

## 7.4 THE ALGEBRA OF LOGARITHMS

The following logarithmic laws are a direct consequence of the definition of a logarithm and the index laws already established.

**First law: The logarithm of a product**

$$\log_a(x \times y) = \log_a x + \log_a y, x > 0, y > 0$$

**Proof:** Let  $M = \log_a x$  and  $N = \log_a y$  so that  $x = a^M$  and  $y = a^N$ .

$$\text{Then, } x \times y = a^M \times a^N$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \times y = a^{M+N}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \log_a(x \times y) = M + N$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \log_a(x \times y) = \log_a x + \log_a y$$

### EXAMPLE 7.14

Simplify the expression

(a)  $\log_3 x + \log_3(4x)$       (b)  $\log_2 x + \log_2(4x)$

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(a)  $\log_3 x + \log_3(4x) = \log_3(x \times 4x)$   
 $= \log_3 4x^2$

(b) This time we note that because the base is '2' and there is a '4' in one of the logarithmic expressions, we could first try to 'remove the '4'.

$$\begin{aligned} \log_2 x + \log_2(4x) &= \log_2 x + (\log_2 4 + \log_2 x) \\ &= \log_2 x + 2 + \log_2 x \\ &= 2\log_2 x + 2 \end{aligned}$$

### EXAMPLE 7.15

Given that  $\log_a p = 0.70$  and  $\log_a q = 2$ , evaluate the following

(a)  $\log_a p^2$       (b)  $\log_a(p^2 q)$       (c)  $\log_a(apq)$

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(a)  $\log_a p^2 = \log_a(p \times p) = \log_a p + \log_a p$   
 $= 2\log_a p$   
 $= 2 \times 0.70$   
 $= 1.40$

(b)  $\log_a(p^2 q) = \log_a p^2 + \log_a q$   
 $= 2\log_a p + \log_a q$   
 $= 1.40 + 2$   
 $= 3.40$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad \log_a(apq) &= \log_a a + \log_a p + \log_a q \\ &= 1 + 0.70 + 2 \\ &= 3.70 \end{aligned}$$

**EXAMPLE 7.16**

Find  $\{x \mid \log_2 x + \log_2(x+2) = 3\}$ .

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$$\begin{aligned} \log_2 x + \log_2(x+2) = 3 &\Leftrightarrow \log_2[x \times (x+2)] = 3 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x(x+2) = 2^3 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^2 + 2x = 8 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x+4)(x-2) = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x = -4 \text{ or } x = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Next, we must check our solutions.

When  $x = -4$ , substituting into the **original equation**, we have:

L.H.S =  $\log_2(-4) + \log_2(-4+2)$  – which cannot be evaluated (as the logarithm of a negative number does not exist).

Therefore,  $x = -4$ , is not a possible solution.

When  $x = 2$ , substituting into the **original equation**, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S} &= \log_2(2) + \log_2(2+2) \\ &= \log_2 8 \\ &= 3 \\ &= \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\{x \mid \log_2 x + \log_2(x+2) = 3\} = \{2\}$ .

**Second law: The logarithm of a quotient**

$$\log_a\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log_a x - \log_a y, \quad x > 0, y > 0$$

Proof: Let  $M = \log_a x$  and  $N = \log_a y$  so that  $x = a^M$  and  $y = a^N$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } \frac{x}{y} &= \frac{a^M}{a^N} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{x}{y} = a^{M-N} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \log_a\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = M - N \\ &\Leftrightarrow \log_a\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log_a x - \log_a y \end{aligned}$$

**EXAMPLE 7.17**

Simplify

$$(a) \quad \log_{10} 100x - \log_{10} xy \qquad (b) \quad \log_2 8x^3 - \log_2 x^2 + \log_2 \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

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$$(a) \quad \log_{10} 100x - \log_{10} xy = \log_{10} \left(\frac{100x}{xy}\right) \\ = \log_{10} \left(\frac{100}{y}\right)$$

