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A. Definitions

1. Integers: (... , -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3...)
2. Positive Integers: (1, 2, 3, 4,...)
3. Real numbers: All numbers, integers and nonintegers
4. $|a|$ is called the absolute value of the number a:

If $a \geq 0$, then $|a| = a$

If $a < 0$, then $|a| = -a$

5. If b is any real number and n is a positive integer, then

$$b^n = \underbrace{b \cdot b \cdot b \cdot \dots \cdot b}_{n \text{ times}}$$

b multiplied by itself n times

where b is referred to as the base and n as the exponent.

We can write

$$b^0 = 1$$

$$b^{-n} = \frac{1}{b^n} \quad \text{if } n \text{ is a positive integer}$$

$$\sqrt[n]{b} = b^{1/n} \quad (\text{the } n^{\text{th}} \text{ root of } b).$$

6. The logarithm to base b of a positive number x is that number y which satisfies the equation $b^y = x$ and we write $\log_b x = y$.

7. Summation Sign

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$$

8. Product Sign

$$\prod_{i=1}^n x_i = x_1 \cdot x_2 \cdot x_3 \cdot \dots \cdot x_n$$

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B. Examples in using summation signs

Let $x_1 = 5$ $y_1 = 9$ and $n = 3$

$$x_2 = 6 \quad y_2 = 12$$

$$x_3 = 2 \quad y_3 = 4$$

For the values of x and y given above, compute the following by pencil and paper, not by calculator:

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i^2$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 y_i =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{x_i}{y_i} =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 (x_i + y_i) =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 (y_i - 2) =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i + \sum_{i=1}^3 y_i =$$

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^3 y_i \right) - 2 =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i y_i =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 (y_i - 2)^2 =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i \cdot \sum_{i=1}^3 y_i =$$

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^3 y_i^2 \right) - 2 =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 (x_i - y_i) =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 (x_i - y_i)^2 =$$

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C. More examples

Compute:

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i}{3} = \bar{x} =$$

$$\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i}{3} \right)^2 =$$

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1} =$$

$$\frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i^2 \right) - n\bar{x}^2}{n-1} =$$

$$x_1^{-1} =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 |x_i| =$$

$$x_3^{-3} =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 |x_i - y_i| =$$

$$y_3^{1/2} =$$

$$x_2^0 =$$

$$\log_{10}(5 \cdot x_1 y_3) =$$

$$\log_2 y_3 =$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^3 x_i$$

$$\frac{\prod_{i=1}^3 x_i}{\prod_{i=1}^3 y_i}$$

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D. More on Logarithms

a. Write the following equations in terms of logarithms:

$$2^3 = 8$$

$$10^2 = 100$$

$$10^{-3} = 0.001$$

b. Write the following equations in terms of exponents:

$$\log_2 128 = 7$$

$$\log_5 125 = 3$$

$$\log_{1/2} (1/16) = 4$$

$$\log_{10} (0.01) = -2$$

Common logarithm = a logarithm with base 10 such that

$$\log_{10} y = x \text{ implies } 10^x = y.$$

Often $\log_{10} y$ is written as $\log y$.

Natural logarithm = a logarithm with base e such that

$$\log_e y = x \text{ implies } e^x = y.$$

Often $\log_e y$ is written as $\ln y$.

Note: e or Euler's constant (2.71828...) is important in describing biological relationships and is useful in many statistical applications.

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Properties of logarithms:

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

$$\log_b(x/y) = \log_b x - \log_b y$$

$$\log_b(x^r) = r \cdot \log_b x$$

- E. Scientific Notation - Expressing a number as a product of a number N between 1 and 10 and an integral power of ten in order to simplify notation of calculations: $(N) \cdot (10)^k$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(e.g., } 390.672 &= 3.90672 \times 10^2 \\ 0.0001576 &= 1.576 \times 10^{-4}) \end{aligned}$$

Rules

- 1) The exponent of 10 is determined by counting the number of places that the decimal point was moved when going from the original number to the number between 1 and 10.
- 2) The exponent is
 - a) negative if the original number is less than 1
 - b) positive if the original number is greater than 10
 - c) 0 if the original number is between 1 and 10

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- a. Express the following in scientific notation:

2.14
31.79
412.9
8,000,000
0.14
0.0379
0.00000049

- F. Correct to n Decimal Places - the process of rounding a number to n decimal places.

