

Q1 Solve the following equation for  $y$  in terms of  $x$

$$\log_2 (y+2) - 3 \log_2 (2-2x) = 3 \quad (*)$$

Using log<sub>e</sub> - laws we have.

$$(*) \Leftrightarrow \log_2 (y+2) - \log_2 (2-2x)^3 = 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \log_2 ((y+2)(2-2x)^3) = \log_2 2^3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (y+2)(2-2x)^3 = 8$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y+2 = \frac{8}{(2-2x)^3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{y = \frac{8}{(2-2x)^3} - 2} = \text{Answer}$$

Q2 Solve the following equation for  $x$ . Express your answer using  $\ln x$  or  $\log_{10} x$ :

$$3^{5-x} = 11$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \ln 3^{5-x} = \ln 11$$

$$(\text{log. - laws}) \quad \Leftrightarrow (5-x) \ln 3 = \ln 11$$

$$(\text{basic algebra}) \quad \Leftrightarrow (5-x) = \frac{\ln 11}{\ln 3}$$

$$-x = \frac{\ln 11}{\ln 3} - 5 \Leftrightarrow \boxed{x = -\frac{\ln 11}{\ln 3} + 5} = \text{Answer}$$

Q3

Given the equation

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$$(i) \log_8(x^8) + \log_{64}(x) = 14, (*)$$

— determine the value of  $\log_8 x$

(as fraction, not evaluate)

Using the change of base rule, eq. (\*) can be written as follows:

$$\log_8 x^8 + \frac{\log_8 x}{\log_8 64} = 14$$

(log. law)  $\Rightarrow 8 \log_8 x + \frac{1}{2} \log_8^2 x = 14$

$\Rightarrow$   
x2 both sides of the last eq.  
 $16 \log_8 x + \log_8 x = 28$

$\Rightarrow$   
collecting like terms  
 $17 \log_8 x = 28$

$\Rightarrow$   
dividing both sides of the last eq. by 17.  
 $(**) \boxed{\log_8 x = \frac{28}{17}}$  - Answer for part (i)

(ii) Determine the value of  $x$  (exact algebraic expression):

$(**) \Leftrightarrow$   
(def. of log)  $\boxed{x = 8^{\frac{28}{17}}}$

Answer for part (ii)

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Q4. Evaluate following logarithms, giving exact answer.

(i)  $\log_6 6^1 = 1$

(ii)  $\log_{10} (0.00001) = -5$

(iii)  $\ln(\sqrt{e^{13}}) = \ln e^{\frac{13}{2}} = \frac{13}{2}$

(iv)  $\ln e^3 = 3 \ln e = 3$

(v)  $\log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = \log_2 4^{-1} = \log_2 (2^2)^{-1}$   
 $= \log_2 2^{-2} = -2 \underbrace{\log_2 2}_{=1} = -2$

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Q5 Given:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$ ,  $h(x) = x+5$

Give the expression for the composite functions:

$f(h(x)) = f(x+5) = \frac{1}{(x+5)^2}$

$h(f(x)) = h\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right) = \frac{1}{x^2} + 5$

$f(f(x)) = f\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x^4}} = x^4$   
(Working for the last step:  
 $1 \div \frac{1}{x^4} = \frac{1}{1} \times \frac{x^4}{1} = x^4$ )

Q6

Consider the function  $y = x^2$  page (4)

- (1) Give a new function, obtained from  $y$  by translating it 4 units upwards

Answer:  $\boxed{x^2 + 4}$  - Ans.

- (2) Give the new function, obtained from your answer to part (1) by translating it by 8 units to the right:

$\boxed{(x - 8)^2 + 4}$  - Ans.

- (3) Give the new function obtained from answer to (2) by expanding it by factor 9 along the  $y$ -axis

$9((x - 8)^2 + 4) = \boxed{9(x - 8)^2 + 36}$  - Ans

Q7. Consider:  $f(x) = \left( \frac{\ln(x - 10)}{6} \right)^4$

$$g(x) = \ln\left(\left(\frac{x}{6} - 10\right)^4\right)$$

and:  $p(x) = \ln(x - 10), q(x) = x^4,$

$$r(x) = \frac{x}{6}$$

- (i) Write  $f(x)$  as a composition of  $p(x), q(x), r(x)$ :

$$f(x) = q\left(\frac{\ln(x - 10)}{6}\right) = q\left(r\left(\underbrace{\ln(x - 10)}_{p(x)}\right)\right)$$

$$= q(r(p(x))), \text{ i.e. } \boxed{f(x) = q(r(p(x)))}$$

(ii) Write  $g(x)$  as a composition of  $p(x)$ ,  $q(x)$  and  $r(x)$ .

Method 1

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{\underline{g(x)}} &= \ln \left( \underbrace{\left( \frac{x}{6} - 10 \right)^4 + 10}_u - 10 \right) \\
 &= \ln(u - 10) = p(u - 10) \\
 &= p \left( \underbrace{\left( \frac{x}{6} - 10 \right)^4 + 10}_{q\left(\frac{x}{6} - 10\right)} \right) \\
 &= p \left( \underbrace{q\left(\frac{x}{6} - 10\right)}_{r(x)} + 10 \right) \\
 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{g(x)}} &= p(q(r(x) - 10) + 10)
 \end{aligned}$$