Note: We could then express  $\log_{10} \left(\frac{100}{y}\right)$  as  $\log_{10} 100 - \log_{10} y = 2 - \log_{10} y$ .

$$(b) \quad \log_2 8x^3 - \log_2 x^2 + \log_2 \left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \log_2 \left(\frac{8x^3}{x^2}\right) + \log_2 \left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \\ = \log_2 8x + \log_2 \left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \\ = \log_2 \left(8x \times \frac{y}{x}\right) \\ = \log_2 8y$$

Note: We could then express  $\log_2 8y$  as  $\log_2 8 + \log_2 y = 3 + \log_2 y$ .

**EXAMPLE 7.18**Find  $\{x \mid \log_{10}(x+2) - \log_{10}(x-1) = 1\}$ **S  
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$$\log_{10}(x+2) - \log_{10}(x-1) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \log_{10} \left(\frac{x+2}{x-1}\right) = 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{x+2}{x-1}\right) = 10^1 \\ \Leftrightarrow x+2 = 10x-10 \\ \Leftrightarrow 12 = 9x \\ \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{4}{3}$$

Next, we check our answer. Substituting into the original equation, we have:

$$\text{L.H.S} = \log_{10} \left(\frac{4}{3} + 2\right) - \log_{10} \left(\frac{4}{3} - 1\right) = \log_{10} \frac{10}{3} - \log_{10} \frac{1}{3} = \log_{10} \left(\frac{10}{3} \div \frac{1}{3}\right) \\ = \log_{10} 10 \\ = 1 = \text{R.H.S}$$

Therefore,  $\{x \mid \log_{10}(x+2) - \log_{10}(x-1) = 1\} = \left\{\frac{4}{3}\right\}$

**Third law: The logarithm of a power**

$$\log_a x^n = n \log_a x, x > 0$$

**Proof:** This follows from repeated use of the First Law or it can be shown as follows:

$$\text{Let } M = \log_a x \Leftrightarrow a^M = x$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a^M)^n = x^n \quad [\text{Raising both sides to the power of } n]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^{nM} = x^n \quad [\text{Using the index laws}]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow nM = \log_a x^n \quad [\text{Converting from exponential to log form}]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow n \log_a x = \log_a x^n$$

**EXAMPLE 7.19**

Given that  $\log_a x = 0.2$  and  $\log_a y = 0.5$ , evaluate

(a)  $\log_a x^3 y^2$       (b)  $\log_a \sqrt{\frac{x}{y^4}}$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \log_a x^3 y^2 &= \log_a x^3 + \log_a y^2 \\ &= 3 \log_a x + 2 \log_a y \\ &= 3 \times 0.2 + 2 \times 0.5 \\ &= 1.6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad \log_a \sqrt{\frac{x}{y^4}} &= \log_a \left( \frac{x}{y^4} \right)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \log_a \left( \frac{x}{y^4} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\log_a(x) - \log_a y^4] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\log_a x - 4 \log_a y] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [0.2 - 4 \times 0.5] \\ &= -0.9 \end{aligned}$$

**Fourth law: Change of base**

$$\log_a b = \frac{\log_k b}{\log_k a}, a, k \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \{1\}$$

**Proof:** Let  $\log_a b = N$  so that  $a^N = b$

Taking the logarithms to base  $k$  of both sides of the equation we have:

$$\log_k(a^N) = \log_k b \Leftrightarrow N \log_k a = \log_k b$$

$$\Leftrightarrow N = \frac{\log_k b}{\log_k a}$$

However, we have that  $\log_a b = N$ , therefore,  $\log_a b = \frac{\log_k b}{\log_k a}$ .

