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$\log x$ is the exponent to which the base 10 must be raised to get x . So we can complete the following table for $\log x$.

x	10^3	10^2	10^1	10^0	10^{-1}	10^{-2}	10^{-3}	$10^{1/2}$
$\log x$	3 3	2 2	1 1	0 0	-1 -1	-2 -2	-3 -3	1/2 1/2

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Express the equation in exponential form.

(a) $\log_8 0.125 = -1$

$8^{-1} = 0.125$

$8^{-1} = 0.125$

(b) $\log_9 81 = 2$

$9^2 = 81$

$9^2 = 81$

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Express the equation in exponential form.

(a) $\ln(x + 5) = 7$

$e^7 = x + 5$

$e^7 = x + 5$

(b) $\ln(x - 7) = 2$

$e^2 = x - 7$

$e^2 = x - 7$

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Express the equation in logarithmic form.

(a) $e^x = 8$

$x = \ln(8)$

✓ $\ln 8 = x$

(b) $e^6 = y$

$6 = \ln(y)$

✓ $\ln y = 6$

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Express the equation in logarithmic form.

(a) $e^{x+1} = 0.3$

$\ln(0.3) = x + 1$

✓ $\ln 0.3 = x + 1$

(b) $e^{0.6x} = t$

$\ln(t) = 0.6x$

✓ $\ln t = 0.6x$

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Evaluate the expression.

(a) $\log_4 4^5$

5 ✓

(b) $\log_5 25$

2 ✓

(c) $\log_4 64$

3 ✓

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Evaluate the expression.

(a) $\log_3 \left(\frac{1}{81} \right)$

-4 ✓

(b) $\log_9 \sqrt{9}$

1/2 ✓

(c) $\log_4 0.25$

-1 ✓

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Evaluate the expression.

(a) $4^{\log_4 36}$

\$\$36

✓

(b) $3^{\log_3 8}$

\$\$8

✓

(c) $e^{\ln \sqrt{15}}$

\$\$\sqrt{15}

✓

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Use the definition of the logarithmic function to find x .

(a) $\log_4 x = 3$

$x =$ ✓

(b) $\log_4 0.25 = x$

$x =$ ✓

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Use the definition of the logarithmic function to find x .

(a) $\log_4 2 = x$

$x =$ ✓

(b) $\log_4 x = 2$

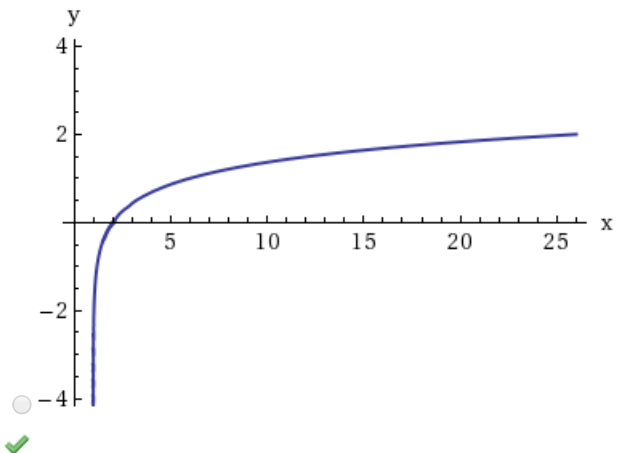
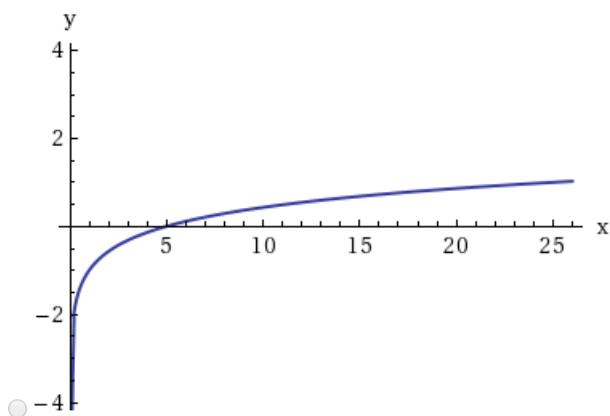
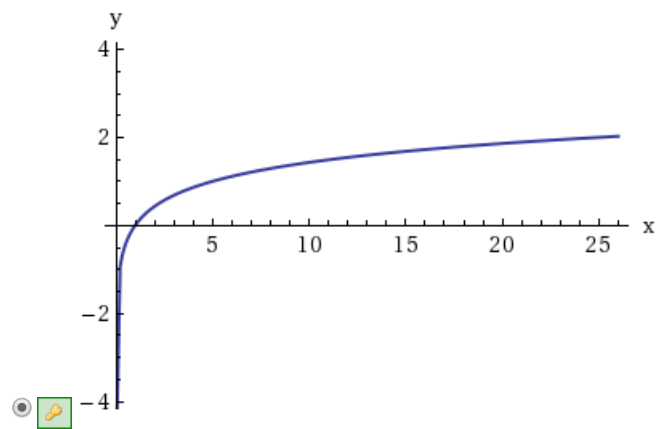
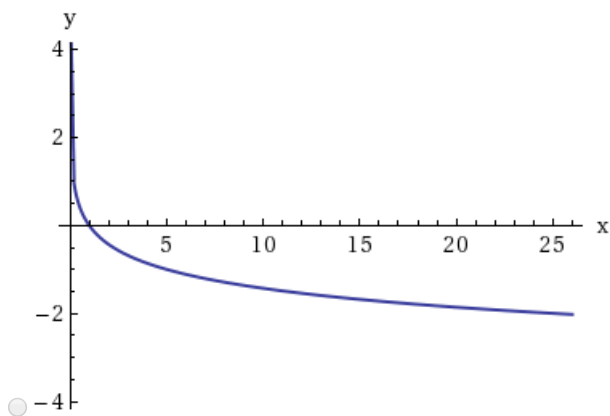
$x =$ ✓

