

**Questions 1-5 are Multiple-Choice Questions**

[K/U 1 mark each]

1. The expression  $0.125 = 2^{-3}$  is equivalent to:

- A)  $3 = \log_2 0.125$       B)  $-3 = \log_{0.125} 2$       C)  $2 = \log_3 0.125$   
 D)  $-3 = \log_2 0.125$       E)  $-0.125 = \log_2 3$

2. The exact value of  $\log_{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt[5]{8}$  is:  $= \frac{\log 2^{3/5}}{\log 2^{1/2}} = \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{1} = \frac{6}{5}$

- A)  $5/8$       B)  $3$       C)  $6/5$       D)  $8/5$       E)  $8$

3. The solution of the equation  $\log \frac{1}{x} = -3$  is:  $10^{-3} = \frac{1}{x} \quad x = 10^3$

- A)  $-30$       B)  $1000$       C)  $1/1000$       D)  $-1/1000$       E)  $100$

4. If  $\log_a(\underline{a+1}) = 1$  then:  $a = 2a - 1$

- A)  $a = 0$       B)  $a = 1$       C)  $a = -1$       D)  $a = 2$       E)  $a = -2$

5. The approximate value of  $\log_{0.1} 0.2$  is:

- A)  $0.20$       B)  $0.10$       C)  $0.70$       D)  $-0.20$       E)  $-0.10$

**Questions 6-10 are True-False Questions**

[K/U 1 mark each]

6. The logarithmic function  $f(x) = \log_a x$  is always increasing.

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7. The exponential function  $f(x) = a^x$  has the vertical asymptote  $x = 0$ .

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8. The expression  $0^1 = 0$  is equivalent to  $1 = \log_0 0$ .

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9. One key point on the graph of  $y = a^x$  is  $(-1, 1/a)$ .

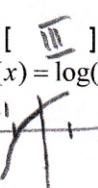
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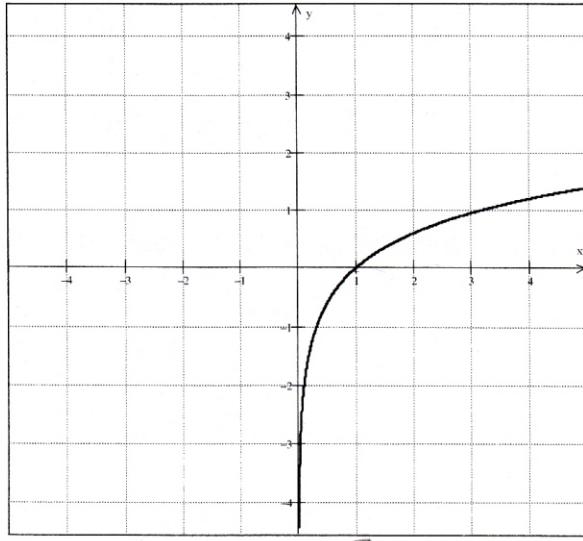
10. The product law of logarithms states that  $\log_a(xy) = (\log_a x)(\log_a y)$ .

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11. Match the functions from the left side with a graph from the right side. Some functions have no corresponding graph.

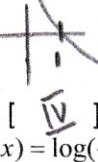
[A 4 marks]