Other observations include:

1.  $\log_a a = 1$
2.  $\log_a 1 = 0$
3.  $\log_a x^{-1} = -\log_a x, x > 0$
4.  $\log_{\frac{1}{a}} x = -\log_a x$
5.  $a^{\log_a x} = x, x > 0$

### MISCELLANEOUS EXAMPLES

#### EXAMPLE 7.20

- Express  $y$  in terms of  $x$  if
- (a)  $2 + \log_{10} x = 4 \log_{10} y$
  - (b)  $\log x = \log(a - by) - \log a$

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- (a) Given that  $2 + \log_{10} x = 4 \log_{10} y$  then  $2 = 4 \log_{10} y - \log_{10} x$
- $$\Leftrightarrow 2 = \log_{10} y^4 - \log_{10} x$$
- $$\Leftrightarrow 2 = \log_{10} \left( \frac{y^4}{x} \right)$$
- $$\Leftrightarrow 10^2 = \frac{y^4}{x}$$
- $$\Leftrightarrow y^4 = 100x$$
- $$\Leftrightarrow y = \sqrt[4]{100x} \quad (\text{as } y > 0)$$

- (b) Given that  $\log x = \log(a - by) - \log a$  then  $\log x = \log \frac{a - by}{a}$
- $$\Leftrightarrow x = \frac{a - by}{a}$$
- $$\Leftrightarrow ax = a - by$$
- $$\Leftrightarrow by = a - ax$$
- $$\Leftrightarrow y = \frac{a}{b}(1 - x)$$

#### EXAMPLE 7.21

- Find  $x$  if
- (a)  $\log_x 64 = 3$
  - (b)  $\log_{10} x - \log_{10}(x - 2) = 1$

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- (a)  $\log_x 64 = 3 \Leftrightarrow x^3 = 64$
- $$\Leftrightarrow x^3 = 4^3$$
- $$\Leftrightarrow x = 4$$
- (b)  $\log_{10} x - \log_{10}(x - 2) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \log_{10} \left( \frac{x}{x - 2} \right) = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \Leftrightarrow \frac{x}{x-2} &= 10^1 \\ \Leftrightarrow x &= 10x - 20 \\ \Leftrightarrow -9x &= -20 \\ \Leftrightarrow x &= \frac{20}{9} \end{aligned}$$

We still need to check our answer: substituting  $x = \frac{20}{9}$  into the original equation we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S} &= \log_{10} \frac{20}{9} - \log_{10} \left( \frac{20}{9} - 2 \right) = \log_{10} \frac{20}{9} - \log_{10} \left( \frac{2}{9} \right) = \log_{10} \left( \frac{20}{9} \times \frac{9}{2} \right) \\ &= \log_{10} 10 \\ &= 1 \\ &= \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, solution is  $x = \frac{20}{9}$ .

**EXAMPLE 7.22**

Find  $\{x \mid 5^x = 2^{x+1}\}$ . Give both an exact answer and one to 2 d.p.

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Taking the logarithm of base 10 of both sides  $5^x = 2^{x+1}$  gives:

$$\begin{aligned} 5^x = 2^{x+1} &\Leftrightarrow \log_{10} 5^x = \log_{10} 2^{x+1} \\ \Leftrightarrow x \log_{10} 5 &= (x+1) \log_{10} 2 \\ \Leftrightarrow x \log_{10} 5 - x \log_{10} 2 &= \log_{10} 2 \\ \Leftrightarrow x(\log_{10} 5 - \log_{10} 2) &= \log_{10} 2 \\ \Leftrightarrow x &= \frac{\log_{10} 2}{\log_{10} 5 - \log_{10} 2} \end{aligned}$$

And so,  $x = 0.75647\dots = 0.76$  (to 2 d.p).

$$\text{Exact answer} = \left\{ \frac{\log_{10} 2}{\log_{10} 5 - \log_{10} 2} \right\}, \text{ answer to 2 d.p} = \{0.76\}$$

**EXAMPLE 7.23**

Find  $x$ , where  $6e^{2x} - 17 \times e^x + 12 = 0$

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We first note that  $6e^{2x} - 17 \times e^x + 12$  can be written as  $6 \times e^{2x} - 17 \times e^x + 12$ .

