

# Chapter 3 — Calculus of logarithmic functions

## Exercise 3.2 – The natural logarithm

1 a  $\log_e x = 1$

$$x = e^1$$

b  $\log_e x = 2$

$$x = e^2$$

c  $\log_e x = -2$

$$x = e^{-2}$$

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

$$\approx 0.135$$

d  $\log_e x = -1$

$$x = e^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{e}$$

$$\approx 0.368$$

e  $\log_e x = 0.3$

$$x = e^{0.3}$$

$$x \approx 1.350$$

f  $\log_e x = -0.69$

$$x = e^{-0.69}$$

$$x \approx 0.502$$

2 a  $\log_e 2x = 2$

$$2x = e^2$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}e^2$$

$$x \approx 3.695$$

b  $\log_e 3x = 1$

$$3x = e$$

$$x = \frac{e}{3}$$

$$x \approx 0.906$$

c  $\log_e x^3 = 3$

$$x^3 = e^3$$

$$x = e$$

3 a  $\log_e(x-1) = -1$

$$x-1 = e^{-1}$$

$$x-1 = 0.368$$

$$x = 1.368$$

b  $\log_e(2x+1) = -2$

$$2x+1 = e^{-2}$$

$$2x+1 = 0.135$$

$$2x = -0.865$$

$$x = -0.432$$

c  $\log_e(-x) = 0.36$

$$-x = e^{0.36}$$

$$-x = 1.433$$

$$x = -1.433$$

d  $\log_e(-x) = 0.72$

$$-x = e^{0.72}$$

$$-x = 2.054$$

$$x = -2.054$$

e  $\log_e(1-x) = -0.54$

$$1-x = e^{-0.54}$$

$$1-x = 0.583$$

$$-x = -0.417$$

$$x = 0.417$$

f  $\log_e(2+x) = -0.83$

$$2+x = e^{-0.83}$$

$$2+x = 0.436$$

$$x = -1.564$$

4 a  $\log_e x + \log_e 5 = 8$

$$\log_e 5x = 8$$

$$5x = e^8$$

$$x = \frac{e^8}{5} \approx 596.192$$

b  $2 \ln x - \ln 5 = 9$  for  $x > 0$

$$\ln x^2 - \ln 5 = 9$$

$$\ln \frac{x^2}{5} = 9$$

$$\frac{x^2}{5} = e^9$$

$$x^2 = 5e^9$$

$$x = \sqrt{5e^9} \text{ since } x > 0 \text{ for log to be defined.}$$

$$x \approx 201.284$$

c  $1 + \ln x = \ln 6$

$$\ln e + \ln x = \ln 6$$

$$\ln ex = \ln 6$$

$$ex = 6$$

$$x = \frac{6}{e}$$

d  $2 - \log_e x = \log_e 10$

$$2 \log_e e - \log_e x = \log_e 10$$

$$\log_e e^2 - \log_e x = \log_e 10$$

$$\log_e \left( \frac{e^2}{x} \right) = \log_e 10$$

$$\frac{e^2}{x} = 10$$

$$e^2 = 10x$$

$$x = \frac{e^2}{10}$$

5 a  $\log_e x + \log_e 5 - \log_e 10 = \log_e 3$

$$\log_e \left( \frac{5x}{10} \right) = \log_e 3$$

$$\frac{x}{2} = 3$$

$$x = 6$$

$$\text{b } \log_e x + \log_e 3 - \log_e 9 = \log_e 4$$

$$\log_e \left( \frac{3x}{9} \right) = \log_e 4$$

$$\frac{x}{3} = 4$$

$$x = 12$$

$$\text{c } 2 \log_e 3 + \log_e x - \log_e 2 = \log_e 3$$

$$\log_e \left( \frac{3^2 x}{2} \right) = \log_e 3$$

$$\frac{9x}{2} = 3$$

$$x = \frac{6}{9}$$

$$x = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{d } 3 \log_e 2 + \log_e x - \log_e 4 = \log_e 5$$

$$\log_e \left( \frac{2^3 x}{4} \right) = \log_e 5$$

$$\frac{8x}{4} = 5$$

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

$$x = 2.5$$

$$\text{e } \log_e 6 + \log_e 2 - \log_e x = \log_e 4$$

$$\log_e \left( \frac{6 \times 2}{x} \right) = \log_e 4$$

$$\frac{12}{x} = 4$$

$$x = 3$$

$$\text{f } \log_e 4 + \log_e 3 - \log_e x = \log_e 2$$

$$\log_e \left( \frac{4 \times 3}{x} \right) = \log_e 2$$

$$\frac{12}{x} = 2$$

$$x = 6$$

$$\text{6 a } \log_e x + \log_e (x+1) = \log_e 2$$

$$\log_e x(x+1) = \log_e 2$$

$$x(x+1) = 2$$

$$x^2 + x - 2 = 0$$

$$(x+2)(x-1) = 0$$

$$x = -2 \text{ or } x = 1$$

no real solution for  $x = -2$

$$x = 1$$

$$\text{b } \log_e x + \log_e (2x-1) = \log_e 3$$

$$\log_e x(2x-1) = \log_e 3$$

$$x(2x-1) = 3$$

$$2x^2 - x - 3 = 0$$

$$(2x-3)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } x = -1$$

$x = -1$  gives no real solution.

$$\text{So } x = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5$$

$$\text{c } \log_e (x-1) + \log_e (x+2) = \log_e 4$$

$$\log_e (x-1)(x+2) = \log_e 4$$

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

$$x^2 + x - 2 - 4 = 0$$

$$x^2 + x - 6 = 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-2) = 0$$

$$x = -3 \text{ or } x = 2$$

$x = -3$  gives no real solution

So  $x = 2$

$$\text{d } \log_e (x+1) + \log_e (2x-1) = \log_e 5$$

$$\log_e (x+1)(2x-1) = \log_e 5$$

$$(x+1)(2x-1) = 5$$

$$2x^2 + x - 1 - 5 = 0$$

$$2x^2 + x - 6 = 0$$

$$(2x-3)(x+2) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } x = -2$$

$x = -2$  gives no real solution

$$\text{So } x = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5$$

$$\text{7 } \ln y = \ln x + \ln a$$

$$\ln y = \ln(ax)$$

$$y = ax$$

Answer is **B**

$$\text{8 } 2 \log_e x - \log_e 3x = a$$

$$\log_e x^2 - \log_e 3x$$

$$\log_e \left( \frac{x^2}{3x} \right) = a$$

$$\frac{x}{3} = e^a, x \neq 0$$

$$x = 3e^a$$

Answer is **A**

$$\text{9 } 2 \log_e x + 1 = \log_e y$$

$$\log_e x^2 + \log_e e = \log_e y$$

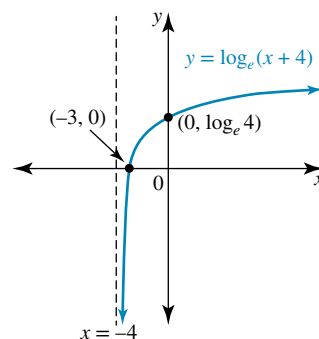
$$\log_e (ex^2) = \log_e y$$

$$y = ex^2$$

$$\text{10 a } \text{Graph cuts } y\text{-axis when } x = 0,$$

$$y = \log_e (4) = 1.386$$

Domain =  $(-4, \infty)$  and Range =  $R$



$$\text{b } \text{Graph cuts } x\text{-axis when } y = 0,$$

$$\log_e (x) + 2 = 0$$

$$\log_e (x) = -2$$

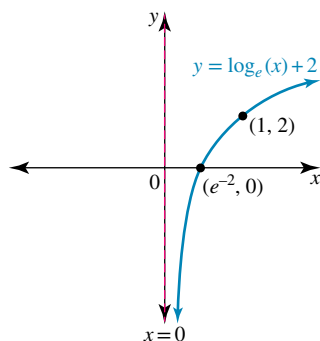
$$e^{-2} = x$$

$$0.1353 = x$$

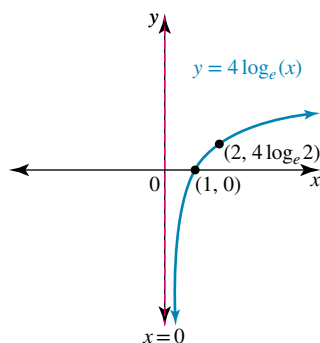
When  $x = 2$ ,

$$y = \log_e(2) + 2 = 2.69$$

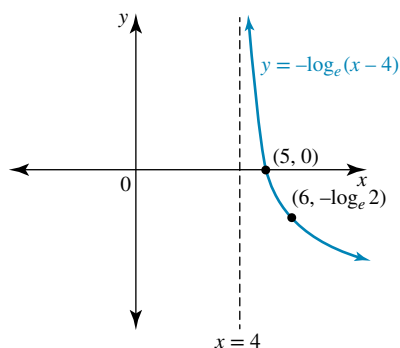
$$\text{Domain} = (0, \infty) \text{ and Range} = \mathbb{R}$$



