

## 4.4 Exponential Fns

Defn  $f(x) = b^x$  is an exponential fn w/ base  $b$ . domain:  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

**WARNING**

Do not confuse an exponential fn w/ a power fn.

ex exponential:  $y = 5^x$  ← variable in exponent

power:  $y = x^5$  ← variable in base w/ fixed exponent

### Rules of Exponents

①  $b^p b^q = b^{p+q}$

②  $\frac{b^p}{b^q} = b^{p-q}$

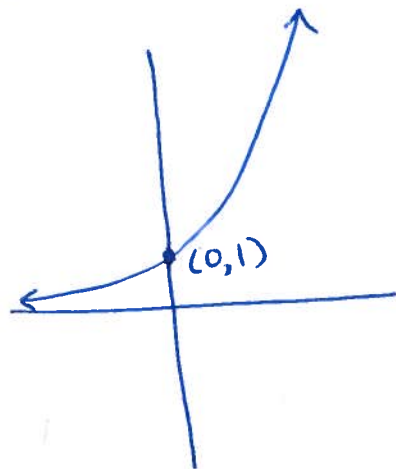
③  $(b^q)^p = b^{qp}$

④  $(ab)^p = a^p b^p$

⑤  $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^p = \frac{a^p}{b^p}$

Ex 1 Graph  $y = 2^x$  and  $y = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$  on same axes

General shape of exponential fn.  
 $y = b^x$ ,  $b > 1$



## 4.4 (cont)

Ex 2 Graph

$$y = 3^{x-1} + 4$$

### Compound Interest

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$$

A = future value of acct.

P = present value (principal)

r = annual interest rate

n = # compoundings / yr

t = # yrs

### Continuous Compounding

$$A = Pe^{rt}$$

### Interesting Fact

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = e$$

n	$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$
1	2
2	2.25
4	2.44
12	2.61
360	2.71

4.4 (cont)

EX 3 If I invest \$5,000 for 18 years  
earning 6.3% interest compounded  
quarterly, how much is it worth at the  
end?

## 4.5 logarithmic fns

Defn

$$x = \log_b A \Leftrightarrow b^x = A$$

$$, b > 0, b \neq 1, A > 0$$

read "log base b of A"

①  $b^x = b^y \Leftrightarrow x = y$

②  $\log_a x = \frac{\log_b x}{\log_b a}$

③  $\log x$  means  $\log_{10} x$

④  $\ln x$  means  $\log_e x$

⑤  $\log_b b^x = x$   
⑥  $b^{\log_b x} = x$

log and exponential of same base are inverse fns

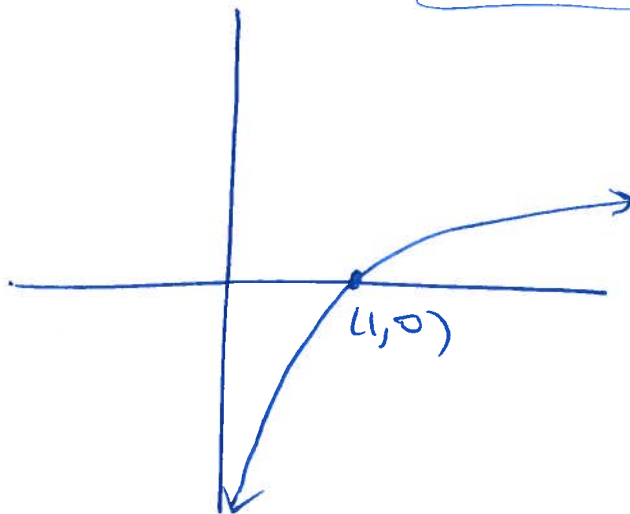
Ex 1 Rewrite in logarithmic form

(a)  $\frac{1}{3} = 9^{-1/2}$

(b)  $5^4 = 625$

General shape of  $y = \log_b x$

domain  
 $x > 0$



## 4.5 (cont)

Ex 2 Rewrite in exponential form

(a)  $\log_2 32 = 5$

(b)  $\log_3 \left(\frac{1}{81}\right) = -4$

Ex 3 Evaluate.

(a)  $\log_{\pi} \sqrt[3]{\pi}$

(b)  $\log_{217} 1$

Ex 4 Rewrite in base 10.

(a)  $\log_5 31$

(b)  $\log_3 2 \cdot 7$

4.5 (cont)

Ex 5 Graph

$$(a) y = \log_5(x+2) - 3$$

$$(b) y = |\log x|$$

## 4.6 Logarithmic Eqns

### Logarithmic Properties

$$\textcircled{1} \log_b(AB) = \log_b A + \log_b B$$

$$\textcircled{2} \log_b\left(\frac{A}{B}\right) = \log_b A - \log_b B$$

$$\textcircled{3} \log_b(A^p) = p \log_b A$$

Remember

Defn of  
log :

$$x^a = b \Leftrightarrow \log_x b = a$$

$$A, B, b > 0$$

$$b \neq 1$$

$$p \in \mathbb{R}$$

**WARNING**

$$\log_b(A+B) \neq \log_b A + \log_b B$$

$$\text{and } (\log_b A)^p \neq p \log_b A$$

EX1 Solve  $\log_5(x-1) = 2$

### Strategy to Solve Log Eqns

① Rewrite all log expressions as one log statement

② <sup>(i)</sup> Rewrite as exponential form using Defn of log

or <sup>(ii)</sup> exponentiate both sides (w/ same base as log)

③ finish solving

④ check answer!!!

$$\star \log_b \heartsuit = \log_b \star$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \heartsuit = \star$$

4.6 (cont)

Ex2 Use log properties to contract.

$$(a) \frac{1}{2} \log(3x+1) - [\log(x+1) - \frac{3}{2} \log(3x+1)]$$

$$(b) \log(x^3-8) - \log(x^2+2x+4)$$

Ex3 Solve  $5 \ln x - 6 = 104$



4.6 (cont)

Ex 4 Solve.

(a)  $2 \ln x^2 = 4$

(b)  $\log(\log x) = 1$

(c)  $\log_7 x - \frac{1}{2} \log_7 4 = \frac{1}{2} \log_7 (2x-3)$

## 4.7 Exponential Eqs

Exponential growth/decay models:

$$A = A_0 e^{rt}$$

$r =$  growth/decay rate ( $r > 0$  growth,  $r < 0$  decay)

$t =$  time

$A_0 =$  initial amt of stuff

$A =$  amt of stuff at time  $t$

Ex 1 Solve

(a)  $6^{5x-3} = 5$

(b)  $3(5^x) + 30 = 105$

Remember: Defn log

$$x^a = b \Leftrightarrow \log_x b = a$$

Strategy to Solve Exponential Eqs

- ① Isolate exponential term
- ② (i) use defn of log to rewrite it as log eqn  
or (ii) take log of both sides (of same base as exponential)
- ③ finish solving

## 4.7 (cont)

Ex 2 Solve.

$$(a) \left(1 + \frac{0.055}{12}\right)^{12x} = 2$$

$$(b) 850 = 55(4)^{0.08x^2}$$

$$(c) 850 = 55(10)^{0.08x^2}$$

4.7 (cont)

Ex 3 Solve.

$$(a) \frac{4^x - 4^{-x}}{5} = 50$$

$$(b) x^2(3^x) = 9(3^x)$$

4.7 (cont)

Ex 4 Solve for  $n$ .  $N = 80(1 - e^{kn})$

Ex 5 The half-life of  $^{22}\text{Na}$  sodium-22 is 2.6 yrs.  
If 15.5g of an original 100g specimen remains,  
how many years have elapsed?