

Name

Solutions

- You have 15 minutes
- No calculators
- Show sufficient work

1. (1 point) Simplify the following quantity.

$$\begin{aligned}e^{-4\ln(\sqrt{5})} &= \frac{1}{e^{4\ln(\sqrt{5})}} \\ &= \frac{1}{e^{\ln((\sqrt{5})^4)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{(\sqrt{5})^4} = \frac{1}{25}\end{aligned}$$

2. (3 points) Determine all values of  $x$  which satisfy the equation below.

$$\begin{aligned}\ln\left(\frac{4x+3}{9-5x}\right) &= 2 \\ e^{\ln\left(\frac{4x+3}{9-5x}\right)} &= e^2 \\ \frac{4x+3}{9-5x} &= e^2 \\ 4x+3 &= e^2(9-5x) \\ 4x+3 &= 9e^2-5e^2x \\ 4x+5e^2x &= 9e^2-3 \\ x(4+5e^2) &= 9e^2-3 \\ x &= \frac{9e^2-3}{4+5e^2}\end{aligned}$$

3. (3 points) Given that  $g(t) = \sqrt[5]{3 + 2e^{t-4}}$ , find a formula for  $g^{-1}(t)$ .

$$y = \sqrt[5]{3 + 2e^{t-4}}$$

$$t = \sqrt[5]{3 + 2e^{y-4}}$$

$$t^5 = 3 + 2e^{y-4}$$

$$t^5 - 3 = 2e^{y-4}$$

$$\frac{t^5 - 3}{2} = e^{y-4}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{t^5 - 3}{2}\right) = \ln(e^{y-4})$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{t^5 - 3}{2}\right) = y - 4$$

$$y = 4 + \ln\left(\frac{t^5 - 3}{2}\right)$$

$$g^{-1}(t) = 4 + \ln\left(\frac{t^5 - 3}{2}\right)$$

4. (3 points) Determine the formula for an exponential function given that its graph goes through the points (3, 54) and (9, 24).

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

At  $(x, y) = (3, 54)$  we have  $54 = C \cdot a^3 \Rightarrow C = \frac{54}{a^3}$

At  $(x, y) = (9, 24)$  we have  $24 = C \cdot a^9$

Thus  $24 = \frac{54}{a^3} \cdot a^9$

$$\frac{24}{54} = a^6 \Rightarrow a = \left(\frac{24}{54}\right)^{\frac{1}{6}} = \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^{\frac{1}{6}} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$C = \frac{54}{a^3} = \frac{54}{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{3} \cdot 3}} = \frac{54}{\frac{2}{3}} = 81$$

$$y = 81 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}x}$$

$$y = 81 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{x/3}$$