Which in turn can be expressed as  $6 \times (e^x)^2 - 17 \times e^x + 12$ .

Therefore, making the substitution  $y = e^x$ , we have that

$$6 \times (e^x)^2 - 17 \times e^x + 12 = 6y^2 - 17y + 12 \text{ (i.e., we have a 'hidden' quadratic)}$$

Solving for  $y$ , we have:

$$6y^2 - 17y + 12 = 0 \Leftrightarrow (2y - 3)(3y - 4) = 0$$

So that

$$y = \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } y = \frac{4}{3}$$

However, we wish to solve for  $x$ , and so, we need to substitute back:

$$e^x = \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } e^x = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x = \ln \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } x = \ln \frac{4}{3}$$

**EXAMPLE 7.24**

Solve for  $x$ , where  $8^{2x+1} = 4^{5-x}$

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Taking logs of both sides of the equation  $8^{2x+1} = 4^{5-x}$ , we have

$$\log 8^{2x+1} = \log 4^{5-x} \Leftrightarrow (2x+1)\log 8 = (5-x)\log 4$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (2x+1)\log 2^3 = (5-x)\log 2^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3(2x+1)\log 2 = 2(5-x)\log 2$$

Therefore, we have that  $6x+3 = 10-2x \Leftrightarrow 8x = 7$

$$\therefore x = \frac{7}{8}$$

**EXERCISES 7.4**

1. Without using a calculator, evaluate the following.

- (a)  $\log_2 8 + \log_2 4$       (b)  $\log_6 18 + \log_6 2$       (c)  $\log_5 2 + \log_5 12.5$   
 (d)  $\log_3 18 - \log_3 6$       (e)  $\log_2 20 - \log_2 5$       (f)  $\log_2 10 - \log_2 5$

2. Write down an expression for  $\log a$  in terms of  $\log b$  and  $\log c$  for the following.

- (a)  $a = bc$       (b)  $a = b^2c$       (c)  $a = \frac{1}{c^2}$   
 (d)  $a = b\sqrt{c}$       (e)  $a = b^3c^4$       (f)  $a = \frac{b^2}{\sqrt{c}}$

3. Given that  $\log_a x = 0.09$ , find

- (a)  $\log_a x^2$       (b)  $\log_a \sqrt{x}$       (c)  $\log_a \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$

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**4.** Express each of the following as an equation that does not involve a logarithm.

- (a)  $\log_2 x = \log_2 y + \log_2 z$       (b)  $\log_{10} y = 2\log_{10} x$   
(c)  $\log_2(x+1) = \log_2 y + \log_2 x$       (d)  $\log_2 x = y + 1$   
(e)  $\log_2 y = \frac{1}{2}\log_2 x$       (f)  $3\log_2(x+1) = 2\log_2 y$

**5.** Solve the following equations

- (a)  $\log_2(x+1) - \log_2 x = \log_2 3$   
(b)  $\log_{10}(x+1) - \log_{10} x = \log_{10} 3$   
(c)  $\log_2(x+1) - \log_2(x-1) = 4$   
(d)  $\log_{10}(x+3) - \log_{10} x = \log_{10} x + \log_{10} 2$   
(e)  $\log_{10}(x^2+1) - 2\log_{10} x = 1$   
(f)  $\log_2(3x^2+28) - \log_2(3x-2) = 1$   
(g)  $\log_{10}(x^2+1) = 1 + \log_{10}(x-2)$   
(h)  $\log_2(x+3) = 1 - \log_2(x-2)$   
(i)  $\log_6(x+5) + \log_6 x = 2$   
(j)  $\log_3(x-2) + \log_3(x-4) = 2$   
(k)  $\log_2 x - \log_2(x-1) = 3\log_2 4$   
(l)  $\log_{10}(x+2) - \log_{10} x = 2\log_{10} 4$