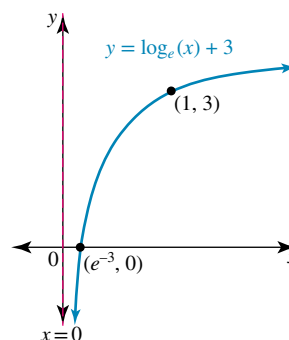
- c** Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ ,
- $$4 \log_e(x) = 0$$
- $$\log_e(x) = 0$$
- $$e^0 = x$$
- $$1 = x$$
- When  $x = 2$ ,
- $$y = 4 \log_e(2)$$
- $$\text{Domain} = (0, \infty) \text{ and Range} = \mathbb{R}$$



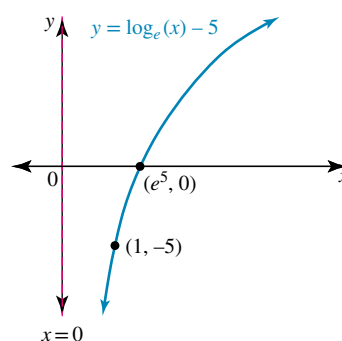
- d** Graph cuts the  $x$ -axis where  $y = 0$ ,
- $$-\log_e(x - 4) = 0$$
- $$\log_e(x - 4) = 0$$
- $$e^0 = x - 4$$
- $$1 + 4 = x$$
- $$5 = x$$
- $$\text{Domain} = (4, \infty) \text{ and Range} = \mathbb{R}$$



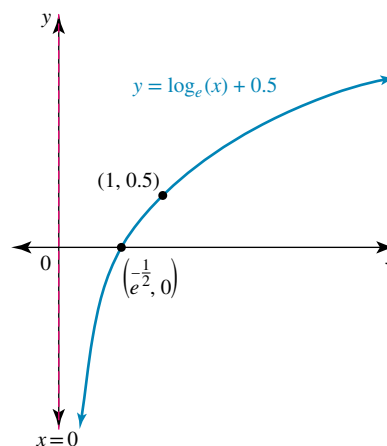
- 11 a** Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .
- $$\log_e(x) + 3 = 0$$
- $$\log_e(x) = -3$$
- $$e^{-3} = x$$
- $$0.05 = x$$
- When  $x = 1$ ,  $y = \log_e 1 + 3 = 3$



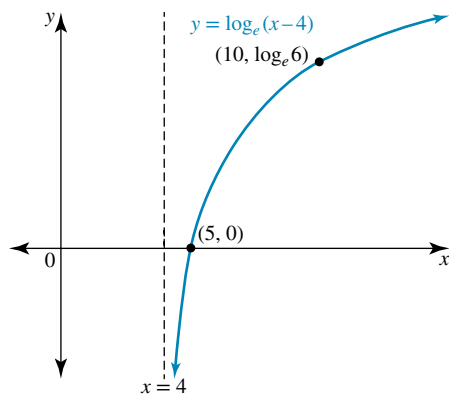
- b** Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .
- $$\log_e(x) - 5 = 0$$
- $$\log_e(x) = 5$$
- $$e^5 = x$$
- $$1.484 \approx x$$
- When  $x = 200$ ,  $y = \log_e(200) - 5 = 0.298$



- c** Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .
- $$\log_e(x) + 0.5 = 0$$
- $$\log_e(x) = -0.5$$
- $$e^{-0.5} = x$$
- $$0.6 = x$$
- When  $x = 1$ ,  $y = \log_e(1) + 0.5 = 0.5$



- 12 a** Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .
- $$\log_e(x - 4) = 0$$
- $$e^0 = x - 4$$
- $$1 \approx x - 4$$
- $$5 = x$$
- When  $x = 10$ ,
- $$y = \log_e(10 - 4) = \log_e(6) = 1.8$$



- b** Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .

$$\log_e(x+2) = 0$$

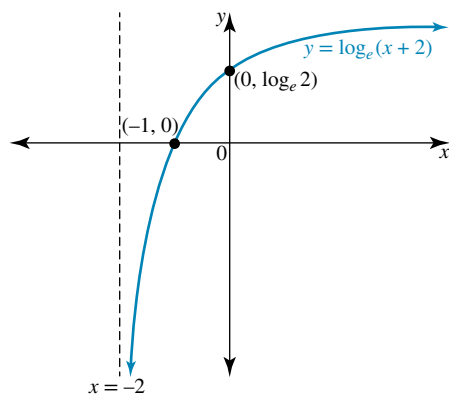
$$e^0 = x+2$$

$$1 \simeq x+2$$

$$-1 = x$$

When  $x = 0$ ,

$$y = \log_e(0+2) = \log_e(2) = 0.7$$



- c** Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .

$$\log_e(x+0.5) = 0$$

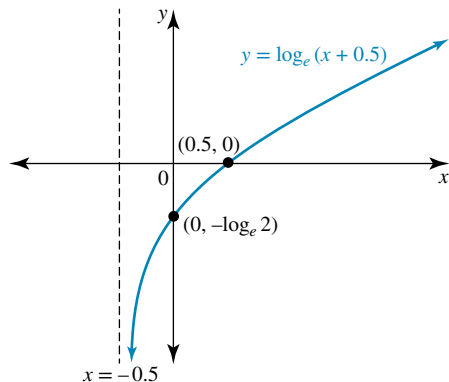
$$e^0 = x+0.5$$

$$1 \simeq x+0.5$$

$$0.5 = x$$

When  $x = 0$ ,

$$y = \log_e(0+0.5) = \log_e(0.5) = -0.7 \\ = -\log_e(2)$$



- 13 a** Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .

$$\frac{1}{4} \log_e(x) = 0$$

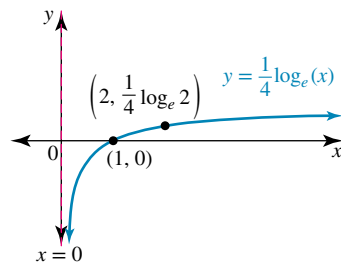
$$\log_e(x) = 0$$

$$e^0 = x \\ 1 = x$$

Graph does not cut the  $y$ .

When  $x = 2$ ,  $y = \frac{1}{4} \log_e 2$

$$\approx 0.17$$



- b** Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .

$$3 \log_e(x) = 0$$

$$\log_e(x) = 0$$

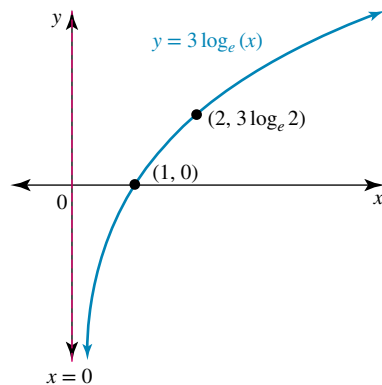
$$e^0 = x$$

$$1 = x$$

Graph does not cut the  $y$ .

When  $x = 2$ ,  $y = 3 \log_e 2$

$$\approx 2.08$$



- c** Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .

$$6 \log_e(x) = 0$$

$$\log_e(x) = 0$$

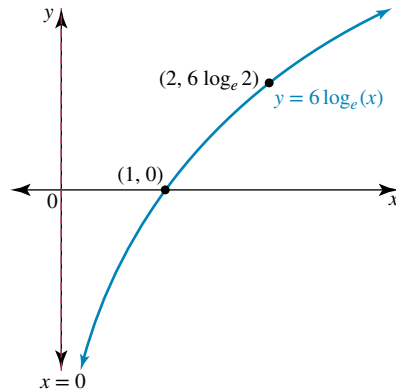
$$e^0 = x$$

$$1 = x$$

Graph does not cut the  $y$ .

When  $x = 2$ ,  $y = 6 \log_e(2)$

$$\approx 4.16$$

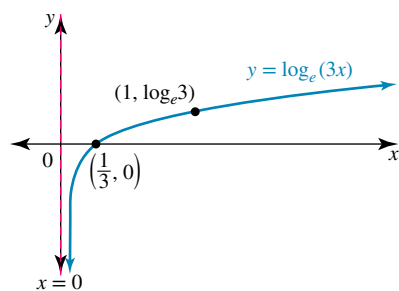


- 14 a Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\log_e(3x) &= 0 \\ e^0 &= 3x \\ 1 &= 3x \\ \frac{1}{3} &= x\end{aligned}$$

Graph does not cut the  $y$ .

