

8.6 Logarithmic Equations

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- If $\log_b x = \log_b y$, then $x = y$. ($x, y > 0$)

Examples

1 $\log_a x + \log_a (2x+3) = \log_a 2$

~~$\log_a a^n = n$~~

$$\log_a (2x^2 + 3x) = \log_a 2$$

$$2x^2 + 3x = 2$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$$

2 $\frac{1}{3} \ln 8x - \ln 5 = \ln 4$

$$\ln \sqrt[3]{8x} - \ln 5 = \ln 4$$

$$\ln \frac{2\sqrt[3]{x}}{5} = \ln 4$$

$$x = 1000 \quad \frac{5\sqrt[3]{x}}{5} = 4$$

3 $\log_4 \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) = 3$

$$4^3 = \frac{x}{2}$$

$$128 = x$$

$$\log_4 \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) = \log_4 \frac{64}{2}$$

4 $\ln \sqrt{x} - \ln 2 = 4$

$$\ln \frac{\sqrt{x}}{2} = 4$$

$$\log_e \left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{2} \right) = 4$$

$$e^4 = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{2}$$

$$(2e^4)^2 = (\sqrt{x})^2$$

$$4e^8 = x$$