



8-4/8-5 Log Properties



std. 11.0

ex. 1

Find the inverse of $y = \ln(x-10)$

$$x = \ln(y-10)$$

$$x = \log_e(y-10)$$

$$e^x = y-10$$

$$y = e^x + 10$$



Properties of Logarithms (textbook, page 493)



For $b, m, n > 0$ and $b \neq 1$,

• $\log_b(mn) = \log_b m + \log_b n$ (product property)

• $\log_b\left(\frac{m}{n}\right) = \log_b m - \log_b n$ (quotient property)

• $\log_b m^n = n \log_b m$ (power property) $(7^2 = 49)$

ex. 2

Expand:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \ln 2x^6 &= \ln 2 + \ln x^6 \\ &= \ln 2 + 6 \ln x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \log_7\left(\frac{\sqrt{y}}{49x}\right) &= \log_7 \sqrt[2]{y} - \log_7 49x \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log_7 y - (\log_7 49 + \log_7 x) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log_7 y - 2 - \log_7 x \end{aligned}$$

ex. 3 Given $\log_9 5 \approx .732$, $\log_9 11 \approx 1.091$



Find: a) $\log_9 \frac{5}{11} = \log_9 5 - \log_9 11$
 $\approx .732 - 1.091 \approx$

b) $\log_9 25 = \log_9 5^2 = 2 \log_9 5 \approx 2(.732)$

ex. 4 Condense to a single logarithm:

a) $2 \ln 8 - 3 \ln 2$
 $= \ln 8^2 - \ln 2^3$
 $= \ln \left(\frac{64}{8} \right) = \ln 8$

b) $\frac{3}{4} \log x + \log 25$
 $= \log x^{3/4} + \log 25$
 $= \log 25 \sqrt[4]{x^3}$