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 1 \\ y &= \log_e 3 \\ &\approx 1.10\end{aligned}$$

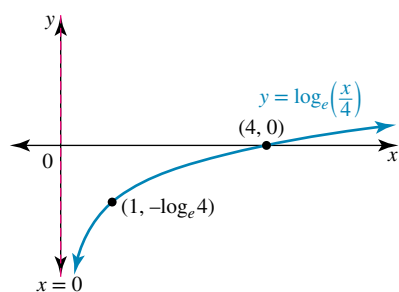


- b Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\log_e\left(\frac{x}{4}\right) &= 0 \\ e^0 &= \frac{x}{4} \\ 1 &= \frac{x}{4} \\ 4 &= x\end{aligned}$$

Graph does not cut the  $y$ .

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 1 \\ y &= \log_e \frac{1}{4} \\ &= -\log_e 4 \\ &\approx -1.39\end{aligned}$$

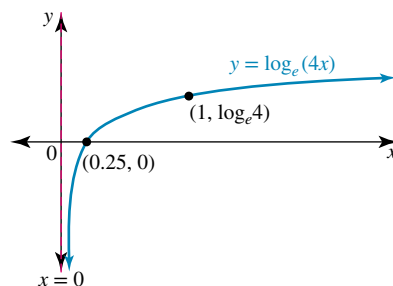


- c Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\log_e(4x) &= 0 \\ e^0 &= 4x \\ 1 &= 4x \\ \frac{1}{4} &= x\end{aligned}$$

Graph does not cut the  $y$ .

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 1 \\ y &= \log_e 4 \\ &\approx 1.39\end{aligned}$$



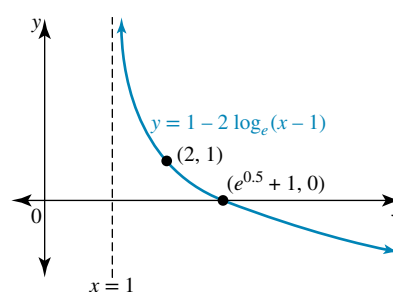
- 15 a Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}1 - 2\log_e(x-1) &= 0 \\ 2\log_e(x-1) &= 1 \\ \log_e(x-1) &= \frac{1}{2} \\ e^{\frac{1}{2}} &= x-1 \\ e^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1 &= x \\ 2.6487 &= x\end{aligned}$$

Graph does not cut the  $y$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{When } x = 2: y &= 1 - 2\log_e(1) \\ &= 1\end{aligned}$$

point (2, 1)

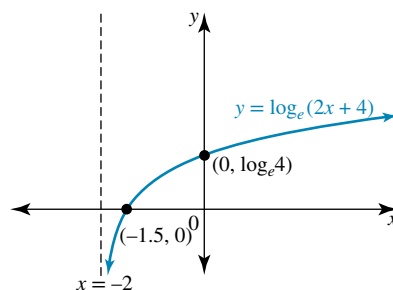


- b Graph cuts  $x$ -axis when  $y = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\log_e(2x+4) &= 0 \\ e^0 &= 2x+4 \\ 1-4 &= 2x \\ -\frac{3}{2} &= x\end{aligned}$$

Graph cuts the  $y$ -axis where  $x = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\log_e(2(0)+4) &= y \\ \log_e(4) &= y \\ 1.3862 &= y\end{aligned}$$



- c Graph cuts
- $x$
- axis when
- $y = 0$
- .

$$\frac{1}{2} \log_e \left( \frac{x}{4} \right) + 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \log_e \left( \frac{x}{4} \right) = -1$$

$$\log_e \left( \frac{x}{4} \right) = -2$$

$$e^{-2} = \frac{x}{4}$$

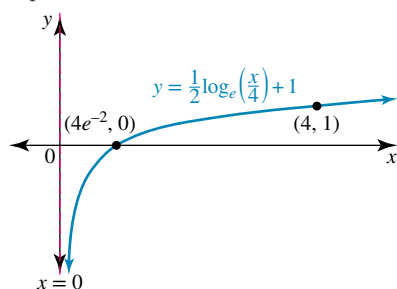
$$4e^{-2} = x$$

$$0.5413 = x$$

Graph does not cut the  $y$ -axis.When  $x = 4$ 

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log_e (1) + 1$$

$$= 1$$

 $\therefore$  point  $(4, 1)$ 

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- $y = \log_e(x - m) + n$

Vertical asymptote is  $x = 2$  so  $m = 2$ .

$$y = \log_e(x - 2) + n$$

When  $x = e + 2$ ,  $y = 3$ 

$$3 = \log_e(e + 2 - 2) + n$$

$$3 = \log_e(e) + n$$

$$n = 3 - 1$$

$$n = 2$$

$$y = \log_e(x - 2) + 2$$

$$m = 2, n = 2$$

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- $y = p \log_e(x - q)$

When  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ 

$$0 = p \log_e(-q) \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

When  $x = 1$ ,  $y = -0.35$ 

$$-0.35 = p \log_e(1 - q) \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

From (1)

$$0 = \log_e(-q)$$

$$e^0 = -q$$

$$q = -1$$

Substitute  $q = -1$  into (2)

$$-0.35 = p \log_e(1 - (-1))$$

$$-0.35 = p \log_e(2)$$

$$\frac{-0.35}{\log_e(2)} = p$$

$$p = \frac{-7}{20 \log_e(2)}$$

$$p = \frac{-7}{20 \ln 2}, q = -1$$

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- $y = a \log_e(x - h) + k$

Graph asymptotes to  $x = -1$  so  $h = -1$  and

$$y = a \log_e(x + 1) + k$$

Graph cuts the  $y$ -axis at  $y = -2$ 

$$(0, -2) \Rightarrow -2 = a \log_e(1) + k$$

$$k = -2$$

$$\therefore y = a \log_e(x + 1) - 2$$

Graph cuts the  $x$ -axis at  $x = 1$ 

$$(1, 0) \Rightarrow 0 = a \log_e(2) - 2$$

$$2 = a \log_e(2)$$

$$a = \frac{2}{\log_e(2)}$$

$$\text{Thus } y = \frac{2}{\log_e(2)} \log_e(x + 1) - 2$$

$$a = \frac{2}{\ln 2}, h = -1, k = -2$$

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- $y = m \log_2(nx)$

When

$$x = -2, y = 3 \text{ so } 3 = m \log_2(-2n) \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

When

$$x = -\frac{1}{2}, y = \frac{1}{2} \text{ so } \frac{1}{2} = m \log_2\left(-\frac{n}{2}\right) \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

$$(1) - (2) \quad 3 - \frac{1}{2} = m \log_2(-2n) - m \log_2\left(-\frac{n}{2}\right)$$

$$\frac{5}{2} = m \left( \log_2(-2n) - \log_2\left(-\frac{n}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$\frac{5}{2} = m \left( \log_2\left(-2n \div -\frac{n}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$\frac{5}{2} = m \log_2(4)$$

$$\frac{5}{2} = m \log_2(2)^2$$

$$\frac{5}{2} = 2m$$

$$m = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\text{Substitute } m = \frac{5}{4} \text{ into (1) } 3 = \frac{5}{4} \log_2(-2n)$$

$$\frac{12}{5} = \log_2(-2n)$$

$$2^{\frac{12}{5}} = -2n$$

$$-\frac{2^{\frac{12}{5}}}{2} = n$$

$$n = -2^{\frac{7}{5}}$$

Thus  $m = 1.25$  and  $n = -2^{\frac{7}{5}}$  as required.

