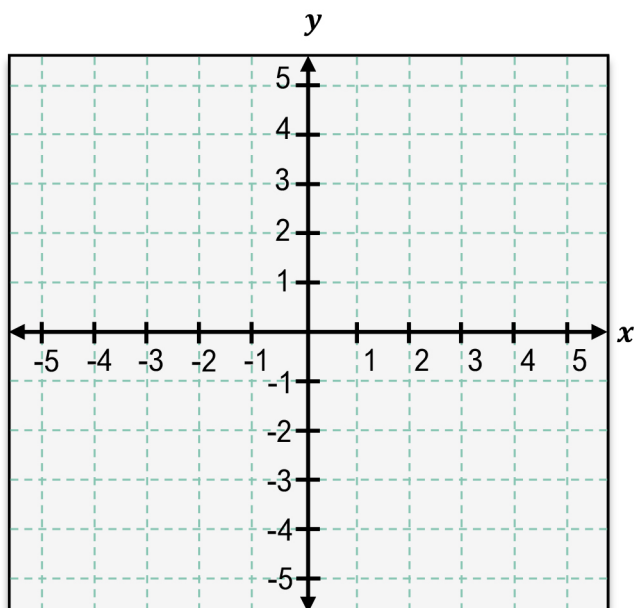




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PRACTICE: Graph the given function.

$g(x) = e^{x+3} - 1$	
TO GRAPH	0) Identify & graph parent function , $f(x) = b^x$ a. Plot: $(-1, \frac{1}{b})$, $(0, 1)$, $(1, b)$, connect b. HA at: $y = 0$
	1) Shift HA to $y = k$: $y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
	2) a. Reflect? $\square \rightarrow$ test points over $[x \mid y]$ b. Shift test points by $(\underline{h}, \underline{k})$
FROM GRAPH	3) Sketch curve approaching asymptote
	Domain: <i>always</i> $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
	Range: If ABOVE asymp.: $(\underline{k}, \infty)$ If BELOW asymp.: $(-\infty, \underline{k})$



- ◆ The _____ (inverse) operation of an exponential is taking the **logarithm** (log).
 - Logs and exponentials with the same **base** _____ each other.
 - A **log** gives us the **power** that some **base** must be raised to in order to equal a particular number.

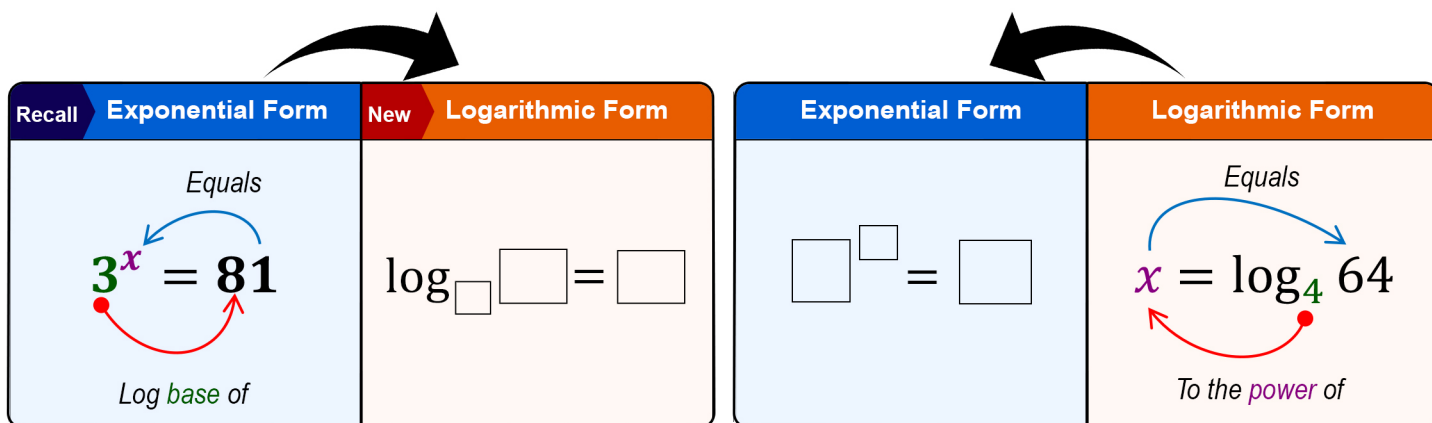
Solving Polynomials

$$\begin{aligned} x^3 &= 216 \\ \sqrt[3]{x^3} &= \sqrt[3]{216} \\ x &= \sqrt[3]{216} \end{aligned}$$

Solving Exponentials

(A) $\begin{aligned} 2^x &= 8 \\ 2 \times 2 \times 2 &= 8 \\ x &= 3 \end{aligned}$	(B) $\begin{aligned} 2^x &= 216 \\ x &= \log \end{aligned}$ (Exponential Form) (Logarithmic Form) "log base 2 of 216"
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- ◆ You will need to convert expressions between **exponential form** and **logarithmic form**.



