

Useful Guidelines:

* The logarithmic function to the base a , where $a > 0$ and $a \neq 1$: $y = \log_a x$ if and only if $x = a^y$;

* Properties of the logarithmic function $y = \log_a x$ (where $a > 0$ and $a \neq 1$):

- (1) Domain: the interval $(0, \infty)$; Range: the interval $(-\infty, \infty)$;
- (2) x -intercepts: 1; y -intercept: none;
- (3) Vertical asymptote: $x = 0$;
- (4) $f(x) = \log_a x, a > 1$, is an increasing, one-to-one, smooth and continuous function;
 $f(x) = \log_a x, 0 < a < 1$, is a decreasing, one-to-one, smooth and continuous function;
- (5) The points $(1, 0), (a, 1)$, and $(\frac{1}{a}, -1)$ are always on the graph of f .

* Natural logarithm function: $y = \log_e x = \ln x$ if and only if $x = e^y$.

* Common logarithm function: $y = \log x$ if and only if $x = 10^y$.

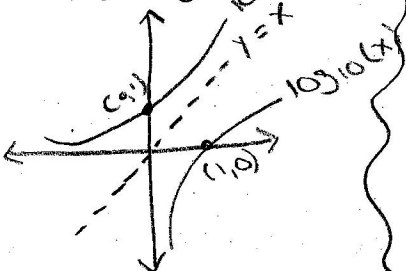
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$y = \log_a(x)$

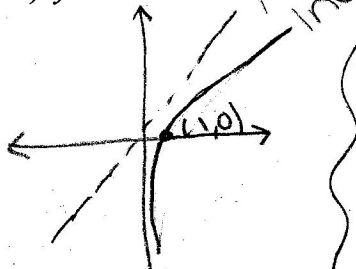
$a^y = x$

1. Graph each logarithmic function.

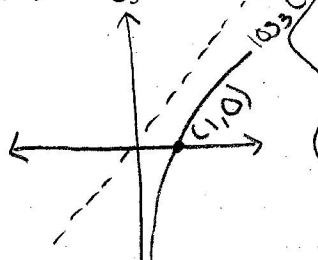
a) $y = \log x$



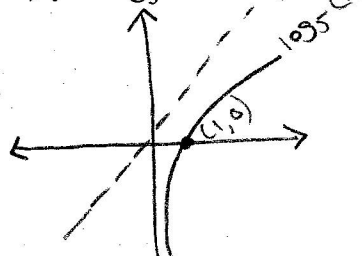
b) $y = \ln x$



c) $y = \log_3 x$

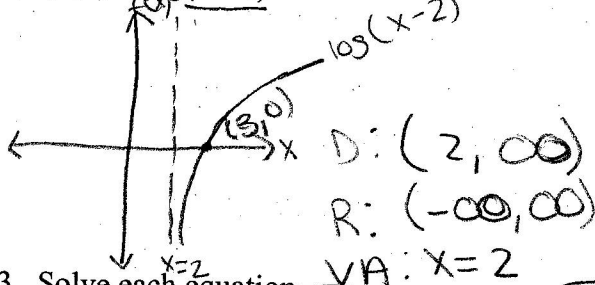


d) $y = \log_5 x$

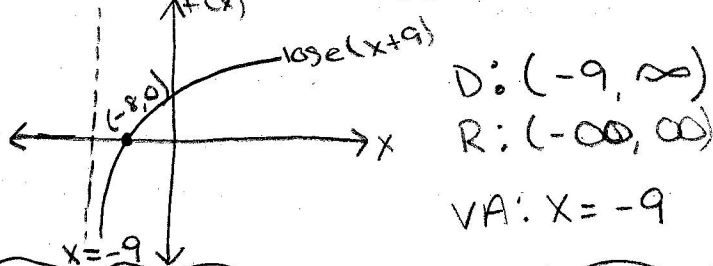


2. Use transformations to graph each function. Determine the domain, range, and vertical asymptote of each function.

a) $f(x) = \log(x-2)$



b) $y = \ln(x+9) = \log_e(x+9)$



3. Solve each equation.

a) $\log_3 x = 4$

$$\frac{3}{3} = \frac{3}{3}$$

$$x = 3^4$$

$x = 81$

b) $\log_5(x+1) = 2$

$$\frac{+5}{+5} = \frac{+5}{+5}$$

$$\log(x+1) = 5^2$$

$$x = 25 - 1$$

$x = 24$

c) $\ln x = 3$

$$\frac{+e}{+e} = \frac{+e}{+e}$$

$x = e^3$

d) $\ln e^x = 4$

$$x \ln(e) = 4$$

$$x(1) = 4$$

$x = 4$

$\ln(e) = 1$
 $\log_e(e) = 1$

e) $e^{2x} = 5$

$$2x \log_e(e) = \log_e(5)$$

$$2x \cdot 1 = \ln(5)$$

$x = \frac{1}{2} \ln(5)$

f) $e^{-3x} = 10$

$$-3x \log_e(e) = \log_e(10)$$

$$-3x \cdot 1 = \ln(10)$$

$x = -\frac{1}{3} \ln(10)$