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Sketch the graph of the function by plotting points.

$$g(x) = \log_5 x$$

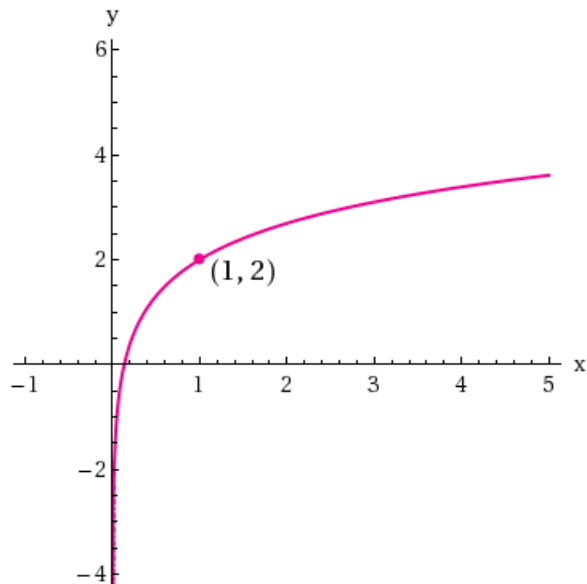
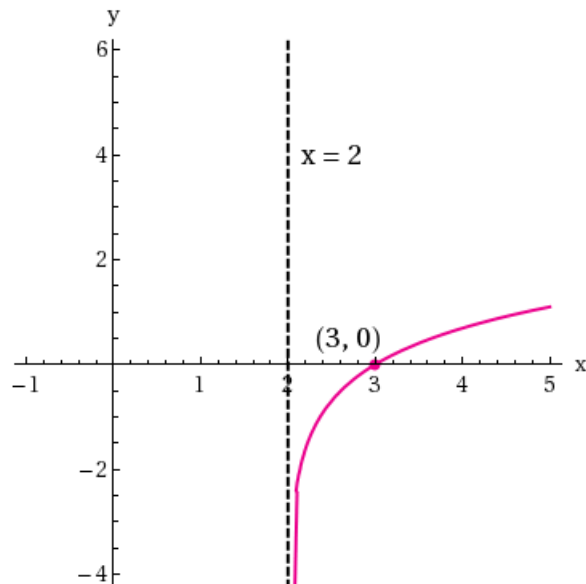
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Match the logarithmic function with one of the graphs labeled I or II.