Rules for rounding

- 1) Round to the nearest number
- 2) If the number determining the rounding is 5, round to the even number

(e.g., 3.14159 is 3.14 correct to 2 decimal places

17.45 is 17.4 correct to 1 decimal place)

- a. Correct the following numbers to two decimal places:

7.865
7.847
7.853
7.875

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- G. Significant Figures - any digits in a number which contribute to the specification of its magnitude apart from zeroes that determine the position of the decimal point.

Hint: It helps to first write the number in scientific notation in order to determine the number of significant figures

e.g. $92,800,000 = 9.28 \times 10^7$ has 3 significant figures

$0.0909 = 9.09 \times 10^{-2}$ has 3 significant figures

$0.00052 = 5.2 \times 10^{-4}$ has 2 significant figures

- a. Specify the number of significant figures corresponding to each number:

0.045
4.5
4.05
4.502
20.04

H. Solve for x:

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1. $2x = 8$

2. $2x + 3 = 7$

3. $2x + 3 = 8$

4. $2x - 1 = 4$

5. $2x - 1 = 0$

6. $2x - 1 = -1$

7. $3x + 5 = 0$

8. $x - a = 0$

9. $x - a = b$

10. $ax + b = c$

11. $2x^2 = 18$

12. $5x^2 + 90 = 215$

13. $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
(Remember the formula?)

14. $10^x = 100$

15. $10^x + 100 = 1100$

16. $x = \log_2 4$

17. $x = \log_4 2$

18. $x = \log_4 16$

19. $x^{1/2} = 3$

20. $x^{1/2} = 5$

I. Solve for x and evaluate when $y = 3$ and $z = 4$:

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1. $x - y = 0$

2. $x + 2y = 4$

3. $2x + y = 4$

4. $2x + 6y = 4$

5. $2x + 6y + 2z = 4$

6. $ax + by + c = 3$

J. Solve using calculator:

1. $10^x - 100 = 382$

2. $e^x = 20$

3. $x = \ln(1)$

4. $x = \log(1)$

5. $x = \log(100)$

6. $x = \ln(100)$

7. $\log(x) = 3$

8. $\ln(x) = 1$

9. $\ln(x) = 3$

10. $x = e^3$

11. $\ln(x) = -3$

12. $x = e^{5.3}$

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Answer Key

Page 2 $\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i = 5 + 6 + 2 = 13$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 y_i = 9 + 12 + 4 = 25$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 (x_i + y_i) = 38$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i + \sum_{i=1}^3 y_i = 38$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i y_i = 45 + 72 + 8 = 125$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i \cdot \sum_{i=1}^3 y_i = 13 \cdot 25 = 325$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 (x_i - y_i) = -4 + (-6) + (-2) = -12$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i^2 = 25 + 36 + 4 = 65$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{x_i}{y_i} = \frac{5}{9} + \frac{6}{12} + \frac{2}{4} = 1\frac{5}{9}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 (y_i - 2) = 7 + 10 + 2 = 19$$

$$(\sum_{i=1}^3 y_i) - 2 = 25 - 2 = 23$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 (y_i - 2)^2 = 7^2 + 10^2 + 2^2 = 153$$

$$(\sum_{i=1}^3 y_i^2) - 2 = (81 + 144 + 16) - 2 = 239$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 (x_i - y_i)^2 = (-4)^2 + (-6)^2 + (-2)^2 = 56$$

Page 3 $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i}{3} = \bar{x} = \frac{5+6+2}{3} = \frac{13}{3}$

$$(\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i)^2 = (13)^2 = 169$$

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1} = \frac{(5 - \frac{13}{3})^2 + (6 - \frac{13}{3})^2 + (2 - \frac{13}{3})^2}{2} = \frac{13}{3}$$

$$\frac{(\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i^2) - n\bar{x}^2}{n-1} = \frac{65 - 3(\frac{13}{3})^2}{2} = \frac{13}{3}$$

