

Sample Question Sheet 2

No calculators allowed.

1) Logs. Recall that:

If $y = a^x$ then $x = \log_a y$ and the four rules of logarithms are:

- i) $\log(a) + \log(b) = \log(a \times b)$
- ii) $\log(a) - \log(b) = \log(a / b)$
- iii) $c \times \log(a) = \log(a^c)$
- iv) Change of Base: $\log_a(m) = \log_b(m) \times \log_a(b)$

Note that $\log_{10} x$ may also be written as $\lg(x)$ and $\log_e(x)$ is commonly written as $\ln(x)$.

a) Evaluate the following:

- i) $\log_{10} 100 \Rightarrow 10^x = 100 \therefore x = 2$
- ii) $\log_2 (1/8) \Rightarrow 2^x = \frac{1}{8} \therefore x = -3$
- iii) $\log_{10} 0.01 \Rightarrow 10^x = 0.01 \therefore x = -2$
- iv) $\log_2 (2\sqrt{2}) \Rightarrow 2^x = 2\sqrt{2} = 2 \cdot 2^{1/2} = 2^{3/2} \therefore x = 3/2 = 1\frac{1}{2}$
- v) $\log_p(p^5) = 5 \log_p(p) = 5$

b) If $A = \lg 2$ and $B = \lg 3$, write the following in terms of A and B.

- i) $\lg(54) = \lg(2 \times 3^3) = \lg 2 + 3 \lg 3 = A + 3B$
- ii) $\lg(72) = \lg(2^3 \times 3^2) = 3 \lg 2 + 2 \lg 3 = 3A + 2B$
- iii) $\lg(\frac{9}{16}) = \lg 9 - \lg 16 = \lg 3^2 - \lg 2^4 = 2 \lg 3 - 4 \lg 2 = 2B - 4A$
- iv) $\lg(\frac{18}{27}) = \lg(\frac{2}{3}) = \lg 2 - \lg 3 = A - B$

b) i) If $6^{x-1} = 3^{x+2}$ find n, m such that $x = \frac{\log_{10} n}{\log_{10} m}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \log_{10}(6^{x-1}) &= \log_{10}(3^{x+2}) \\ \text{So } (x-1)\log_{10} 6 &= (x+2)\log_{10} 3 \\ \therefore x \log_{10} 6 - \log_{10} 6 &= x \log_{10} 3 + 2 \log_{10} 3 \\ \therefore x \log_{10} 6 - x \log_{10} 3 &= \log_{10} 6 + 2 \log_{10} 3 \\ \therefore x(\log_{10} 6 - \log_{10} 3) &= \log_{10} 6 + 2 \log_{10} 3 \end{aligned}$$

ii) Then change base so that x is in log2.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore x &= \frac{\log_{10} 6 + \log_{10} 9}{\log_{10} 6 - \log_{10} 3} = \frac{\log_{10} 54}{\log_{10}(6/3)} = \frac{\log_{10} 54}{\log_{10} 2} \quad \text{So } n=54, m=2 \\ \text{Change of base: } \log_{10} 54 &= \log_2 54 \times \log_{10} 2 \\ \log_{10} 2 &= \log_2 2 \times \log_{10} 2 \quad \therefore x = \frac{\log_2 54 \times \log_{10} 2}{\log_2 2 \times \log_{10} 2} \\ \therefore x &= \log_2 54 \end{aligned}$$

2) Solve the following. (Hint: Create a new expression for y = ? then substitute it in.)

a) $(3^{2x}) - 10(3^x) = -9$ Let $y = 3^x$. So $y^2 = 3^{2x}$.

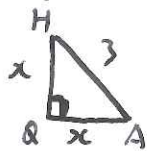
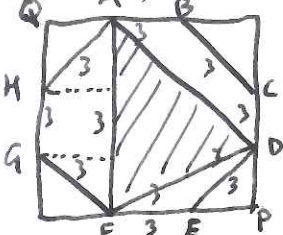
$$\text{Then } y^2 - 10y + 9 = 0$$

$$\therefore (y-9)(y-1) = 0 \Rightarrow y=9 \text{ or } y=1 \Rightarrow x=2 \text{ or } 0$$

3) Expand:

a) $(x+y)^3 = (x+y)(x+y)(x+y) = (x^2+2xy+y^2)(x+y) = x^3+2x^2y+xy^2+yx^2+y^2x+y^3 = x^3+3x^2y+3xy^2+y^3$

4) If ABCDEFGH is a regular octagon with sides of length 3, what is the area of triangle ADF?



$$\begin{aligned} 3^2 &= 2x^2 \\ \therefore x &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So Area AFD} &= \frac{1}{2} \times AF \times (FE + EP) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} + 3 + \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \times \left(3 + \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(3 + \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \left(3 + \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \frac{1}{2} (9 + 9\sqrt{2} + 9\sqrt{2} + \frac{9}{2}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[9 + \frac{9}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{18}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{18}{2}\right] = \frac{1}{2} (18 + \frac{27\sqrt{2}}{2}) = 9 + \frac{27\sqrt{2}}{4} \end{aligned}$$

5) Factorise the following:

- a) $x^3 - x = x(x^2 - 1) = x(x-1)(x+1)$
- b) $1 - 2y - 3y^2 = (1-3y)(1+y)$
- c) $x^4 - 2x^2 - 3 = (x^2-3)(x^2+1) = (x-\sqrt{3})(x+\sqrt{3})(x^2+1)$
- d) $x^2y - 5xy + 4y = y(x-4)(x-1)$
- e) $6x^2 - 11x - 7 = (3x-7)(2x+1)$

Optional!

