# Logarithm Problem 21-30

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**21.** Simplify  $\frac{\log_9 11}{\log_5 13} \div \frac{\log_3 11}{\log_{\sqrt{5}} 13}$ 

Solution: Given

$$\begin{split} &\frac{\log_9 11}{\log_5 13} \div \frac{\log_3 11}{\log_{\sqrt{5}} 13} \\ &= \frac{\log_{3^2} 11}{\log_5 13} \cdot \frac{\log_{5\frac{1}{2}} 13}{\log_3 11} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{2} \log_3 11}{\log_5 13} \cdot \frac{2 \log_5 13}{\log_3 11} = 1 \end{split}$$

**22.** Simplify  $3^{\sqrt{\log_3 2}} - 2^{\sqrt{\log_2 3}}$ 

#### **Solution:** Taking $\log$ with base 10, we get

$$\begin{split} &= \sqrt{\log_3 2} \log 3 - \sqrt{\log_2 3} \log 2 \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\log 2}{\log 3} (\log 3)^2} - \sqrt{\frac{\log 3}{\log 2} (\log 2)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\log 2 \log 3} - \sqrt{\log 3 \log 2} = 0 \end{split}$$

**23.** Find the least integer n such that  $7^n > 10^5$ , given that  $\log_{10} 343 = 2.5353$ 

#### Solution:

$$\begin{split} \log_{10} 343 = 2.5353 \Rightarrow \log_{10} 7^3 = 2.5353 \Rightarrow \log_{10} 7 = 0.8451 \\ 7^n > 10^5 \Rightarrow n \log_{10} 7 > 5 \Rightarrow n > \frac{5}{0.8451} \end{split}$$

Thus, least value of such integer is 6.

**24.** If a,b,c are in G.P. then prove that  $\log_a x,\log_b x,\log_c x$  are in H.P.

**Solution:** Since a,b,c are in G.P. therefore we can write  $b^{=}ac$ 

Taking log, on both sides, we get  $2 \log b = \log a + \log c$ . Thus,  $\log a, \log b, \log c$  are in A.P.

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\log a}, \frac{1}{\log b}, \frac{1}{\log c}$$
 are in H.P.

$$\therefore \frac{\log x}{\log a}, \frac{\log x}{\log b}, \frac{\log x}{\log c} \text{ are in H.P.}$$

 $\div \, \log_x a, \log_x b, \log_x c \text{ are in H.P.}$