



*Logarithmic Calculus*

*First rule*

$$\log_a(x \cdot y) = \log_a x + \log_a y$$

The logarithm of a product is the sum of the logarithms of the factors

$$a, x, y > 0$$

### *Second rule*

$$\log_a \left( \frac{x}{y} \right) = \log_a x - \log_a y$$

The logarithm of a ratio is the difference of the logarithms of numerator and denominator

$$a, x, y > 0$$

*Third rule*

$$\log_a (x^n) = n \log_a x$$

The logarithm of the  $n$ -th power of a number is  $n$  times the logarithm of that number

$$a, x > 0$$

$$\log_a (x \cdot y) = \log_a x + \log_a y$$

$$\log_a \left( \frac{x}{y} \right) = \log_a x - \log_a y$$

$$\log_a (x^n) = n \log_a x$$

$$\log_a \sqrt[n]{x} = \frac{1}{n} \log_a x$$

*Rules of logarithmic calculus*

## Special logarithms

- The natural logarithm is very important in many applications. It is the logarithm to the base  $e$ , i.e. to Euler's number:

$$\log_e x \equiv \ln x$$

pronounced: the natural logarithm of  $x$

- The logarithm to the base  $a = 10$  is called the common logarithm, also known as the decadic logarithm or the Briggsian logarithm:

$$\log_{10} x \equiv \lg x$$

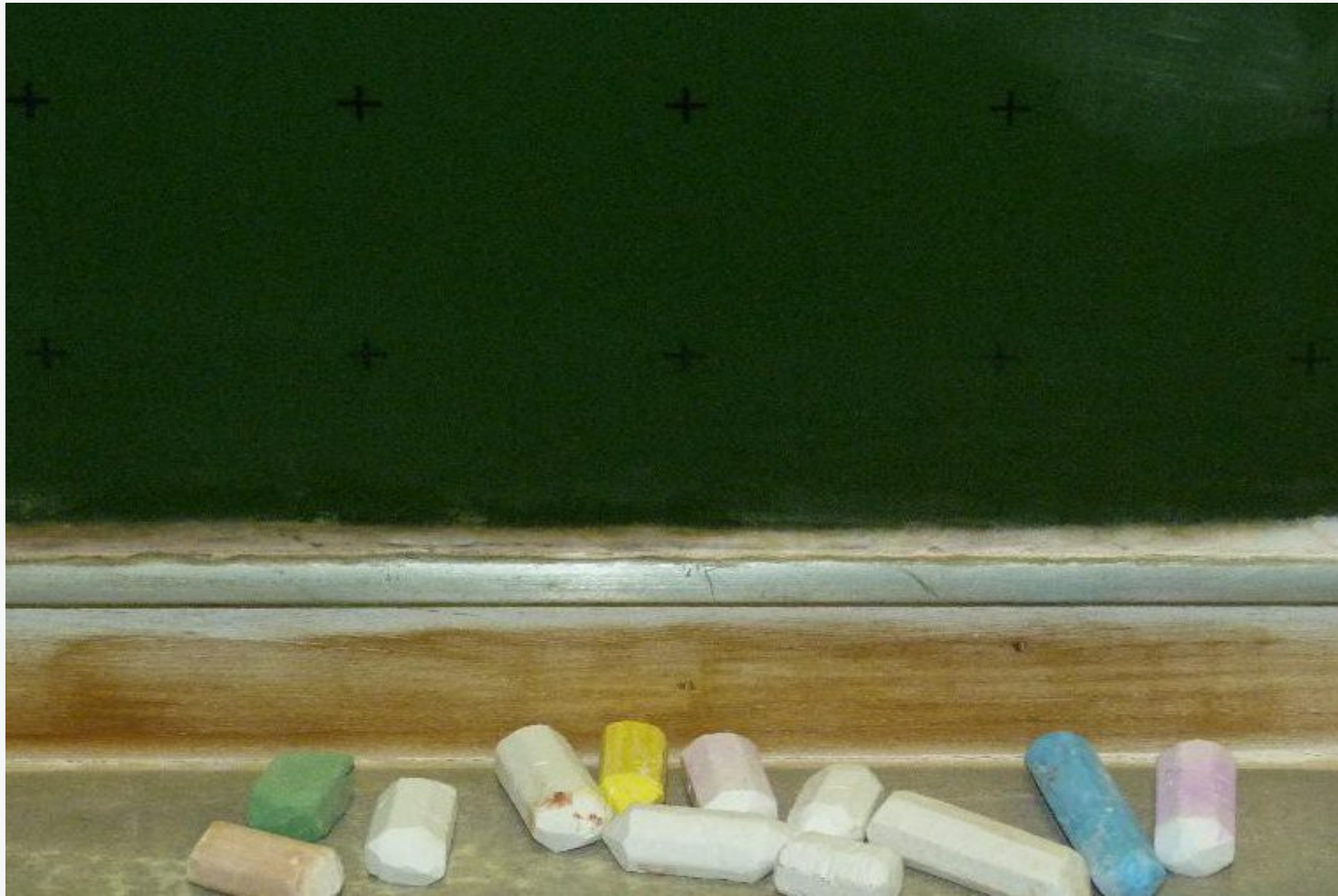
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- The logarithm to the base  $a = 2$  is called the binary logarithm:

