



1. (c)  $\log_5 10 \times \log_{10} 15 \times \log_{15} 20 \times \log_{20} 25$   
 $= (\log 10/\log 5) \times (\log 15/\log 10) \times (\log 20/\log 15)$   
 $\times (\log 25/\log 20)$   
 $= \log 25/\log 5 = 2 \log 5/\log 5 = 2$
2. (d)  $\because \log_3 a = 4 \therefore 3^4 = a \Rightarrow a = 81$
3. (a) Given  $\log \frac{9}{8} - \log \frac{27}{32} + \log \frac{3}{4} = \log \left( \frac{9}{8} \div \frac{27}{32} \right) + \log \frac{3}{4}$   
 $= \log \left( \frac{9}{8} \times \frac{32}{27} \times \frac{3}{4} \right) = \log 1 = 0 \quad \therefore \log_a 1 = 0$
4. (a) Given:  $3^{2-\log_3 5} = 3^2 \cdot 3^{-\log_3 5} \quad (\because a^{m+n} = a^m \cdot a^n)$   
 $= 9 \cdot 3^{\log_3 5^{-1}} = 9 \times 5^{-1} = \frac{9}{5}$
5. (b) Given expression  
 $= \log_{xyz} (xy) + \log_{xyz} (yz) + \log_{xyz} (zx)$   
 $= \log_{xyz} (xy \times yz \times zx) = \log_{xyz} (xyz)^2$   
 $= 2 \log_{xyz} (xyz) = 2 \times 1 = 2$
6. (a)  $\log_2 [\log_3 (\log_2 x)] = 1 = \log_2 2$   
 $\Rightarrow \log_3 (\log_2 x) = 2$   
 $\Rightarrow \log_2 x = 3^2 = 9$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 2^9 = 512$
7. (a) Let  $\log_{27} \left( \frac{1}{81} \right) = x$   
 $\therefore (27)^x = \frac{1}{81}$   
 $\therefore 3^{3x} = 3^{-4} \Rightarrow 3x = -4 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{4}{3}$
8. (b)  $\frac{8 \log_8 8}{2 \log_{\sqrt{8}} 8} = \frac{8 \times 1}{2 \log_{\sqrt{8}} (\sqrt{8})^2} = \frac{8}{4 \log_{\sqrt{8}} \sqrt{8}} = \frac{8}{4} = 2$
9. (a)  $\log_3 (5+x) + \log_8 8 = 2^2$   
 $\log_3 (5+x) + 1 = 4$   
 $\log_3 (5+x) = 3$   
 $3^3 = 5+x$   
 $5+x = 27$   
 $x = 27 - 5 = 22$
10. (c)  $\log_6 216\sqrt{6} = \log_6 (6)^3 (6)^{1/2} = \log_6 (6)^{7/2}$   
 $= \frac{7}{2} \log_6 6 = \frac{7}{2} \quad (\because \log_a a = 1)$
11. (d) Given,  $\log_5 k \log_k x = 3$   
 $\frac{\log k}{\log 5} \cdot \frac{\log x}{\log k} = 3 \Rightarrow \frac{\log x}{\log 5} = 3$   
 $\Rightarrow \log x = 3 \log 5 \Rightarrow \log x = \log 5^3$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 5^3 \Rightarrow x = 125$
12. (b)  $\log_a \left( \frac{m}{n} \right) = \log_a m - \log_a n$
13. (c)  $\log_5 [\log_3 (\log_2 x)] = 1 = \log_5 5$   
 $\Rightarrow \log_3 (\log_2 x) = 5 = \log_3 3^5$   
 $\Rightarrow \log_2 x = 3^5 = 243$   
 $\Rightarrow 2^{243} = x$
14. (d)  $3 \log \frac{81}{80} + 5 \log \frac{25}{24} + 7 \log \frac{16}{15}$   
 $= \log \left[ \left( \frac{81}{80} \right)^3 \times \left( \frac{25}{24} \right)^5 \times \left( \frac{16}{15} \right)^7 \right]$   
 $= \log \left( \frac{3^{12} \times 5^{10} \times 2^{28}}{2^{12} \times 5^3 \times 2^{15} \times 3^5 \times 3^7 \times 5^7} \right)$   
 $= \log 2$
15. (c)  $\log_{10} a + \log_{10} b = c$   
 $\Rightarrow \log_{10} (ab) = c$   
 $\Rightarrow 10^c = ab$   
 $\Rightarrow a = \frac{(10)^c}{b}$
16. (d)  $\log_y x = 8 \Rightarrow y^8 = x \quad \dots(1)$   
 $\log_{10y} 16x = 4 \Rightarrow 10^4 y^4 = 16x \quad \dots(2)$   
 Dividing (2) by (1)  $10^4 y^{-4} = 16 \Rightarrow y = 5$
17. (b)  $\log 0.0867 = \log (8.67/100) = \log 8.67 - \log 100$   
 $\log 8.67 - 2$
18. (d)  $x = \log_{0.01} 2 = -\log 2/2$
19. (b)  $2^x \cdot 3^{2x} = 100$   
 $\Rightarrow x \log 2 + 2x \log 3 = \log 100$   
 $\Rightarrow x(0.3010 + 2 \times 0.4771) = 2$   
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{1.2552} = 1.59$
20. (a)  $\log_{10} a = b \Rightarrow 10^b = a \Rightarrow$  By definition of logs.  
 Thus  $10^{3b} = (10^b)^3 = a^3$ .
21. (b)  $2 \log (81/100) \times 2/3 \log (27/10) \div \log 9$   
 $= 2 [\log 3^4 - \log 100] \times 2/3 [(\log 3^3 - \log 10)] \div 2 \log 3$   
 $= 2 [\log 3^4 - \log 100] \times 2/3 [(3 \log 3 - 1)] \div 2 \log 3$   
 Substitute  $\log 3 = 0.4771 \Rightarrow -0.0552$
22. (d)  $\log_{10} 10 + \log_{10} 10^2 + \dots + \log_{10} 10^n$   
 $= 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$