$$f(x) = \ln(x - 2)$$

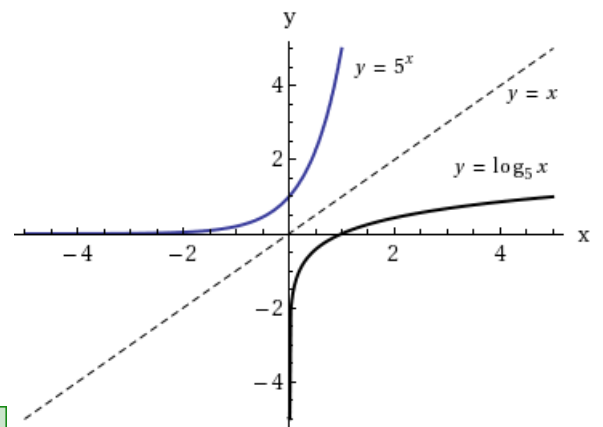
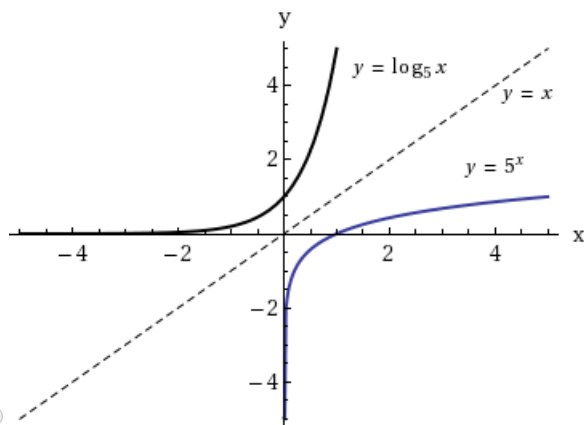
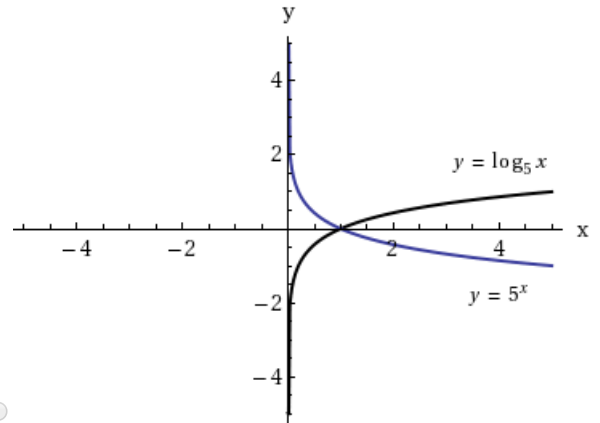
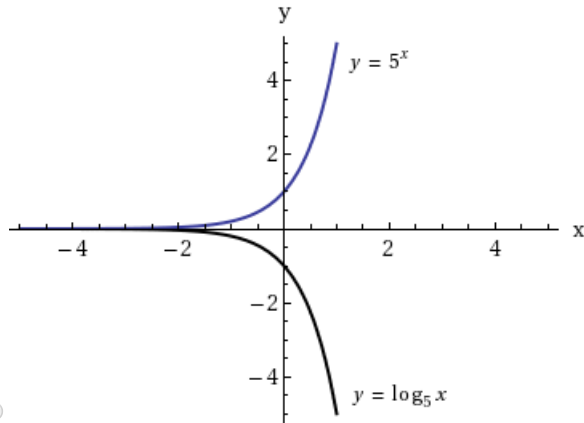
I**II**

- ☐ The graph of $f(x) = \ln(x - 2)$ is graph I.
- ☒  The graph of $f(x) = \ln(x - 2)$ is graph II.



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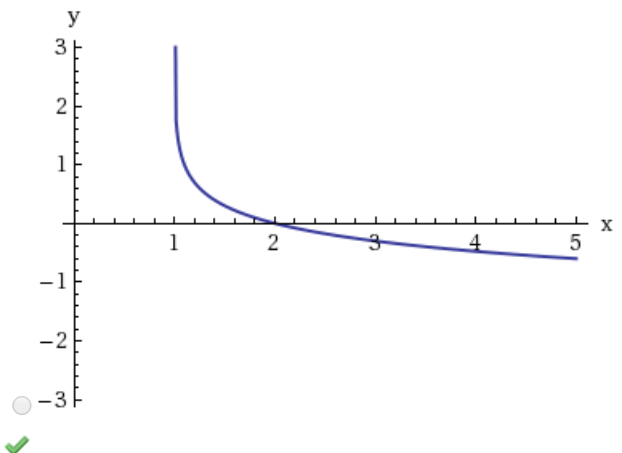
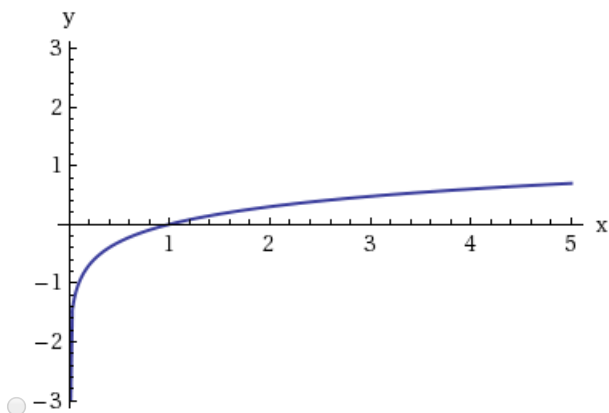
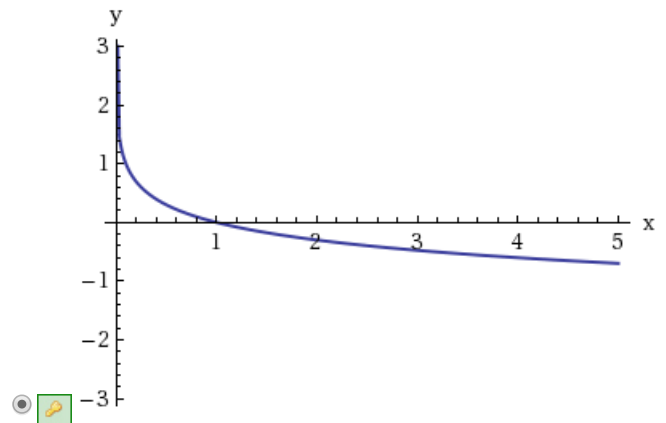
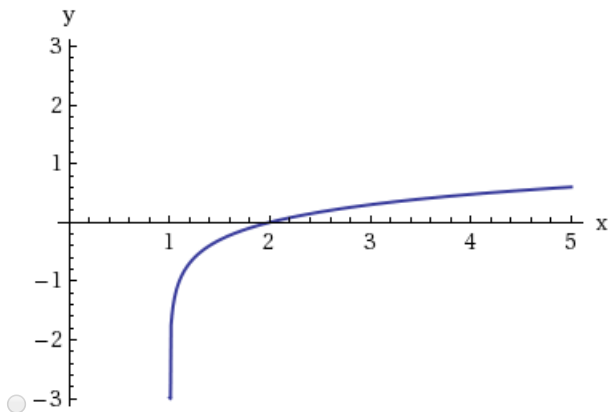
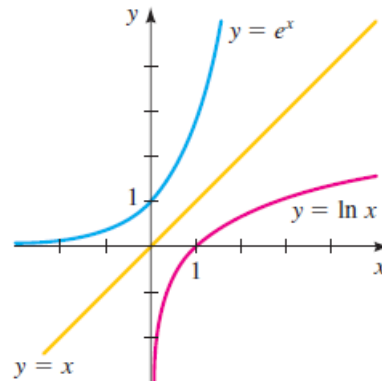
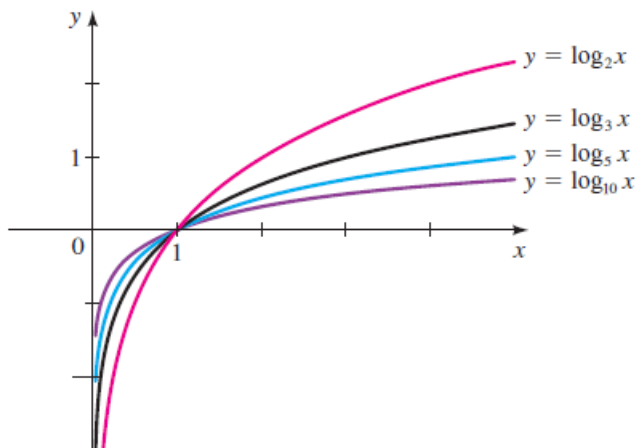
Draw the graph of $y = 5^x$, then use it to draw the graph of $y = \log_5 x$.