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- $f(x) = 2 \log_e(3x + 3)$

$$f(x) = 2 \log_e(3(x + 1))$$

- a for log function to exist:

$$3(x + 1) > 0$$

 $x > -1$  and  $x = -1$  is an asymptoteDomain of  $f(x)$ :  $x > -1$ Range of  $f(x)$ :  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ 

- b for inverse function:

$$x = 2 \ln(3y + 3)$$

$$\ln(3y + 3) = \frac{x}{2}$$

$$3y + 3 = e^{\frac{x}{2}}$$

$$3y = e^{\frac{x}{2}} - 3$$

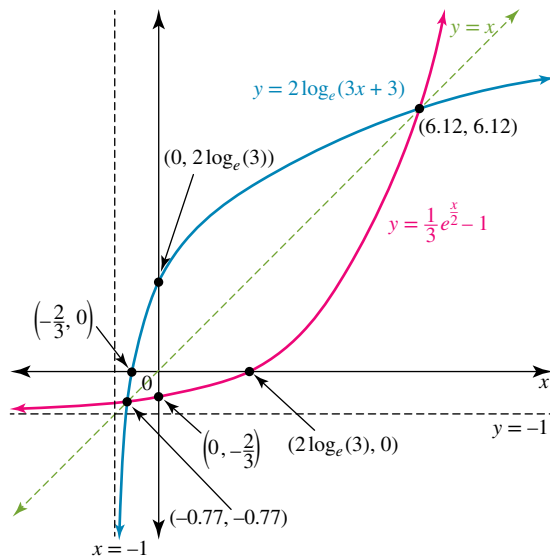
$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{3} e^{\frac{x}{2}} - 1$$

c for inverse function:

Domain of  $f^{-1}(x): x \in \mathbb{R}$

Range of  $f^{-1}(x): y > -1$

d



e Read the points of intersection for the graph.

$(-0.77, -0.77)$  and  $(6.12, 6.12)$  to two decimal places.

### Exercise 3.3 – The derivative of $y = \log_e x$

1 a  $y = \log_e 10x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{10}{10x}$$

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

b  $y = \log_e 5x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{5}{5x}$$

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

c  $y = \log_e(-x), x < 0$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-1}{-x}$$

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

d  $y = \log_e(-6x), x < 0$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-6}{-6x}$$

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

e  $y = 3 \log_e 4x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3 \times 4}{4x}$$

$$= \frac{3}{x}$$

f  $y = -6 \log_e 9x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -6 \times \frac{9}{9x}$$

$$= \frac{-6}{x}$$

2 a  $y = \log_e \left( \frac{x}{2} \right)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{x}{2}}$$

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

b  $y = \log_e \left( \frac{x}{3} \right)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{x}{3}}$$

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

c  $y = 4 \log_e \left( \frac{x}{5} \right)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4 \times \frac{1}{5}}{\frac{x}{5}}$$

$$= \frac{4}{x}$$

d  $y = -5 \log_e \left( -\frac{2x}{3} \right), x < 0$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-5 \left( -\frac{2}{3} \right)}{\left( -\frac{2x}{3} \right)}$$

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

3  $y = \log_e 8x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{8}{8x}$$

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

Answer is C

4 a  $y = \log_e(2x + 5)$

Let  $u = 2x + 5$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{u}$$

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

b  $y = \log_e(6x + 1)$

Let  $u = 6x + 1$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 6$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6}{u}$$

$$= \frac{6}{6x + 1}$$

**c**  $y = \log_e(3x - 4)$

Let  $u = 3x - 4$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 3$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{u}$$

$$= \frac{3}{3x - 4}$$

**d**  $y = \log_e(8x - 1)$

Let  $u = 8x - 1$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 8$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{8}{u}$$

$$= \frac{8}{8x - 1}$$

**e**  $y = \log_e(3 - 5x)$

Let  $u = 3 - 5x$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = -5$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-5}{u}$$

$$= \frac{-5}{3 - 5x}$$

or

$$\frac{5}{5x - 3}$$

**f**  $y = \log_e(2 - x)$

Let  $u = 2 - x$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = -1$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-1}{u}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2 - x}$$

or

$$\frac{1}{x - 2}$$

**5 a**  $y = 6 \log_e(5x + 2)$

Let  $u = 5x + 2$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 5$$

$$y = 6 \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{6}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 5 \times \frac{6}{4}$$

$$= \frac{30}{5x + 2}$$

**b**  $y = 8 \log_e(4x - 2)$

Let  $u = 4x - 2$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 4$$

$$y = 8 \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{8}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 4 \times \frac{8}{u}$$

$$= \frac{32}{4x - 2}$$

$$= \frac{16}{2x - 1}$$

**c**  $y = -4 \log_e(12x + 5)$

Let  $u = 12x + 5$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 12$$

$$y = -4 \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{-4}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 12 \times \frac{-4}{u}$$

$$= \frac{-48}{12x + 5}$$

**d**  $y = -7 \log_e(8 - 9x)$

Let  $u = 8 - 9x$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = -9$$

$$y = -7 \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{-7}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -9 \times \frac{-7}{u}$$

$$= \frac{63}{8 - 9x}$$

**6 a**  $y = \log_e 3x^4$

Let  $u = 3x^4$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 12x^3$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^3}{u}$$

$$= \frac{12x^3}{3x^4}$$

$$= \frac{4}{x}$$

**b**  $y = \log_e(x^2 + 3)$

Let  $u = x^2 + 3$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x}{u}$$

$$= \frac{2x}{x^2 + 3}$$

**c**  $y = \log_e(x^2 + 4x)$

Let  $u = x^2 + 4x$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x + 4$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x + 4}{u}$$

$$\text{or} = \frac{2(x + 2)}{x(x + 4)}$$



**d**  $y = \log_e(x^2 - 3x + 2)$

Let  $u = x^2 - 3x + 2$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x - 3$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - 3}{x^2 - 3x + 2}$$

**e**  $y = \log_e(x^3 + 2x^2 - 7x)$

Let  $u = x^3 + 2x^2 - 7x$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 3x^2 + 4x - 7$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{3x^2 + 4x - 7}{x^3 + 2x^2 - 7x} \\ &= \frac{3x^2 + 4x - 7}{x(x^2 + 2x - 7)} \end{aligned}$$

**f**  $y = \log_e(x^2 - 2x^3 + x^4)$

Let  $u = x^2 - 2x^3 + x^4$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x - 6x^2 + 4x^3$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

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

**7 a**  $y = \ln \sqrt{2x + 1}$

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

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \times \ln(2x + 1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{(2x + 1)} \times 2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{(2x + 1)}$$

**b**  $y = \ln \sqrt{3 - 4x}$

$$y = \ln(3 - 4x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \times \ln(3 - 4x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{(3 - 4x)} \times (-4)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2}{(3 - 4x)}$$

**c**  $y = \ln \sqrt{x^2 + 2}$

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

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \times \ln(x^2 + 2)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{(x^2 + 2)} \times 2x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{(x^2 + 2)}$$

**d**  $y = \ln(x + 3)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

$$y = \frac{1}{4} \times \ln(x + 3)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{(x + 3)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{4(x + 3)}$$

**e**  $y = \ln(5x + 2)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

$$y = \frac{1}{3} \times \ln(5x + 2)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{(5x + 2)} \times (5)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{5}{3(5x + 2)}$$

**f**  $y = \ln(2 - 3x)^{\frac{1}{5}}$

$$y = \frac{1}{5} \times \ln(2 - 3x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{(2 - 3x)} \times (-3)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3}{5(2 - 3x)}$$

**8 a**  $f(x) = \log_e \left( \frac{1}{x + 3} \right)$

$$f(x) = \log_e(1) - \log_e(x + 3)$$

$$f(x) = -\log_e(x + 3)$$

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

**b**  $f(x) = \log_e(3x - 2)^4$

$$f(x) = 4 \log_e(3x - 2)$$

$$f'(x) = 4 \times \frac{1}{(3x - 2)} \times 3$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{12}{(3x - 2)}$$

**c**  $f(x) = \log_e(5x + 8)^{-2}$

$$f(x) = -2 \log_e(5x + 8)$$

$$f'(x) = -2 \times \frac{1}{(5x + 8)} \times 5$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-10}{(5x + 8)}$$

**d**  $f(x) = \log_e \left( \frac{2}{4 + 3x} \right)$

$$f(x) = \log_e(2) - \log_e(4 + 3x)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-1}{(4 + 3x)} \times 3$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-3}{(4 + 3x)}$$

**9**  $f(x) = y = \log_e(x^2 - 5x + 2)$

Let  $u = x^2 - 5x + 2$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x - 5$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(2x - 5)}{x^2 - 5x + 2}$$

Answer is **D**

**10**  $y = \log_e(3x - 2)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{3x - 2}$$

Answer is **D**

**11**  $y = 2 \log_e(x^2 + x)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2(2x + 1)}{x^2 + x}$$

Answer is **A**

**12 a**  $f(x) = 7 \log_e \left( \frac{x}{3} \right)$

$$f(x) = 7 \log_e(x) - 7 \log_e(3)$$

$$f'(x) = 7 \times \frac{1}{x}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{7}{x}$$

