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## Today: Start Chapter 7 (Logs)

#### Applications:

- Chemistry: alkalinity and acidity, pH scale
- Finance: compound interest (get rich slow)
- Geology: Richter scale for earthquakes (did you feel the earth move too ?)
- Archeology: radio carbon dating (how old is that bone?)
- Astronomy: stellar magnitude (brightness of stars)
- Sound: decibels (what did you say?, the music is too loud)
- Math: solving equations with exponents ...by performing an arithmetic operation to both sides (all of the above are examples of the use of this operation)

Exponentiation

Main Idea of Chapter 7:

 $\log(x)$  is how many times you multiply 1 by 10 to get x

#### Conclusion:

Before we do logs we should be really good at powers of 10.

### Powers of Ten

1 meter  $\approx 3$  feet

1 centimeter = 0.01 meters =  $10^{-2}$  meters  $\approx 1/2$  inch

1 kilometer =  $1,000 \text{ meters} = 10^3 \text{ meters} \approx 1/2 \text{ mile}$ 

Approximate distance (in meters), to nearest power of 10

$10^7$ meters	Size of Earth
10 <sup>9</sup> meters	Distance to moon
$10^{14}$ meters	Size of our solar system
$10^{16}$ meters	One light-year
$10^{21}$ meters	Size of the Milky Way galaxy
$10^{27}$ meters	Size of the universe (about 93 billion light-years)
$10^{80}$	number of protons in the observable universe?
$10^{100}$	1 googol
$10^{1000} \text{ meters}$	???

$$10^4 = 10 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10 = 10,000$$
  
= 4 lots of 10 multiplied together  
= 1 followed by 4 zeroes

$$10^{x} = \underbrace{10 \times 10 \times \dots \times 10}_{x \text{ lots of } 10} = 1 \underbrace{00000 \dots 0}_{x \text{ zeros}}$$
$$= 1 \text{ followed by } x \text{ zeroes}$$

Ex: 
$$10^2 \times 10^3 = (10 \times 10) \times (10 \times 10 \times 10)$$
  
=  $10^{2+3} = 10^5$ .

$$10^x \times 10^y = 10^{x+y}$$
 First Law of Exponents

Why? We can work it out!

## Exponential Basics (cont'd)

 $10^{x} \times 10^{y} = 10^{x+y}$ 

First Law of Exponents

#### Why?

We can work it out:

(x lots of 10 multiplied together)  $\times$  (y lots of 10 multiplied together) = (x + y) lots of 10 multiplied together

For now x and y are positive whole numbers.

### More Exponentiation

$$(10^{2})^{3} = (10 \times 10)^{3}$$
$$= (10 \times 10) \times (10 \times 10) \times (10 \times 10)$$
$$= 10^{6}$$

$$(10^a)^b = 10^{ab}$$

 $(10^a)^b = 10^{ab}$  Fourth Law of Exponents

#### Why? We can work it out:

$$10^a = \underbrace{10 \times 10 \times \dots \times 10}_{a \text{ times}}$$

$$(10^{a})^{b} = \underbrace{(10 \times \dots \times 10) \times \dots \times (10 \times \dots \times 10)}_{b \text{ times}}$$
$$= 10^{ab}$$

Just count the zeros!

## When the power is 0 or negative

What is  $10^{\circ}$ ?= 1 But why? We can work it out:

$$10^0 \times 10^1 = 10^{0+1}$$
  
so  $10^0 \times 10 = 10$   
and therefore  $10^0 = 10/10 = 1$ 

Summary: we used the first law of exponents to figure out what  $10^0$ must be.

There is a second explanation in the book!

