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Pure Mathematics

Chapter 14 pt 2 Exponentials and Logarithms

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Summary

Prior knowledge check

All key skills 527 :

[Chp14 - Exponentials & Logarithms \(drfrost.org\)](http://drfrost.org)

527 Laws of logs (excluding $\ln(x)$)

Mastery: 0/100

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14.1) Exponential functions

Notes

Worked Example

On the same axes, sketch $y = 4^x$, $y = 5^x$ and $y = 3.5^x$

Worked Example

On the same axes, sketch $y = 3^x$ and $y = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x$

Worked Example

Sketch $y = 3^{x-2}$

Worked Example

The graph of $y = ka^x$ passes through the points $(4, \frac{16}{3})$ and $(0, \frac{1}{3})$

Find the values of the constants k and a

$$14.2) y = e^x$$

Notes

Worked Example

Differentiate with respect to x :

a) e^{2x}

b) e^{-3x}

c) $4e^{5x}$

d) $6e^{\frac{1}{3}x}$

Worked Example

Sketch

$$y = e^{2x}, y = e^{3x}, y = e^{-2x}$$

On the same axis as $y = e^x$

Worked Example

Sketch:

$$y = 3 + 4e^{\frac{1}{2}x}$$

Worked Example

Sketch:

$$y = e^{-3x} - 2$$

14.3) Exponential modelling

Notes

Worked Example

Suppose the population P of a village is modelled by $P = 500e^{2t}$ where t is the numbers of years since February 2009. Find:

- a) The initial population
- b) The initial rate of growth
- c) The population in February 2014

Your Turn

Suppose the population P of a village is modelled by $P = 100e^{3t}$ where t is the numbers of years since January 2010. Find:

- a) The initial population
- b) The initial rate of growth
- c) The population in January 2014

a) 100

b) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 300$

c) 16275479

Worked Example

The density of a pesticide in a given section of field, P mg/m², can be modelled by the equation $P = 80e^{-0.003t}$ where t is the time in days since the pesticide was first applied.

- Use this model to estimate the density of pesticide after 30 days.
- Interpret the meaning of the value 80 in this model.
- Show that $\frac{dP}{dt} = kP$, where k is a constant, and state the value of k .
- Interpret the significance of the sign of your answer in part (c).
- Sketch the graph of P against t .

14.7) Working with natural logarithms

Notes

Worked Example

528b: Solve exponential equations involving a single occurrence of e

Solve for x :

$$3e^{3x+1} = 7$$

Give your solution in exact form.

Worked Example

Solve the equation:

$$3 \ln x - 7 = 5$$

Worked Example

528g: Solve equations which are quadratic in e^x

Find the exact solution of

$$3e^{2x} + e^x = 10.$$

Input note: Give any answers involving logs in the form $\log_a b$.

Worked Example

Solve the equation:

$$e^x - 12e^{-x} = -1$$

Worked Example

528c: Solve logarithmic equations involving a single occurrence of \ln

Solve for x :

$$3 \ln(-3x - 3) + 3 = 9$$

Give your solution in exact form.

Worked Example

Find the exact coordinates of the points where the graph with equation $y = 6 + \ln(5 - x)$ intersects the axes

Worked Example

Solve the equation:

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

Give your answer as an exact value

14.8) Logarithms and non-linear data

Notes

Worked Example

Use logarithms to convert the non-linear relationship into a linear form and sketch the resulting straight line.

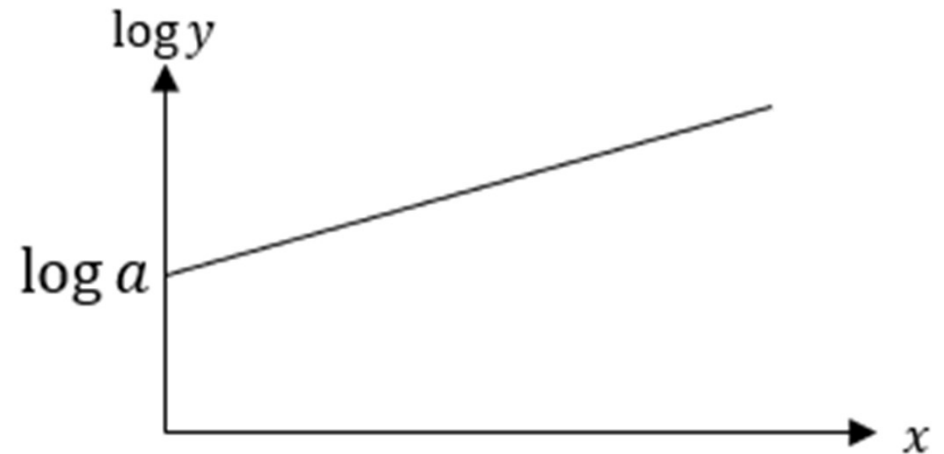
$$y = ax^n$$

Your Turn

Use logarithms to convert the non-linear relationship into a linear form and sketch the resulting straight line.

