

1. (5pts) Solve the equation:  $9^{x^2-3x} = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{x+2}$ .

$$(3^2)^{x^2-3x} = (3^{-1})^{x+2}$$

$$3^{2x^2-6x} = 3^{-x-2}$$

$$2x^2 - 6x = -x - 2$$

$$2x^2 - 5x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}}{2 \cdot 2} = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{9}}{4} = 2, \frac{1}{2}$$

2. (4pts) Evaluate without using the calculator:

$$\log_2 32 = 5$$

$$\log_5 \frac{1}{125} = -3$$

$$\log_7 \sqrt[5]{7^6} = \frac{6}{5}$$

$$\log_a \sqrt{a} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2^5 = 32$$

$$5^{-3} = \frac{1}{125}$$

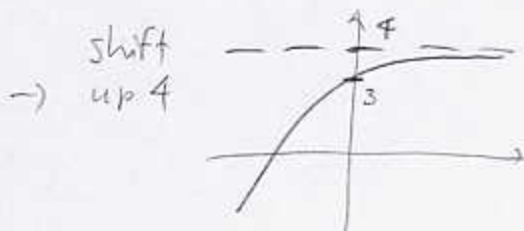
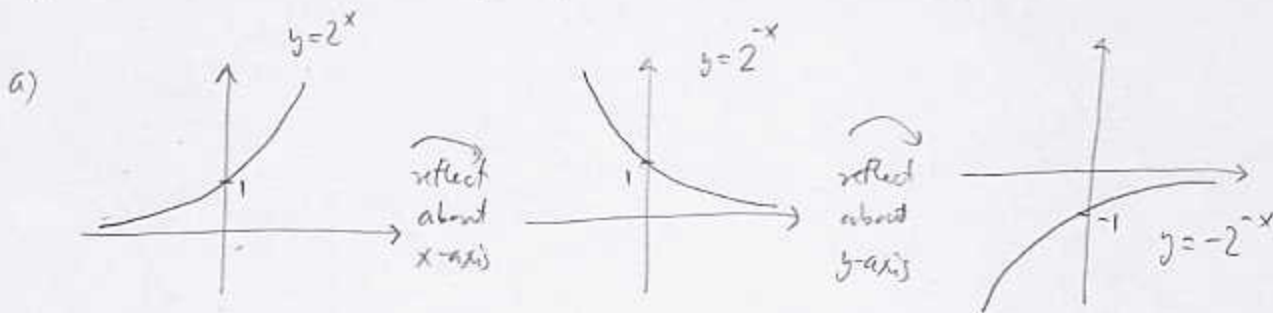
$$7^{\frac{6}{5}} = \sqrt[5]{7^6}$$

$$a^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{a}$$

3. (7pts) The function  $f(x) = 4 - 2^{-x}$  is given.

a) Explain how the graph of  $y = 2^x$  should be transformed in order to get the graph of  $f$ . Then perform the transformations on paper to obtain the graph of  $f$ .

b) What are the domain and range of  $f$ ? What is the horizontal asymptote of the graph?



b) Domain =  $\mathbb{R}$

Range =  $(-\infty, 4)$

Horizontal asymptote:  $y = 4$

4. (8pts) Solve the equations:

$$\log_x 4 = 5 \quad x^5 = 4$$

$$x = \sqrt[5]{4}$$

$$\ln x = 4$$

$$e^4 = x$$

$$10^{2x+3} = 56$$

$$2x+3 = \log 56$$

$$2x = \log 56 - 3$$

$$x = \frac{\log 56 - 3}{2} \approx -0.6259$$

$$\log_3(2x - 17) = 4$$

$$2x - 17 = 3^4$$

$$2x = 98$$

$$x = 49$$

5. (6pts) Between 12:00PM and 1:00PM cars arrive at Murray Bank's drive-thru at the rate of twelve cars per hour (0.2 cars per minute). The formula  $P(t) = 1 - e^{-0.2t}$  can be used to determine the probability that a car will arrive within  $t$  minutes of 12:00PM.

- a) What is the probability that a car will arrive in the first 25 minutes?  
b) How many minutes are needed for the probability to reach 50%?

$$a) P(25) = 1 - e^{-0.2 \cdot 25} = 1 - e^{-5} = 0.9932$$

Probability is 99.32%

$$b) 0.5 = 1 - e^{-0.2t} \quad | -1$$

$$-0.5 = -e^{-0.2t} \quad | \cdot (-1)$$

$$0.5 = e^{-0.2t} \quad | \ln$$

$$\ln 0.5 = -0.2t$$

$$t = \frac{\ln 0.5}{-0.2} = 3.47 \text{ min.}$$