

# Logarithm Problem 21-30

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## Problem 21

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

## Solution of Problem 21

**Solution:** Given

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

## Problem 22

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

## Solution of Problem 22

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

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

## Problem 23

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

## Solution of Problem 23

**Solution:**

$$\log_{10} 343 = 2.5353 \Rightarrow \log_{10} 7^3 = 2.5353 \Rightarrow \log_{10} 7 = 0.8451$$

$$7^n > 10^5 \Rightarrow n \log_{10} 7 > 5 \Rightarrow n > \frac{5}{0.8451}$$

Thus, least value of such integer is 6.

## Problem 24

**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 of Problem 24

**Solution:** Since  $a, b, c$  are in G.P. therefore we can write  $b^2 = ac$

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.

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

$\therefore \log_x a, \log_x b, \log_x c$  are in H.P.

## Problem 25

**25.** Prove that  $\log \sin 8x = 3 \log 2 + \log \sin x + \log \cos x + \log \cos 2x + \log \cos 4x$

## Solution of Problem 25

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} L.H.S. - \log \sin 8x &= \log 2 \sin 4x \cos 4x \\ &= \log 2 + \log \sin 4x + \log \cos 4x \\ &= \log 2 + \log 2 \sin 2x \cos 2x + \log \cos 4x \\ &= 2 \log 2 + \log \sin 2x + \log \cos 2x + \log \cos 4x \\ &= 2 \log 2 + \log 2 \sin x \cos x + \log \cos 2x + \log \cos 4x \\ &= 4 \log 2 + \log \sin x + \log \cos x + \log \cos 2x + \log \cos 4x = R.H.S. \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 26

**26.** If  $x = \log_{2a} a$ ,  $y = \log_{3a} 2a$  and  $z = \log_{4a} 3a$ , then prove that  $xyz + 1 = 2yz$

## Solution of Problem 26

**Solution:** We have to prove that  $xyz + 1 = 2yx$

Dividing both sides with  $yz$ , we get  $x + \frac{1}{yz} = 2$

$$\begin{aligned} L.H.S. &= \log_{2a} a + \frac{1}{\log_{3a} 2a \log_{4a} 3a} \\ &= \frac{\log a}{\log 2a} + \frac{\log 3a \log 4a}{\log 2a \log 3a} \\ &= \frac{\log a}{\log 2a} + \frac{\log 4a}{\log 2a} \\ &= \frac{\log a + \log 4a}{\log 2a} = \frac{\log(2a)^2}{\log 2a} = 2 = R.H.S. \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 27

**27.** If  $a$  and  $b$  are lengths of the sides and  $c$  be the length of hypotenuse of a right angle triangle and  $c - b \neq 1$  and  $c + b \neq 1$ , prove that  $\log_{c+b} a + \log_{c-b} a = 2 \log_{c+b} a \log_{c-b} a$

## Solution of Problem 27

**Solution:** We have to prove that  $\log_{c+b} a + \log_{c-b} a = 2 \log_{c+b} a \log_{c-b} a$

Dividing both side by  $\log_{c+b} a \log_{c-b} a$ , we get

$$L.H.S. = \frac{1}{\log_{c-b} a} + \frac{1}{\log_{c+b} a} = 2$$

$$\log_a (c - b) + \log_a (c + b) = 2$$

$$\log_a (c^2 - b^2) = a \Rightarrow c^2 - b^2 = a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

which is true for the given right angle triangle.

## Problem 28

28. If  $\frac{\log z}{y-z} = \frac{\log y}{z-x} = \frac{\log x}{x-y}$ , then prove that  $x^x y^y z^z = 1$



## Solution of Problem 28

**Solution:** Let  $\frac{\log z}{y-z} = \frac{\log y}{z-x} = \frac{\log x}{x-y} = k$

$$\Rightarrow \log x = k(y-z), \log y = k(z-x), \log z = k(x-y)$$

We have to prove that  $x^x y^y z^z = 1$  Taking log of both sides, we get

$$x \log x + y \log y + z \log z = 0$$

$$kx(y-z) + ky(z-x) + kz(x-y) = 0$$

$$0 = 0$$

## Problem 29

**29.** If  $\frac{yz \log(yz)}{y+z} = \frac{zx \log(zx)}{z+x} = \frac{xy \log(xy)}{x+y}$ , then prove that  $x^x = y^y = z^z$

## Solution of Problem 29

**Solution:** Given,  $\frac{yz \log(yz)}{y+z} = \frac{zx \log(zx)}{z+x} = \frac{xy \log(xy)}{x+y}$

Dividing each term by  $xyz$ , we get

$$\frac{\log y + \log z}{xy + zx} = \frac{\log z + \log x}{yz + xy} = \frac{\log x + \log y}{zx + yz} = k(\text{let})$$

$$\log y + \log z = k(xy + zx), \log z + \log x = k(yz + zx), \log x + \log y = k(zx + yz)$$

$$2(\log x + \log y + \log z) = 2k(xy + yz + zx)$$

$$\therefore \log x = kyz \Rightarrow x \log x = kxyz$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \log y = kzx \Rightarrow y \log y = kxyz$$

$$\log z = kxy \Rightarrow z \log z = kxyz$$

$$\therefore x \log x = y \log y = z \log z$$

$$\therefore x^x = y^y = z^z$$

## Problem 30

**30.** Prove that  $(yz)^{\log y - \log z} z x^{\log z - \log x} (xy)^{\log x - \log y} = 1$

## Solution of Problem 30

**Solution:** Taking log of both sides, we get

$$(\log y - \log z)(\log y + \log z) + (\log z - \log x)(\log z + \log x) + (\log x - \log y)(\log x + \log y) = 0$$

$$(\log y)^2 - (\log z)^2 + (\log z)^2 - (\log x)^2 + (\log x)^2 - (\log y)^2 = 0$$

$$0 = 0$$