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Graph the function, not by plotting points, but by starting from the graphs in the figures below.

$$f(x) = -\log_{10} x$$



State the domain and the range. (Enter your answers using interval notation.)

\$(0, \infty)\$

domain



\$(0, \infty)\$

range

\$(-\infty, \infty)\$


 $(-\infty, \infty)$

State the asymptote.

$x=0$


 $x = 0$

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Find the domain of the function. (Enter your answer using interval notation.)

$$f(x) = \log_6(6 - 3x)$$

$(-\infty, 2)$


 $(-\infty, 2)$

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Find the domain of the function. (Enter your answer using interval notation.)

$$g(x) = \log_3(x^2 - 4)$$

$(-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$


 $(-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$

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Find the domain of the function. (Enter your answer using interval notation.)

$$h(x) = \sqrt{x - 3} - \log_3(9 - x)$$

$[3, 9)$


 $[3, 9)$

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Let's solve the logarithmic equation $\log 3 + \log(x - 6) = \log x$.

(a) First, we combine the logarithms to get the equivalent equation

$\log(3(x-6))$

$= \log x$.


 $\log(3(x-6))$

(b) Next, we write each side in exponential form to get the equivalent equation

$3(x-6)$

$= x$.


 $3(x-6)$

(c) Now we find $x = 9$ 9 .

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Solve the equation.

$$x^2 2^x - 81(2^x) = 0$$

$$x = \boxed{-9} \quad \text{✓} \quad \boxed{-9} \quad \text{(smaller value)}$$

$$x = \boxed{9} \quad \text{✓} \quad \boxed{9} \quad \text{(larger value)}$$

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Solve the logarithmic equation for x.

$$\log(x - 6) = 2$$

$$x = \boxed{106} \quad \text{✓} \quad \boxed{106}$$

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Solve the logarithmic equation for x.

$$4 - \log(5 - x) = 3$$

$$x = \boxed{-5} \quad \text{✓} \quad \boxed{-5}$$

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Differentiate the function.

$$f(x) = \sin(3 \ln(x))$$

$$f'(x) =$$

$$3 \cos(3 \ln(x))$$

$$\frac{3 \cos(3 \ln(x))}{x}$$



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Differentiate the function.

$$f(x) = \ln(64 \sin^2(x))$$

$$f'(x) =$$

$$128 \sin(x) \cos(x)$$

$$2 \cot(x)$$



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Differentiate the function.

