MHF4U : Advanced Functions

Assignment #4

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[**NOTE**]: **Law of Logarithms is represented with LOL**

1. **Determine** all real numbers x that satisfy the equation $\log_3(x-7) + \log_3(x-9) = 1$.

Solve question 1 by isolating the equation to one side by performing algebra before factoring

First, we should identify restrictions. We know that if the parent logarithm is $\log_a(b) = c$, b must be positive. Taking the two "b" values from the equation:

$$x - 7 > 0 \qquad\qquad \text{Subtract 7 from both sides}$$
$$x > 7$$

$$x - 9 > 0 \qquad\qquad \text{Subtract 9 from both sides}$$
$$x > 9$$

Since $x > 9 > 7$, we can say that the restriction is: $\{x|x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 9\}$ Now we can start solving for x. Start by breaking the equation down into a form that can be factored before factoring.

$$\log_3(x-7) + \log_3(x-9) = 1$$
$$\log_3((x-7)(x-9)) = 1 \qquad\qquad \text{LOL Product rule, } log_a(xy) = \log_a(x) + \log_a(y)$$
$$3^1 = (x-7)(x-9) \qquad \log_a(b) = c \Longleftrightarrow a^c = b$$
$$3 = (x-7)(x-9) \qquad \text{Simplify}$$
$$3 = x^2 - 16x + 63 \qquad \text{Multiply factors, expand}$$
$$0 = x^2 - 16x + 63 - 3 \quad \text{Subtract 3 from both sides}$$
$$0 = x^2 - 16x + 60 \qquad \text{Simplify}$$
$$0 = (x-6)(x-10) \qquad \text{Factor}$$
$$x = 6, 10$$

Now we know that $x = 6, 10$ but from the restriction, x must be greater than 9. Therefore the solution $x = 6$ is inadmissable since is is smaller than 9.

$$\boxed{\therefore \text{The solution to } \log_3(x-7) + \log_3(x-9) = 1 \text{ is } x = 10}$$

2. After Judgement Day, crows rose to become the dominant species and took over the planet Earth. Initially, there were 40000 crows and with no competition for food sources, this population of crows tripled in population every 1.5 years. A "mega-murder" is a murder of crows with a population of one million.

 (a) **Model** the relationship between the population of crows and time since Judgement Day.

 (b) **Determine** after how many years is Earth ruled by a mega-murder.

Solve question 2(a) by first identifying the key characteristics for a exponential model

Consider the following general formula for exponential functions, where c(t) is the number of crows and t is the time in days since Judgement day:

$$c(t) = \text{initial}(1 + \text{growth rate})^{\frac{t}{\text{period}}}$$

Where "initial" is initial population, "growth rate" is the rate of growth per each period and "period" is the time take for the population to change by the growth rate. Let us determine the values required to definte the relationship from the data provided in the question.

Initial Population:	40000 crows
Rate of growth:	200 % increase per period (+2/period)
Period of growth	1.5 years

Now let's put this all together into the general formula above and simplify:

$$c(t) = \text{initial}(1 + \text{growth rate})^{\frac{t}{\text{period}}}$$

$$c(t) = 40000(1 + 2)^{\frac{t}{1.5}} \qquad\qquad \text{Substitute values in}$$

$$c(t) = 40000(3)^{\frac{t}{1.5}} \qquad\qquad \text{Simplify}$$

∴ The model that describes the relationship between number of crows (c(t)) and days after Judgement day (t) is $\boxed{40000(3)^{\frac{t}{1.5}}}$

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Solve question 2(b) by solving for the value of t

We know that c(t) represents the number of magnificient crows and t represents the time in days since Judgement day. If we know that the number of crows or c(t) is a murder, or one million, we can solve for t at c(t) = 1000000:

$$c(t) = 40000(3)^{\frac{t}{1.5}} \qquad\qquad \text{From (a)}$$

$$1000000 = 40000(3)^{\frac{t}{1.5}} \qquad\qquad \text{Sub 1000000 as c(t)}$$

$$\frac{1000000}{40000} = (3)^{\frac{t}{1.5}} \qquad\qquad \text{Divide both sides by 40000}$$

$$25 = (3)^{\frac{t}{1.5}} \qquad\qquad \text{Simplify}$$

$$\log(25) = \log(3)^{\frac{t}{1.5}} \qquad\qquad \text{Apply } \log_{10} \text{ to both sides}$$

$$\log(25) = \frac{t}{1.5}\log(3) \qquad\qquad \text{LOL Power rule, } \log_a(r^b) = b\log_a r$$