**6.** Simplify the following

- (a)  $\log_3(2x) + \log_3 w$       (b)  $\log_4 x - \log_4(7y)$   
(c)  $2\log_a x + 3\log_a(x+1)$       (d)  $5\log_a x - \frac{1}{2}\log_a(2x-3) + 3\log_a(x+1)$   
(e)  $\log_{10} x^3 + \frac{1}{3}\log x^3 y^6 - 5\log_{10} x$       (f)  $2\log_2 x - 4\log_2\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) - 3\log_2 xy$

**7.** Solve the following

- (a)  $\log_2(x+7) + \log_2 x = 3$       (b)  $\log_3(x+3) + \log_3(x+5) = 1$   
(c)  $\log_{10}(x+7) + \log_{10}(x-2) = 1$       (d)  $\log_3 x + \log_3(x-8) = 2$   
(e)  $\log_2 x + \log_2 x^3 = 4$       (f)  $\log_3 \sqrt{x} + 3\log_3 x = 7$

**8.** Solve for  $x$ .

- (a)  $\log_2 x^2 = (\log_2 x)^2$       (b)  $\log_3 x^3 = (\log_3 x)^3$   
(c)  $\log_4 x^4 = (\log_4 x)^4$       (d)  $\log_5 x^5 = (\log_5 x)^5$

Investigate the solution to  $\log_n x^n = (\log_n x)^n$



9. Solve the following, giving an exact answer and an answer to 2 d.p.

(a) $2^x = 14$	(b) $10^x = 8$	(c) $3^x = 125$
(d) $\frac{1}{1-2^x} = 12$	(e) $3^{4x+1} = 10$	(f) $0.8^{x-1} = 0.4$
(g) $10^{-2x} = 2$	(h) $2.7^{0.3x} = 9$	(i) $0.2^{-2x} = 20$
(j) $\frac{2}{1+0.4^x} = 5$	(k) $\frac{2^x}{1-2^x} = 3$	(l) $\frac{3^x}{3^x+3} = \frac{1}{3}$

10. Solve for  $x$

(a) $(\log_2 x)^2 - \log_2 x - 2 = 0$	(b) $\log_2(2^{x+1} - 8) = x$
(c) $\log_{10}(x^2 - 3x + 6) = 1$	(d) $(\log_{10} x)^2 - 11 \log_{10} x + 10 = 0$
(e) $\log_x(3x^2 + 10x) = 3$	(f) $\log_{x+2}(3x^2 + 4x - 14) = 2$

11. Solve the following simultaneous equations

(a) $x^y = 5x - 9$	(b) $\log_{10} x - \log_{10} y = 1$	(c) $xy = 2$
$\log_x 11 = y$	$x + y^2 = 200$	$2 \log_2 x - \log_2 y = 2$

12. Express each of the following as an equation that does not involve a logarithm.

(a) $\log_e x = \log_e y - \log_e z$	(b) $3 \log_e x = \log_e y$	(c) $\ln x = y - 1$
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13. Solve the following for  $x$

(a) $\ln(x+1) - \ln x = 4$	(b) $\ln(x+1) - \ln x = \ln 4$
(c) $\log_e(x+1) + \log_e x = 0$	(d) $\log_e(x+1) - \log_e x = 0$

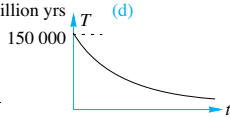
14. Solve the following for  $x$

(a) $e^x = 21$	(b) $e^x - 2 = 8$	(c) $-5 + e^{-x} = 2$
(d) $200e^{-2x} = 50$	(e) $\frac{2}{1-e^{-x}} = 3$	(f) $70e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} + 15 = 60$
(g) $\ln x = 3$	(h) $2 \ln(3x) = 4$	(i) $\ln(x^2) = 9$
(j) $\ln x - \ln(x+2) = 3$	(k) $\ln \sqrt{x+4} = 1$	(l) $\ln(x^3) = 9$