$$\log_2 x \equiv \text{lb } x$$

pronounced: the binary logarithm of  $x$

# *Logarithmic function: Exercises*



## Logarithms: Exercises 1, 2

### Exercise 1:

Transform the following power equations into logarithmic equations:

$$a) \quad 2^5 = 32, \quad 2^7 = 128, \quad 2^{-3} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$b) \quad 3^3 = 27, \quad 3^4 = 81, \quad 3^{-2} = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$c) \quad 4^0 = 1, \quad 4^3 = 64, \quad 4^{-2} = \frac{1}{16}$$

### Exercise 2:

Transform the following logarithmic equations into power equations:

$$\log_3 9 = 2, \quad \log_7 49 = 2, \quad \log_6 6 = 1, \quad \log_8 1 = 0, \quad \log_4 2 = \frac{1}{2}$$



## Logarithms: Solution 1

$$a) \quad 2^5 = 32, \quad \log_2 32 = 5, \quad 2^7 = 128, \quad \log_2 128 = 7,$$

$$2^{-3} = \frac{1}{8}, \quad \log_2 \frac{1}{8} = -3,$$

$$b) \quad 3^3 = 27, \quad \log_3 27 = 3, \quad 3^4 = 81, \quad \log_3 81 = 4,$$

$$3^{-2} = \frac{1}{9}, \quad \log_3 \frac{1}{9} = -2,$$

$$c) \quad 4^0 = 1, \quad \log_4 1 = 0, \quad 4^3 = 64, \quad \log_4 64 = 3,$$

$$4^{-2} = \frac{1}{16}, \quad \log_4 \frac{1}{16} = -2,$$

## *Logarithms: Solution 2*

$$\log_3 9 = 2, \quad 3^2 = 9$$

$$\log_7 49 = 2, \quad 7^2 = 49$$

$$\log_6 6 = 1, \quad 6^1 = 6$$

$$\log_8 1 = 0, \quad 8^0 = 1$$

$$\log_4 2 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad 4^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

## Logarithms: Exercises 3, 4

### Exercise 3:

Evaluate the indicated expressions without using a calculator:

$$a) \log_2 32, \quad \log_2 64, \quad \log_2 \frac{1}{16}, \quad \log_2 \frac{1}{128}, \quad \log_2 2^{-4}, \quad \log_2 1$$

$$b) \log_4 4, \quad \log_4 16, \quad \log_4 \frac{1}{64}, \quad \log_8 64, \quad \log_8 \frac{1}{8}, \quad \log_8 8^{-3}$$

$$c) \log_6 36, \quad \log_5 125, \quad \log_{16} \frac{1}{16}, \quad \log_7 1, \quad \log_7 \left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^3, \quad \log_7 \left(\frac{1}{49}\right)^2$$

$$d) \lg 100, \quad \lg 100000, \quad \lg \frac{1}{10}, \quad \lg \frac{1}{1000}, \quad \lg 0.01, \quad \lg 0.0001$$