$$\log(5^2) = \frac{t}{1.5}\log(3) \qquad\qquad 25 = 5^2$$

$$2\log(5) = \frac{t}{1.5}\log(3) \qquad\qquad \text{LOL Power rule}$$

$$\frac{2\log(5)}{\log(3)} = \frac{t}{1.5} \qquad\qquad \text{Divide both sides by } log(3)$$

$$\frac{2\log(5)}{\log(3)} \times 1.5 = t \qquad\qquad \text{Multiply both sides by 1.5}$$

$$\frac{3\log(5)}{\log(3)} = t \qquad\qquad \text{Simplify, multiply 2 with 1.5}$$

$$\frac{3\log(5)}{\log(3)} \approx 4.394$$

$$\therefore \text{ it takes } \boxed{\frac{3\log(5)}{log(3)}} \text{ or approximately } \boxed{4.39} \text{ days since Judgement day to reach a mega-murder}$$

$$\text{(one million) of crows.}$$

3. **Prove** that if a, b, c are the first three terms of a geometric sequence then $\log(a), \log(b), \log(c)$ are the first three terms of an arithmetic sequence.

Solution for question 3

We know that the terms a, b and c are the first three terms of a geometric sequence. In a geometric sequence, there is a common rate of change or common multiplier between each term. If we express the common multiple as x, we know that we can get a term n by multiplying term n-1 by x, where n is any positive integer:

$a \times x = b$ Multiply first term by x to get second term

$x = \dfrac{b}{a}$ (1) Divide both sides by a

$b \times x = c$ Multiply second term by x to get third term $x = \dfrac{c}{b}$ (2) Divide both sides by b

Since both (1) and (2) are equal to the same value, x, we can substitute on into the other as x and combine the two equation. I label this (3):

$$x = \frac{b}{a}, x = \frac{c}{b}$$
$$\frac{b}{a} = \frac{c}{b} \quad (3)$$

Let's play around with (3) more to experiment around. We know that (3) is a true statemnt so if we can somehow form a common difference between log(a) to log(b) and log(b) to log(c) using (3), we can derive a new true statement. Remember, an arithmetc sequence has a common difference between each term, meaning that term (n) and term (n+1) will have the same difference as term (n+1) and term (n+2) and so on:

$\dfrac{b}{a} = \dfrac{c}{b}$ $\qquad\qquad\qquad\qquad$ (3)

$\log\left(\dfrac{b}{a}\right) = \log\left(\dfrac{c}{b}\right)$ $\qquad\qquad$ Apply $\log_{10}$ to both sides

$\log(b) - \log(a) = \log(c) - \log(b)$ $\qquad$ LOL quotient rule, $\log_r\left(\dfrac{m}{n}\right) = \log_r(m) - \log_r(n)$

$\equiv$ Arithmetic Sequence

From the line $\log(b) - \log(a) = \log(c) - \log(b)$, we can see that the difference between log(b) and log(a) is the same as the difference of log(c) to log(b). An arithmetic sequence requires a common difference between their terms and since our current pattern, derived from a true statement shows this characteristic.

we can therefore conclude that log(a), log(b), and log(c) form a arithmetic sequence.

4. Given $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ with $a \neq 1$, $b \neq 1$, $c \neq 1$ **prove**

$$\frac{1}{1 + \log_a(bc)} + \frac{1}{1 + \log_b(ac)} + \frac{1}{1 + \log_c(ab)} = 1$$

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Solve Question 4 by showing that both sides of the equation are equivalent statements:

Take the left hand side and manipulate it to create the right hand side:

Proof.

$LHS = \dfrac{1}{1 + \log_a(bc)} + \dfrac{1}{1 + \log_b(ac)} + \dfrac{1}{1 + \log_c(ab)}$ $\qquad$ LHS = Left Hand Side

$= \dfrac{1}{1 + \dfrac{\log(bc)}{\log(a)}} + \dfrac{1}{1 + \dfrac{\log(ac)}{\log(b)}} + \dfrac{1}{1 + \dfrac{\log(ab)}{\log(c)}}$ $\qquad$ Change of base identity

$= \dfrac{1}{\dfrac{\log(a)}{\log(a)} + \dfrac{\log(bc)}{\log(a)}} + \dfrac{1}{\dfrac{\log(b)}{\log(b)} + \dfrac{\log(ac)}{\log(b)}} + \dfrac{1}{\dfrac{\log(c)}{\log(c)} + \dfrac{\log(ab)}{\log(c)}}$ $\qquad$ $1 = \dfrac{\log(a)}{\log(a)} = \dfrac{\log(b)}{\log(b)} = \dfrac{\log(c)}{\log(c)}$

