

WARM UP
 Pick up a blue handout on the table; then, simplify these four:

$\ln e^5 = 5$	$e^{\ln 5} = 5$
$\ln e^{19x^2+7} = 19x^2+7$	$e^{\ln(19x^2+7)} = 19x^2+7$

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Exponential Equations	Logarithmic Equations
Are the bases the same? $5^{2x} = 5^{x-4}$ $2x = x - 4$ $\frac{-x}{-x} = \frac{-4}{-x}$ $x = -4$	CONDENSE.
Can you make the bases the same? $4x^2 - 2 = 16^{3x^2 - 6}$ $4x^2 - 2 = (4)^{3x^2 - 6}$ $4x^2 - 2 = 4^{6x^2 - 12}$ $x^2 - 2 = 6x^2 - 12$ $10 = 5x^2$ $\pm\sqrt{2} = \pm\sqrt{5}x$ $x = \pm\sqrt{2}$	Is there one log on both sides of the equation?
Take \log_b of both sides (typically ln). $5^{x-2} = 20$ $\ln 5^{x-2} = \ln 20$ $(x-2) \ln 5 = \ln 20$ $\frac{x-2}{\ln 5} = \frac{\ln 20}{\ln 5}$ $x-2 = 1.86$ $\frac{x}{1} = \frac{3.86}{1}$ $x = 3.86$	Convert to exponential form.

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3.4 - Part I: Solving Exponential Equations
 Method I: Equate Bases - Make the bases the same.

$5^{2x} = 5^{x-4}$ $4x^2 - 2 = 16^{3x^2 - 6}$

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What happens if we can't make the bases the same?
 Method 2: Take log, of both sides.

$5^{x-2} = 20$ $\frac{50e^{-2x}}{50} = \frac{13}{50}$
 ~~$\ln e^{-2x} = \ln \left(\frac{13}{50}\right)$~~
 $\frac{-2x}{-2} = \frac{\ln \left(\frac{13}{50}\right)}{-2}$ $e^{-2x} = \frac{13}{50}$
 $x \approx 0.674$

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One more type: "Quadratic in Form"

Treat like a quadratic equation, where you have e^x instead of just x .

$$e^{2x} - 3e^x = -2$$

$$e^{2x} - 3e^x + 2 = 0$$

$$(e^x - 2)(e^x - 1) = 0$$

$$e^x - 2 = 0 \quad e^x - 1 = 0$$

$$e^x = 2 \quad e^x = 1$$

$x^2 - 3x + 2$

$\rightarrow \ln e^x = \ln 2 \quad \ln e^x = \ln 1$

$x = \ln 2 \quad x = \ln 1$

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HOMWORK

...solving equations (due Wednesday)

3.4 (p221): 17-61 (1,5,7's); omit 31-37
85-135 (1's and 5's only; omit 105, 111, and 115)

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