$$G(y) = \ln\left(\frac{(4y+1)^5}{\sqrt{y^2+1}}\right)$$

$$G'(y) =$$

$$\frac{16y^2 - y + 20}{(4y+1)(y^2+1)}$$

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Solution or Explanation

$$G(y) = \ln\left(\frac{(4y+1)^5}{\sqrt{y^2+1}}\right) = \ln(4y+1)^5 - \ln(y^2+1)^{1/2} = 5 \ln(4y+1) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(y^2+1) \Rightarrow$$

$$G'(y) = 5 \cdot \frac{1}{4y+1} \cdot 4 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{y^2+1} \cdot 2y = \frac{20}{4y+1} - \frac{y}{y^2+1} \left[\text{or } \frac{16y^2 - y + 20}{(4y+1)(y^2+1)} \right]$$

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Differentiate the function.

$$F(s) = \ln(\ln(6s))$$

$$F'(s) =$$

$$\frac{1}{s \ln(6s)}$$

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Solution or Explanation

$$F(s) = \ln(\ln(6s)) \Rightarrow F'(s) = \frac{1}{\ln(6s)} \frac{d}{ds}(\ln(6s)) = \frac{1}{\ln(6s)} \cdot \frac{1}{s} = \frac{1}{s \ln(6s)}$$

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Differentiate the function.

$$y = \tan(\ln(ax+b))$$

$$y' =$$

$$\sec^2(\ln(ax+b)) \left(\frac{a}{ax+b} \right)$$

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Solution or Explanation

$$y = \tan(\ln(ax+b)) \Rightarrow y' = \sec^2(\ln(ax+b)) \cdot \frac{1}{ax+b} \cdot a = \sec^2(\ln(ax+b)) \frac{a}{ax+b}$$

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Find y' and y'' .

$$y = \sqrt{x} \ln(x)$$

$$y' = \frac{12(x) - 12}{[ln(x)]} + [\sqrt{x}][1x]$$

$y' =$

$$\frac{\ln(x) + 2}{2\sqrt{x}}$$



$y'' =$

(No Response)

$$-\frac{\ln(x)}{4x^{3/2}}$$

Solution or Explanation

$$y = \sqrt{x} \ln(x) \Rightarrow y' = \sqrt{x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + (\ln(x)) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} = \frac{2 + \ln(x)}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\Rightarrow y'' = \frac{2\sqrt{x}(1/x) - (2 + \ln(x))(1/\sqrt{x})}{(2\sqrt{x})^2} = \frac{2/\sqrt{x} - (2 + \ln(x))(1/\sqrt{x})}{4x} = \frac{2 - (2 + \ln(x))}{\sqrt{x}(4x)} = -\frac{\ln(x)}{4x\sqrt{x}}$$

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Differentiate f and find the domain of f . (Enter the domain in interval notation.)

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{1 - \ln(x - 3)}$$

$$y' = \frac{[1 - \ln(x - 3)] + [xx - 3][1 - \ln(x - 3)]^2}{[1 - \ln(x - 3)]^3}$$

derivative

$f'(x) =$

$$\frac{2x - 3 - (x - 3) \ln(x - 3)}{(x - 3)(1 - \ln(x - 3))^2}$$



$$y' = \frac{[1 - \ln(x - 3)] + [xx - 3][1 - \ln(x - 3)]^2}{[1 - \ln(x - 3)]^3}$$

domain

$$(3, 3 + e) \cup (3 + e, \infty)$$



$$(3, 3 + e) \cup (3 + e, \infty)$$

Solution or Explanation

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Differentiate f and find the domain of f . (Enter the domain in interval notation.)

$$f(x) = \ln(x^2 - 18x)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2(x-9)}{x(x-18)}$$

derivative $f'(x) =$

$$\frac{2(x-9)}{x(x-18)}$$



$$(-\infty, 0) \cup (18, \infty)$$

domain

$$(-\infty, 0) \cup (18, \infty)$$



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Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

$$y = \ln(x^2 - 4x + 1), \quad (4, 0)$$

$y =$

$$4x - 16$$



$$4x - 16$$

Solution or Explanation

$$y = \ln(x^2 - 4x + 1) \Rightarrow y' = \frac{1}{x^2 - 4x + 1} \cdot (2x - 4) \Rightarrow y'(4) = \frac{1}{1} \cdot 4 = 4, \text{ so an equation of a tangent line at } (4, 0) \text{ is}$$

$$y - 0 = 4(x - 4), \text{ or } y = 4x - 16.$$

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Let $f(x) = cx + \ln(\cos(x))$. For what value of c is $f'(\pi/4) = 4$?