**b**  $f(x) = 2 \ln(x^3 + 2x^2 - 1)$

Let  $u = x^3 + 2x^2 - 1$   $y = 2 \ln u$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 3x^2 + 4x \quad \frac{dy}{du} = \frac{2}{u}$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 3x^2 + 4x \quad \frac{dy}{du} = \frac{2}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{u} \times (3x^2 + 4x)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2(3x^2 + 4x)}{(x^3 + 2x^2 - 1)} = \frac{2x(3x + 4)}{(x^3 + 2x^2 - 1)}$$

c  $f(x) = 3 \ln(e^x + 1)$

Let  $u = e^x + 1$   $y = 3 \ln u$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = e^x \quad \frac{dy}{du} = \frac{3}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{u} \times (e^x)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{3e^x}{(e^x + 1)}$$

d  $f(x) = -5 \log_e(2x)$

$$f'(x) = -5 \times \frac{1}{(2x)} \times 2$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-5}{x}$$

13  $y = \ln \sqrt{x^2 - 6x + 9}$

$$y = \ln(x^2 - 6x + 9)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \times \ln(x^2 - 6x + 9)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{(x^2 - 6x + 9)} \times (2x - 6)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x - 3)}{(x - 3)(x - 3)} = \frac{1}{(x - 3)}$$

Answer is **B**

- 14 The function  $y = \ln(100x)$  can be simplified to  $y = \ln(100) + \ln(x)$ . The differential of a constant is zero, hence the differential of  $y = \ln(100x)$  and  $y = \ln(x)$  will be the same. This would be true for any logarithmic function of the form  $y = \ln(kx)$  where  $k$  is a constant.

### Exercise 3.4 – Applications of logarithmic functions

1 a Dom =  $(2, \infty)$  and Ran =  $R$

b Graph cuts the  $x$ -axis where  $y = 0$

$$2 \log_e(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\log_e(x - 2) = 0$$

$$e^0 = x - 2$$

$$1 = x - 2$$

$$x = 3$$

Thus  $(a, 0) = (3, 0)$  so  $a = 3$

c  $y = 2 \log_e(x - 2)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{x - 2}$$

When  $x = 3$ ,  $m_T = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{(3 - 2)} = 2$

Equation of tangent with  $m_T = 2$  which passes through  $(x_1, y_1) = (3, 0)$  is given by

$$y - y_1 = m_T(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 0 = 2(x - 3)$$

$$y = 2x - 6$$

d Equation of perpendicular line with  $m_P = -\frac{1}{2}$  which passes through  $(x_1, y_1) = (3, 0)$  is given by

$$y - y_1 = m_P(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 0 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 3)$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{2}$$

2 a  $y = 2 \ln(x)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \times \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{x}$$

At  $x = 5$ :

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{5}$$

b  $y = \frac{1}{3} \ln(4x + 1)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{(4x + 1)} \times 4$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4}{3(4x + 1)}$$

At  $x = 2$ :

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4}{27}$$

c  $y = \ln(x^2 + 3)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{(x^2 + 3)} \times 2x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x}{(x^2 + 3)}$$

At  $x = 3$ :

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{2}$$

3 a  $y = \log_e(2x - 2)$

Gradient of tangent is  $m_T = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{2x - 2} = \frac{1}{x - 1}$

When  $x = 1.5$ ,  $m_T = \frac{1}{1.5 - 1} = 2$

Equation of tangent with  $m_T = 2$  which passes through  $(x_1, y_1) = (1.5, 0)$  is given by

$$y - y_1 = m_T(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 0 = 2(x - 1.5)$$

$$y = 2x - 3$$

b  $y = 3 \log_e(x)$

Gradient of tangent is  $m_T = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{x}$

When  $x = e$ ,  $m_T = \frac{3}{e}$

Equation of tangent with  $m_T = \frac{3}{e}$  which passes through  $(x_1, y_1) = (e, 3)$  is given by

$$y - y_1 = m_T(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 3 = \frac{3}{e}(x - e)$$

$$y - 3 = \frac{3}{e}x - 3$$

$$y = \frac{3}{e}x$$

$$\text{c } y = \frac{1}{2} \log_e(x^2) = \log_e(x)$$

$$\text{Gradient of tangent } m_T = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\text{When } x = e, m_T = \frac{1}{e}$$

Equation of tangent with  $m_T = \frac{1}{e}$  which passes through  $(x_1, y_1) = (e, 1)$  is given by

$$y - y_1 = m_T(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 1 = \frac{1}{e}(x - e)$$

$$y - 1 = \frac{1}{e}x - 1$$

$$y = \frac{1}{e}x$$

$$\text{4 a } y = 3 \ln(x - 5)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3 \times \frac{1}{(x - 5)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{(x - 5)}$$

At  $x = 6$ :

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3$$

$$\text{b At the point } x = 6: y = 3 \ln(6 - 5)$$

$$y = 0$$

Equation of tangent at  $(6, 0) m = 3$

$$y - 0 = 3(x - 6)$$

$$y = 3x - 18$$

Equation of perpendicular line

$$\text{at } (6, 0) m = \frac{-1}{3}$$

$$y - 0 = \frac{-1}{3}(x - 6)$$

$$y = \frac{-1}{3}x + 2$$

$$x + 3y - 6 = 0$$

$$\text{5 } y = 4 \log_e(3x - 1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12}{3x - 1}$$

If the tangent is parallel to  $6x - y + 2 = 0$  or  $y = 6x + 2$  then the gradient is 6.

$$m_T = \frac{12}{3x - 1} = 6$$

$$12 = 6(3x - 1)$$

$$12 = 18x - 6$$

$$18 = 18x$$

$$1 = x$$

When  $x = 1, y = 4 \log_e(3(1) - 1) = 4 \log_e(2)$

Equation of tangent with  $m_T = 6$  which passes through

$(x_1, y_1) = (1, 4 \log_e(2))$  is given by

$$y - y_1 = m_T(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 4 \log_e(2) = 6(x - 1)$$

$$y - 4 \log_e(2) = 6x - 6$$

$$y = 6x + 4 \log_e(2) - 6$$

$$\text{6 } y = 7 \ln(2x + 3)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 7 \times \frac{1}{(2x + 3)} \times 2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{14}{(2x + 3)}$$

Gradient of the line  $2x - y + 4 = 0: m = 2$

Parallel lines have the same gradients.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{14}{(2x + 3)} \text{ must equal } 2.$$

$$\frac{14}{(2x + 3)} = 2$$

$$14 = 2(2x + 3)$$

$$7 = 2x + 3$$

$$x = 2$$

At  $x = 2: y = 7 \ln 7$

Equation of tangent at  $(2, 7 \ln 7)$  and  $m = 2$

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

$$y = 2x - 4 + 7 \ln 7$$

Equation of the perpendicular at  $(2, 7 \ln 7)$  and  $m = \frac{-1}{2}$

$$y - 7 \ln 7 = \frac{-1}{2}(x - 2)$$

$$y = \frac{-1}{2}x + 1 + 7 \ln 7$$

$$\text{7 a } y = 2 \log_e(2x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$\text{b Gradient of tangent at } \left(\frac{e}{2}, 2\right) \text{ is } m_T = 2 \div \frac{e}{2} = \frac{4}{e}.$$

Equation of tangent with  $m_T = \frac{4}{e}$  which passes through

$(x_1, y_1) = \left(\frac{e}{2}, 2\right)$  is given by

$$y - y_1 = m_T(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 2 = \frac{4}{e}\left(x - \frac{e}{2}\right)$$

$$y - 2 = \frac{4}{e}x - 2$$

$$y = \frac{4x}{e}$$

$$\text{8 } y = x \text{ is a tangent to } y = \log_e(x - 1) + b$$

Gradient of tangent is  $m_T = 1$

$$\text{Also gradient of tangent is } m_T = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x - 1}$$

Thus

$$\frac{1}{x - 1} = 1$$

$$1 = x - 1$$

$$x = 2$$

When  $x = 2, y = 2$

$$2 = \log_e(2 - 1) + b$$

$$2 = \log_e(1) + b$$

$$b = 2$$

Thus  $y = \log_e(x - 1) + 2$

- 9  $y = -2x + k$  is perpendicular to  $y = \log_e(2(x - 1))$

Gradient of perpendicular line is  $m_P = -2$

Gradient of tangent is  $m_T = \frac{1}{2}$

Also gradient of tangent is  $m_T = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x-1}$

