

Logarithmic Functions and Their Graphs (2.11) Homework

1. Given $f(x)$ is a logarithmic function, find the value of k in the following table.

x	17	14	8	-4	k	-76
$f(x)$	-8	-6	-4	-2	0	2

2. Let $f(x) = 3 \log_2(x - 1) + 5$
- Find the domain and range of $f(x)$.
 - Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
 - Is $f(x)$ an increasing function or a decreasing function over its domain?
 - Is $f(x)$ concave up or concave down over its domain?
 - Determine the end behavior of f as x increases without bound. Express your answer using the mathematical notation of a limit.
3. Let $g(x) = -\log_2(2x - 6) - 4$
- Find the domain and range of $g(x)$.
 - Find the domain and range of $g^{-1}(x)$.
 - Is the rate of change of $g(x)$ increasing or decreasing over its domain?
 - Is the rate of change of $g(x)$ positive or negative over its domain?
 - Determine the end behavior of f as x increases without bound. Express your answer using the mathematical notation of a limit.
4. Let $h(x) = 5 \log_2(-x) + 1$
- Find the domain and range of $h(x)$.
 - Find the domain and range of $h^{-1}(x)$.
 - Determine the end behavior of f as x decreases without bound. Express your answer using the mathematical notation of a limit.
 - Which one of the following describes $h(x)$?

(A) Increasing at an increasing rate

(B) Decreasing at an increasing rate

(C) Increasing at a decreasing rate

(D) Decreasing at a decreasing rate
5. Match each function below with the letter corresponding to the correct limits describing the function's vertical asymptote and end behavior.
- $f(x) = \ln(x)$

$g(x) = \ln(-x)$

$h(x) = -\ln(x)$

$k(x) = -\ln(-x)$

(A) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \infty$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = -\infty$

(B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = -\infty$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$

(C) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \infty$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = -\infty$

(D) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = -\infty$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \infty$
6. Let $g(x) = -2 \log_4(x + 1)$. Which one of the following describes the vertical asymptote of $g(x)$?
- (A) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} g(x) = \infty$

(B) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} g(x) = -\infty$

(C) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} g(x) = \infty$

(D) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} g(x) = -\infty$
7. Find all points of inflection on the graph of $g(x) = \log_3(81x)$.

8. $h(x)$ is of the form $h(x) = a + b \log x$. The graph of $y = h(x)$ contains the points $(0.1, -9)$ and $(100, 9)$.

A.

- Write two equations that could be used to find the values for constants a and b .
- Find the values of a and b as decimal approximations.

B.

- Find the average rate of change of h from $x = 0.1$ to $x = 100$. Express your answer as a decimal approximation. Show the computations that lead to your answer.
- Use the average rate of change found in (c) to estimate $h(10)$. Show the work that leads to your answer.
- Using the shape of the graph of $y = h(x)$, explain why the approximation obtained in part B(i) underestimates the actual value of $h(10)$.

9. Find the x -value corresponding with each local maximum of the function $f(x) = 2 \log_4(x - 5) + 7$.

10. $h(x)$ is a logarithmic function with a few values given in the following table.

x	-18	-2	22	58	112
$f(x)$	-3	0	3	6	9

- Is $f(x)$ increasing or decreasing?
- Is $f(x)$ concave up or concave down?
- Find $f^{-1}(12)$

11. Consider the function $f(x) = 3 \ln(x + 4)$. Which is greater, the average rate of change of $f(x)$ over the interval $[0, 3]$ or the average rate of change of $f(x)$ over the interval $[3, 6]$? This is not a calculator question.

12. Let $g(x) = \log_3 x$.

- Find $g^{-1}(2)$
- Find $g^{-1}(-1)$
- Applying a horizontal dilation by a factor of $\frac{1}{3}$ to this function is equivalent to a vertical translation by k units. Find k .
- The graph of $y = g(\sqrt{x})$ is the image of the graph of $g(x)$ after a vertical dilation by a factor of c . Find c .