What is 
$$10^{-2}$$
?=  $1/100 = 0.01$  But why? We can work it out:

$$10^{-2} \times 10^2 = 10^{-2+2} = 10^0 = 1$$
  
therefore  $10^{-2} = \frac{1}{10^2}$  and  $10^{-a} = \frac{1}{10^a}$ 

There is a second explanation in the book

(1) 
$$10^a \times 10^b = 10^{a+b}$$

$$(2) 10^0 = 1$$

(3) 
$$10^{-a} = 1/10^a$$

$$(4) (10^a)^b = 10^{ab}$$

(5) 
$$10^a/10^b = 10^{a-b}$$

1. What is  $10^3 \times 10^4$ ?

$$C = 10^{34}$$

$$A = 10^{12}$$
  $B = 10^7$   $C = 10^{34}$   $D = 10^0$   $E = 10^{-7}$ 

$$E = 10^{-1}$$

2. Find  $10^3/10^4$ 

$$8 = 10^{1}$$

$$=10^{-4}$$

$$A = 10^7$$
  $B = 10^1$   $C = 10^{-4}$   $D = 10^{-1}$   $E = 10^{-7}$ 

$$E = 10^{-7}$$

3. Find  $(10^3)^4$ .

$$C = 10^{12}$$

$$A = 10^7$$
  $B = 10^1$   $C = 10^{12}$   $D = 10^{-1}$   $E = 10^0$ 

$$E = 10^{0}$$

# The Five Laws of Exponents

(1) 
$$10^a \times 10^b = 10^{a+b}$$

$$(2) 10^0 = 1$$

(3) 
$$10^{-a} = 1/10^a$$

$$(4) (10^a)^b = 10^{ab}$$

(5) 
$$10^a/10^b = 10^{a-b}$$

4. What is 
$$(10^2 \times 10^3)^4$$
?

$$A = 10^8$$
  $B = 10^9$   $C = 10^{12}$   $D = 10^{20}$   $E = 10^{24}$   $D$ 

5. What is 
$$(10^2 \times 10^6)/(10^2 \times 10^3)$$
?

$$A = 10^2$$
  $B = 10^3$   $C = 10^{-1}$   $D = 10^7$   $E = 10^6$ 

**6.** What is 
$$(10^2/10^5)^{-2}$$
?

$$A = 10^{-6}$$
  $B = 10^{-5}$   $C = 10^{6}$   $D = 10^{4}$   $E = 10^{5}$ 

### Non-Integer Powers

#### We can work them out!

- 7. What is  $10^{0.5} = 10^{1/2}$ ? Answer:  $10^{0.5} = \sqrt{10} \approx 3.16288$
- 8. What is  $10^{0.1} = 10^{1/10}$ ? Answer:  $10^{0.1} = \sqrt[10]{10} \approx 1.258926$
- 9. Similarly:  $10^{0.01} = \sqrt[100]{10} \approx 1.02329$  $10^{0.001} = \sqrt[1000]{10} \approx 1.00231$
- **10.** What is  $10^{0.27}$ ? Answer:

$$10^{0.27} = 10^{27/100} = \sqrt[100]{10^{27}} = (\sqrt[100]{10})^{27} \approx 1.862$$

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log(y) is how may tens you multiply together to get y

$$10^{\log(y)} = y$$

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\log(10) = ?1 because 10^1 = 10

\log(100) = ? = 2 because 10^2 = 100

\log(1000) = ? = 3 because 10^3 = 1000

\log(100,000) =
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A=2 B=3 C=4 D=5 E=6

### Still moving to Logarithms

log(y) is how may tens you multiply together to get y

$$10^{\log(y)} = y$$

$$\log(0.1) = ?-1$$
 because  $10^{-1} = 1/10 = 0.1$   
 $\log(0.01) = ? = -2$  because  $10^{-2} = 1/100 = 0.01$   
 $\log(10^x) = ? = x$  duh?

How confused are you?

$$\log(100,000) = ?$$

$$A=2$$
  $B=3$   $C=4$   $D=5$   $E=6$ 

 $\log(0.001) = ?$ 

$$A = 3$$
  $B = 0$   $C = 0.001$   $D = -2$   $E = -3$   $E$ 

$$\log(100 \times 1000) = ?$$

$$A = 6$$
  $B = 5$   $C = 3$   $D = 9$   $E = -5$   $B$ 

$$\log(100/1000) = ?$$

$$A = -1$$
  $B = 0$   $C = 1$   $D = -3$   $E = -5$   $A$ 

First Law of Logs 
$$\log(a \times b) = \log(a) + \log(b)$$

This means logs convert multiplication into addition.