A) [  ]  
 $f(x) = \log(x + 2)$



I) E

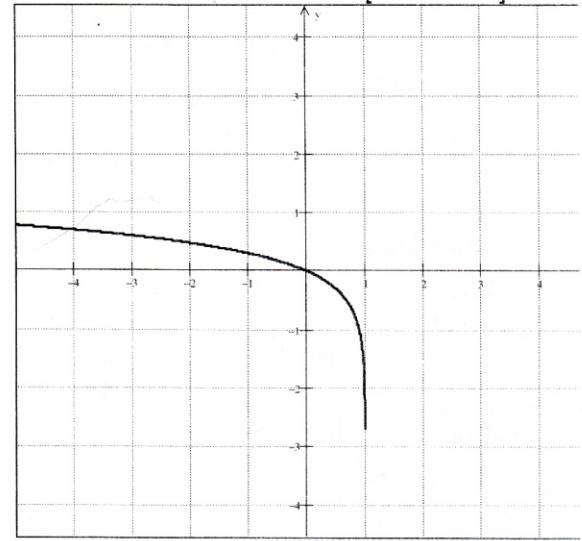
B) [  ]  
 $g(x) = -\log x$

C) [  ]  
 $h(x) = \log(-x)$

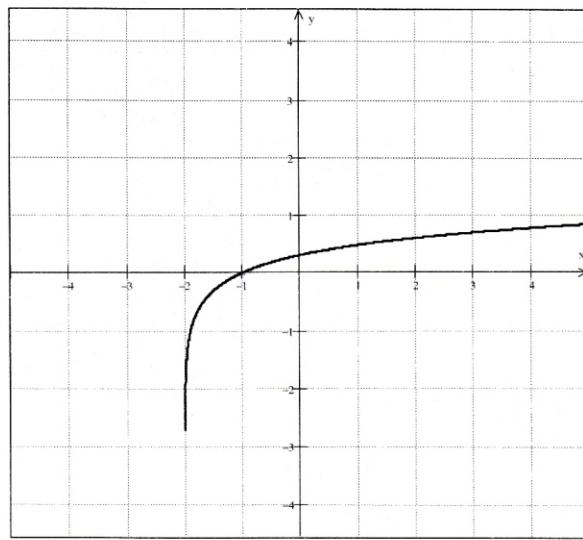
D) [  ]  
 $k(x) = \log(1 - x)$

E) [  ]  
 $p(x) = 2 \log x$

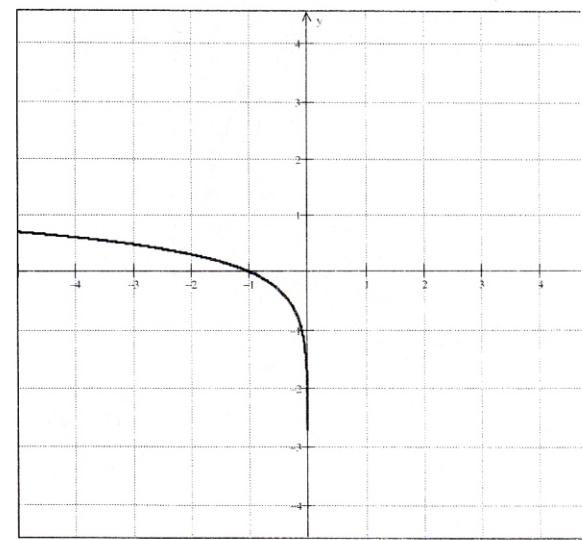
F) [  ]  
 $q(x) = -\log(-x)$



II) D



III) A



IV) C

The following questions are long answer questions. Show your work to get full marks.

12.

- a) Convert the exponential notation into the logarithmic notation.

$$4^{3/2} = 8$$

$$\frac{3}{2} = \log_4 8$$

[K/U 2 marks]

- a) Convert the logarithmic notation into the exponential notation.

$$\log 0.001 = -3$$

$$10^{-3} = 0.001$$

13. Solve for  $x$ .

[1] a)  $3^{2x} = 81$

$$3^{2x} = 3^4$$

$$2x = 4$$

$$\therefore x = 2$$

[K/U 6 marks]

[1] b)  $\log(x+1) = -1 \quad x > -1$

$$10^{-1} = x+1$$

$$x = \frac{1}{10} - 1$$

$$\therefore x = -\frac{9}{10} \quad ; \quad x > -1$$

[2] c)  $2^{x^2-3} = 0.25$

$$2^{x^2-3} = \frac{1}{4} = 2^{-2}$$

$$x^2 - 3 = -2$$

$$x^2 = 1$$

$$\therefore x = \pm 1$$

[2] d)  $\ln x + \ln(x-1) = 0 \quad ; \quad x > 0 \quad ; \quad x > 1$

$$\ln x(x-1) = \ln 1$$

$$x^2 - x = 1$$

$$x^2 - x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+4}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} < 0 \quad ; \quad x = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} > 1$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \approx 1.62$$

14. Simplify. State any restrictions.  $E = 2 \log w + 3 \log \sqrt{w} + \frac{1}{2} \log w^2$

[A 3 marks]

$$w > 0$$

$$\log w^2 + \log w^{3/2} + \log w^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

