

**Problem 8. (1 point)** Library/LoyolaChicago/Precalc/Chap3Sec2/Q15.

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Find a formula for the exponential function that satisfies  $h(2) = 20$  and  $h(4) = 16.2$ .

①  $h(x) = C \cdot a^x$

② use given data to determine  $a, C$ (i)  $h(2) = 20$  means when  $x = 2$   
set everything equal to 20  
( $h(x) = 20$ )

$$20 = h(2) = C a^2$$

(ii) solve for  $C$ :  $\frac{20}{a^2} = C$

(iii) Sub this new  $C$  into  $h(x)$ :

$$h(x) = C a^x = \frac{20}{a^2} \cdot a^x$$

(iv) use remaining data:  $h(4) = \frac{20}{a^2} \cdot a^4 = 16.2$ 

(set  $x = 4$   
 $C a^x = 16.2$ )

(v) solve for  $a$ :  $\frac{20 \cdot a^4}{a^2} = 20 \cdot a^2 = 16.2 \Rightarrow a^2 = \frac{16.2}{20}, a = \sqrt{\frac{16.2}{20}} =$

(vi) now  $C = \frac{20}{a^2} = \frac{20}{(\frac{16.2}{20})} = \frac{20}{1} \cdot \frac{20}{16.2} = \frac{400}{16.2} =$

Any exponential function can be written as:

$$h(x) = C \cdot a^x$$

Ex:  $f(x) = e^x$  is exponential  
 $C = 1, a = e \approx 2.718, \dots$ 

$$f(x) = 2^x, C = 1, a = 2$$

$$f(x) = 1000(1 + .05)^{7x}$$

$$C = 1000$$

$$a = (1 + .05)^7$$

$$= 1000 \cdot \left[ (1 + .05)^7 \right]^x$$

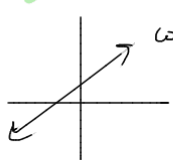
$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Base of exp.} \\ \text{Function is} \\ \text{always } > 0 \end{array} \right\}$  use +  
root

# Distinguishing Between Linear & Exponential growth

## Linear Functions!

$$f(x) = mx + b$$

constant slope : constant rate of change : the Average Rate of Change  $\frac{f(B) - f(A)}{B - A} = \text{constant}$



test for Linearity

Ex  $f(x) = 3x + 2$

x	4	8	12	20
f(x)	14	26	38	62

$$\frac{26 - 14}{8 - 4} = \frac{12}{4} = 3$$

$$\frac{38 - 26}{12 - 8} = \frac{12}{4} = 3$$

## Exp. Functions

$$g(x) = C a^x$$

let  $x = 2 \rightsquigarrow g(2) = C \cdot a^2$   
 $x = 4 \rightsquigarrow g(4) = C \cdot a^4$   
 $x = 6 \rightsquigarrow g(6) = C \cdot a^6$

} look @ ratios  
 } ratios  
 $\frac{C \cdot a^4}{C \cdot a^2} = a^2$   
 $\frac{C \cdot a^6}{C \cdot a^4} = a^2$   
 ratios of outputs (for equal steps) are equal

$g(4) = 100$   
 $g(8) = 104.2$

if exponential

$$\frac{C a^8}{C a^4} = \frac{104.2}{100} = 1.042$$

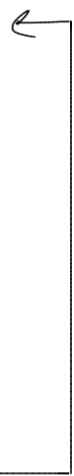
$$\downarrow$$

$$a^4 = 1.042$$

$$a = \sqrt[4]{1.042}$$

$$\frac{g(20)}{g(12)} = \frac{113.137}{108.576} = 1.042 \dots$$

$$\frac{C a^{20}}{C a^8} = a^{12}$$



**Problem 13. (1 point)** Library/Utah/Business\_Algebra/set8\_Exponential\_and\_Logarithmic\_Functions/p21.pg

Let

$$L(x) = \log_a(x)$$

where we don't know the base  $a$ . However, we do know that

$$L(2) = 0.29721 \quad \text{and} \quad L(3) = 0.47107.$$

Use this information to compute

$$L(4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = L(2^2) = \log_a(2^2) = 2 \cdot \log_a(2) = 2L(2) = 2 \cdot (0.29721)$$

$$L(a^2) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \underbrace{2 \cdot L(a)} = 2 \cdot \log_a(a)$$

$$L(a^3) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$L(6^5) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{"} \\ 5 \cdot L(6) &= 5 \cdot L(2 \cdot 3) = 5[L(2) + L(3)] \\ &= 5[0.29721 + 0.47107] \end{aligned}$$

$$\log_a x^c = c \cdot \log_a x$$

$$\log_a (AB) = \log_a A + \log_a B$$

$$\log_a \left(\frac{A}{B}\right) = \log_a A - \log_a B$$

$$\log_a x = c \quad \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \text{exponent} \\ \text{required} \\ \text{to make} \\ a^c = x \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow \\ a^c = x \end{array}$$

If  $\ln(a) = 2$ ,  $\ln(b) = 3$ , and  $\ln(c) = 5$ , evaluate the following:

(a)  $\ln\left(\frac{a^2}{b^{-2}c^{-3}}\right) =$

(b)  $\ln\sqrt{b^{-3}c^{-1}a^2} =$

(c)  $\frac{\ln(a^2b^2)}{\ln((bc)^2)} =$

(d)  $(\ln c^2)\left(\ln \frac{a}{b^3}\right)^4 =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \ln(a^2) - \ln(b^{-2}c^{-3}) \\ & 2 \cdot \ln(a) - [\ln b^{-2} + \ln c^{-3}] \\ & 2 \ln(a) - [-2 \ln b - 3 \ln c] \\ & 2 \ln a + 2 \ln b + 3 \ln c \\ & 2 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 5 = 25 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\ln((\text{stuff})^{1/2}) = 1/2 * \ln(b^{-3} * c^{-1} * a^2)$$

$$= 1/2 * (-3 \ln(b) - \ln(c) + 2 \ln(a))$$

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