Example: 
$$\log(100 \times 1000) = \log(100) + \log(1000) = 2 + 3 = 5$$

It is easy to understand why the first law works:

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\log(\mathbf{a}) = (\text{how many 10's you multiply to get } \mathbf{a})
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$$log(b) = (how many 10's you multiply to get b)$$

THEREFORE multiplying ALL these 10s gives  $a \times b$ 

CONCLUDE  $\log(a \times b)$  is this number of 10s: that is,  $\log(a) + \log(b)$ .

We are told:  $\log(2) \approx 0.3$  (from table page 289)

$$\log(20) = \log(10 \times 2)$$

$$= \log(10) + \log(2)$$

$$\approx 1 + 0.3$$

$$\approx 1.3$$
we know  $\log(10) = 1$ 

Use this method to find  $\log(200)$ 

$$A = 30$$
  $B = 3$   $C = 2.3$   $D = 30$ 

### A few more

We are still told  $\log(2) \approx 0.3$ 

Find  $\log(0.002)$ 

$$A = -3.3$$
  $B = -2.3$   $C = -2.7$   $D = -3.7$ 

Find  $\log(2 \times 10^x)$ 

$$A = 2x$$
  $B = 2 + x$   $C = .3x$   $D = 10x + log(2)$   $E = x + .3$  E

#### A Trick!

The graph and the table can both be used to find logs of numbers between 1 and 10.

To find the log of ANY number, we move the decimal point:

$$\log(10^n \times x) = n + \log(x)$$

Example:

$$\log(275.67) = \log(10^2 \times 2.7567) = 2 + \underbrace{\log(2.7567)}_{\text{look this up!}}$$

Its called the MOVING DECIMAL POINT TRICK because 2 is how many places you need to move the decimal point of 275.67 to obtain a number between 1 and 10.

#### Inverses!

logs are "opposite" of exponents (inverse function of antilog) So every fact about exponents corresponds to a fact about logs:

	laws of exponents	corresponding law of logs
(1)	$10^{\mathbf{a}} \times 10^{\mathbf{b}} = 10^{\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}}$	$\log(xy) = \log(x) + \log(y)$
(2)	$10^{0} = 1$	$\log(1) = 0$
(3)	$10^{-a} = 1/10^{a}$	$\log(1/x) = -\log(x)$
(4)	$(10^{\mathbf{a}})^{\mathbf{p}} = 10^{\mathbf{a}\mathbf{p}}$	$\log(x^{\mathbf{p}}) = \frac{p}{p}\log(x)$
(5)	$10^{a}/10^{b} = 10^{a-b}$	$\log(x/y) = \log(x) - \log(y)$

Example:  $\log(x^a/y^b) = ?$ 

$$A = a \log(x)/(b \log(y)) \qquad B = a \log(x) + b \log(y)$$
 
$$C = a \log(x) - b \log(y) \quad D = (a + \log(x)) - (b + \log(y)) \boxed{\mathbf{C}}$$

# Rule (4): $\log(x^p) = p \log(x)$

Explanation of (4)

$$\log(a \times a) = \log(a) + \log(a) = \frac{2}{2}\log(a)$$
$$\log(a \times a \times a) = \log(a) + \log(a) + \log(a) = \frac{3}{2}\log(a)$$

In general: the number of tens you multiply to get  $x^p$  is p times as many tens as you multiply to get x.

What is  $\log(\sqrt{x^7})$ ?

$$A = 7 + \log(x)$$
  $B = (7/2) + \log(x)$   $C = 7/2$   $D = 7/2 \log(x)$   $D = 7/2 \log(x)$ 

Find x by solving  $10^x = 5$ .

A= 5 B= 0.5 C= 
$$\log(5)$$
 D=  $\log(0.5)$  E=  $\log(5) - \log(10)$ 

## That's it. Thanks for being here.