### Exercise 4:

Find such number  $x$  that:

$$a) \log_x 25 = 2, \quad \log_x 27 = 3, \quad \log_x \frac{1}{9} = -2, \quad \log_x \frac{1}{9} = -1,$$

$$b) \log_x 0.25 = -2, \quad \log_x 0.64 = -2, \quad \log_x \sqrt{2} = -4, \quad \log_x \sqrt{2} = \frac{1}{4}.$$

## Logarithms: Solution 3

$$\begin{aligned} a) \log_2 32 = 5, & \quad \log_2 64 = 6, & \quad \log_2 \frac{1}{16} = -4, \\ \log_2 \frac{1}{128} = -7, & \quad \log_2 2^{-4} = -4, & \quad \log_2 1 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b) \log_4 4 = 1, & \quad \log_4 16 = 2, & \quad \log_4 \frac{1}{64} = -3, \\ \log_8 64 = 2, & \quad \log_8 \frac{1}{8} = -1, & \quad \log_8 8^{-3} = -3, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c) \log_6 36 = 2, & \quad \log_5 125 = 3, & \quad \log_{16} \frac{1}{16} = -1, \\ \log_7 1 = 0, & \quad \log_7 \left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^3 = -3, & \quad \log_7 \left(\frac{1}{49}\right)^2 = -4, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d) \lg 100 = 2, & \quad \lg 100000 = 5, & \quad \lg \frac{1}{10} = -1, \\ \lg \frac{1}{1000} = -3, & \quad \lg 0.01 = -2, & \quad \lg 0.0001 = -4 \end{aligned}$$

## Logarithms: Solution 4

$$a) \log_x 25 = 2, \quad x^2 = 25, \quad x = 5,$$

$$\log_x 27 = 7, \quad x^3 = 27, \quad x = 3,$$

$$\log_x \frac{1}{9} = -2, \quad x^{-2} = \frac{1}{9} = \frac{1}{3^2} = 3^{-2}, \quad x = 3$$

$$\log_x \frac{1}{9} = -1, \quad x^{-1} = \frac{1}{9} = 9^{-1}, \quad x = 9$$

$$b) \log_x 0.25 = -2, \quad x^{-2} = 0.25 = (0.5)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 2^{-2}, \quad x = 2$$

$$\log_x 0.64 = -2, \quad x^{-2} = 0.64 = 0.8^2 = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-2}, \quad x = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\log_x \sqrt{2} = -4, \quad x^{-4} = \sqrt{2} = 2^{1/2}, \quad x = 2^{-1/8}$$

$$\log_x \sqrt{2} = \frac{1}{4}, \quad x^{1/4} = \sqrt{2} = 2^{1/2}, \quad x = (2^{1/2})^4 = 2^2 = 4$$

## Logarithms: Exercise 5

### Exercise 5:

Evaluate the expressions without using a calculator:

$$a) \log_2 32 + \log_2 \frac{1}{8}, \quad b) \log_4 64 + \log_4 \frac{1}{16}, \quad c) \lg 100000 - \lg \frac{1}{100} + \lg \frac{1}{10}$$

$$d) \log_2 16 + \lg \frac{1}{1000}, \quad e) \log_5 25 + \log_3 \frac{1}{9}, \quad f) \log_6 1 - \log_7 1 - \log_8 1$$

$$g) \log_4 \frac{1}{4} - \log_5 \frac{1}{5}, \quad h) \left( \log_4 \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 + \left( \log_9 \frac{1}{9} \right)^2, \quad i) \log_7 49 + 2 \log_6 \frac{1}{6}$$