Thus

$$\frac{1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x - 1 = 2$$

$$x = 3$$

When  $x = 3$ ,  $y = \log_e(2(3 - 1)) = \log_e(4) \approx 1.3863$

$$1.3863 = -2(3) + k$$

$$7.3863 = k$$

$$k = 7.4$$

Thus  $y = -2x + 7.4$

- 10  $f(x) = \ln(3 - x)$

- a For  $f(x)$  to exist,  $3 - x > 0$

Domain:  $x < 3$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

- b y-intercepts:  $x = 0$

$$(0, \ln 3)$$

x-intercepts:  $y = 0$

$$\ln(3 - x) = 0$$

$$3 - x = e^0$$

$$3 - x = 1$$

$$x = 2$$

$$(2, 0)$$

Axis intercepts:  $(2, 0)$  and  $(0, \ln 3)$

- c for inverse function:

$$x = \ln(3 - y)$$

$$3 - y = e^x$$

$$y = 3 - e^x$$

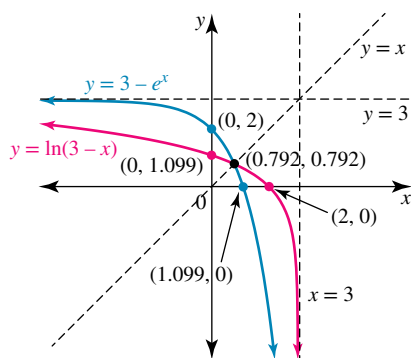
$$f^{-1}(x) = 3 - e^x$$

Domain of  $f^{-1}(x)$ :  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Range of  $f^{-1}(x)$ :  $y < 3$

- d Axis intercepts:  $(0, 2)$  and  $(\ln 3, 0)$

e



- f Point of intersection from the graph:  $(0.792, 0.792)$

- 11  $f(x) = \log_e(2x - 1)$

- a For  $f(x)$  to exist,  $2x - 1 > 0$

Domain:  $x > \frac{1}{2}$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

- b y-intercepts:  $x = 0$

$f(0)$  is undefined

x-intercepts:  $y = 0$

$$\ln(2x - 1) = 0$$

$$2x - 1 = e^0$$

$$2x - 1 = 1$$

$$x = 1$$

$$(1, 0)$$

Axis intercept:  $(1, 0)$

- c for inverse function:

$$x = \ln(2y - 1)$$

$$2y - 1 = e^x$$

$$2y = e^x + 1$$

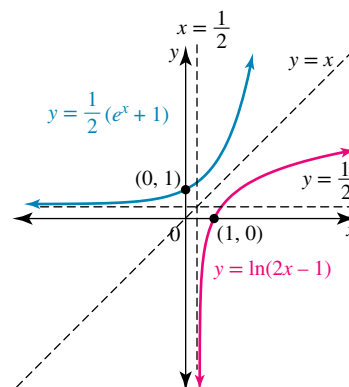
$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + 1)$$

Domain of  $f^{-1}(x)$ :  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Range of  $f^{-1}(x)$ :  $y > \frac{1}{2}$

- d Axis intercept:  $(0, 1)$

e



- f Inverse functions are reflections in the line  $y = x$ . The functions  $y = \ln x$  and  $y = e^x$  lie on either side of  $y = x$ , so do not intersect. The functions  $f(x) = \log_e(2x - 1)$  and  $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + 1)$  have been translated further away from the line of symmetry, so no point of intersection.

- 12  $f(x) = -2 \ln(2 - x) - 1$

- a For  $f(x)$  to exist,  $2 - x > 0$

Domain:  $x < 2$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

- b y-intercepts:  $x = 0$

$$(0, -1 - 2 \ln 2)$$

x-intercepts:  $y = 0$

$$-2 \ln(2 - x) - 1 = 0$$

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

$$2 - x = e^{\frac{-1}{2}}$$

$$2 - x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}$$

$$x = 2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}$$

$$\left(0, 2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right)$$

Axis intercepts:

$$\left(2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}, 0\right) \text{ and } (0, -1 - 2 \ln 2)$$

[approximately  $(1.4, 0)$ ,  $(0, -2.4)$ ]

c for inverse function:

$$x = -2 \ln(2 - y) - 1$$

$$\frac{-1}{2}(x + 1) = \ln(2 - y)$$

$$2 - y = e^{\frac{-1}{2}(x+1)}$$

$$y = 2 - e^{\frac{-1}{2}(x+1)}$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = 2 - e^{\frac{-1}{2}(x+1)}$$

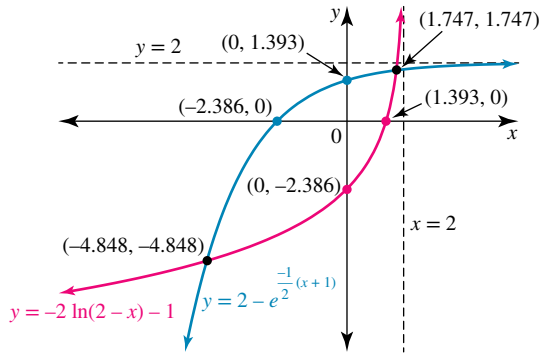
Domain of  $f^{-1}(x)$ :  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Range of  $f^{-1}(x)$ :  $y < 2$

d Axis intercepts:

$$\left(0, 2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right) \text{ and } (-1 - 2 \ln 2, 0)$$

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f Points of intersection:  $(-4.85, -4.85)$  and  $(1.75, 1.75)$

13  $f(x) = 6 \log_e(x^2 - 4x + 8)$

a Let  $u = x^2 - 4x + 8$   $y = 6 \ln u$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x - 4 \quad \frac{dy}{du} = \frac{6}{u}$$

By the chain rule:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6}{u} \times (2x - 4)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6}{(x^2 - 4x + 8)} \times 2(x - 2)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{12(x - 2)}{(x^2 - 4x + 8)}$$

b stationary points  $f'(x) = 0$

$$\frac{12(x - 2)}{(x^2 - 4x + 8)} = 0$$

$$x = 2$$

$$f(2) = 6 \log_e(2^2 - 4 \times 2 + 8)$$

$$f(2) = 6 \log_e(4)$$

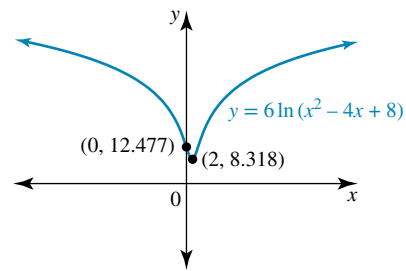
Stationary point at  $(2, 6 \log_e 4)$

c  $f'(x) = \frac{12(x - 2)}{(x^2 - 4x + 8)}$

$x$	1	2	3
$f'(x)$	-2.4	0	2.4
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Local minimum stationary point.

d



14  $N = 25 + 95 \log_e(t + 1)$

a at  $t = 0$ :  $N = 25 + 95 \log_e 1$

$$N = 25$$

25 rats initially in the derelict house.

b to double:  $N = 50$

$$50 = 25 + 95 \log_e(t + 1)$$

$$95 \log_e(t + 1) = 25$$

$$\log_e(t + 1) = \frac{25}{95}$$

$$\log_e(t + 1) = \frac{5}{19}$$

$$t + 1 = e^{\frac{5}{19}}$$

$$t = e^{\frac{5}{19}} - 1$$

$$t = 0.30103213$$

It takes 0.3 months for the rat population to double.

c  $N = 25 + 95 \log_e(t + 1)$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = 95 \times \frac{1}{(t + 1)}$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{95}{(t + 1)}$$

$$\text{at } t = 4: \frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{95}{(4 + 1)} = 19$$

rate of change after 4 months is 19 rats/month.

### Exercise 3.5 – Review: exam practice

1  $\ln 2x = a$

$$2x = e^a$$

$$x = \frac{e^a}{2}$$

Answer is C

2  $\ln(1 - x) = 3$

$$1 - x = e^3$$

$$x = 1 - e^3$$

Answer is B

3  $\ln(x - 3) + \ln(x - 2) = \ln 12$

$$\ln(x - 3)(x - 2) = \ln 12$$

$$(x - 3)(x - 2) = 12$$

$$x^2 - 5x + 6 = 12$$

$$x^2 - 5x + 6 = 12$$

$$x^2 - 5x - 6 = 0$$

$$(x - 6)(x + 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 6, x = -1$$

But  $x = -1$  is not valid so  $x = 6$  is the only possible answer.