$c =$

$$5$$



$$5$$

Solution or Explanation

$$f(x) = cx + \ln(\cos(x)) \Rightarrow f'(x) = c + \frac{1}{\cos(x)} \cdot (-\sin(x)) = c - \tan(x).$$

$$f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 4 \Rightarrow c - \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 4 \Rightarrow c - 1 = 4 \Rightarrow c = 5.$$

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Use logarithmic differentiation to find the derivative of the function.

$$y = x^{5x}$$

$$y' =$$

$$5x^{5x} [5 \ln(x) + 5]$$



$$5x^{5x} (1 + \ln(x))$$

Solution or Explanation

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Use logarithmic differentiation to find the derivative of the function.

$$y = (\sqrt{x})^{3x}$$

$$y' =$$

$$\frac{3}{2} [32 \ln(x) + 32] [\sqrt{x}]^{3x}$$



$$\frac{3}{2} (\ln(x) + 1) (x^{\frac{3}{2}x})$$

Solution or Explanation

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$$y' =$$

$$\frac{\ln(y) - (y/x) \ln(x) - x/y}{\ln(x) - x/y}$$



$$\frac{\ln(y) - \frac{y}{x}}{\ln(x) - \frac{x}{y}}$$

Solution or Explanation

$$\begin{aligned} x^y = y^x &\Rightarrow y \ln(x) = x \ln(y) \\ &\Rightarrow y \cdot \frac{1}{x} + (\ln(x)) \cdot y' = x \cdot \frac{1}{y} \cdot y' + \ln(y) \\ &\Rightarrow y' \ln(x) - \frac{x}{y} y' = \ln(y) - \frac{y}{x} \\ &\Rightarrow y' = \frac{\ln(y) - y/x}{\ln(x) - x/y} \end{aligned}$$

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Differentiate the function.

$$f(x) = \log_3(xe^x)$$

$$f'(x) =$$

$$\frac{1}{x} \ln(3) + \frac{1}{e}$$

$$\frac{1+x}{x \ln(3)}$$



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EXAMPLE 6 Find $f'(x)$ if $f(x) = \ln(|4x|)$.

SOLUTION Since

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \ln(4x) & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \ln(-4x) & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

it follows that

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4x} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(4x) = \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \frac{1}{-4x} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(-4x) = \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Thus, $f'(x) =$

$$\frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} \text{ for all } x \neq 0.$$



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A common inhabitant of human intestines is the bacterium *Escherichia coli*, named after the German pediatrician Theodor Escherich, who identified it in 1885. A cell of this bacterium in a nutrient-broth medium divides into two cells every 20 minutes. The initial population of a culture is 40 cells.

(a) Find the relative growth rate.

$k =$

$3 \cdot \ln(2)$

✓ $\ln(8) \text{ hr}^{-1}$

(b) Find an expression for the number of cells after t hours.

$P(t) =$

$40 \cdot 2^{3t}$

✓ $40(8^t)$

(c) Find the number of cells after 3 hours.

20480

✓



20,480

cells

(d) Find the rate of growth after 3 hours. (Round your answer to the nearest integer.)

42587

✓



42,587

cells/h

(e) When will the population reach a million cells? (Round your answer to two decimal places.)

4.87

✓



4.87

h

Solution or Explanation

(a) By Theorem 2, $P(t) = P(0)e^{kt} = 40e^{kt}$. In 20 minutes $\left(\frac{1}{3} \text{ hour}\right)$, there are 80 cells, so

$$P\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 40e^{k/3} = 80 \Rightarrow e^{k/3} = 2 \Rightarrow k/3 = \ln(2) \Rightarrow k = 3 \ln(2) = \ln(2^3) = \ln(8).$$

$$(b) \quad P(t) = 40e^{(\ln(8))t} = 40 \cdot 8^t$$

$$(c) \quad P(3) = 40 \cdot 8^3 = 40 \cdot 2^9 = 20,480 \text{ cells}$$

$$(d) \quad \frac{dP}{dt} = kP \Rightarrow P'(3) = kP(3) = (\ln(8))P(3) \approx 42,587 \text{ cells/h}$$

$$(e) \quad P(t) = 10^6 \Leftrightarrow 40 \cdot 8^t = 1,000,000 \Leftrightarrow 8^t = 25,000 \Leftrightarrow t \ln(8) = \ln(25,000) \Leftrightarrow t = \frac{\ln(25,000)}{\ln(8)} \text{ h} \approx 4.87$$

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The half-life of cesium-137 is 30 years. Suppose we have a 200-mg sample.

(a) Find the mass that remains after t years.

$y(t) =$

$200e^{130(-\ln(2))t}$

✓ $200 \cdot 2^{-\frac{t}{30}}$ mg

(b) How much of the sample remains after 130 years? (Round your answer to two decimal places.)

9.92 ✓  9.92 mg

(c) After how long will only 1 mg remain? (Round your answer to one decimal place.)

