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Sect. 5-5

Solving Log & Exp Eqns.

Solve:

$$2^x = 16$$

$$x = 4$$

$$\log 1000 = x$$

$$x = 3$$

Solve:

$$10^x = 215$$

$$\log_{10} 215 = x$$

$$x \approx 2. \dots$$

$$x = \boxed{\log} 215$$

$$x \approx 2.33$$

$$e^x = 35$$

$$\log_e 35 = x$$

$$x = \ln 35$$

$$x = \boxed{\ln} 35$$

$$x \approx 3.55$$

$$3^x = 17$$

$$x \approx 2. \text{---}$$

$$\log_3 17 = x$$

$$\boxed{\log_3} ?$$

Base - Change Formula

$$\log_b a = \frac{\log_c a}{\log_c b}$$

where c is a convenient base
like 10 or e

$$\log_b a = \frac{\boxed{\log} a}{\boxed{\log} b} = \frac{\boxed{\ln} a}{\boxed{\ln} b}$$

$$3^x = 17 \quad x = 2. \dots$$

$$\log_3 17 = x$$

$$x = \frac{\log 17}{\log 3}$$

TI: $\boxed{\log} \boxed{17} \boxed{)} \boxed{\div} \boxed{\log} \boxed{3} \boxed{)} \boxed{\text{Enter}}$

iPhone: $17 \boxed{\log} \boxed{\div} 3 \boxed{\log} \boxed{=}$

$$x \approx 2.57$$

$$\underline{3}(2^x) = \underline{42}$$

$$2^x = 14$$

$$\log_2 14 = x$$

$$x = \frac{\boxed{\ln} 14}{\boxed{\ln} 2}$$

$$x \approx 3.81$$

$$2(3^{2t-5}) - 4 = 11$$

$$2(3^{2t-5}) = 15$$

$$3^{2t-5} = 7.5$$

$$\log_3 7.5 = 2t - 5$$

$$2t - 5 \approx 1.834$$

$$2t \approx 6.834$$

$$t \approx 3.417$$

$$e^{2x} - 3e^x + 2 = 0$$

$$y^2 - 3y + 2 = 0$$

$$(y-2)(y-1) = 0$$

$$y-2=0 \quad y-1=0$$

$$y=2$$

$$y=1$$

$$e^x = 2$$

$$e^x = 1$$

$$x = \ln 2$$

$$x = 0$$

$$x \approx 0.693$$

Solve: $\log_5(5x-1) = \log_5(x+7)$

$$5x - 1 = x + 7$$

$$4x = 8$$

$$x = 2$$



~~Maybe~~

$$\ln x = 2$$

$$\log_e x = 2$$

$$e^2 = x$$

$$x \approx 7.389$$

* Maybe



$$\log_{10} 5x + \log_{10} (x-1) = 2$$

$$\log_{10} [5x(x-1)] = 2$$

$$10^2 = 5x(x-1)$$

$$100 = 5x^2 - 5x$$

$$x^2 - x - 20 = 0$$

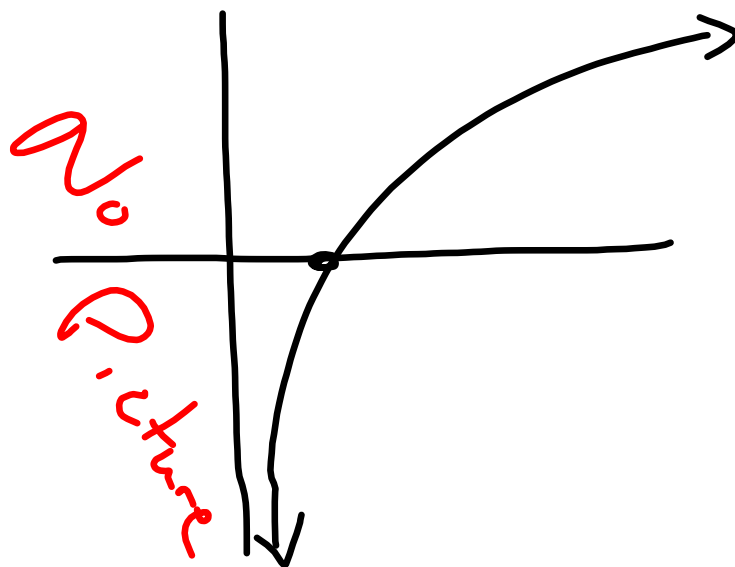
$$x^2 - x - 20 = 0$$

$$(x - 5)(x + 4) = 0$$

$$x = 5 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -4$$

~~x~~ Maybe

* Why?



Can not take
the log of a
negative number.

$$\ln(x+5) = \ln(x-1) - \ln(x+1)$$

$$\ln(x+5) = \ln\left(\frac{x-1}{x+1}\right)$$

$$\frac{x+5}{1} \neq \frac{x-1}{x+1}$$

$$x-1 = (x+5)(x+1)$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 5 = x - 1$$

$$x^2 + 5x + 6 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 5x + 6 = 0$$

$$(x+3)(x+2) = 0$$

$$\cancel{x = -3} \quad \cancel{x = -2}$$

No Sol.