EXAMPLE

Write each log in exponential form & each exponential in log form.

(A) $x = \log_5 800$

(B) $\log_2 16 = 4$

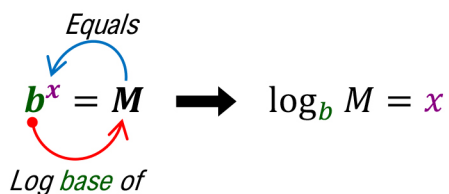
(C) $10^x = 4500$

- ◆ $\log_{10}$, known as the _____ log, can be written as just _____ and has its own calculator button: **LOG**



◆ Besides the common log, ($\log_{10}$), another frequently occurring log is $\log$ ____, called the _____ log.

- The natural log is written as _____, and also has its own calculator button: 



$$b^x = M \longrightarrow \log_b M = x$$

$$e^x = M \longrightarrow \log_{\boxed{}} M = x$$

EXAMPLE

Write each log in exponential form & each exponential in log form.

(A) $x = \ln 17$

(B) $e^x = 4$



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PRACTICE

Convert the following logarithmic statement to its equivalent exponential form.

(A)

$$\log_4 x = 5$$

(B)

$$x = \log 9$$

PRACTICE

Convert the following exponential statements to their equivalent logarithmic form.

(A)

$$3^x = 7$$

(B)

$$e^9 = x + 3$$

◆ You can evaluate many logarithms using properties that come from the log being the _____ of an exponential.

New Properties of Logarithms			
Name	Example	Property	Description
Inverse Property	$\log_2 2^3 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ $2^{\log_2 3} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$	$\log_b b^x = x$ $b^{\log_b x} = x$	Logs & exponentials w/ the <i>same base</i> _____
Log of the Base	$\log_2 2 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$	$\log_b b = 1$	Log of its <i>base</i> equals ____
Log of 1	$\log_2 1 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ _____ "2 to what power gives 1?"	$\log_b 1 = 0$	ANY log of 1 equals ____

EXAMPLE

Using known properties, evaluate the given logarithms.

(A) $\log_2 \sqrt[3]{2}$

(B) $\ln 1$

(C) $\log 10$

(D) $\log_5 \frac{1}{5}$



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PRACTICE

Evaluate the given logarithm.

(A)

$$\log_7 7^{0.3}$$

(B)

$$\frac{3}{2} \log 1$$

(C)

$$\log_9 \frac{1}{81}$$

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◆ Properties of **exponents** correspond to properties of **logarithms** that we can use to **expand** log expressions.

Expand & Condense Expressions Using Properties of Logs

- ◆ You may be given problems in which you are asked to either **expand OR** _____ logarithmic expressions.
- ▶ Properties of logarithms can be applied in _____ directions depending on your goal.

The diagram shows a horizontal line at the top. Below it, a blue curved arrow points from the left towards the right, labeled "Condense" in blue italicized text. Above the blue arrow, a red curved arrow points from the right towards the left, labeled "Expand" in red italicized text.

Expand the log expression as much as possible.

$$\log_2 3xy^2$$

Condense the given expression into a single log.

$$2 \ln x - \ln(x + 2)$$

- ◆ When **condensing** logs, remember the base must be the _____ & always apply the power rule _____.

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PRACTICE Write each logarithmic expression as a single log.

(A)

$$\log_2 \frac{1}{9x} + 2 \log_2 3x$$

(B)

$$\ln \frac{3x}{y} + 2 \ln 2y - \ln 4x$$

PRACTICE

Write each single logarithm as a sum or difference of logs.

(A)

$$\log_3 \left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{9y^2} \right)$$

(B)

$$\log_5 \left(\frac{5(2x + 3)^2}{x^3} \right)$$

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Evaluating Logarithms Using the Change of Base Property



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- ◆ If a logarithm doesn't have a base that is easy to evaluate, you can simply _____ the base.
 - You'll most often want to change the base to be either ____ or ____, to easily evaluate with any calculator.

New

Change of Base Property

$\log_b M = \frac{\log_a}{\log_a}$

$\log_b M = \frac{\log_{10} M}{\log_{10} b} =$

$\log_b M = \frac{\log_e M}{\log_e b} =$

EXAMPLE

Evaluate the given logarithms using the change of base property and a calculator. Use common logs for (A), (B) and natural logs for (C), (D).

