

Exercise 8(D)

1. If $\frac{3}{2} \log a + \frac{2}{3} \log b - 1 = 0$, find the value of $a^9 \cdot b^4$

Solution:

Given equation,

$$\frac{3}{2} \log a + \frac{2}{3} \log b - 1 = 0$$

$$\log a^{3/2} + \log b^{2/3} - 1 = 0$$

$$\log a^{3/2} \times b^{2/3} - 1 = 0$$

$$\log a^{3/2} \cdot b^{2/3} = 1$$

Removing logarithm, we have

$$a^{3/2} \cdot b^{2/3} = 10$$

On manipulating,

$$(a^{3/2} \cdot b^{2/3})^6 = 10^6$$

Hence,

$$a^9 \cdot b^4 = 10^6$$

2. If $x = 1 + \log 2 - \log 5$, $y = 2\log 3$ and $z = \log a - \log 5$; find the value of a if $x + y = 2z$.

Solution:

Given, $x = 1 + \log 2 - \log 5$, $y = 2\log 3$ and $z = \log a - \log 5$

Now, considering the given equation $x + y = 2z$

$$(1 + \log 2 - \log 5) + (2\log 3) = 2(\log a - \log 5)$$

$$1 + \log 2 - \log 5 + 2\log 3 = 2\log a - 2\log 5$$

$$1 + \log 2 - \log 5 + 2\log 3 + 2\log 5 = 2\log a$$

$$\log 10 + \log 2 + \log 3^2 + \log 5 = \log a^2$$

$$\log 10 + \log 2 + \log 9 + \log 5 = \log a^2$$

$$\log (10 \times 2 \times 9 \times 5) = \log a^2$$

$$\log 900 = \log a^2$$

On removing logarithm on both sides, we have

$$900 = a^2$$

Taking square root, we get

$$a = \pm 30$$

Since, a cannot be a negative value,

Hence, $a = 30$

3. If $x = \log 0.6$; $y = \log 1.25$ and $z = \log 3 - 2\log 2$, find the values of:

(i) $x + y - z$ (ii) 5^{x+y-z}

Solution:

Given,

$$x = \log 0.6, y = \log 1.25 \text{ and } z = \log 3 - 2\log 2$$

$$\text{So, } z = \log 3 - \log 2^2$$

$$= \log 3 - \log 4$$

$$= \log \frac{3}{4}$$

$$= \log 0.75 \dots (1)$$

(i) Considering,

$$\begin{aligned}x + y - z &= \log 0.6 + \log 1.25 - \log 0.75 \dots \text{ [From (1)]} \\ &= \log (0.6 \times 1.25)/0.75 \\ &= \log 0.75/0.75 \\ &= \log 1 \\ &= 0 \dots (2)\end{aligned}$$

(ii) Now, considering

$$\begin{aligned}5^{x+y-z} &= 5^0 \dots \text{ [From (2)]} \\ &= 1\end{aligned}$$

4. If $a^2 = \log x$, $b^3 = \log y$ and $3a^2 - 2b^3 = 6 \log z$, express y in terms of x and z .

Solution:

We have, $a^2 = \log x$ and $b^3 = \log y$

Now, considering the equation

$$\begin{aligned}3a^2 - 2b^3 &= 6 \log z \\ 3 \log x - 2 \log y &= 6 \log z \\ \log x^3 - \log y^2 &= \log z^6 \\ \log x^3/y^2 &= \log z^6\end{aligned}$$

On removing logarithm on both sides, we get

$$x^3/y^2 = z^6$$

So,

$$y^2 = x^3/z^6$$

Taking square root on both sides, we get

$$y = \sqrt{x^3/z^6}$$

$$\text{Hence, } y = x^{3/2}/z^3$$

5. If $\log (a - b)/2 = \frac{1}{2} (\log a + \log b)$, show that: $a^2 + b^2 = 6ab$.

Solution:

We have, $\log (a - b)/2 = \frac{1}{2} (\log a + \log b)$

$$\begin{aligned}\log (a - b)/2 &= \frac{1}{2} \log a + \frac{1}{2} \log b \\ &= \log a^{1/2} + \log b^{1/2} \\ &= \log \sqrt{a} + \log \sqrt{b} \\ &= \log \sqrt{ab}\end{aligned}$$

