

1. Approximate by using the change of base formula. Include at least 3 decimals in your answer.

- a) $\log_8(63) \approx 1.9924$
 b) $\log_5(17) \approx 1.7604$
 c) $\log_{23}(11) \approx 0.7648$
 d) $\log_{6.6}(66) \approx 2.2202$
 e) $\log_{0.5}(3) \approx -1.58496$

2. Solve the equation

$$4^{5x+13} = 6^{7-8x}$$

$$\ln(4^{5x+13}) = \ln(6^{7-8x})$$

$$(5x+13)\ln(4) = (7-8x)\ln(6)$$

$$(5\ln(4))x + 13\ln(4) = 7\ln(6) - (8\ln(6))x$$

$$(5\ln(4))x + (8\ln(6))x = 7\ln(6) - 13\ln(4)$$

$$(5\ln(4) + 8\ln(6))x = 7\ln(6) - 13\ln(4)$$

$$x = \frac{7\ln(6) - 13\ln(4)}{5\ln(4) + 8\ln(6)}$$

3. Solve the equation

$$(e^x)^2 - 8e^x + \frac{48}{4} = 0$$

quadratic in e^x :

$$e^x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 4(1)\left(\frac{48}{4}\right)}}{2} = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 48}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{16}}{2} = \frac{8 \pm 4}{2} = 4 \pm 2$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{So } e^x = 4 + 2 = 6 \\ \& e^x = 4 - 2 = 2 \end{array} \right\} \underline{\underline{\text{so}}}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} x = \ln(6) \\ \& x = \ln(2) \end{array}}$$

← important
final
answer.

4. Solve the compound interest formula for t using only natural logarithms:

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$$

$$\ln(A) = \ln\left(P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}\right)$$

$$\ln(A) = \ln(P) + \ln\left(\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}\right)$$

$$\ln(A) = \ln(P) + nt \ln\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)$$

$$\ln(A) - \ln(P) = nt \ln\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\ln(A) - \ln(P)}{n \ln\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)} = t}$$

5. Solve the equation

$$e^x - 40e^{-x} = -6$$

$$\times e^x \downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \downarrow \times e^x$$

$$(e^x)^2 - 40 = -6e^x$$

$$(e^x)^2 + 6e^x - 40 = 0$$

quadratic in e^x

$$e^x = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 4(-40)}}{2} = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{196}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-6 \pm 14}{2}$$

$$\text{so } e^x = \frac{-20}{2} = -10$$

so

$$e^x = \frac{8}{2} = 4$$

~~can't happen!
(why?)~~

$$\boxed{x = \ln(4)}$$