

MTH 30

Homework

Section 3.4 | 8, 16, 26, 42, 48, 54, 60, 70, 72, 78, 86.

N^o 8

solve. $5^{3x-1} = 125$.

$$5^{3x-1} = 5^3$$

therefore $3x-1 = 3$

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

N^o 16

solve $7^{\frac{x-2}{6}} = \sqrt{7}$

re-writing: $7^{\frac{x-2}{6}} = 7^{\frac{1}{2}}$

therefore $\frac{x-2}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$ or $2(x-2) = 1 \cdot 6$
or $2x-4 = 6$

$$x = 5$$

N^o 26

$e^x = 0.83$ - let's take \ln of both sides

$$\ln(e^x) = \ln 0.83$$

$$x = \ln 0.83$$

$$\text{or } x \approx -0.186$$

by properties of logarithms
($\ln e^b = b$)

N^o 42

$$7^{2x+1} = 3^{x+2}$$

- let's take \ln of both sides:

$$\ln 7^{2x+1} = \ln 3^{x+2}$$

$$(2x+1) \ln 7 = (x+2) \ln 3$$

by properties of logs
($\log_b x^n = n \log_b x$)

- let's solve for x :

$$2x \ln 7 + \ln 7 = x \ln 3 + 2 \ln 3$$

$$2x \ln 7 - x \ln 3 = 2 \ln 3 - \ln 7$$

$$x (2 \ln 7 - \ln 3) = \ln 3^2 - \ln 7$$

$$x (\ln 7^2 - \ln 3) = \ln \frac{9}{7}$$

$$x \cdot \ln \frac{49}{3} = \ln \frac{9}{7}$$

$$\text{also } x = \frac{2 \ln 3 - \ln 7}{2 \ln 7 - \ln 3}$$

is an answer.

$$x = \frac{\ln \frac{9}{7}}{\ln \frac{49}{3}} \approx 0.09$$

N48

$$2^{2x} + 2^x - 12 = 0$$

let $t = 2^x$, then we can re-write the original equation in the form:

$$t^2 + t - 12 = 0 \quad - \text{let's solve it:}$$

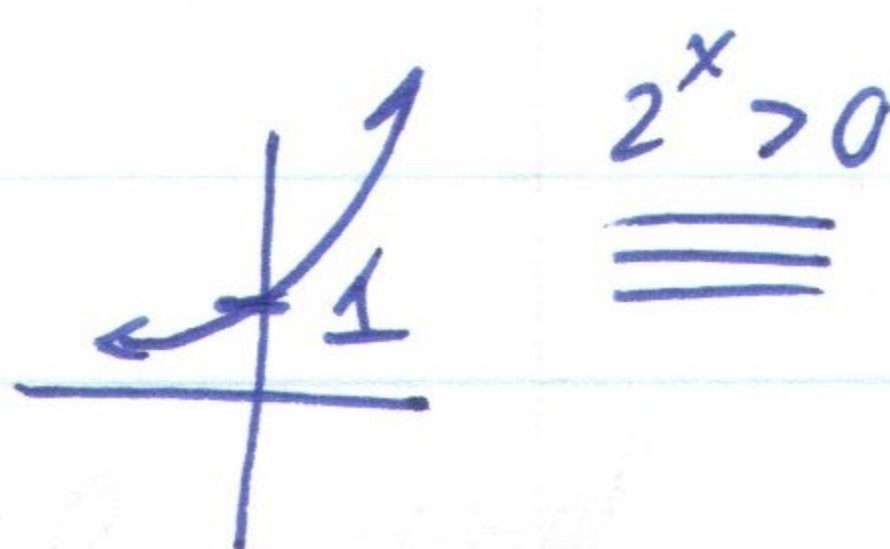
$$(t - 3)(t + 4) = 0$$

$$t = 3$$

$$\text{or } t = -4$$

$$2^x = 3$$

$$2^x \neq -4$$



$$\ln 2^x = \ln 3$$

$$x \ln 2 = \ln 3$$

$$x = \frac{\ln 3}{\ln 2}$$

$$\text{or } x \approx 1.58$$

N54

$$\log_5(x-7) = 2$$

two ways:

$$5^2 = x-7$$

$$25 = x-7$$

$$x = 32$$

$$\log_5(x-7) = \log_5 25$$

$$x-7 = 25$$

$$x = 32$$

checking:

$$32-7$$

must be > 0

$(\log_5(x-7))$

$$32-7 = 25 > 0 \quad - \text{everything is OK}$$

Q69

$$6 \ln(2x) = 30$$

- first, get rid of coefficient 6 :

$$\ln(2x) = \frac{30}{6} \quad \text{or} \quad \ln 2x = 5$$

then there are again two ways there:

$$e^5 = 2x$$

$$\ln 2x = \ln e^5$$

$$x = \frac{e^5}{2}$$

or

$$x \approx 72.21$$

checking: $\overset{\text{answer}}{2x} > 0$; $2 \cdot 72.21 > 0$. good.

Q70

$$\log_4(x+2) - \log_4(x-1) = 1$$

first, let's join logarithms (compress)

$$\log_4 \frac{x+2}{x-1} = 1$$

then let's use one of the ways!

$$4^1 = \frac{x+2}{x-1} \quad \text{or} \quad 4(x-1) = x+2$$

$$4x - 4 = x + 2 \quad 3x = 6 \quad \boxed{x = 2} \leftarrow \text{answer}$$

check: $x+2 > 0$

$$x-1 > 0$$

$$2+2 > 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$2-1 > 0 \quad \checkmark$$

N774

$$3 \log_2 (x-1) = 5 - \log_2 4.$$

$$\log_2 (x-1)^3 + \log_2 4 = 5$$

$$\log_2 4 (x-1)^3 = 5$$

$$2^5 = 4(x-1)^3 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{32}{4} = \frac{4(x-1)^3}{4} \quad \text{or}$$

$$(x-1)^3 = 8 \quad x-1 = \sqrt[3]{8} \quad x-1 = 2$$

$$\boxed{x=3}$$

checking: $x-1 > 0$
 $3-1 > 0 \quad \checkmark$

answer

N780

$$\log (2x-1) = \log (x+3) + \log 3$$

$$\log (2x-1) = \log 3(x+3)$$

$$2x-1 = 3(x+3) \quad \text{or} \quad 2x-1 = 3x+9 \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{x=-10}$$

checking: $2x-1 > 0$
 $2 \cdot (-10) - 1 \neq 0$

Answer: no solutions

N88

$$\log(x+3) + \log(x-2) = \log 14$$

$$\log(x+3)(x-2) = \log 14$$

$$(x+3)(x-2) = 14$$

$$x^2 + x - 6 = 14$$

$$x^2 + x - 20 = 0$$

$$(x-4)(x+5) = 0$$

$$x = 4$$

$$x = -5$$

checking:

$$x+3 > 0$$

$$x+3 > 0$$

$$4+3 > 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$-5+3 < 0$$

$$x-2 > 0$$

$$4-2 > 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Answer: $x = 4$