## Logarithms: Solution 5

$$a) \log_2 32 + \log_2 \frac{1}{8} = 5 - 3 = 2$$

$$b) \log_4 64 + \log_4 \frac{1}{16} = 3 - 2 = 1$$

$$c) \lg 100000 - \lg \frac{1}{100} + \lg \frac{1}{10} = 5 - (-2) + (-1) = 6$$

$$d) \log_2 16 + \lg \frac{1}{1000} = 4 + (-3) = 1$$

$$e) \log_5 25 + \log_3 \frac{1}{9} = 2 + (-2) = 0$$

$$f) \log_6 1 - \log_7 1 - \log_8 1 = 0 - 0 - 0 = 0$$

$$g) \log_4 \frac{1}{4} - \log_5 \frac{1}{5} = -1 - (-1) = 0$$

$$h) \left( \log_4 \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 + \left( \log_9 \frac{1}{9} \right)^2 = (-1)^2 + (-1)^2 = 2$$

$$i) \log_7 49 + 2 \log_6 \frac{1}{6} = 2 + 2(-1) = 0$$

## Logarithms: Exercise 6

Decompose the given expressions as much as possible using the rules of logarithmic calculus:

$$a) \log_3(5x), \quad \log_3(3x), \quad \log_2(4x)$$

$$b) \log_3 \frac{1}{3}, \quad \log_3 \frac{1}{9}, \quad 2 \log_3 \frac{1}{27}$$

$$c) \log(ab), \quad \log(abc), \quad \log(abcd)$$

$$d) \log \frac{a}{b}, \quad \log \frac{ac}{b}, \quad \log \frac{ab}{cd}$$

$$e) \log a^2 b, \quad \log a^3 b^2, \quad \log a^5 b^3 c$$

$$f) \log \frac{a^2 c}{b}, \quad \log \frac{ac}{bd^3}, \quad \log \frac{\sqrt{ab}}{c^4}$$



## Logarithms: Solution 6

$$a) \log_3(5x) = \log_3 5 + \log_3 x, \quad \log_3(3x) = \log_3 3 + \log_3 x = 1 + \log_3 x$$

$$\log_2(4x) = \log_2 4 + \log_2 x = \log_2 2^2 + \log_2 x = 2 + \log_2 x$$

$$b) \log_3 \frac{1}{3} = \log_3 1 - \log_3 3 = -1, \quad \log_3 \frac{1}{3} = \log_3 3^{-1} = -\log_3 3 = -1,$$

$$\log_3 \frac{1}{9} = \log_3 1 - \log_3 9 = 0 - \log_3 3^2 = -2 \log_3 3 = -2$$

$$2 \log_3 \frac{1}{27} = 2(\log_3 1 - \log_3 27) = 2(\log_3 1 - \log_3 3^3) = -2 \cdot 3 \log_3 3 = -6$$

$$c) \log(ab) = \log a + \log b, \quad \log(abc) = \log a + \log b + \log c$$

$$\log(abcd) = \log a + \log b + \log c + \log d$$

$$d) \log \frac{a}{b} = \log a - \log b, \quad \log \frac{ac}{b} = \log a + \log c - \log b$$

$$\log \frac{ab}{cd} = \log a + \log b - \log c - \log d$$

## Logarithms: Solution 6

$$e) \log a^2 b = \log a^2 + \log b = 2 \log a + \log b$$

$$\log a^3 b^2 = \log a^3 + \log b^2 = 3 \log a + 2 \log b$$

$$\log a^5 b^3 c = \log a^5 + \log b^3 + \log c = 5 \log a + 3 \log b + \log c$$

$$f) \log \frac{a^2 c}{b} = \log a^2 + \log c - \log b = 2 \log a + \log c - \log b$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log \frac{a c}{b d^3} &= \log (a c) - \log (b d^3) = \log a + \log c - \log b - \log d^3 = \\ &= \log a + \log c - \log b - 3 \log d \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log \frac{\sqrt{a} b}{c^4} &= \log (\sqrt{a} b) - \log (c^4) = \log a^{1/2} + \log b - 4 \log c = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log a + \log b - 4 \log c \end{aligned}$$