13. Let $f(x) = \log_2(x)$ and let $g(x) = \log_{\frac{1}{4}}(x)$. Which one of the following accurately describes the transformation that maps the graph of $f(x)$ to the graph of $g(x)$.

- The graph of $g(x)$ is the image of the graph of $f(x)$ after a vertical dilation by a factor of $\frac{1}{8}$ and a reflection over the y -axis.
- The graph of $g(x)$ is the image of the graph of $f(x)$ after a vertical dilation by a factor of 8 and a reflection over the y -axis.
- The graph of $g(x)$ is the image of the graph of $f(x)$ after a vertical dilation by a factor of 2 and a reflection over the x -axis.
- The graph of $g(x)$ is the image of the graph of $f(x)$ after a vertical dilation by a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$ and a reflection over the x -axis.

14. The function $f(x)$ is given by $f(x) = 3 \log_3(x) - 2 \log_9(x)$. Rewrite $f(x)$ as a single logarithm base 3 without negative exponents in any part of the expression. Your result should be of the form $\log_3(\text{expression})$.

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1. $k = -28$

2.

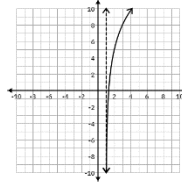
a. Domain: $(1, \infty)$ Range: (∞, ∞)

b. Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$ Range: $(1, \infty)$

c. Increasing

d. Concave Down

e. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$



3.

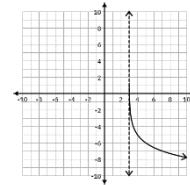
a. Domain: $(3, \infty)$ Range: $(-\infty, \infty)$

b. Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$ Range: $(3, \infty)$

c. Increasing (Rate of change of $g(x)$ is increasing since $g(x)$ is concave up)

d. Negative (Rate of change of $g(x)$ is negative since $g(x)$ is decreasing)

e. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) = -\infty$



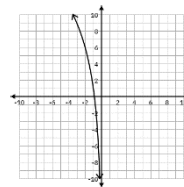
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a. Domain: $(-\infty, 0)$ Range: $(-\infty, \infty)$

b. Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$ Range: $(-\infty, 0)$

c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} h(x) = \infty$

d. (D)



5. $f(x)$ B

$g(x)$ D

$h(x)$ A

$k(x)$ C

6. (C)

7. $g(x)$ is always concave down $\Rightarrow g(x)$ has no points of inflection.

8.

A.

i. $a + b \log(0.1) = -9$

$a + b \log(100) = 9$

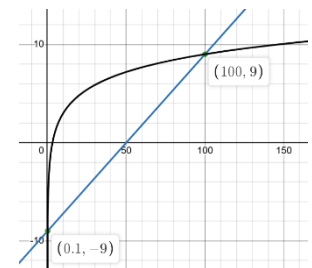
ii. $a = -3$ and $b = 6$

B.

i. $\frac{h(100) - h(0.1)}{100 - 0.1} = \frac{(9) - (-9)}{100 - \frac{1}{10}} = 0.18$

ii. $\frac{9 - h(10)}{100 - 10} \approx 0.18018$. $h(10) \approx -7.216$

iii. We are comparing the outputs of the concave down function h to outputs of the secant line that passes through h at $x = 0.1$ and $x = 100$. Being concave down, h is above the secant line between $x = \frac{1}{10}$ and $x = 100$. So, the secant line underapproximates the actual value of $h(10)$.



9. $f(x)$ is always increasing $\Rightarrow f(x)$ has no local maximum.

10.

a. Increasing

b. Concave down

c. 193

11. $f(x)$ is a concave down function. Therefore, the rate of change is decreasing. The average rate of change over $[3, 6]$ is less than the average rate of change over $[0, 3]$.

12.

a. 9

b. $\frac{1}{3}$

c. $k = 1$ (since $\log_3(3x) = \log_3 3 + \log_3 x = 1 + \log_3 x$)

d. $c = \frac{1}{2}$ (since $g(\sqrt{x}) = \log_3 \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2} \log_3 x$)

13. D

14. $\log_3(x^2)$