

2.- SERIE: LOGARITMOS Y EXPONENCIALES

1 Express in logarithmic notation

a $2^5 = 32$

b $10^2 = 100$

c $a^b = c$

d $p^3 = q$

e $3 = 27^{\frac{1}{3}}$

f $\frac{1}{3} = 3^{-1}$

2 Express in index notation

a $\log_2 8 = 3$

b $\log_6 36 = 2$

c $\log_a b = c$

d $\log_d c^4 = e$

e $\log_p 8 = 4$

f $q = \log_c 3$

3 Evaluate

a $\log_2 128$

b $\log_{10} 1000$

c $\log_p p^4$

d $\log_2 16$

e $\log_{16} 2$

f $\log_e \frac{1}{e^2}$

4 Express in terms of $\log a$, $\log b$ and $\log c$

a $\log \frac{ab^2}{c}$

b $\log \sqrt{ab}$

c $\log \frac{a^4}{b^2c}$

d $\log a^2b^3c^4$

5 Express each of these as a single logarithm.

a $\log(a^2b) - \log(b^2a)$

b $\frac{1}{2} \log x + 3 \log y$

c $\log 5 + 2 \log 10 - 3 \log 2$

d $a \log x + a \log x^2$

6 Simplify

a $\lg 75 + 2 \lg 2 - \lg 3$

b $\lg 1000\ 000$

c $\frac{1}{2} \log 64$

d $5 \log 3 - \log 81$

e $\frac{\log 16}{\log 2}$

f $\frac{\log 5}{\log 125}$

7 Solve these.

a $\log_{10}(n^2 - 90n) = 3$

b $9^x = 27^{\frac{1}{3}}$

c $3^x = 4$

d $5^{2x+1} = 25$

e $5^{2x+1} = 8$

f $\log_2(y^2 + 7y) = 3$

g $5^{2x} - 6 \times 5^x + 5 = 0$

h $4^{2x+1} - 7(4^x) + 3 = 0$

i $2^{2x} - 5(2^x) = 14$

j $2^{x^2+x} = 4$

8 Many phenomena – from stock market prices to census data to heat capacities of chemicals – obey Benford's Law. This states that for a set of numerical data, the proportion of numbers starting with the digit D is approximately

$$\log_{10} \left(1 + \frac{1}{D} \right)$$

a Show that Benford's Law predicts that around 30% of numbers will start with a 1, and around 18% with a 2. What proportion of numbers does the law predict will start with a 9?

b Show that $\sum_{D=1}^9 \log_{10} \left(1 + \frac{1}{D} \right) = 1$.

Test yourself

- $\log_{64} 4$ is equal to
A 3 B -3 C -16 D $\frac{1}{3}$ E $\frac{1}{16}$
- $4^{3x-1} = 40$. Correct to 3 significant figures, x is equal to
A 3.67 B 1.22 C 1.10 D 0.73 E 0.64
- $\log_{12} 18 + 3 \log_{12} 2$ is equal to
A 1.88 B 1.31 C 1 D 2 E 4.33
- Correct to 2 decimal places, $\log_4 5^3$ is equal to
A 1.16 B 2.58 C 3.48 D 0.86 E 2.10
- $\log \frac{a\sqrt{b^3}}{c^2}$ is equal to
A $\frac{3}{4} \log a \log b \log c$ B $\log(a + \frac{3}{2}b - 2c)$ C $\log a + \frac{3}{2} \log b - 2 \log c$
D $\frac{1}{2} \log a \log b^3 - \log c^2$ E $\frac{3}{2} \log ab - 2 \log c$
- Given that $3^{t+1} = 6^{t-1}$, correct to 3 significant figures, t is equal to
A 3.00 B 4.17 C -3.82 D -6.52 E 1.86
- $\log(a+b)$ is equivalent to
A $(\log a)^b$ B $(\log a)(\log b)$ C $\log a + \log b$
D $\log a^b$ E none of these
- If $2 \log_p q = r$, then
A $(q^p)^2 = r$ B $p^{2q} = r$ C $q^p = r^2$ D $p^r = q^2$ E $q^{2r} = p$
- If $3^{2y} - 2(3^{y+1}) = 27$, then y is equal to
A 2 B $\pm\sqrt{28}$ C 0 D 9 E -6
- $2 \log 10 + \log 12 - 2 \log 4$ is equal to
A $\log 30$ B $\log 75$ C $\log 52$ D $\log 96$ E $\log 60$

2.- SERIE: LOGARITMOS Y EXPONENCIALES (SOLUCIONES)

1 **a** $\log_2 32 = 5$ **b** $\log_{10} 100 = 2$
 c $\log_a c = b$ **d** $\log_p q = 3$
 e $\log_{27} 3 = \frac{1}{3}$ **f** $\log_3 \frac{1}{3} = -1$

2 **a** $2^3 = 8$ **b** $6^2 = 36$
 c $a^c = b$ **d** $d^e = c^4$
 e $p^4 = 8$ **f** $c^q = 3$

3 **a** 7 **b** 3 **c** 4
 d 4 **e** $\frac{1}{4}$ **f** -2

4 **a** $\log a + 2 \log b - \log c$
 b $\frac{1}{2} \log a + \frac{1}{2} \log b$
 c $4 \log a - 2 \log b - \log c$
 d $2 \log a + 3 \log b + 4 \log c$

5 **a** $\log\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$ **b** $\log(\sqrt{xy^3})$
 c $\log 62.5$ **d** $\log x^{3a}$

6 **a** 2 **b** 6 **c** $\log 8$
 d $\log 3$ **e** 4 **f** $\frac{1}{3}$

7 **a** $n = -10$ or $n = 100$
 b $x = \frac{9}{8}$
 c $x = 1.26$
 d $x = \frac{1}{2}$
 e $x = 0.146$
 f $y = -8$ or $y = 1$
 g $x = 0$ or $x = 1$
 h $x = 0$ or $x = -0.208$
 i $x = 2.81$
 j $x = -2$ or $x = 1$

8 **a** 4.6%

Test Yourself

1 D 2 B 3 D 4 C 5 C
6 B 7 E 8 D 9 A 10 B