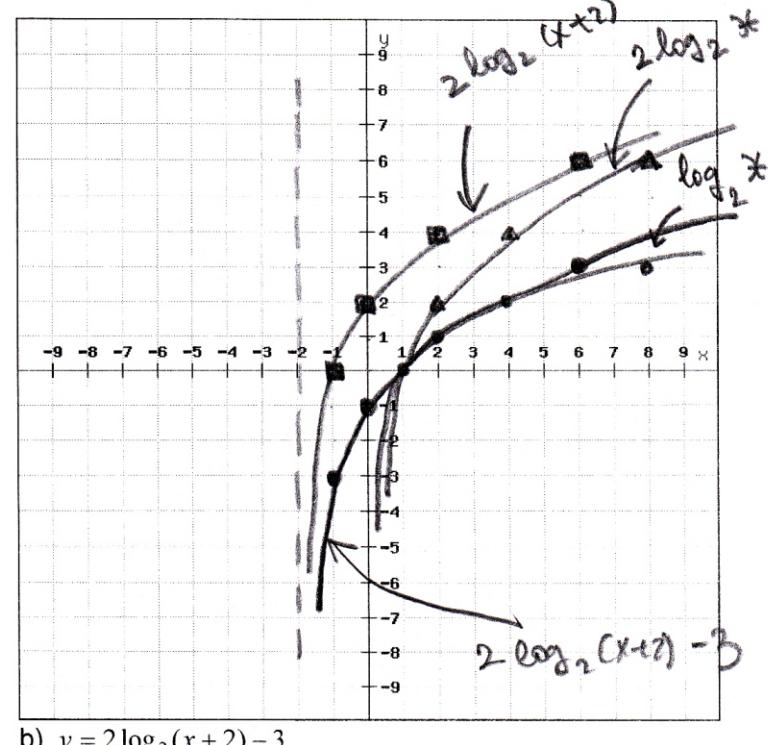
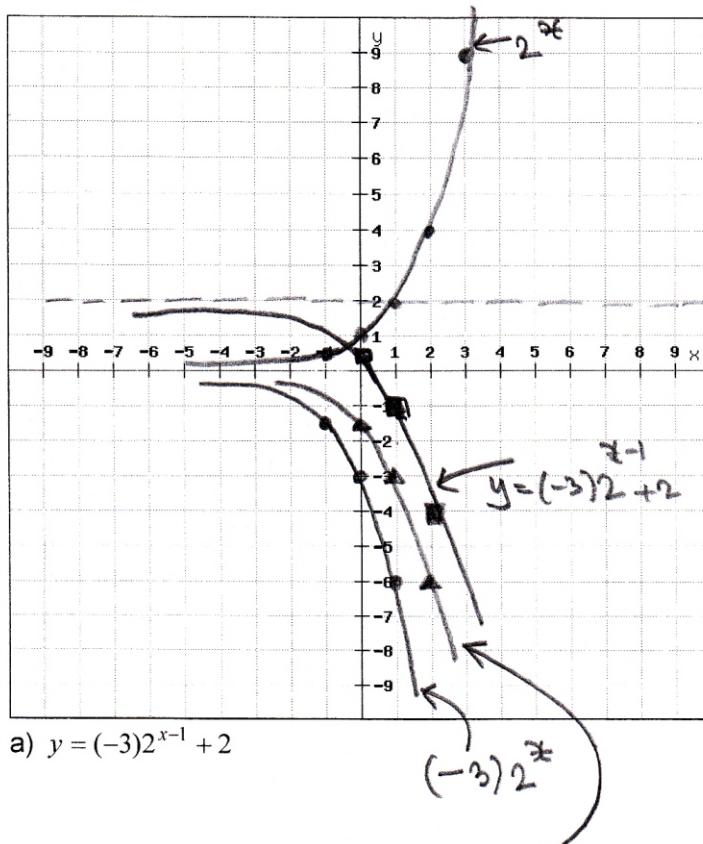
$$= \log (w^2 \cdot w^{3/2} \cdot w)$$

$$= \log (w^{2+3/2}) = \frac{9}{2} \log w \Rightarrow$$

$$\therefore E = \frac{9}{2} \log w \quad ; \quad w > 0$$

15. Use transformations to graph the following functions.

[K/U 4 marks]



16. Solve for  $x$ .

[K/U 4 marks]

[2] a)  $2^{x-1} \geq 0.25$

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{x-1} &\geq 2^{-2} \\ x-1 &\geq -2 \\ \therefore x &\geq -1 \end{aligned}$$