Answer is A

4  $4 - \ln x = 2 \ln y$

$$2 - \frac{1}{2} \ln x = \ln y$$

$$\ln y = 2 \ln e - \frac{1}{2} \ln x$$

$$\ln y = \ln e^2 - \ln \sqrt{x}$$

$$\ln y = \ln \left( \frac{e^2}{\sqrt{x}} \right)$$

$$y = \frac{e^2}{\sqrt{x}}$$

Answer is C

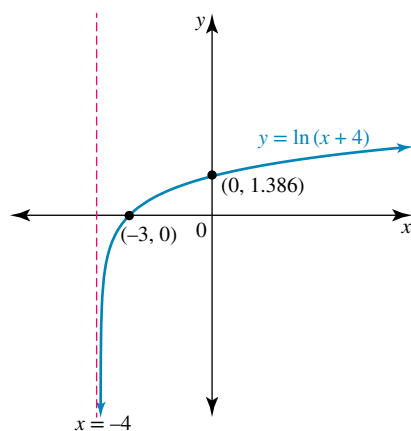
5 a  $y = \ln(x + 4)$

Domain:  $x > -4$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Asymptote:  $x = -4$

Transformation: horizontal translation of 4 units to the left (in the negative direction).



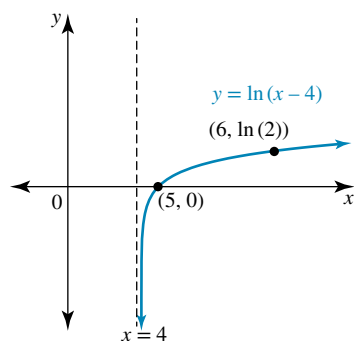
b  $y = \ln(x - 4)$

Domain:  $x > 4$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Asymptote:  $x = 4$

Transformation: horizontal translation of 4 units to the right (in the positive direction).



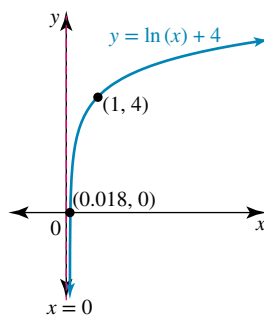
c  $y = \ln(x) + 4$

Domain:  $x > 0$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Asymptote:  $x = 0$

Transformation: vertical translation of 4 units upwards (in the positive direction).



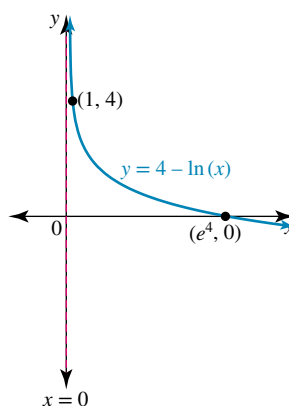
d  $y = 4 - \ln(x)$

Domain:  $x > 0$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Asymptote:  $x = 0$

Transformation: vertical translation of 4 units upwards (in the positive direction) and reflection in the  $x$ -axis.



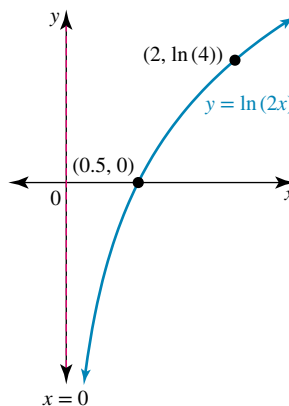
6 a  $y = \ln(2x)$

Domain:  $x > 0$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Asymptote:  $x = 0$

Transformation: dilation of half from the  $y$ -axis.



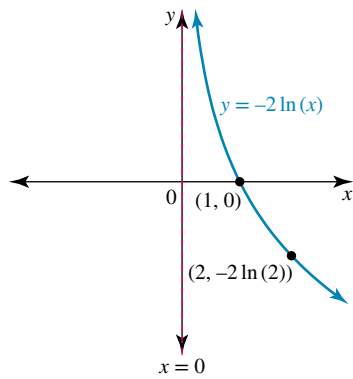
b  $y = -2 \ln(x)$

Domain:  $x > 0$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Asymptote:  $x = 0$

Transformation: dilation of 2 from the  $x$ -axis and a reflection in the  $x$ -axis.



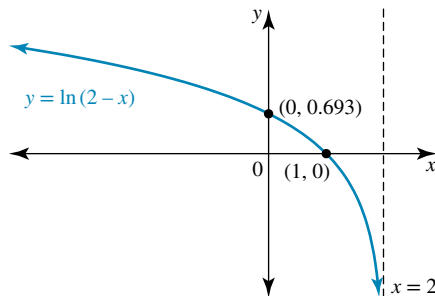
**c**  $y = \ln(2 - x)$

Domain:  $x < 2$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Asymptote:  $x = 2$

Transformation: horizontal translation of 2 units to the right (in the positive direction) and a reflection in the y-axis.



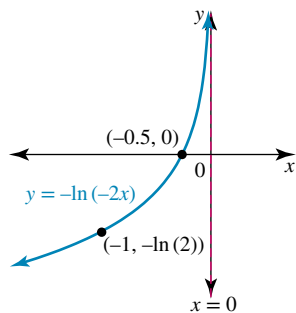
**d**  $y = -\ln(-2x)$

Domain:  $x < 0$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Asymptote:  $x = 0$

Transformation: dilation of half from the y-axis, reflection in the y-axis, and reflection in the x-axis.



**7 a**  $y = \frac{1}{2} \log_e(x^2 - 2x + 7)$

Let  $u = x^2 - 2x + 7$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x - 2$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{2u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2u} \times (2x - 2)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x - 1)}{(x^2 - 2x + 7)}$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 7 = (x - 1)^2 + 6$$

$$\therefore (x^2 - 2x + 7) > 0 \text{ for all } x$$

$\therefore$  no restrictions on  $x$ .

Domain: all real  $x$ .

**b**  $y = \log_e \left( \frac{x+2}{x-3} \right)$

$$y = \ln(x+2) - \ln(x-3)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{(x+2)} - \frac{1}{(x-3)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x-3) - (x+2)}{(x+2)(x-3)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-5}{(x+2)(x-3)}$$

For function to be defined:

$$\frac{x+2}{x-3} > 0$$

If  $x > 3$ :  $x+2 > 0$ , true

If  $x < 3$ :  $x+2 < 0$

$$x < -2$$

$$\text{so } x < -2$$

restrictions on  $x$ :

$$x < -2 \text{ or } x > 3$$

**c**  $y = \log_e(x+2)^2$

$$y = 2 \log_e(x+2)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \times \frac{1}{(x+2)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{(x+2)}$$

For function to be defined:

$$(x+2)^2 > 0$$

which is true for all  $x$ ,  $x \neq -2$

restrictions on  $x$ :

$$x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -2$$

**8 a**  $y = \log_e \left( \frac{2x+1}{x-5} \right)$

$$y = \ln(2x+1) - \ln(x-5)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{(2x+1)} \times 2 - \frac{1}{(x-5)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2(x-5) - (2x+1)}{(2x+1)(x-5)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-11}{(2x+1)(x-5)}$$

$$\text{b } y = \log_e \left( \frac{7}{x-3} \right)$$

$$y = \ln(7) - \ln(x-3)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{(x-3)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-1}{(x-3)}$$

$$\text{c } y = \log_e(9x^2 - 6x + 7)$$

$$\text{Let } u = 9x^2 - 6x + 7$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 18x - 6$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{u} \times (18x - 6)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6(3x-1)}{(9x^2-6x+7)}$$

$$\text{9 } f(x) = \log_e(3x)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3x} \times 3$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$f'(1) = 1$$

Answer is **A**

$$\text{10 } y = \log_e \left( \frac{2}{x} \right)$$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x}$$

Answer is **D**

$$\text{11 } y = 3 \log_e(x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3 \times \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{x}$$

$$\text{at } x = 7: \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{7} \approx 0.42857$$

Answer is **A**

$$\text{12 } y = \log_e(2x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2x} \times 2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\text{at } x = 4: \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{4}$$

for perpendicular gradient,  $m = -4$

Answer is **A**

$$\text{13 } y = \log_e \sqrt{x^2 + 8x + 16}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log_e(x^2 + 8x + 16)$$

$$\text{Let } u = x^2 + 8x + 16$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x + 8$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{2u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2u} \times (2x + 8)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x+4)}{(x^2+8x+16)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x+4)}{(x+4)^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{(x+4)}$$

Answer is **D**

$$\text{14 } y = \log_e(e^x + e^{-x})$$

$$\text{Let } u = e^x + e^{-x}$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = e^x - e^{-x}$$

$$y = \log_e u$$

$$\frac{dy}{du} = \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{u} \times (e^x - e^{-x})$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$

Answer is **C**

$$\text{15 } y = \log_e(x+5)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{(x+5)}$$

$$\text{At } x = e - 5, y = \ln(e) = 1$$

$$\text{Point } (e - 5, 1)$$

$$\text{At } x = e - 5, \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{e}$$

$$\text{Equation of tangent at } (e - 5, 1), m = \frac{1}{e}$$

$$y - 1 = \frac{1}{e}(x - (e - 5))$$

$$y - 1 = \frac{1}{e}x - 1 + \frac{5}{e}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{e}x + \frac{5}{e} \text{ or } x - ey + 5 = 0$$

$$\text{16 } h(x) = 2 \log_e(1 - 3x)$$

**a** for domain:  $1 - 3x > 0$

$$1 > 3x$$

$$x < \frac{1}{3}$$

$$D = \left\{ x : x \in \left( -\infty, \frac{1}{3} \right) \right\}$$



**b** for  $x$ -intercepts:  $h(x) = 0$   
 $0 = 2 \log_e(1 - 3x)$   
 $\log_e(1 - 3x) = 0$   
 $1 - 3x = e^0$   
 $1 - 3x = 1$   
 $x = 0$

Axis intercept:  $(0, 0)$

**c**  $\frac{dh}{dx} = 2 \times \frac{1}{(1 - 3x)} \times -3$   
 $\frac{dh}{dx} = \frac{-6}{(1 - 3x)}$

for  $x < \frac{1}{3}$ ,  $1 - 3x > 0$ , hence the rate of change  $\frac{dh}{dx}$  is always negative.

