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Learning Goal 8.1	Solving exponential and logarithmic equations with same base and with different bases, including base e .
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Power Law	Product Law	Quotient Law	Change of Base
$\log_b x^n = n \log_b x$	$\log_b(xy) = \log_b x + \log_b y$	$\log_b\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log_b x - \log_b y$	$\log_b z = \frac{\log_a z}{\log_a b}$ $\hookrightarrow a \in \mathbb{N}$

Example Solve for x .

a. $2^x = 2^{x^2}$

$$x = x^2$$

$$0 = x^2 - x$$

$$0 = x(x-1)$$

\downarrow
 $x = 0$

\downarrow
 $x = 1$

NEVER DIVIDE BY THE VARIABLE!!

b. $64^{3x-1} = \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^{2x+4}$

AS POWERS OF 2

$$(2^6)^{3x-1} = (2^{-4})^{2x+4}$$

$$2^{18x-6} = 2^{-8x-16}$$

$$18x-6 = -8x-16$$

$$26x-6 = -16$$

$$26x = -10$$

$$x = \frac{-10}{26} = \frac{-5}{13}$$

AS POWERS OF 4

$$(4^3)^{3x-1} = (4^{-2})^{2x+4}$$

$$4^{9x-3} = 4^{-4x-8}$$

$$9x-3 = -4x-8$$

$$13x-3 = -8$$

$$13x = -5$$

$$x = \frac{-5}{13}$$

Example Solve for x . Round your answers to the nearest hundredth.

a. $2^x = 5$

Power $\left\{ \begin{aligned} \log(2^x) &= \log 5 \\ x \log 2 &= \log 5 \\ \log 2 & \quad \log 2 \end{aligned} \right.$

$$x = \frac{\log 5}{\log 2}$$

(= $\log_2 5$) COB

b. $4^{2x-3} = 3^{x+2}$

$$\log(4^{2x-3}) = \log(3^{x+2})$$

$$(2x-3)\log 4 = (x+2)\log 3$$

$$2x \log 4 - 3 \log 4 = x \log 3 + 2 \log 3$$

$$2x \log 4 - x \log 3 = 2 \log 3 + 3 \log 4$$

$$x(2 \log 4 - \log 3) = 2 \log 3 + 3 \log 4$$

$$x(\log 4^2 - \log 3) = \log 3^2 + \log 4^3$$

$$x \left(\log \left(\frac{16}{3} \right) \right) = \log(3^2 \times 4^3)$$

Full $x = \frac{\log(3^2 \times 4^3)}{\log(16/3)}$

credit

$$= \log_{\frac{16}{3}}(3^2 \times 4^3)$$

Example Solve and check.

$$\begin{aligned} \log(3(2^{2x-1})) &= \log(6^x) \\ \log 3 + \log 2^{2x-1} &= \log(6^x) \\ \log 3 + (2x-1)\log 2 &= x \log 6 \\ \log 3 + 2x \log 2 - \log 2 &= x \log 6 \\ \log 3 - \log 2 &= x \log 6 - 2x \log 2 \\ \log 3 - \log 2 &= x(\log 6 - 2 \log 2) \\ \log\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) &= x\left(\log\left(\frac{6}{4}\right)\right) \\ x &= \frac{\log\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)}{\log\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$3(2^{2x-1}) = 6^x$$

CHECK

$$\begin{aligned} 3(2^{2(1)-1}) &= 6^1 \\ 3(2^{2-1}) &= 6 \\ 3(2) &= 6 \\ 6 &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

Example A car was purchased for \$15 000. The value of the car depreciates 15% of its previous value each year. To the nearest tenth of a year, how long will it take before it is worth only \$9 000?

$\uparrow t_2 = 1$
 $\Rightarrow t$ will be in years.

$$\begin{aligned} A &= A_0 (r)^{t/t_2} \\ 9000 &= 15000 (1 - 0.15)^t \\ \frac{3}{5} &= (0.85)^t \\ \log\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) &= \log(0.85^t) \\ \log\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) &= t \log(0.85) \\ t &= \frac{\log\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)}{\log(0.85)} = 3.14 \end{aligned}$$

~ 3.1 years.

Example A radioactive material has a half-life of 80 months. What percent of the sample is left after 48 months?

$$r = \frac{1}{2} \quad t_2 = 80 \quad t$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= A_0 (r)^{t/t_2} \\ \frac{A}{A_0} &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{48/80} \\ \frac{A}{A_0} &= 0.65975 \end{aligned}$$

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