Method 2

$$g(x) = 4 \ln \left( \frac{x}{6} - 10 \right) =$$

$$= 4 p \left( \frac{x}{6} \right) = 4 p(r(x))$$

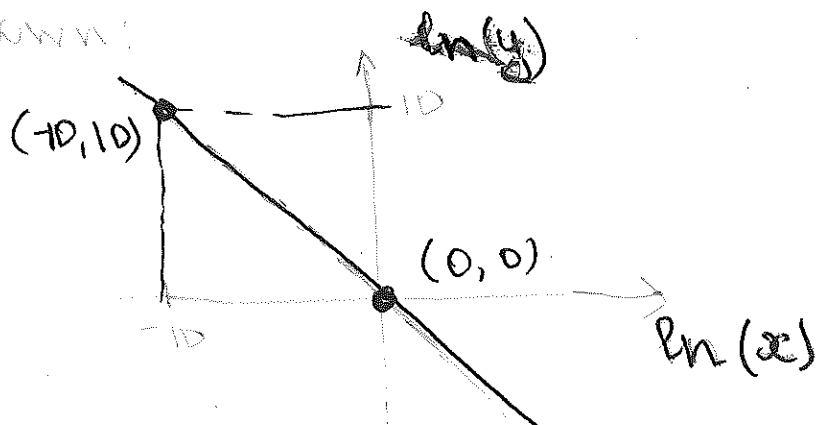
So

$$\boxed{g(x) = 4 p(r(x))}$$

Q8

A log-log plot of  $y(x)$  is shown:

(i)



Reconstruct the function  $y(x)$ :

From the graph, grad of the given line is  $= \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{-10}{10}$

(y-int is  $(0, 0)$ )

That means the eq. of the line is:  $\ln y = -\ln x$

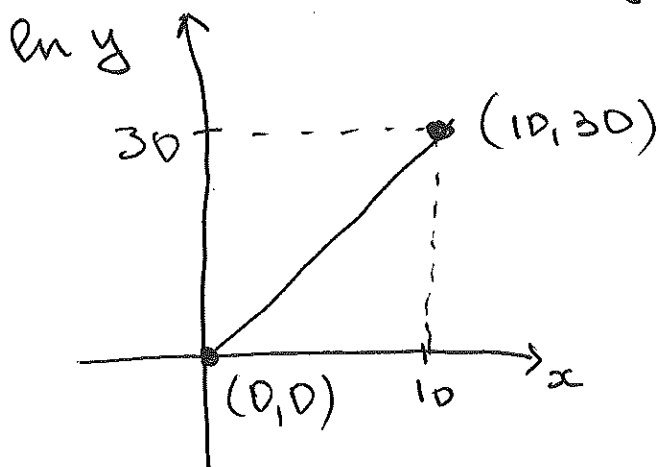
$$\Rightarrow \ln y = \ln x^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = x^{-1}$$

$= -1$

Answer

(ii)  $\ln(y(x))$  is given as:



The line is going through points  $(0, 0)$  and  $(10, 30)$

$$\Rightarrow \text{grad} = \frac{30-0}{10-0} = \frac{30}{10} = 3$$

of this line

y-intercept of the line is  $(0, 0)$ , of the line is:

therefore the eq

$$\ln y = 3x \Rightarrow y = e^{3x}$$

Answer

Q9

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Given:  $f(x) = \sqrt{2 \ln(x) - 3}$

for  $x \in [e^{3/2}, \infty)$

Find  $f^{-1}(x)$ :

Due to the def. of inverse function,

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

let  $f^{-1}(x) = y \Rightarrow$

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = x \Leftrightarrow f(y) = x$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\sqrt{2 \ln(y) - 3}) = x$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2 \ln y - 3 = x^2$$

(take both sides to the power of 2)

$$\Leftrightarrow 2 \ln y = x^2 + 3$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = e^{\frac{x^2 + 3}{2}}} \text{ - inverse of } f.$$

Thereby the range of  $f^{-1}(x)$  is

$[e^{3/2}, \infty)$  since  $\text{range}(f^{-1}(x))$

is the same as  $\text{dom}(f(x))$

( $\text{Dom}(f)$  is given as  $[e^{3/2}, \infty)$ ). Range of  $f^{-1}$  is in the form  $[A, +\infty) \Rightarrow A = e^{3/2}$

Q10

Given is :  $\frac{1}{2} 10^{15x} = \frac{3}{2} - 10^{-15x}$  page (8)  
(\*)

Determine the largest possible value of  $10^{15x}$  and the smallest possible value of  $10^{15x}$

Eq. (\*) can be written as follows:

$$\frac{1}{2} 10^{15x} = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{10^{15x}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  (Multiply both sides by  $10^{15x}$  and by 2)

$$(10^{15x})^2 = 3 \times 10^{15x} - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (10^{15x})^2 - 3 \times 10^{15x} + 2 = 0 \quad (**)$$

Let  $u = 10^{15x}$  ( $u > 0$ )

$\Rightarrow$  (\*\*) can be written as:

$$u^2 - 3u + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (u-2)(u-1) = 0$$

$$u = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad u = 1$$

$\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   
 $> 0$   $> 0$

$$\Rightarrow 10^{15x} = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad 10^{15x} = 1$$

$\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
largest possible      smallest possible

Determine the largest value of  $x$ :

$$10^{15x} = 2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \log_e 10^{15x} = \log_e 2 \Leftrightarrow 15x \log_e 10 = \log_e 2$$
$$\Leftrightarrow 15x = \frac{\log_e 2}{\log_e 10} \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{\ln 2}{15 \ln 10}$$



Q11

Simplify the given expression. Give the answer in the form  $x^a y^b$ .

$$\frac{(x^5 y^5)^2}{(x^{-5} y^{-2})^5} = \frac{x^{10} y^{10}}{x^{-25} y^{-10}} = x^{10 - (-25)} \times y^{10 - (-10)}$$

exponential laws

$$= x^{10+25} \times y^{10+10} = x^{35} y^{20}$$