$= \dfrac{1}{\dfrac{\log(a) + \log(bc)}{\log(a)}} + \dfrac{1}{\dfrac{\log(b) + \log(ac)}{\log(b)}} + \dfrac{1}{\dfrac{\log(c) + \log(ab)}{\log(c)}}$ $\qquad$ Add fractions

$= 1 \times \dfrac{\log(a)}{\log(a) + \log(bc)} + 1 \times \dfrac{\log(b)}{\log(b) + \log(ac)} + 1 \times \dfrac{\log(c)}{\log(c) + \log(ab)}$ $\qquad$ $\dfrac{1}{\frac{a}{b}} = 1 \times \dfrac{b}{a}$

$= \dfrac{\log(a)}{\log(a) + \log(bc)} + \dfrac{\log(b)}{\log(b) + \log(ac)} + \dfrac{\log(c)}{\log(c) + \log(ab)}$ $\qquad$ Simplify

$= \dfrac{\log(a)}{\log(abc)} + \dfrac{\log(b)}{\log(abc)} + \dfrac{\log(c)}{\log(abc)}$ $\qquad$ LOL Product rule

$= \dfrac{\log(a) + \log(b) + \log(c)}{\log(abc)}$ $\qquad$ Add fractions together

$= \dfrac{\log(abc)}{\log(abc)}$ $\qquad$ LOL Product rule

$= 1$ $\qquad$ Simplify

$= RHS$ $\qquad\qquad$ $\square$

$\therefore$ $\boxed{\text{since LHS = RHS, } \dfrac{1}{1 + \log_a(bc)} + \dfrac{1}{1 + \log_b(ac)} + \dfrac{1}{1 + \log_c(ab)} = 1}$

5. **Determine** the set of real numbers a for which the equation
$$\log_8(x - a + 1) + \log_8(x - a - 1) = 1$$
has *exactly one* real solution for x.

Solution to question 5:

First off let's try and define the restrictions on "a". Consider the base log function: $log_l(m) = n$. "m" must be a greater than or equal to 0 since the log of a negative value cannot be solved. Therefore, from the question, the two equations being logged must be greater than zero:

$$x - a + 1 > 0 \qquad\qquad \text{From } \log_8(x - a + 1)$$

$$x + 1 > a \qquad\qquad (1)$$

$$x - a - 1 > 0 \qquad\qquad \text{From } \log_8(x - a - 1)$$

$$x - 1 > a \qquad\qquad (2)$$

since $x + 1 > x - 1 > a$, we can simply say that the restriction is $x - 1 > a$. Now let's try and convert the origianl equation into a form that is factorable before solving for a:

$$\log_8(x - a + 1) + \log_8(x - a - 1) = 1 \qquad \text{From question}$$

$$\log_8((x - a + 1)(x - a - 1)) = 1 \qquad \text{LOL Product rule, } \log_a(b) + \log_a(c) = \log_a(bc)$$

$$(x - a + 1)(x - a - 1) = 8^1 \qquad \text{Convert log to exponent, } \log_a(b) = c \Longleftrightarrow a^c = b$$

$$x^2 - ax - x - ax + a^2 + a + x - a - 1 = 8^1 \qquad \text{Expand/ break brackets}$$

$$x^2 - 2ax + a^2 - 1 = 8 \qquad \text{Simplify}$$

$$x^2 - 2ax + a^2 = 8 + 1 \qquad \text{Add 1 from both sides}$$

$$x^2 - 2ax + a^2 = 9 \qquad \text{Simplify}$$

$$(x - a)^2 = 3^2 \qquad \text{Factor perfect squares}$$

$$\sqrt{(x - a)^2} = \sqrt{9} \qquad \text{Square Root both sides}$$

$$\pm(x - a) = \pm 3 \qquad \text{Apply } \pm$$

$$x - a = \pm 3 \qquad \text{Equivalent to the above}$$

$$x \pm 3 = a \qquad \text{Add a and subtract } \pm 3 \text{ to both sides}$$

From this we now know that $a = x - 3$ and $a = x + 3$.

Substituting the values of a into the restriction we can see that $x - 3 < x - 1$ which simplifies to $0 < 2$ (subtract x, add 3) which is a true statement. We also find $x + 3 < x - 1$ which simplifies to $0 < -4$ (subtract x, add -3) which is a false statement. $a = x + 3$ violates the restriction and is thus an inadmissable solution. Therefore we can confirm that $a = x - 3$. We also know that the value of a is based on x which has infinite solutions based on the restriction $x - 1 > a$ or $x > a + 1$.

$$\boxed{\therefore a = x - 3 \text{ where } x \in \mathbb{R}, x > a + 1}$$