$t =$ 199.3 ✗  229.3 yr

Solution or Explanation

(a) If $y(t)$ is the mass (in mg) remaining after t years then

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= y(0)e^{kt} \\ &= 200e^{kt}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(30) &= 200e^{30k} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(200) \end{aligned}$$

$$e^{30k} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$k = -\frac{\ln(2)}{30}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= 200e^{-(\ln(2))t/30} \\ &= 200 \cdot 2^{-t/30} \text{ mg} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad y(130) &= 200 \cdot 2^{-130/30} \\ &\approx 9.92 \text{ mg} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c) \quad 200e^{-(\ln(2))t/30} &= 1 \\ -\frac{(\ln(2))t}{30} &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{200}\right) \\ t &= -30 \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{200}\right)}{\ln(2)} \\ &\approx 229.3 \text{ years} \end{aligned}$$

39. -/1 pointsSCalcET8 3.8.011.

Scientists can determine the age of ancient objects by a method called *radiocarbon dating*. The bombardment of the upper atmosphere by cosmic rays converts nitrogen to a radioactive isotope of carbon, ^{14}C , with a half-life of about 5730 years. Vegetation absorbs carbon dioxide through the atmosphere and animal life assimilates ^{14}C through food chains. When a plant or animal dies, it stops replacing its carbon and the amount of ^{14}C begins to decrease through radioactive decay. Therefore, the level of radioactivity must also decay exponentially.

A parchment fragment was discovered that had about 74% as much ^{14}C radioactivity as does plant material on Earth today. Estimate the age of the parchment. (Round your answer to the nearest hundred years.)

(No Response)  2500 yr

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(a) If \$800 is borrowed at 9% interest, find the amounts due at the end of 3 years if the interest is compounded as follows. (Round your answers to the nearest cent.)

(i) annually

\$1036.02 ✓  1036.02

(ii) quarterly

\$1044.83 ✓  1044.84

(iii) monthly

\$1046.92 ✓  1046.92

(iv) weekly

\$1047.73 ✓  1047.73

(v) daily

\$1047.94 ✓  1047.94

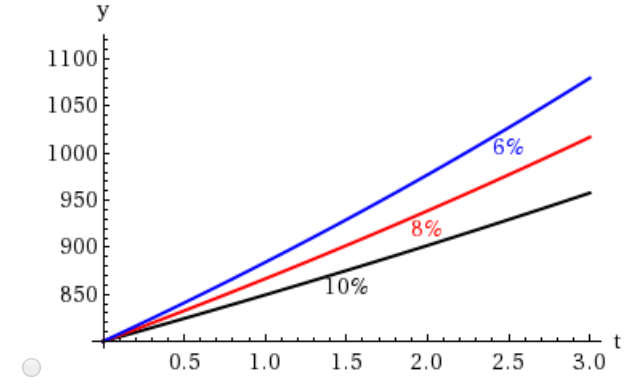
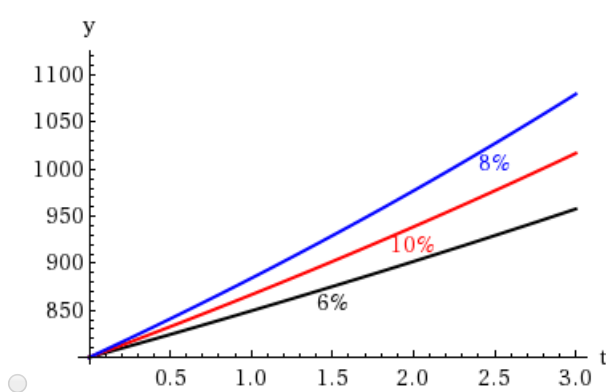
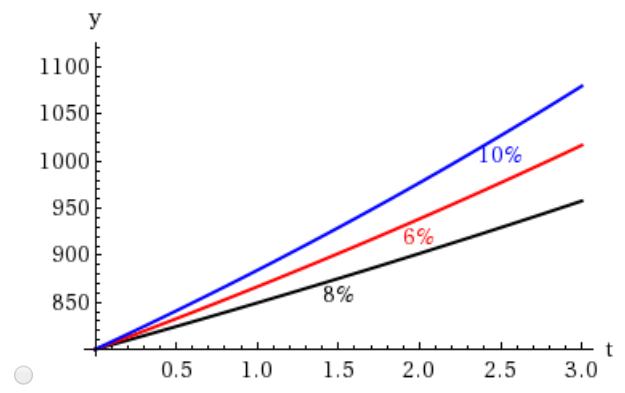
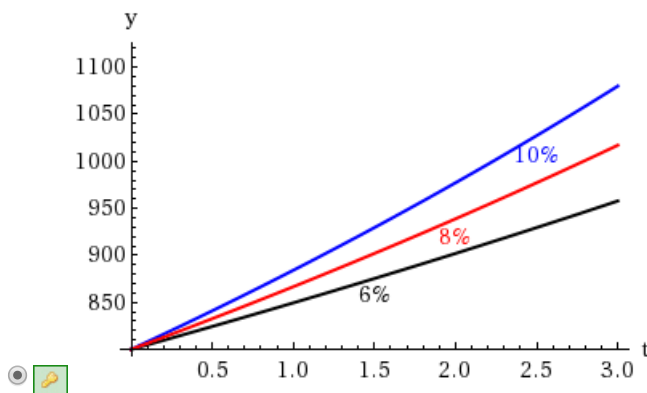
(vi) hourly

