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Learning Goal 0.2

Expectations for algebra from previous years.

Power Law

$$(x^a)^b = x^{a \cdot b}$$

Product Law

$$x^a x^b = x^{a+b}$$

Quotient Law

$$\frac{x^a}{x^b} = x^{a-b}$$

Change of Base

$$\longrightarrow$$

$$\log(x^a) = a \log x$$

$$\log(xy) = \log x + \log y$$

$$\log\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log x - \log y$$

$$\log_b x = \frac{\log_a x}{\log_a b}$$

$$\log(x+y) \neq \log x + \log y$$

Example Simplify the following expression, stating any possible restrictions on the variable.

a. $\log_8 32 + \log_{16} 2$

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$$\begin{aligned} &= \underbrace{\log_2 32}_{\log_2 8} + \underbrace{\log_2 2}_{\log_2 16} \\ &= \frac{5}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \\ &= \frac{20}{12} + \frac{3}{12} = 23/12 \end{aligned}$$

b. $4 \log_3 x - \frac{1}{2} (\log_3 x + 5 \log_3 x)$

POWER PRODUCT

$$\begin{aligned} &= 4 \log_3 x - \frac{1}{2} (\log_3 x + \log_3 x^5) \\ &= \underbrace{4 \log_3 x}_{\text{Power}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \log_3 x^6}_{\text{Product}} \\ &= \log_3 x^4 - \log_3 (x^6)^{1/2} \\ &= \log_3 x^4 - \log_3 x^3 \text{ Quotient} \\ &= \log_3 x \end{aligned}$$

c. $\log_7 x^4 + \frac{1}{3} (\log_7 x^2 - \log_7 \sqrt{5x})$

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{x^2}{(5x)^{1/2}} \right)^{1/3} = \log_7 x^4 + \frac{1}{3} (\log_7 x^2 - \log_7 (5x)^{1/2}) \\ &= \left(\frac{x^{3/2}}{5^{1/2}} \right)^{1/3} = \log_7 x^4 + \frac{1}{3} \log_7 \left(\frac{x^2}{(5x)^{1/2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{x^{1/2}}{5^{1/6}} = \log_7 x^4 + \log_7 \left(\frac{x^2}{(5x)^{1/2}} \right)^{1/3} \\ &= \log_7 x^{4/2} + \log_7 \left(\frac{x^{1/2}}{5^{1/6}} \right) \} \text{ PRODUCT} \\ &= \log_7 \left(\frac{x^{9/2}}{5^{1/6}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

d. $\frac{\log 16x^8}{4} - \frac{\log 27x}{3}$

POWER LAW

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{4} \log (16x^8) - \frac{1}{3} \log (27x) \\ &= \log (16x^8)^{1/4} - \log (27x)^{1/3} \\ &= \log (2x^2) - \log (3x^{1/3}) \\ &= \frac{\log (2x^2)}{\log (3x^{1/3})} \text{ QUOTIENT} \\ &= \log \left(\frac{2x^2}{3x^{1/3}} \right)^{1/3} \\ &= \log \left(\frac{2x^{5/3}}{3} \right) \\ &= \log \left(\frac{2x \times \sqrt[3]{x^2}}{3} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Assignment

Handout

Quiz Next Day!

Example Solve for x . State any restrictions on the variable and verify your answers.

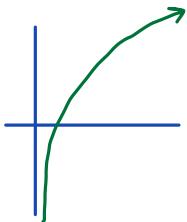
a. $\log_2 x = \log_2 18 - \log_2 6$ **Quotient**

$$\log_2 x = \log_2 \left(\frac{18}{6} \right)$$

$$2^{\log_2 x} = 2^{\log_2 3}$$

$$x = 3 \quad \checkmark$$

NPV: $x > 0$



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

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

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

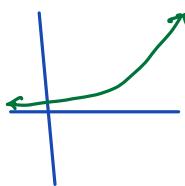
$$6(3x-1) = -4(2x+4)$$

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

$$18x = -8x - 10$$

$$26x = -10$$

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



c. $2 \log(3-x) = \log 4 + \log(6-x)$ **Power**

$$\log(3-x)^2 = \log 4 + \log(6-x) \quad \text{PRODUCT}$$

$$\log(3-x)^2 = \log 4 + \log(6-x)$$

$$(3-x)^2 = 4(6-x)$$

$$9 - 6x + x^2 = 24 - 4x$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 15 = 0$$

$$(x-5)(x+3) = 0$$

$$x=5$$

extraneous.

$$x=-3$$

$$3-x > 0$$

$$3 > x$$

$$6-x > 0$$

$$6 > x$$



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

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POWER

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

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

$$(10\log 2)x - \log 64 = (\log 3)x + \log 9$$

$$(10\log 2)x - (\log 3)x - \log 64 = \log 9$$

$$x(\log 16 - \log 3) = \log 9 + \log 64$$

$$x = \frac{\log 9 + \log 64}{\log 16 - \log 3}$$