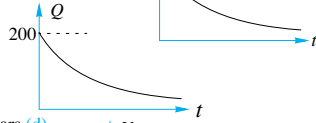
15. Solve the following for  $x$

(a) $e^{2x} - 3e^x + 2 = 0$	(b) $e^{2x} - 4e^x - 5 = 0$
(c) $e^{2x} - 5e^x + 6 = 0$	(d) $e^{2x} - 2e^x + 1 = 0$
(e) $e^{2x} - 6e^x + 5 = 0$	(f) $e^{2x} - 9e^x - 10 = 0$

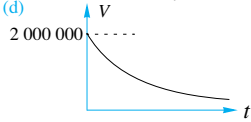
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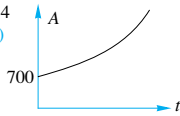


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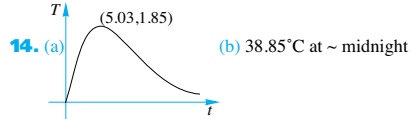
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12. (a) i. \$933.55 ii. \$935.50 (b) 11.95 years (c)



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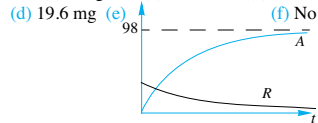


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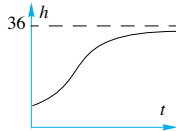
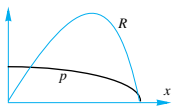
15. (a) 19 (b) 2.63 (c) 100

16. (a) 18 cm (b) 4 cm (c) 1.28 m (d) 36 m (e) i. 21.7yr ii. 27.6yr iii. 34.5yr (f) 36 (g)

17. (a) 5 mg/min (b) 13.51 min (c) i. 2.1, ii. 13.9 iii. 68min



18. (a) i. \$499 ii. \$496 iii. \$467 (c) 15537 (d) i. \$499k ii. \$2.48mil iii. \$4.67mil (f) 12358 (g) \$5.14mil (b), (e)



### EXERCISE 7.3

1. (a) 2 (b) 2 (c) 5 (d) 3 (e) -3 (f) -2 (g) 0 (h) 0 (i) -1 (j) -2 (k) 0.5 (l) -2 2. (a)  $\log_{10} 10000 = 4$

- (b)  $\log_{10} 0.001 = -3$  (c)  $\log_{10}(x+1) = y$  (d)  $\log_{10} p = 7$  (e)  $\log_2(x-1) = y$

- (f)  $\log_2(y-2) = 4x$  3. (a)  $2^9 = x$  (b)  $b^x = y$  (c)  $b^{ax} = t$  (d)  $10^{x^2} = z$  (e)  $10^{1-x} = y$

- (f)  $2^y = ax - b$  4. (a) 16 (b) 2 (c) 2 (d) 9 (e)  $\sqrt[3]{2}$  (f) 125 (g) 4 (h) 9 (i)  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3}}$  (j) 21 (k) 3 (l) 13

5. (a) 54,5982 (b) 1.3863 (c) 1.6487 (d) 7.3891 (e) 1.6487 (f) 0.3679 (g) 52,5982 (h) 4,7183 (i) 0.6065

### EXERCISE 7.4

1. (a) 5 (b) 2 (c) 2 (d) 1 (e) 2 (f) 1 2. (a)  $\log a = \log b + \log c$  (b)  $\log a = 2\log b + \log c$

- (c)  $\log a = -2\log c$  (d)  $\log a = \log b + 0.5\log c$  (e)  $\log a = 3\log b + 4\log c$

- (f)  $\log a = 2\log b - 0.5\log c$  3. (a) 0.18 (b) 0.045 (c) -0.09 4. (a)  $x = yz$  (b)  $y = x^2$

- (c)  $y = \frac{x+1}{x}$  (d)  $x = 2^{y+1}$  (e)  $y = \sqrt{x}$  (f)  $y^2 = (x+1)^3$  5. (a)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (c)  $\frac{17}{15}$  (d)  $\frac{3}{2}$  (e)  $\frac{1}{3}$