Now, removing logarithm on both sides, we get

$$(a - b)/2 = \sqrt{ab}$$

Squaring on both sides, we get

$$[(a - b)/2]^2 = [\sqrt{ab}]^2$$

$$(a - b)^2/4 = ab$$

$$(a - b)^2 = 4ab$$

$$a^2 + b^2 - 2ab = 4ab$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 4ab + 2ab$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 6ab$$

- Hence proved

6. If $a^2 + b^2 = 23ab$, show that: $\log (a + b)/5 = \frac{1}{2} (\log a + \log b)$.

Solution:

Given, $a^2 + b^2 = 23ab$

Adding $2ab$ on both sides,

$$a^2 + b^2 + 2ab = 23ab + 2ab$$

$$(a + b)^2 = 25ab$$

$$(a + b)^2/25 = ab$$

$$[(a + b)/5]^2 = ab$$

Taking logarithm on both sides, we have

$$\log [(a + b)/5]^2 = \log ab$$

$$2\log (a + b)/5 = \log ab$$

$$2\log (a + b)/5 = \log a + \log b$$

Thus,

$$\log (a + b)/5 = \frac{1}{2} (\log a + \log b)$$

7. If $m = \log 20$ and $n = \log 25$, find the value of x , so that: $2\log (x - 4) = 2m - n$.

Solution:

Given, $m = \log 20$ and $n = \log 25$

Now, considering the given expression

$$2\log (x - 4) = 2m - n$$

$$2\log (x - 4) = 2\log 20 - \log 25$$

$$\log (x - 4)^2 = \log 20^2 - \log 25$$

$$\log (x - 4)^2 = \log 400 - \log 25$$

$$\log (x - 4)^2 = \log 400/25$$

Removing logarithm on both sides,

$$(x - 4)^2 = 400/25$$

$$x^2 - 8x + 16 = 16$$

$$x^2 - 8x = 0$$

$$x(x - 8) = 0$$

So,

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x = 8$$

If $x = 0$, then $\log (x - 4)$ doesn't exist

Hence, $x = 8$

8. Solve for x and y ; if $x > 0$ and $y > 0$; $\log xy = \log x/y + 2\log 2 = 2$.

Solution:

We have,

$$\log xy = \log x/y + 2\log 2 = 2$$

Considering the equation,

$$\log xy = 2$$

$$\log xy = 2\log 10$$

$$\log xy = \log 10^2$$

$$\log xy = \log 100$$

On removing logarithm,

$$xy = 100 \dots (1)$$

Now, consider the equation

$$\log x/y + 2\log 2 = 2$$

$$\log x/y + \log 2^2 = 2$$

$$\log x/y + \log 4 = 2$$

$$\log 4x/y = 2$$

Removing logarithm, we get

$$4x/y = 10^2$$

$$4x/y = 100$$

$$x/y = 25$$

$$(xy)/y^2 = 25$$

$$100/y^2 = 25 \quad \dots \text{ [From (1)]}$$

$$y^2 = 100/25$$

$$y^2 = 4$$

$$y = 2 \quad [\text{Since, } y > 0]$$

From $\log xy = 2$

Substituting the value of y , we get

$$\log 2x = 2$$

On removing logarithm,

$$2x = 10^2$$

$$2x = 100$$

$$x = 100/2$$

$$x = 50$$

Thus, the values x and y are 50 and 2 respectively

9. Find x , if:

(i) $\log_x 625 = -4$

(ii) $\log_x (5x - 6) = 2$

Solution:

(i) We have, $\log_x 625 = -4$

On removing logarithm,

$$x^{-4} = 625$$

$$(1/x)^4 = 5^4$$

Taking the fourth root on both sides,

$$1/x = 5$$

$$\text{Hence, } x = 1/5$$

(ii) We have, $\log_x (5x - 6) = 2$

On removing logarithm,

$$x^2 = 5x - 6$$

$$x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - 3x - 2x + 6 &= 0 \\x(x - 3) - 2(x - 2) &= 0 \\(x - 2)(x - 3) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Hence,
 $x = 2$ or 3

