

1. (8pts) Evaluate without using the calculator:

$$\log_7 343 = 3$$

$$7^3 = 343$$

$$\log_3 \frac{1}{81} = -4$$

$$3^4 = \frac{1}{81} \quad 3^4 = 81$$

$$\log_{16} 2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$16^{\frac{1}{4}} = 2 \quad \sqrt[4]{16} = 2$$

$$\log_c \sqrt[5]{c^2} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$c^{\frac{2}{5}} = c^{\frac{2}{5}}$$

2. (4pts) Use your calculator to find $\log_7 21$ with accuracy 4 decimal places.

Show how you obtained your number.

$$\log_7 21 = \frac{\ln 21}{\ln 7} = 1.5646$$

3. (13pts) Write as a sum and/or difference of logarithms. Express powers as factors. Simplify if possible.

$$\begin{aligned} \log_9 (81x^5 \sqrt[3]{y^7}) &= \log_9 81 + \log_9 x^5 + \log_9 y^{\frac{7}{3}} \\ &= 2 + 5 \log_9 x + \frac{7}{3} \log_9 y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln \frac{(x^2 - 4x - 21)^4}{(x^2 - 9x + 14)^5} &= \ln(x^2 - 4x - 21)^4 - \ln(x^2 - 9x + 14)^5 = 4 \ln(x^2 - 4x - 21) - 5 \ln(x^2 - 9x + 14) \\ &= 4(\ln(x-7) + \ln(x+3)) - 5(\ln(x-7) + \ln(x-2)) \\ &= -\ln(x-7) + 4\ln(x+3) - 5\ln(x-2) \end{aligned}$$

4. (13pts) Write as a single logarithm. Simplify if possible.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{3} \log(125x^6) + \frac{1}{2} \log(4x^6) &= \log(125x^6)^{\frac{1}{3}} + \log(4x^6)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \log(5x^2) + \log(2x^3) = \log(5x^2 \cdot 2x^3) = \log(10x^5) \end{aligned}$$

$$3 \log_4(x-7) + \log_4(x+5) - 2 \log_4(x^2 - 2x - 35) =$$

$$= \log_4 (x-7)^3 + \log_4 (x+5) - \log_4 (x^2 - 2x - 35)^2$$

$$= \log_4 \frac{(x-7)^3 (x+5)}{(x-7)^2 (x+5)^2} = \log_4 \frac{(x-7) \cancel{(x+5)}}{\cancel{(x-7)} (x+5)^{\cancel{2}-1}} = \log_4 \frac{x-7}{x+5}$$

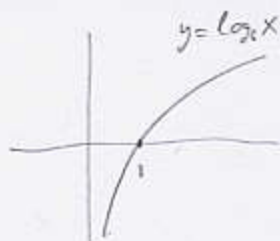
5. (9pts) Find the domain of $f(x) = -\log_6(x+3)$. Then use transformations (explain which ones you used) to draw the graph of this function. Display asymptotes, if they exist.

Must have:

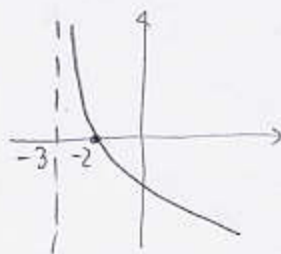
$$x+3 > 0$$

$$x > -3$$

$$\text{Domain} = (-3, \infty)$$



shift left 3,
reflected in x-axis



$x = -3$ is the vertical asymptote.

6. (7pts) How much should you invest in an account bearing 4%, compounded quarterly, if you wish to have \$3,000 in five years?

$$3000 = P \left(1 + \frac{0.04}{4}\right)^{4 \cdot 5}$$

$$3000 = P (1.01)^{20}$$

$$P = \frac{3000}{1.01^{20}} = \frac{3000}{1.2202} = 2458.63$$

7. (6pts) In 2003, the state of Colima, Mexico, was hit by an earthquake. If the energy released was 6.31×10^{15} joules, what was the magnitude of the earthquake using the Richter scale?

$$M = \frac{2}{3} \log \frac{6.31 \times 10^{15}}{10^{4.4}} = \frac{2}{3} \log (6.31 \times 10^{10.6}) = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 11.4$$

= 7.6 on Richter scale,