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Sect. 6-2

Logarithms

$$\log_b c, \quad b > 0, \quad b \neq 1$$

"log base bee of cee"

What is $\log_b c$ asking?

$$\log_b c = ?$$

$$b^? = c$$

Evaluate

$$\log_2 8 = 3$$

$$\log_4 16 = 2$$

$$\log_3 81 = 4$$

Logarithmic \Leftrightarrow Exponential Form

$$\log_2 8 = 3 \Leftrightarrow 2^3 = 8$$

$$\log_4 16 = 2 \Leftrightarrow 4^2 = 16$$

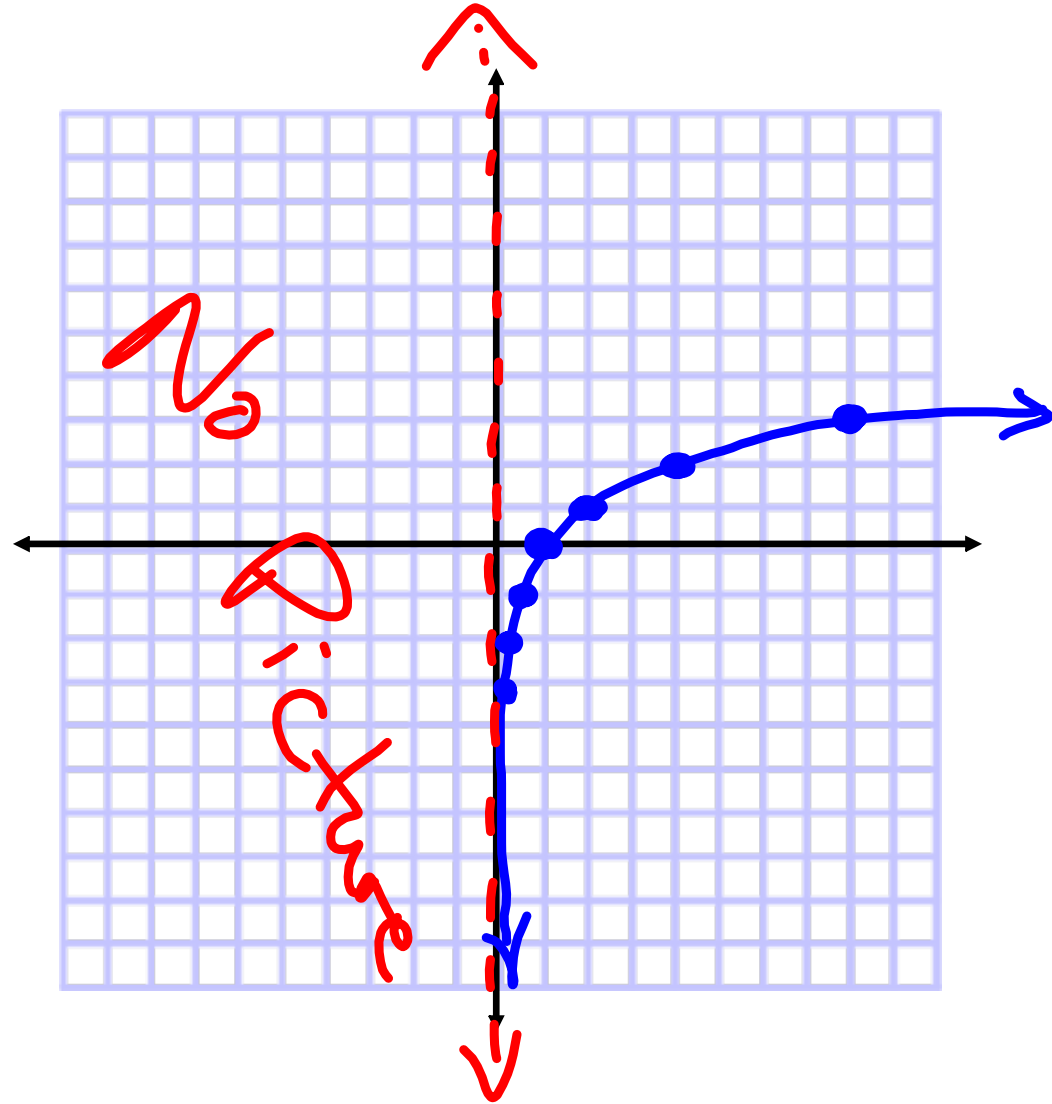
$$\log_3 81 = 4 \Leftrightarrow 3^4 = 81$$

Do Special Bases (Sect. 6-3) here.