(A) $\log_7 31 =$

(B) $\log_\pi 9 =$

(C) $\log_\pi 9 =$

(D) $\log_{\sqrt{3}} e =$

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PRACTICE Evaluate the given logarithms using the change of base formula and a calculator.

(A)

$\log_3 17$

(B)

$\log_9 67$

PRACTICE Evaluate the given logarithms using the change of base formula and a calculator. Use natural logs.

(A)

$\log_8 41$

(B)

$\log_2 3789$

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Solving Exponential Equations Using Properties of Logarithms



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- ◆ We **evaluated** exp. functions for given x ; we **solve** exp. *equations* for unknown x to make the statement $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.
 - To solve exp. equations, rewrite each side to have same $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ & set $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ equal, solving for $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

Recall	Exponential Function	New	Exponential Equation
	$f(x) = 2^x$ $f(4) = 2^4$ $f(4) = 16$		$16 = 2^x$ $2^{\underline{\hspace{1cm}}} = 2^x$ $\underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

EXAMPLE

Solve each exponential equation by expressing each side as a power of the same base.

(A) $64 = 2^x$

(B) $5^{x+1} = \sqrt{5}$

(C) $27 = 9^x$

COMMON POWERS	
Squares	Cubes
$2^2 = 4$	$2^3 = 8$
$3^2 = 9$	$3^3 = 27$
$4^2 = 16$	$4^3 = 64$
$5^2 = 25$	$5^3 = 125$
$6^2 = 36$	Other
$7^2 = 49$	
$8^2 = 64$	
$9^2 = 81$	
$10^2 = 100$	$2^4 = 16$
	$2^5 = 32$
	$3^4 = 81$

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(A)

$$4^{x+7} = 16$$

(B)

$$100^x = 10^{x+17}$$

(C)

$$81^{x+1} = 27^{x+5}$$

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Solving Exponential Equations Using Logs



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- ◆ If you **CANNOT** rewrite sides of exponential equation to have the same base, solve using log or ln.

Like Bases

$$16 = 2^x$$

$$2^4 = 2^x$$

$$4 = x$$

Unlike Bases

$$17 = 2^x$$

$$2^{???} = 2^x$$

Properties of Logarithms

Name	Property
Product Rule	$\log_b(m \times n) = \log_b m + \log_b n$
Quotient Rule	$\log_b\left(\frac{m}{n}\right) = \log_b m - \log_b n$
Power Rule	$\log_b m^n = n \log_b m$

EXAMPLE

Solve each exponential equation by using logs.

(A)

$$10^x + 64 = 100$$

(B)

$$3 = 2^{x+1}$$

HOW TO: SOLVE EXP. EQNS WITH LOGS

- 1) _____ exp. expression(s)
- 2) If base 10: Take _____ of both sides
If NOT base 10: Take _____ of both sides
- 3) Use log rules to get x out of exponent
- 4) _____ for x
- 5) (If asked) Approximate using calculator

- ◆ Recall: The log or ln of some number is a _____, not a variable! Treat it like any other number.

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(A)

$$2 \cdot 10^{3x} = 5000$$

(B)

$$900 = 10^{x+17}$$

(C)

$$e^{2x+5} = 8$$

(D)

$$7^{2x^2-8} = 1$$

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Solving Logarithmic Equations: Right Triangle Approach

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◆ When solving log equations, you'll encounter two possibilities: $\log_b M = \log_b N$ OR $\log_b M = c$

- If a logarithmic equation can be written as $\log_b M = \log_b N$, set ____ = ____ & solve for x .

Recall	Exponential Equation	New	Logarithmic Equation
	$16 = 2^x$		$\log_2(x + 1) = \log_2 5$
	$2^4 = 2^x$		_____ = _____
	$4 = x$		_____ = _____

EXAMPLE

Solve the log equation.

$$\ln(x + 4) - \ln 2 = \ln 8$$

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- If a log equation **CANNOT** be written as $\log_b M = \log_b N$ put in _____ form, then solve for x .

Recall:

Equals
 $c = \log_b M$
To the power of

EXAMPLE

Solve the log equation.

$$\log_2(4x) = 5$$

HOW TO: SOLVE LOG EQNS: EXP FORM

- 1) _____ log expression
- 2) Put in exponential form
- 3) _____ for x .
- 4) _____ solution by plugging x in M
 - If $M > 0$, DONE
 - If $M < 0$, _____ a solution

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(A)

$$\log_3(3x + 9) = \log_3 5 + \log_3 12$$

(B)

$$\log(x + 2) + \log 2 = 3$$

(C)

$$\log_7(6x + 13) = 2$$