

Section 7-5 Logarithmic Functions

Warm up:

Find the patterns in the data and what type of function it is:

x	f(x)
1	4
3	7
5	10
7	13
9	16

x	f(x)
1	15
3	45
5	135
7	405
9	1215

x	f(x)
2	5
4	25
8	125
16	625
32	3125

x	f(x)
4	5
5	7
6	11
7	17
8	25

Exponential function

$$y = a \cdot b^x$$

add-multiply

x	f(x)
10	200
12	300
14	450
16	675

Logarithm Function

$$y = a + b \log_c x \quad \text{or} \quad y = a + b \ln x$$

multiply-add

x	f(x)
200	10
300	12
450	14
675	16

Use the first and last points to find algebraically the particular equation of the natural logarithmic function that fits the points.

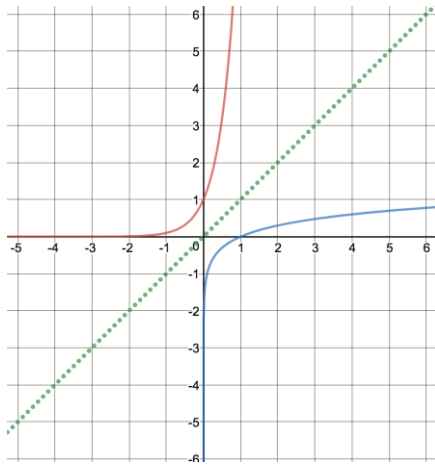
1.

x	f(x)
200	10
300	12
450	14
675	16

2.

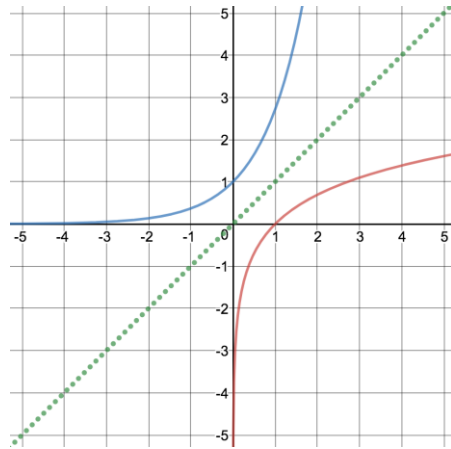
x	f(x)
1	2
10	3
100	4
1000	5

$y = \log x$
Domain: $x > 0$



Graph:

$y = \ln x$
Domain: $x > 0$



Domain:

$$f(x) = 5 \log(x + 4)$$

$$g(x) = \ln(7x - 1)$$

$$h(x) = \log_8(x^2 - 4)$$

$$p(x) = 6 \log(2 - x)$$

$$q(x) = 4 - \ln x$$

$$m(x) = -3 + \log x$$