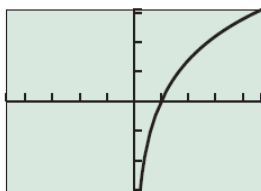


21.  $f(x) = \ln \frac{x}{x+1}$

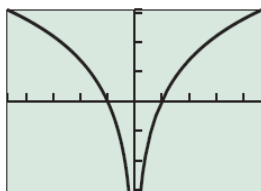
22.  $g(x) = \ln x - \ln(x+1)$

23.  $f(x) = 2 \ln x$

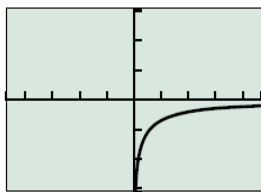
24.  $g(x) = \ln x^2$



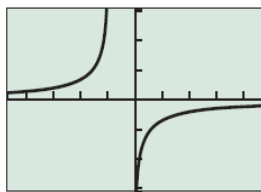
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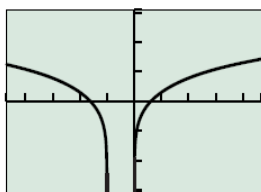
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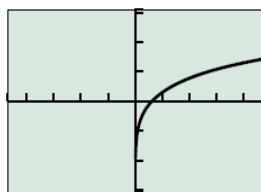
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(d)



(e)



(f)

## Solving Logarithmic Equations

8.)  $\ln(x-2) + \ln(2x-3) = 2\ln x$

$$\cancel{\ln(x-2)(2x-3)} = \cancel{\ln x^2}$$

$$2x^2 - 7x + 6 = x^2 \quad x=6$$

$$x^2 - 7x + 6 = 0 \quad x=1$$

$$(x-6)(x-1) = 0$$

9.)  $\log_6(3x+14) - \log_6 5 = \log_6 2x$

$$\cancel{\log_6 \left( \frac{3x+14}{5} \right)} = \cancel{\log_6 2x}$$

$$3x+14 = 10x$$

$$14 = 7x$$

$$\boxed{2 = x}$$

10.)  $\log 5x + \log(x-1) = 2$

$$\log 5x(x-1) = 2$$

$$10^2 = 5x(x-1)$$

$$100 = 5x^2 - 5x$$

$$5x^2 - 5x - 100 = 0$$

$$5(x^2 - x - 20) = 0$$

$$5(x-5)(x+4) = 0$$

$$x = 5, -4$$

## Orders of Magnitude

Mercury: 57.9 billion meters from the Sun

Pluto: 5900 billion meters from the Sun

Mercury:  $5.79 \times 10^{10}$       Pluto:  $5.9 \times 10^{12}$

Check the log of each quantity.

Pluto's distance is 2 orders of magnitude greater than Mercury.

**Order of Magnitude:** the common log of a positive quantity

Determine by how many orders of magnitude the quantities differ.

1.) A dollar to a penny  $\frac{100}{1}$  (2)

2.) A kilometer to a meter  $\frac{1000}{1}$  (3)

3.) New York City: Population: 8,000,000  
to Earmuff Junction: Population: 8 (6)



The Richter Scale magnitude  $R$  of an earthquake is:

$$R = \log \frac{a}{T} + B \qquad R = \log \left( \frac{I}{I_0} \right); I_0 = 1$$

where  $a$  is the amplitude in micrometers of the vertical ground motion at the receiving station,  $T$  is the period of the associated seismic wave in seconds, and  $B$  accounts for the weakening of the seismic wave with increasing distance from the epicenter of the earthquake.

$B, T$   
are constant.

### Comparing Earthquakes

How many times more severe was the 2001 earthquake in Gujarat, India ( $R = 7.9$ ) than the 1999 earthquake in Athens, Greece ( $R = 5.9$ )?

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 - R_2 &= \log \frac{a_1}{T} + B - \left( \log \frac{a_2}{T} + B \right) \\ &= \log \frac{a_1}{T} + B - \log \frac{a_2}{T} - B \\ &= \log \frac{a_1}{T} - \log \frac{a_2}{T} \\ &= \log a_1 - \log T - \left( \log a_2 - \log T \right) \\ &= \log a_1 - \cancel{\log T} - \log a_2 + \cancel{\log T} \\ &= \log a_1 - \log a_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$R_1 - R_2 = \log \frac{a_1}{a_2}$$

$$10^{R_1 - R_2} = \frac{a_1}{a_2}$$

$$10^2 = 100 \times \text{as severe}$$

## Chemistry

The acidity of a water-based solution is measured by the concentration of hydrogen ions in the solution (in moles per liter) given by:

$$pH = -\log[H^+]$$

Vinegar has a pH of 2.4 and Baking Soda has a pH of 8.4.

a.) What are their Hydrogen Ion concentrations?

Vinegar:  $2.4 = -\log[H^+]$   
 $-2.4 = \log[H^+]$   
 $10^{-2.4} = H^+$

$$H^+ = 3.98 \times 10^{-3} \text{ moles/liter}$$

Baking Soda:

$$8.4 = -\log[H^+]$$

$$H^+ = 3.98 \times 10^{-9} \text{ moles/liter}$$

b.) How many times greater is the hydrogen-ion concentration of the vinegar than that of the baking soda?

$$\frac{3.98 \times 10^{-3}}{3.98 \times 10^{-9}} = 10000000$$

c.) By how many orders of magnitude do the concentrations differ?

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### Newton's Law of Cooling

$$T(t) = T_m + (t_0 - T_m)e^{-kt}$$

$T_m$  : the temperature of the surrounding medium

$T_0$  : initial temperature of the object

A hard boiled egg at temperature  $96^\circ\text{C}$  is placed in  $16^\circ\text{C}$  water to cool. Four minutes later the temperature of the egg is  $45^\circ\text{C}$ . Use Newton's Law of Cooling to determine when the egg will be  $20^\circ\text{C}$ .

$$45 = 16 + (96 - 16)e^{-4k}$$

$$\frac{29}{80} = \frac{80e^{-4k}}{80}$$

$$\frac{29}{80} = e^{-4k}$$

$$\frac{\ln(29/80)}{-4} = \frac{-4k}{-4}$$

$$k = .2537$$

$$20 = 16 + (96 - 16)e^{-.2537t}$$

$$4 = 80e^{-.2537t}$$

$$\frac{4}{80} = e^{-.2537t}$$

$$\frac{\ln(4/80)}{-.2537} = \frac{-.2537t}{-.2537}$$

$$t = 11.81 \text{ min}$$

**DEFINITION** Decibels

The level of sound intensity in **decibels (dB)** is

$$\beta = 10 \log(I/I_0),$$

where  $\beta$  (beta) is the number of decibels,  $I$  is the sound intensity in  $\text{W/m}^2$ , and  $I_0 = 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$  is the threshold of human hearing (the quietest audible sound intensity).

How loud is the train in the subway?

$$\beta = 10 \log\left(\frac{10^{-2}}{10^{-12}}\right)$$

$$\log_{10} 10^{10}$$

$$= 10 \log(10^{10})$$

$$= 10 \cdot 10 = 100 \text{ decibels}$$



**Table 3.17** Approximate Intensities of Selected Sounds

Sound	Intensity ( $\text{W/m}^2$ )
Hearing threshold	$10^{-12}$
Soft whisper at 5 m	$10^{-11}$
City traffic	$10^{-5}$
Subway train	$10^{-2}$
Pain threshold	$10^0$
Jet at takeoff	$10^3$

Source: Adapted from R. W. Reading, *Exploring Physics: Concepts and Applications*. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth, 1984.