- (f) no real sol'n (g) 3,7 (h)  $\frac{\sqrt{33}-1}{2}$  (i) 4 (j)  $\sqrt{10}+3$  (k)  $\frac{64}{63}$  (l)  $\frac{2}{15}$  6. (a)  $\log_3 2wx$  (b)  $\log \frac{x}{47y}$

- (c)  $\log_a [x^2(x+1)^3]$  (d)  $\log_a \left[ \frac{(x^5)(x+1)^3}{\sqrt{2x-3}} \right]$  (e)  $\log_{10} \left( \frac{y^2}{x} \right)$  (f)  $\log_2 \left( \frac{y}{x} \right)$  7. (a) 1 (b) -2 (c) 3 (d) 9

- (e) 2 (f) 9 8. (a) 1,4 (b)  $1,3^{\pm\sqrt{3}}$  (c)  $1,4^{\sqrt[3]{4}}$  (d)  $1,5^{\pm\sqrt{5}}$  9. (a)  $\frac{\log 14}{\log 2} = 3.81$  (b)  $\frac{\log 8}{\log 10} = 0.90$

- (c)  $\frac{\log 125}{\log 3} = 4.39$  (d)  $\frac{1}{\log 2} \times \log \left( \frac{11}{3} \right) - 2 = -0.13$  (e)  $\frac{\log 10 - \log 3}{4\log 3} = 0.27$  (f) 5.11

- (g)  $\frac{-\log 2}{2\log 10} = -0.15$  (h) 7.37 (i) 0.93 (j) no real solution (k)  $\frac{\log 3}{\log 2} - 2 = -0.42$

- (l)  $\frac{\log 1.5}{\log 3} = 0.37$  10. (a) 0.5,4 (b) 3 (c) -1,4 (d)  $10,10^{10}$  (e) 5 (f) 3 11. (a)  $(4, \log_4 11)$

- (b) (100,10) (c) (2,1) 12. (a)  $y = xz$  (b)  $y = x^3$  (c)  $x = e^{y-1}$  13. (a)  $\frac{1}{e^4-1}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{3}$  (c)  $\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$

- (d)  $\emptyset$  14. (a)  $\ln 21 = 3.0445$  (b)  $\ln 10 = 2.3026$  (c)  $-\ln 7 = -1.9459$  (d)  $\ln 2 = 0.6931$

- (e)  $\ln 3 = 1.0986$  (f)  $2\ln \left( \frac{14}{9} \right) = 0.8837$  (g)  $e^3 = 20.0855$  (h)  $\frac{1}{2}e^2 = 2.4630$

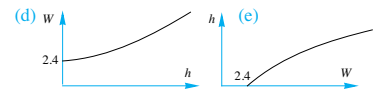
- (i)  $\pm\sqrt{e^9} = \pm 90.0171$  (j)  $\emptyset$  (k)  $e^2 - 4 = 3.3891$  (l)  $\sqrt[3]{e^9} = 20.0855$  15. (a) 0,  $\ln 2$  (b)  $\ln 5$

- (c)  $\ln 2, \ln 3$  (d) 0 (e) 0,  $\ln 5$  (f)  $\ln 10$  16. (a) 4.5222 (b) 0.2643 (c) 0.0, 0.2619 (d) -1.0, 0.3219

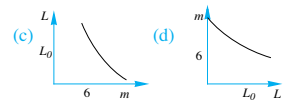
- (e) -1.2925, 0.6610 (f) 0.1, 8928 (g) 0.25, 2 (h) 1 (i) 121.5 (j) 2

### EXERCISE 7.5

1. (a) 10 (b) 30 (c) 40 2. (a) 31.64 kg (b) 1.65 (c)  $W = 2.4 \times 10^{0.8h}$



3. (a) 4.75 (b)  $L = L_0 \times 10^{\left(\frac{6-m}{2.5}\right)}$  (c)



4. (a)  $[0,1]$  (b) i. 2.22 ii. 1.11 iii. 0.74 yrs (c) As  $c$  increases, reliability reduces.

