

ex. 1 Find the inverse of $y = \ln(x-10)$

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 e^x + 10 = y
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Properties of Logarithms

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)

ex. 2 Expand:

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

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

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

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

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) $\frac{3}{4} \log x + \log 25$

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