Note: $n = 3$

$$x_1^{-1} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$x_3^{-3} = \frac{1}{2^3} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$y_3^{1/2} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$\log_{10}(5 \cdot x_1 y_3) = \log_{10}(5 \cdot 5 \cdot 4)$$

$$= \log_{10}(100) = 2$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^3 x_i = 5 \cdot 6 \cdot 2 = 60$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 |x_i| = 13$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 |x_i - y_i| = 12$$

$$x_2^0 = 1$$

$$\log_2 y_3 = \log_2 4 = 2$$

$$\frac{\prod_{i=1}^3 x_i}{\prod_{i=1}^3 y_i} = \frac{5 \cdot 6 \cdot 2}{9 \cdot 12 \cdot 4} = \frac{5}{36}$$

Page 4 $2^3 = 8$

$\log_2 8 = 3$

$10^2 = 100$

$\log_{10} 100 = 2$

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$\log_{10} 0.001 = -3$

$\log_2 128 = 7$

$2^7 = 128$

$\log_5 125 = 3$

$5^3 = 125$

$\log_{1/2}(1/16) = 4$

$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 = \frac{1}{16}$

$\log_{10}(0.01) = -2$

$10^{-2} = 0.01$

Page 6 2.14

2.14×10^0

31.79

3.179×10^1

412.9

4.129×10^2

8,000.000

8×10^6

0.14

1.4×10^{-1}

0.0379

3.79×10^{-2}

0.00000049

4.9×10^{-7}

7.865

7.86

7.847

7.85

7.853

7.85

7.875

7.88

Page 7 $0.045 = 4.5 \times 10^{-2}$

2 significant figures

4.5

2

4.05

3

4.502

4

$20.04 = 2.004 \times 10^1$

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H. Solve for x:

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|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. $2x = 8$ | $x = 8/2 = 4$ |
| 2. $2x + 3 = 7$ | $x = (7 - 3)/2 = 2$ |
| 3. $2x + 3 = 8$ | $x = (8 - 3)/2 = 2.5$ |
| 4. $2x - 1 = 4$ | $x = (4 + 1)/2 = 2.5$ |
| 5. $2x - 1 = 0$ | $x = 1/2$ |
| 6. $2x - 1 = -1$ | $x = (-1 + 1)/2 = 0$ |
| 7. $3x + 5 = 0$ | $x = -5/3 = -1\frac{2}{3}$ |
| 8. $x - a = 0$ | $x = a$ |
| 9. $x - a = b$ | $x = b + a$ |
| 10. $ax + b = c$ | $x = (c - b)/a$ |
| 11. $2x^2 = 18$ | $x = 3$ |
| 12. $5x^2 + 90 = 215$ | $x = 5$ |
| 13. $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
(Remember the formula?) | $x = [-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}]/2a$ (It's nice if you remember this, but it's not expected.) |
| 14. $10^x = 100$ | $x = 2$ |
| 15. $10^x + 100 = 1100$ | $x = 3$ |
| 16. $x = \log_2 4$ | $x = 2$ |
| 17. $x = \log_4 2$ | $x = \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 18. $x = \log_4 16$ | $x = 2$ |
| 19. $x^{\frac{1}{2}} = 3$ | $x = 9$ |
| 20. $x^{\frac{1}{2}} = 5$ | $x = 25$ |

I. Solve for x and evaluate when y = 3 and z = 4:

	in general	when y = 3, z = 4
1. $x - y = 0$	$x = y$	$x = 3$
2. $x + 2y = 4$	$x = 4 - 2y$	$x = -2$
3. $2x + y = 4$	$x = (4 - y)/2$	$x = 1/2$
4. $2x + 6y = 4$	$x = 2 - 3y$	$x = -7$
5. $2x + 6y + 2z = 4$	$x = 2 - 3y - z$	$x = -11$
6. $ax + by + c = 3$	$x = (3 - by - c)/a$	$x = (3 - 3b - c)/a$

J. Solve using calculator:

1. $10^x - 100 = 382$	$x = \log(482) = 2.683$
2. $e^x = 20$	$x = \ln(20) = 2.996$
3. $x = \ln(1)$	$x = 0$
4. $x = \log(1)$	$x = 0$
5. $x = \log(100)$	$x = 2$
6. $x = \ln(100)$	$x = 4.605$
7. $\log(x) = 3$	$x = 1000$
8. $\ln(x) = 1$	$x = e = 2.718$
9. $\ln(x) = 3$	$x = e^3 = 20.086$
10. $x = e^3$	$x = 20.086$
11. $\ln(x) = -3$	$x = e^{-3} = 1/20.086 = 0.0498$
12. $x = e^{5.3}$	$x = 200.337$