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(vii) continuously

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(b) Suppose \$800 is borrowed and the interest is compounded continuously. If $A(t)$ is the amount due after t years, where $0 \leq t \leq 3$, graph $A(t)$ for each of the interest rates 6%, 8%, and 10% on a common screen.



Solution or Explanation

(a) Using $A = A_0 \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$ with $A_0 = 800$, $r = 0.09$, and $t = 3$ we have:

(i) Annually: $n = 1$; $A = 800 \left(1 + \frac{0.09}{1}\right)^{1 \cdot 3} = \1036.02

(ii) Quarterly: $n = 4$; $A = 800 \left(1 + \frac{0.09}{4}\right)^{4 \cdot 3} = \1044.84

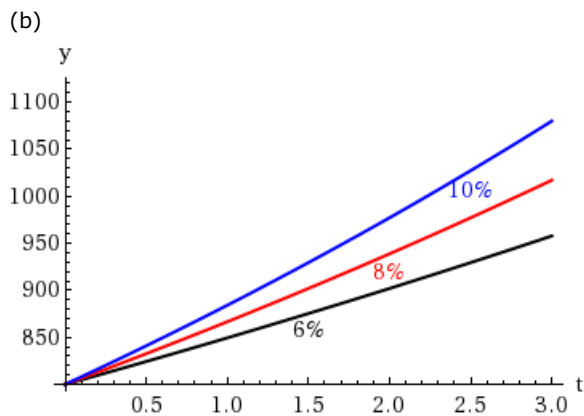
(iii) Monthly: $n = 12$; $A = 800 \left(1 + \frac{0.09}{12}\right)^{12 \cdot 3} = \1046.92

(iv) Weekly: $n = 52$; $A = 800 \left(1 + \frac{0.09}{52}\right)^{52 \cdot 3} = \1047.73

(v) Daily: $n = 365$; $A = 800 \left(1 + \frac{0.09}{365}\right)^{365 \cdot 3} = \1047.94

(vi) Hourly: $n = 365 \cdot 24$; $A = 800 \left(1 + \frac{0.09}{365 \cdot 24}\right)^{365 \cdot 24 \cdot 3} = \1047.97

(vii) Continuously: $A = 800e^{(0.09)3} = \$1047.97$




$A_{0.10}(3) = \$1079.89$,

$A_{0.08}(3) = \$1017.00$, and

$A_{0.06}(3) = \$957.77$.

41. -/0 pointsSCalcET8 3.8.012.

Dinosaur fossils are too old to be reliably dated using carbon-14, which has a half-life of about 5730 years. Suppose we had a 69 million year old dinosaur fossil. How much of the living dinosaur's ^{14}C would be remaining today? (Round your answer to five decimal places.)

(No Response)  0 %

Suppose the minimum detectable amount is 0.6%. What is the maximum age of a fossil that we could date using ^{14}C ? (Round your answer to the nearest integer.)

(No Response)  42,292 yr

Solution or Explanation

Let $y(t)$ be the amount of ^{14}C at time t . Thus, $y(t) = y(0)e^{-kt}$ and k is determined by using the half-life:

$$y(5730) = \frac{1}{2}y(0) \Rightarrow y(0)e^{-k(5730)} = \frac{1}{2}y(0) \Rightarrow e^{-5730k} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow -5730k = \ln \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow k = -\frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{5730} = \frac{\ln 2}{5730}.$$

The fraction of ^{14}C remaining in a 69 million year old dinosaur is $\frac{y(69 \cdot 10^6)}{y(0)} = e^{-(69 \cdot 10^6) \ln 2 / 5730} \approx 0$.

With a 0.6% threshold, detecting ^{14}C requires that

$$\frac{y(t)}{y(0)} \geq 0.006 \Rightarrow e^{-(\ln 2 / 5730)t} \geq 0.006 \Rightarrow -\frac{\ln 2}{5730}t \geq \ln 0.006 \Rightarrow t \leq -\frac{5730 \cdot \ln 0.006}{\ln 2} \approx 42,292 \text{ years}.$$

42. 2/2 points | [Previous Answers](#)SCalcET8 3.8.022.

(a) How long will it take an investment to double in value if the interest rate is 11% compounded continuously? (Round your answer to two decimal places.)

6.30   6.30 yr

(b) What is the equivalent annual interest rate? (Round your answer to two decimal places.)

11.63   11.63 %

Solution or Explanation

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