**d i** for inverse function:  $x = 2 \log_e(1 - 3y)$   
 $\frac{x}{2} = \log_e(1 - 3y)$

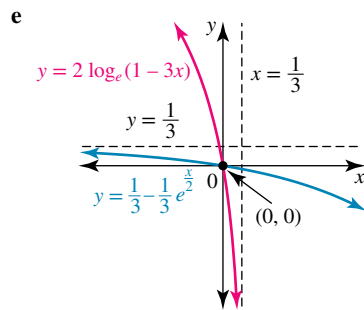
$$1 - 3y = e^{\frac{x}{2}}$$

$$3y = 1 - e^{\frac{x}{2}}$$

$$h^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3}e^{\frac{x}{2}}$$

**ii** Domain:  $x \in R$

$$\text{Range: } y < \frac{1}{3}$$



**17 a**  $y = m \log_e(n(x + p))$   
 vertical asymptote at  $x = -2$ , so  $p = 2$   
 passes through the point  $(0, 0)$ :

$$0 = m \log_e(n(2))$$

$$m \log_e(2n) = 0$$

$$m \neq 0, \therefore \log_e(2n) = 0$$

$$2n = e^0$$

$$2n = 1$$

$$n = \frac{1}{2}$$

passes through the point  $(-1, 2 \log_e 2)$ :

$$2 \ln 2 = m \ln \left( \frac{1}{2}(-1 + 2) \right)$$

$$2 \ln 2 = m \ln \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$2 \ln 2 = m(\ln 1 - \ln 2)$$

$$2 \ln 2 = -m \ln 2$$

$$m = -2$$

$$m = -2, n = \frac{1}{2}, p = 2$$

**b** Dilation of 2 from the  $y$ -axis, dilation of 2 from the  $x$ -axis, a reflection in the  $x$ -axis, and horizontal translation in the negative direction of 2 units.

**c**  $y = -2 \log_e \left( \frac{1}{2}(x + 2) \right)$

for inverse function:  $x = -2 \log_e \left( \frac{1}{2}(y + 2) \right)$

$$\frac{x}{-2} = \log_e \left( \frac{1}{2}(y + 2) \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(y + 2) = e^{\frac{-x}{2}}$$

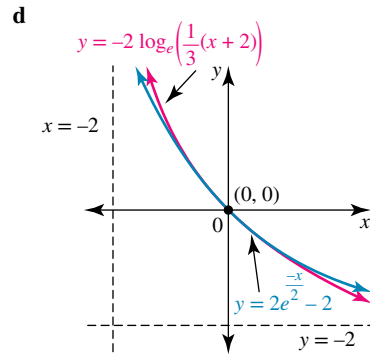
$$y + 2 = 2e^{\frac{-x}{2}}$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = 2e^{\frac{-x}{2}} - 2$$

Domain:  $x \in R$

Range:  $y > -2$

Asymptote:  $y = -2$



Point of intersection  $(0, 0)$

**18**  $N = 3000 - 500 \log_e(8t + 1)$

**a** at  $t = 0$

$$N = 3000 - 500 \log_e(1)$$

$$N = 3000$$

3000 people infected before vaccine introduced.

**b** at  $t = 5$

$$N = 3000 - 500 \log_e(8 \times 5 + 1)$$

$$N = 3000 - 500 \log_e(41)$$

$$N = 1143.214$$

1143 people infected after 5 days.

**c** rate of change,  $\frac{dN}{dt}$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = -500 \times \frac{1}{(8t + 1)} \times 8$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{-4000}{(8t + 1)}$$

**d** at  $t = 5$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{-4000}{(41)}$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = -97.560976$$

Rate of change after 5 days is a decrease of 98 people/day, to nearest whole number

(or -98 people/day).

19  $A = 15 \log_e(t - 2)$

a if  $A = 15$ :

$$15 = 15 \log_e(t - 2)$$

$$\log_e(t - 2) = 1$$

$$t - 2 = e^1$$

$$t = e + 2$$

$$t = 4.7182818$$

time is 4.7 minutes, correct to one decimal place.

b at  $t = 5$

$$A = 15 \log_e(5 - 2)$$

$$A = 15 \log_e(3)$$

$$A = 16.479184$$

Alertness is 16.5 units, correct to one decimal place.

c  $A = 15 \log_e(t - 2)$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 15 \times \frac{1}{(t - 2)}$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{15}{(t - 2)}$$

$$\text{when } \frac{dA}{dt} = 2:$$

$$2 = \frac{15}{(t - 2)}$$

$$2(t - 2) = 15$$

$$2t - 4 = 15$$

$$2t = 19$$

$$t = 9.5$$

Takes 9.5 minutes to rate of increase of alertness to reach 2 units/minute.

20  $y = \ln(x^2 + 1)$

a  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)} \times (2x)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x}{(x^2 + 1)}$$

b Point A:  $(2, \ln(5))$

gradient of tangent at A:  $m_A = \frac{4}{5}$

tangent at A:

$$y - \ln(5) = \frac{4}{5}(x - 2)$$

$$y - \ln(5) = \frac{4}{5}x - \frac{8}{5}$$

$$y = \frac{4}{5}x - \frac{8}{5} + \ln(5)$$

Point B:  $(-2, \ln(5))$

gradient of tangent at B:  $m_B = \frac{-4}{5}$

tangent at B:

$$y - \ln(5) = \frac{-4}{5}(x + 2)$$

$$y - \ln(5) = \frac{-4}{5}x - \frac{8}{5}$$

$$y = \frac{-4}{5}x - \frac{8}{5} + \ln(5)$$

Point of intersection of tangents: solve simultaneously.

$$\frac{4}{5}x - \frac{8}{5} + \ln(5) = \frac{-4}{5}x - \frac{8}{5} + \ln(5)$$

$$\frac{8}{5}x = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

Therefore, the point of intersection, T, lies on the y-axis.

$$T = \left(0, \ln(5) - \frac{8}{5}\right)$$

c tangent at A:

$$y = \frac{4}{5}x - \frac{8}{5} + \ln(5)$$

For point P:  $y = 0$

$$0 = \frac{4}{5}x - \frac{8}{5} + \ln(5)$$

$$4x - 8 + 5 \ln(5) = 0$$

$$4x = 8 - 5 \ln(5)$$

$$x = 2 - \frac{5}{4} \ln(5)$$

tangent at B:

$$y = \frac{-4}{5}x - \frac{8}{5} + \ln(5)$$

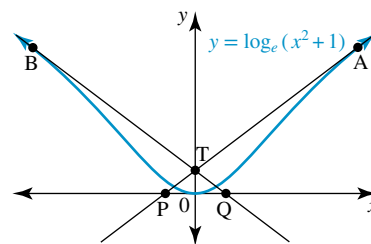
For point Q:  $y = 0$

$$0 = \frac{-4}{5}x - \frac{8}{5} + \ln(5)$$

$$4x + 8 - 5 \ln(5) = 0$$

$$4x = 5 \ln(5) - 8$$

$$x = -2 + \frac{5}{4} \ln(5)$$



$$\text{Distance PQ} = \left(-2 + \frac{5}{4} \ln(5)\right) - \left(2 - \frac{5}{4} \ln(5)\right)$$

$$= \frac{5}{2} \ln(5) - 4 \text{ units}$$

$$= 0.02359 \dots$$

Therefore the distance is less than 0.1 units.