$$y = ab^x$$

$$\log y = (\log b) x + \log a$$



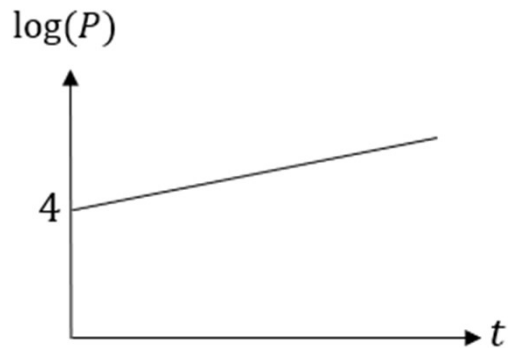
Worked Example

The graph represents the growth of a population of bacteria, P , over t hours.

The graph has a gradient of 0.3 and meets the vertical axis at $(0,4)$.

A scientist suggest that this growth can be modelled by the equation $P = ab^t$, where a and b are constants to be found.

- Write down an equation for the line.
- Find the values of a and b , giving them to 3 sf where necessary.
- Interpret the meaning of the constant a in this model.



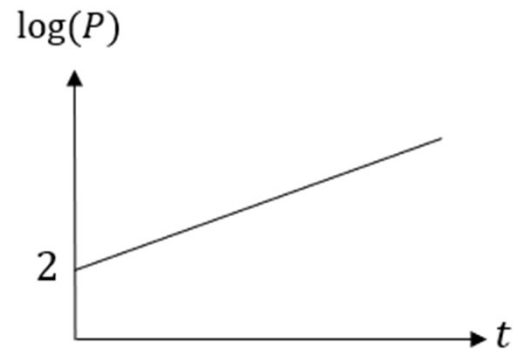
Your Turn

The graph represents the growth of a population of bacteria, P , over t hours.

The graph has a gradient of 0.6 and meets the vertical axis at $(0,2)$.

A scientist suggest that this growth can be modelled by the equation $P = ab^t$, where a and b are constants to be found.

- Write down an equation for the line.
- Find the values of a and b , giving them to 3 sf where necessary.
- Interpret the meaning of the constant a in this model.



a) $\log P = 0.6t + 2$

b) $a = 100, b = 3.98$ (3 sf)

c) The initial size of the bacteria population was 100

Worked Example

The table below gives the rank (by size) and population of a country's largest cities and districts (the capital city is number 1 but has been excluded as an outlier).

City	A	B	C	D	E
Rank, R	2	3	4	5	6
Population	2 000 000	1 400 000	1 200 000	1 000 000	900 000

The relationship between the rank and population can be modelled by the formula:

$$P = aR^n \text{ where } a \text{ and } n \text{ are constants.}$$

- Draw a table giving values of $\log R$ and $\log P$ to 2dp.
- Plot a graph of $\log R$ against $\log P$ using the values from your table and draw the line of best fit.
- Use your graph to estimate the values of a and n to two significant figures.

Your Turn

The table below gives the rank (by size) and population of the UK's largest cities and districts in the past (London is number 1 but has been excluded as an outlier).

City	Birmingham	Leeds	Glasgow	Sheffield	Bradford
Rank, R	2	3	4	5	6
Population	1 000 000	730 000	620 000	530 000	480 000

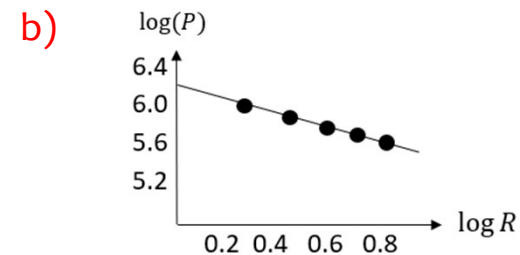
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$$P = aR^n \quad \text{where } a \text{ and } n \text{ are constants.}$$

- Draw a table giving values of $\log R$ and $\log P$ to 2dp.
- Plot a graph of $\log R$ against $\log P$ using the values from your table and draw the line of best fit.
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a)

$\log R$	0.30	0.48	0.60	0.70	0.78
$\log P$	6	5.86	5.79	5.72	5.68



c) $a = 1600000, n = -0.67$ (2 sf)

Worked Example

A population is increasing exponentially according to the model $P = ab^t$, where a, b are constants to be found.

The population is recorded as follows:

Years t after 2016	1.4	2.6	4.4
Population P	4706	7346	14324

- Draw a table giving values of t and $\log P$ (to 3dp).
- A line of best fit is drawn for the data in your new table, and it happens to go through the first data point above (where $t = 1.4$) and last (where $t = 4.4$).
Determine the equation of this line of best fit.
- Hence, determine the values of a and b in the model.
- Estimate the population in 2020

Your Turn

A population is increasing exponentially according to the model $P = ab^t$, where a, b are constants to be found.

