

## 4.1: Exponential & logarithmic form

- exponential form:  $3^2 = 9$   
↑ base

- logarithmic form:  $\log_3 9 = 2$   
↑ base

Ex 1) Rewrite in exponential form:

~~$\log_5 125 = 3$~~

$$5^3 = 125$$

~~$\log_9 6561 = 4$~~

$$9^4 = 6561$$

~~$5 = \log_2 32$~~

$$2^5 = 32$$

~~$\log_{10} 100 = 2$~~

$$10^2 = 100$$

\* If your log has no written base, it is an understood base of 10

Ex 2) Rewrite in logarithmic form:

$$6^3 = 216$$

$$\log_6 216 = 3$$

$$4^{-1} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\log_4 \frac{1}{4} = -1$$

$$1000 = 10^3$$

$$\log_{10} 1000 = 3$$

$$4^2 = 16$$

$$\log_4 16 = 2$$

Calc:

math

Alpha

math

$$\rightarrow \log 1000 = 3$$

Solve logarithmic equations

Ex 3) Solve  $\log_7 x = 4$

$$7^4 = x$$

$$x = 2401$$

Ex 4) Solve  $\log_5 (3x+1) = 2$

$$5^2 = 3x+1$$

$$25 = 3x + 1$$

$$\frac{24}{3} = \frac{3x}{3}$$

$$x = 8$$

• Ex 5) Solve  $4 = \log_{10}(6x-3)$

$$10^4 = 6x - 3$$

$$10,000 = 6x - 3$$

+3                      +3

$$\frac{10,000}{6} = \frac{6x}{6}$$

$$x = 1667.17$$

• Ex 6)  $\log_8(3x-1) = \log_8(2x+4)$

Property: If  $\log_b m = \log_b n$ , then  $m = n$

Translation: If two logs have the same base & are equal, then what's inside your log is equal.

$$3x - 1 = 2x + 4$$

+1                      +1

$$3x = 2x + 5$$

-2x                      -2x

$$x = 5$$