**10. If $p = \log 20$ and $q = \log 25$, find the value of x , if $2\log (x + 1) = 2p - q$.
Solution:**

Given, $p = \log 20$ and $q = \log 25$
Considering the equation,
 $2\log (x + 1) = 2p - q$
 $\log (x + 1)^2 = 2p - q$
 $\log (x + 1)^2 = 2\log 20 - \log 25$
 $\log (x + 1)^2 = \log 20^2 - \log 25$
 $\log (x + 1)^2 = \log 400 - \log 25$
 $\log (x + 1)^2 = \log 400/25$
Removing logarithm on both sides, we have
 $(x + 1)^2 = 400/25 = 16$
 $(x + 1)^2 = (4)^2$
Taking square root on both sides, we have
 $x + 1 = 4$
 $x = 4 - 1$
Hence, $x = 3$

**11. If $\log_2 (x + y) = \log_3 (x - y) = \log 25/\log 0.2$, find the value of x and y .
Solution:**

Considering the relation, $\log_2 (x + y) = \log 25/\log 0.2$
 $\log_2 (x + y) = \log_{0.2} 25$
 $= \log_{2/10} 5^2$
 $= 2\log_{1/5} 5$
 $= 2\log_5^{-1} 5$
 $= -2\log_5 5$
 $= -2 \times 1$
 $= -2$

So, we have
 $\log_2 (x + y) = -2$
Removing logarithm, we get
 $x + y = 2^{-2}$
 $x + y = 1/2^2$
 $x + y = 1/4 \dots (i)$

Now, considering the relation $\log_3 (x - y) = \log 25/\log 0.2$
 $\log_3 (x - y) = \log_{0.2} 25$
 $= \log_{2/10} 5^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2\log_{1/5} 5 \\ &= 2\log_5^{-1} 5 \\ &= -2\log_5 5 \\ &= -2 \times 1 \\ &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

So, we have

$$\log_3 (x - y) = -2$$

Removing logarithm, we get

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

$$x - y = 1/3^2$$

$$x - y = 1/9 \dots \text{(ii)}$$

On adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$x + y = 1/4$$

$$x - y = 1/9$$

$$2x = 1/4 + 1/9$$

$$2x = (9 + 4)/36$$

$$2x = 13/36$$

$$x = 13/(36 \times 2)$$

$$= 13/72$$

Now, substituting the value of x in (i), we get

$$13/72 + y = 1/4$$

$$y = 1/4 - 13/72$$

$$= (18 - 13)/72$$

$$= 5/72$$

Hence, the values of x and are is 13/72 and 5/72 respectively

12. Given: $\log x/\log y = 3/2$ and $\log xy = 5$; find the values of x and y.

Solution:

Given, $\log x/\log y = 3/2 \dots \text{(i)}$ and $\log xy = 5 \dots \text{(ii)}$

So,

$$\log xy = \log x + \log y = 5$$

And, we have $\log y = (2\log x)/3 \dots \text{[From (i)]}$

Now,

$$\log x + (2\log x)/3 = 5$$

$$3\log x + 2\log x = 5 \times 3$$

$$5\log x = 15$$

$$\log x = 15/5$$

$$\log x = 3$$

Removing logarithm, we get

$$x = 10^3 = 1000$$

Substituting value of x in (ii), we get

$$\log xy = 5$$

Removing logarithm, we get

$$xy = 10^5$$

$$(10^3) \cdot y = 10^5$$

$$y = 10^5/10^3$$

$$y = 10^2$$

$$y = 100$$

13. Given $\log_{10} x = 2a$ and $\log_{10} y = b/2$

(i) Write 10^a in terms of x

(ii) Write 10^{2b+1} in terms of y

(iii) If $\log_{10} p = 3a - 2b$, express p in terms of x and y .

Solution:

Given, $\log_{10} x = 2a$ and $\log_{10} y = b/2$

(i) Taking $\log_{10} x = 2a$

Removing logarithm on both sides,

$$x = 10^{2a}$$

Taking square root on both sides, we get

$$x^{1/2} = 10^{2a/2}$$

$$\text{Hence, } 10^a = x^{1/2}$$

(ii) Taking $\log_{10} y = b/2$

Removing logarithm on both sides,

$$y = 10^{b/2}$$

On manipulating,

$$y^4 = 10^{b/2 \times 4}$$

$$y^4 = 10^{2b}$$

$$10y^4 = 10^{2b} \times 10$$

$$\text{Hence, } 10^{2b+1} = 10y^4$$

(iii) We have, $10^a = x^{1/2}$

and $y = 10^{b/2}$

Considering the equation, $\log_{10} p = 3a - 2b$

$$\log_{10} p = 3a - 2b$$

Removing logarithm, we get

$$p = 10^{3a-2b}$$

$$p = 10^{3a}/10^{2b}$$

$$p = (10^a)^3/(10^{b/2})^4$$

$$p = (x^{1/2})^3/(y)^4$$

$$\text{Hence, } p = x^{3/2}/y^4$$

14. Solve:

$$\log_5(x+1) - 1 = 1 + \log_5(x-1).$$

Solution:

Considering the given equation,

$$\log_5(x + 1) - 1 = 1 + \log_5(x - 1)$$

$$\log_5(x + 1) - \log_5(x - 1) = 1 + 1$$

$$\log_5(x + 1)/(x - 1) = 2$$

Removing logarithm, we have

$$(x + 1)/(x - 1) = 5^2$$

$$(x + 1)/(x - 1) = 25$$

$$(x + 1) = 25(x - 1)$$

$$x + 1 = 25x - 25$$

$$25x - x = 25 + 1$$

$$24x = 26$$

$$x = 26/24$$

$$\text{Hence, } x = 13/12$$

15. Solve for x, if:

$$\log_x 49 - \log_x 7 + \log_x 1/343 + 2 = 0$$

Solution:

We have,

$$\log_x 49 - \log_x 7 + \log_x 1/343 + 2 = 0$$

$$\log_x 49/(7 \times 343) + 2 = 0$$

$$\log_x 1/49 = -2$$

$$\log_x 1/7^2 = -2$$

$$\log_x 7^{-2} = -2$$

$$-2\log_x 7 = -2$$

So,

$$\log_x 7 = 1$$

Removing logarithm, we get

$$x = 7$$

16. If $a^2 = \log x$, $b^3 = \log y$ and $a^2/2 - b^3/3 = \log c$, find c in terms of x and y.

Solution:

Given,

$$a^2 = \log x, b^3 = \log y$$

Considering the given equation,

$$a^2/2 - b^3/3 = \log c$$

$$(\log x)/2 - (\log y)/3 = \log c$$

$$1/2 \log x - 1/3 \log y = \log c$$

$$\log x^{1/2} - \log y^{1/3} = \log c$$

$$\log x^{1/2}/y^{1/3} = \log c$$

On removing logarithm, we get

$$x^{1/2}/y^{1/3} = c$$

Hence, $c = x^{1/2}/y^{1/3}$ is the required relation

17. Given: $x = \log_{10} 12$, $y = \log_4 2 \times \log_{10} 9$ and $z = \log_{10} 0.4$, find

(i) $x - y - z$

(ii) 13^{x-y-z}

Solution:

(i) Considering, $x - y - z$

$$= \log_{10} 12 - (\log_4 2 \times \log_{10} 9) - \log_{10} 0.4$$

$$= \log_{10} 12 - (\log_4 2 \times \log_{10} 9) - \log_{10} 0.4$$

$$= \log_{10} (4 \times 3) - (\log_{10} 2 / \log_{10} 4 \times \log_{10} 9) - \log_{10} 0.4$$

$$= \log_{10} 4 + \log_{10} 3 - (\log_{10} 2 \times \log_{10} 3^2) / \log_{10} 2^2 - \log_{10} 4/10$$

$$= \log_{10} 4 + \log_{10} 3 - (\log_{10} 2 \times 2\log_{10} 3) / 2\log_{10} 2 - (\log_{10} 4 - \log_{10} 10)$$

$$= \log_{10} 4 + \log_{10} 3 - \log_{10} 3 - \log_{10} 4 + \log_{10} 10$$

$$= \log_{10} 4 + \log_{10} 3 - \log_{10} 3 - \log_{10} 4 + 1$$

$$= 1$$

(ii) Now,

$$13^{x-y-z} = 13^1 = 13$$

18. Solve for x , $\log_x 15\sqrt{5} = 2 - \log_x 3\sqrt{5}$

Solution:

Considering the given equation,

$$\log_x 15\sqrt{5} = 2 - \log_x 3\sqrt{5}$$

$$\log_x 15\sqrt{5} + \log_x 3\sqrt{5} = 2$$

$$\log_x (15\sqrt{5} \times 3\sqrt{5}) = 2$$

$$\log_x (45 \times 5) = 2$$

$$\log_x 225 = 2$$

Removing logarithm, we get

$$x^2 = 225$$

Taking square root on both sides,

$$x = 15$$

19. Evaluate:

(i) $\log_b a \times \log_c b \times \log_a c$

(ii) $\log_3 8 \div \log_9 16$

(iii) $\log_5 8 / (\log_{25} 16 \times \log_{100} 10)$

Solution:

Using $\log_b a = 1/\log_a b$ and $\log_x a / \log_x b = \log_b a$, we have

(i) $\log_b a \times \log_c b \times \log_a c$

$$= \frac{\log_{10} a}{\log_{10} b} \times \frac{\log_{10} b}{\log_{10} c} \times \frac{\log_{10} c}{\log_{10} a}$$

$$= 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii) } \log_3 8 \div \log_9 16 &= \log_3 8 / \log_9 16 \\
 &= \frac{\log_{10} 8}{\log_{10} 3} \times \frac{\log_{10} 9}{\log_{10} 16} \\
 &= \frac{3\log_{10} 2}{\log_{10} 3} \times \frac{2\log_{10} 3}{4\log_{10} 2} \\
 &= 3 \times \frac{1}{2} \\
 &= \frac{3}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) } \log_5 8 / (\log_{25} 16 \times \log_{100} 10) &= \frac{\log_{10} 8}{\log_{10} 5} \\
 &= \frac{\log_{10} 16}{\log_{10} 25} \times \frac{\log_{10} 10}{\log_{10} 100} \\
 &= \frac{\log_{10} 2^3}{\log_{10} 5} \\
 &= \frac{\log_{10} 2^4}{\log_{10} 5^2} \times \frac{\log_{10} 10}{\log_{10} 10^2} \\
 &= \frac{\log_{10} 2^3}{\log_{10} 5} \times \frac{\log_{10} 5^2}{\log_{10} 2^4} \times \frac{\log_{10} 10^2}{\log_{10} 10} \\
 &= \frac{3\log_{10} 2}{\log_{10} 5} \times \frac{2\log_{10} 5}{4\log_{10} 2} \times \frac{2\log_{10} 10}{\log_{10} 10} \\
 &= 3 \times \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \\
 &= 3
 \end{aligned}$$

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20. Show that:

$$\log_a m \div \log_{ab} m = 1 + \log_a b$$

Solution:

Considering the L.H.S.,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log_a m \div \log_{ab} m &= \log_a m / \log_{ab} m \\
 &= \log_m ab / \log_m a \\
 &= \log_a ab \\
 &= \log_a a + \log_a b \\
 &= 1 + \log_a b
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &[\text{As } \log_b a = 1 / \log_a b] \\
 &[\text{As } \log_x a / \log_x b = \log_b a]
 \end{aligned}$$

21. If $\log_{\sqrt{27}} x = 2 \frac{2}{3}$, find x.

Solution:

We have,

$$\log_{\sqrt{27}} x = 2 \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\log_{\sqrt{27}} x = 8/3$$

Removing logarithm, we get

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \sqrt{27^{8/3}} \\ &= 27^{1/2 \times 8/3} \\ &= 27^{4/3} \\ &= 3^{3 \times 4/3} \\ &= 3^4 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $x = 81$

22. Evaluate:

$$1/(\log_a bc + 1) + 1/(\log_b ca + 1) + 1/(\log_c ab + 1)$$

Solution:

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\log_a bc + 1} + \frac{1}{\log_b ca + 1} + \frac{1}{\log_c ab + 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{\log_a bc + \log_a a} + \frac{1}{\log_b ca + \log_b b} + \frac{1}{\log_c ab + \log_c c} \\ &= \frac{1}{\log_a abc} + \frac{1}{\log_b aba} + \frac{1}{\log_c abc} \quad [\because \log_a b + \log_b c = \log_a bc] \\ &= \frac{1}{\log abc} + \frac{1}{\log abc} + \frac{1}{\log abc} \\ &= \frac{\log a + \log b + \log c}{\log abc} \\ &= \frac{\log abc}{\log abc} \quad [\because \log_a b + \log_b c = \log_a bc] \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

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