The population is recorded as follows:

Years t after 2015	0.7	1.3	2.2
Population P	2353	3673	7162

- Draw a table giving values of t and $\log P$ (to 3dp).
- A line of best fit is drawn for the data in your new table, and it happens to go through the first data point above (where $t = 0.7$) and last (where $t = 2.2$).
Determine the equation of this line of best fit
- Hence, determine the values of a and b in the model.
- Estimate the population in 2020

a)

t	0.7	1.3	2.2
$\log P$	3.372	3.565	3.855

- b) $\log P = 0.322t + 3.147$
c) $a = 1403, b = 2.099$ (4 sf)
d) 57164

Past Paper Questions

A2 2019 Paper 1

Exponentials and Logs

7. In a simple model, the value, £ V , of a car depends on its age, t , in years.

The following information is available for car A

- its value when new is £20 000
- its value after one year is £16 000

(a) Use an exponential model to form, for car A , a possible equation linking V with t . (4)

The value of car A is monitored over a 10-year period.
Its value after 10 years is £2 000

(b) Evaluate the reliability of your model in light of this information. (2)

The following information is available for car B

- it has the same value, when new, as car A
- its value depreciates more slowly than that of car A

(c) Explain how you would adapt the equation found in (a) so that it could be used to model the value of car B . (1)



Exams

- Formula Booklet
- Past Papers
- Practice Papers
- [past paper Qs by topic](#)

Past paper practice by topic. Both new and old specification can be found via this link on hgsmaths.com

Question	Answer	Mark
(a) $V = 20000e^{-0.233t} + 20000$ A constant should be added (e.g. $V = 20000e^{-0.233t}$) The value is to be added		
(b) For example: The value of car A is £20 000 when new and £2 000 after 10 years. The value of car B is £20 000 when new and £10 000 after 10 years.	1A 1B	
(c) When $t = 10$, $V = 20000e^{-2.33}$ When $t = 1$, $V = 16000$ When $t = 10$, $V = 20000e^{-2.33}$ When $t = 1$, $V = 16000$ When $t = 10$, $V = 20000e^{-0.233}$ When $t = 1$, $V = 16000$ When $t = 10$, $V = 20000e^{-0.233}$ When $t = 1$, $V = 16000$	1A 1B 1C 1D 1E 1F 1G 1H 1I 1J 1K 1L 1M 1N 1O 1P 1Q 1R 1S 1T 1U 1V 1W 1X 1Y 1Z	

Summary of Key Points

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1 For all real values of x :

- If $f(x) = e^x$ then $f'(x) = e^x$
- If $y = e^x$ then $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^x$

2 For all real values of x and for any constant k :

- If $f(x) = e^{kx}$ then $f'(x) = ke^{kx}$
- If $y = e^{kx}$ then $\frac{dy}{dx} = ke^{kx}$

3 $\log_a n = x$ is equivalent to $a^x = n$ ($a \neq 1$)

4 The laws of logarithms:

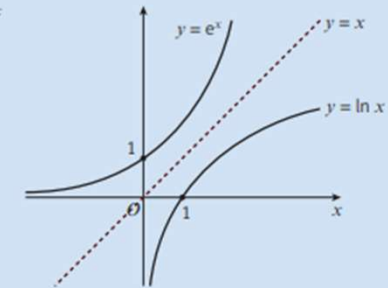
- $\log_a x + \log_a y = \log_a xy$ (the multiplication law)
- $\log_a x - \log_a y = \log_a \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ (the division law)
- $\log_a (x^k) = k \log_a x$ (the power law)

5 You should also learn to recognise the following special cases:

- $\log_a \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \log_a (x^{-1}) = -\log_a x$ (the power law when $k = -1$)
- $\log_a a = 1$ ($a > 0, a \neq 1$)
- $\log_a 1 = 0$ ($a > 0, a \neq 1$)

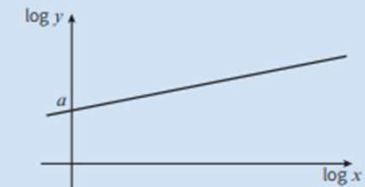
6 Whenever $f(x) = g(x)$, $\log_a f(x) = \log_a g(x)$

7 The graph of $y = \ln x$ is a reflection of the graph $y = e^x$ in the line $y = x$.



8 $e^{\ln x} = \ln(e^x) = x$

9 If $y = ax^n$ then the graph of $\log y$ against $\log x$ will be a straight line with gradient n and vertical intercept $\log a$.



10 If $y = ab^x$ then the graph of $\log y$ against x will be a straight line with gradient $\log b$ and vertical intercept $\log a$.