[2] a)  $\log_{0.1}(x-1) \leq -1$

$$\begin{aligned} \log_{0.1}(x-1) &\leq -\log_{0.1}0.1 \\ \log_{0.1}(x-1) &\leq \log_{0.1}(0.1)^{-1} \\ x-1 &\geq (0.1)^{-1} \\ x &\geq 1 + \frac{1}{0.1} \\ \therefore x &\geq 11 \end{aligned}$$

17. Solve for  $x$ :

[A 6 marks]

[3] a)  $2^x - 2^{-x} = 4$

$$2^x = y$$

$$y - \frac{1}{y} = 4$$

$$y^2 - 4y - 1 = 0$$

$$y = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16+4}}{2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{5} \quad \begin{array}{l} 2+\sqrt{5} > 0 \\ 2-\sqrt{5} < 0 \end{array}$$

$$2^x = 2 + \sqrt{5}$$

$$x \ln 2 = \ln(2 + \sqrt{5})$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{\ln(2 + \sqrt{5})}{\ln 2} \approx 2.083$$

[3] a)  $\log_2(x+5) - \log_2(2x) = 3$

$$x > -5 \quad \text{and} \quad x > 0$$

$$\log_2 \frac{x+5}{2x} = \log_2 8$$

$$\frac{x+5}{2x} = 8$$

$$x+5 = 16x$$

$$5 = 15x$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{3}$$

18. Find the domain, range, x- and y-intercept for the following functions. Do not graph.

[A 6 marks]

[3] a)  $f(x) = \frac{3^x + 3^{-x}}{3^x - 3^{-x}}$

$$3^x - 3^{-x} \neq 0 \Rightarrow x \neq 0$$

$$D = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \neq 0\}$$

$y\text{-int} = f(0) \Rightarrow$  not defined

$$f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 3^x + 3^{-x} = 0 \quad (\text{no solution})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{no } x\text{-int} \\ \therefore \text{no } y\text{-int} \end{aligned}$$

$$R = (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

[3] a)  $g(x) = 1 - 2 \log \frac{x-1}{x+1}$

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc} \frac{x-1}{x+1} > 0 & x & -1 & 1 \\ \hline x-1 & - & 0 & + & + \\ x+1 & - & 0 & + & + \\ \hline \frac{x-1}{x+1} & + & 1 & 0 & + \end{array}$$

$$D = (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

$$f(0) = 1 - 2 \log(-1) \quad \text{not defined}$$

$$\therefore \text{no } y\text{-int}$$

$$g(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 1 = 2 \log \frac{x-1}{x+1}$$

$$\sqrt{10} = \frac{x-1}{x+1} \Rightarrow \sqrt{10} x + \sqrt{10} = x - 1$$

$$x\text{-int} = \frac{-1 - \sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{10} - 1} \approx -1.93$$

19. A computer, originally purchased for \$2000, loses value according to the exponential function  $V = 2000 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{t}{H}}$ , where  $V$  is the value, in dollars, of the computer at any time,  $t$ , in years, after purchase and  $H$  represents the half-life, in years, of the value of the computer. After one year, the computer has a value of approximately \$1516. [A 5 marks]

[1] a) What is the half-life  $H$  of the value of the computer?

$$\begin{aligned} 1516 &= 2000 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{H}} \\ \frac{1516}{2000} &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{H}} \\ \frac{1}{H} \cdot \ln \frac{1}{2} &= \ln \frac{1516}{2000} \end{aligned} \quad \left| \quad H = \frac{\ln \frac{1}{2}}{\ln \frac{1516}{2000}} \approx 2.5 \text{ years} \right.$$

[1] b) What is the value of the computer after three years?

$$V = 2000 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{3}{2.5}} \approx \$870.55$$

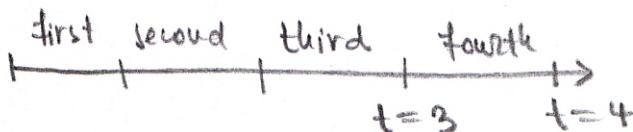
[1] c) How long will it take for the computer to be worth 10% of its purchase price?

$$(10\%) 2000 = 2000 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{t}{2.5}}$$

$$\ln 0.1 = \frac{t}{2.5} \ln 0.5$$

$$t = 2.5 \frac{\ln 0.1}{\ln 0.5} \approx 8.3 \text{ years}$$

[2] How much will be the depreciation of the value of the computer during the fourth year?



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Depreciation} &= V(3) - V(4) \\ &= 2000 \left[ \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{3}{2.5}} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{4}{2.5}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\approx \$210.8$$