6) Simplify the following:

$$a) \frac{x-3}{2x-6} = \frac{(x-3)}{2(x-3)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$b) \frac{2x+3y}{4x^2-9y^2} = \frac{(2x+3y)}{(2x-3y)(2x+3y)} = \frac{1}{2x-3y}$$

$$c) \frac{x^2+9x+20}{x+4} = \frac{(x+5)(x+4)}{x+4} = x+5$$

7) Solve the following inequalities and represent them on a number line: (use \circ for $<$ and \bullet for \leq)

a) $3x + 1 < 5x - 2$

$$2x > 3$$

$$x > 1\frac{1}{2}$$



b) $-(x + 1) \geq 8$

$$(x+1) \leq -8$$

$$x \leq -9$$



c) $3x - 7 \leq x + 4 < 2x + 1$

$$2x \leq 11 \Rightarrow x \leq 5\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x > 3$$



d) $x^2 > 4$

$$x > 2 \text{ or } x < -2$$



8) A mother is seven times as old as her daughter. Three years ago she was thirteen times as old. Find the ratio of their ages in 3 years time.

$$y = 7x \quad \text{①}$$

$$(y-3) = 13(x-3) = 13x - 39$$

$$\therefore y = 13x - 36 \quad \text{②}$$

$$\text{①} - \text{②} \Rightarrow 0 = -6x + 36$$

$$\therefore 6x = 36$$

$$\therefore x = 6 \Rightarrow y = 42$$

$x+3=9, y+3=45 \Rightarrow$ In 3 years ratio is 1:5

9) Find the equation of a line that has gradient 7 and passes through (5, 43).

$$y = 7x + c$$

$$(5, 43) \Rightarrow 43 = 7 \times 5 + c$$

$$\therefore c = 8$$

$$\therefore y = 7x + 8$$

10) Find the equation of a line that passes through (5, 8) and (8, 17).

$$y = mx + c$$

$$(5, 8) \Rightarrow 8 = 5m + c \quad \text{①}$$

$$(8, 17) \Rightarrow 17 = 8m + c \quad \text{②}$$

$$\text{②} - \text{①} \Rightarrow 9 = 3m$$

$$\therefore m = 3$$

$$\therefore y = 3x - 7$$

$$\text{So } c = -7$$

11) Find the equation of a line parallel to $y = 2x + 5$ passing through (2, 3).

$$y = 2x + c$$

$$(2, 3) \Rightarrow 3 = 2 \times 2 + c$$

$$\therefore c = -1$$

$$\therefore y = 2x - 1$$

12) Find the equation of a line perpendicular to $y = 2x + 1$ passing through (-4, 8). Where do the lines cross? How far is (-4, 8) from the crossing place, and where would it's mirror image be?

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + c$$

$$(-4, 8) \Rightarrow 8 = -\frac{1}{2} \times 4 + c$$

$$\therefore c = 6$$

$$\text{So } y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 6$$

lines cross: $y = 2x + 1 \quad \text{①}$

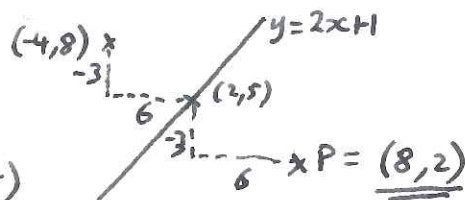
$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 6 \quad \text{②}$$

$$\text{①} - \text{②} \Rightarrow 0 = 2\frac{1}{2}x - 5$$

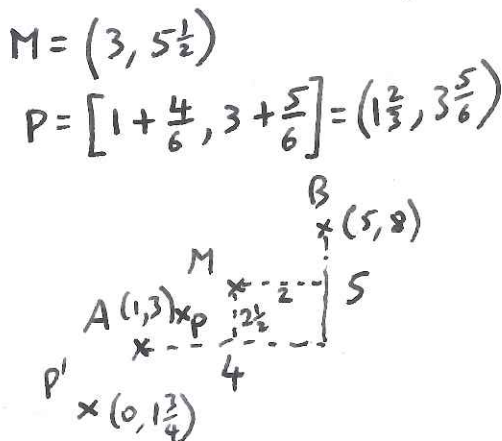
$$\therefore x = 2$$

$$\text{So } y = 5 \quad \therefore (2, 5)$$

$$\text{Distance} = \sqrt{(2 - (-4))^2 + (5 - 8)^2} = \sqrt{36 + 9} = \underline{\underline{3\sqrt{5}}}$$



13) What is the mid-point, M, of A (1, 3) and B (5, 8)? If point P lies on the line AB and divides A and B such that AP:BP = 1:5 what are its coordinates? If you extend the line AB can you find another point P' which satisfies the same ratio?



Let $P' = (P'_x, P'_y)$

$$5x(P'_x - 1) = (P'_x - 5) \quad \text{and} \quad 5(P'_y - 3) = (P'_y - 8)$$

$$\therefore 4P'_x = 0$$

$$\therefore P'_x = 0$$

$$\therefore 4P'_y = 7$$

$$\therefore P'_y = 1\frac{3}{4}$$

So $P'_y = (0, 1\frac{3}{4})$