Graphs

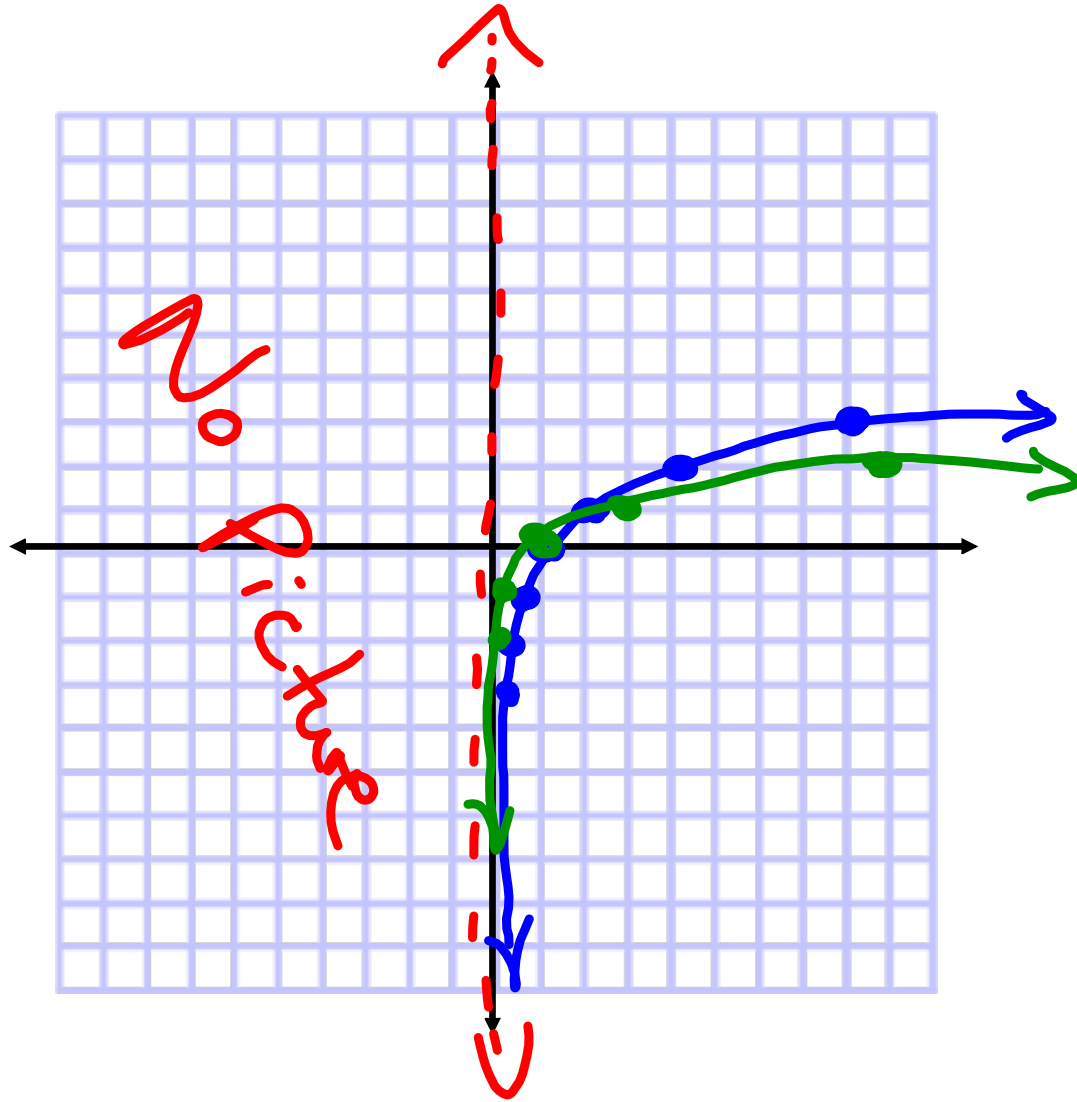
$$y = \log_2 x \quad x = 2^y$$

x	y
∞	∞
5	2.32
2	1
1	0
1/2	-1
1/5	-2.32
0	∞



$$y = \log_3 x$$

x	y
0	N
N	0
1	1
m	1
n	2



Basic Log Properties

$$\log_b 1 = 0$$

$$\log_b b^n = n$$

$$b^{\log_b n} = n$$

Other Log Properties

1. $\log_b a + \log_b c = \log_b ac$
2. $\log_b a - \log_b c = \log_b \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)$
3. $n \log_b c = \log_b c^n$

Write as a single log

$$\log_3 2 + \log_3 x + 4 \log_3 4$$

$$\log_3 2 + \log_3 x + \log_3 4^4$$

$$\log_3 2x4^4$$

$$\log_5 3 - \log_5 x + 2 \log_5 z - \frac{1}{3} \log_5 4$$

$$\log_5 3 - \log_5 x + \log_5 z^2 - \log_5 4^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$4^{\frac{1}{3}} = \sqrt[3]{4}$$

$$\log_5 \frac{3z^2}{x\sqrt[3]{4}}$$

Expand

$$\log_4 5x^3 y$$

$$\log_4 5 + \log_4 x^3 + \log_4 y$$

$$\log_4 5 + 3 \log_4 x + \log_4 y$$

$$\log_7 \frac{4x^2}{y}$$

$$\log_7 4 + \log_7 x^2 - \log_7 y$$

$$\log_7 4 + 2\log_7 x - \log_7 y$$

$$\log_2 \frac{\sqrt{3x-5}}{7} \quad \sqrt{3x-5} = (3x-5)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\log_2 (3x-5)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \log_2 7$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \log_2 (3x-5) - \log_2 7$$

~~$$\log_2 3x - \log_2 5$$~~

Fin