23. (a)  $\log_b a \log_e a + \log_a b \log_a b + \log_a c \log_b c = 3$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\log a)^2}{\log b \cdot \log c} + \frac{(\log b)^2}{\log a \log c} + \frac{(\log c)^2}{\log a \log b} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\log a)^3 + (\log b)^3 + (\log c)^3}{\log a \cdot \log b \cdot \log c} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log a)^3 + (\log b)^3 + (\log c)^3 = 3 \log a \cdot \log b \cdot \log c$$

We know,  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 3xyz$  when  $x + y + z = 0$

$$\log a + \log b + \log c = 0 \Rightarrow \log abc = 0 \Rightarrow abc = 1.$$

$$= \frac{1}{\log_a abc} + \frac{1}{\log_b abc} + \frac{1}{\log_c abc}$$

$$= \log_{abc} a + \log_{abc} b + \log_{abc} c$$

$$\log_{abc} abc = 1$$

8. (c)  $q = \log_{17}(5)^2 = 2 \log_{17} 5$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{2} \log_5 17$$

$$\text{And } \frac{1}{p} = \log_5 3 = \frac{1}{2} \times (2 \log_5 3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\log_5 9)$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{p} < \frac{1}{q} \Rightarrow p > q$$

## PART - II

1. (a)  $\log_{10} 80 = \log_{10} (8 \times 10) = \log_{10} 8 + \log_{10} 10$

$$= \log_{10} 2^3 + 1$$

$$= (3 \log_{10} 2) + 1 = (3 \times 0.3010) + 1 = 1.9030$$

2. (c) Let  $\log_{2\sqrt{3}}(1728) = x$ .

$$\text{Then, } (2\sqrt{3})^x = 1728 = (12)^3$$

$$= \left[ (2\sqrt{3})^x \right]^3 = (2\sqrt{3})^6$$

$$\therefore x = 6, \text{ i.e., } \log_{2\sqrt{3}}(1728) = 6.$$

3. (b)  $\log 4^{50} = 50 \log 4 = 50 \log 2^2$

$$= (50 \times 2) \log 2 = 100 \times \log 2$$

$$= (100 \times 0.30103) = 30.103$$

So the number of digits = 31.

4. (b)  $\log_7 \log_5(\sqrt{x} + 5 + \sqrt{x}) = 0$

$$\text{use } \log_a x = b$$

$$\Rightarrow a^b = x$$

$$\therefore \log_5(\sqrt{x} + 5 + \sqrt{x}) = 7^0 = 1$$

$$\sqrt{x} + 5 + \sqrt{x} = 5^1 = 5 \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{x} = 0 \therefore x = 0$$

5. (d) Consider  $\log_3 [\log_3 [\log_3 x]] = \log_3 3$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 [\log_3 x] = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x = 3^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x = 27 \Rightarrow x = 3^{27}$$

6. (b) Let  $\log(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1}) + \log\left(\frac{1}{a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1}}\right)$

$$= \log(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1}) + \log 1 - \log(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})$$

$$= \log(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1}) - \log(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})$$

$$= 0$$

7. (a)  $\frac{1}{(\log_a bc) + 1} + \frac{1}{(\log_b ac) + 1} + \frac{1}{(\log_c ab) + 1}$

$$= \frac{1}{\log_a bc + \log_a a} + \frac{1}{\log_b ac + \log_b b} + \frac{1}{\log_c ab + \log_c c}$$

9. (c)  $(pa + qb - rc) = p \log_{10} x + q \log_{10} y - r \log_{10} z$

$$= \log_{10}(x^p) + \log_{10}(y^q) - \log_{10}(z^r)$$

$$= \log_{10}\left(\frac{x^p y^q}{z^r}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{antilog}(pa + qb - rc) = \frac{x^p y^q}{z^r}$$

10. (c)  $a, b, c$  are consecutive integers

$$\therefore b = a + 1 \text{ and } c = a + 2$$

$$\therefore \log(ac + 1) = \log[a(a + 2) + 1]$$

$$= \log[(b - 1)(b - 1 + 2) + 1]$$

$$[\because a = b - 1]$$

$$= \log b^2 = 2 \log b$$

11. (c)  $(7^3)^{-2 \log_7 8} = 7^{-6 \log_7 8} = 7^{(\log_7 8^{-6})}$

$$= 8^{-6} = \frac{1}{8^6}$$

12. (b) Given equation is  $(\log_3 x)^2 + \log_3 x < 2$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_3 x)^2 + (\log_3 x) - 2 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\log_3 x + 2)(\log_3 x - 1) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2 < \log_3 x < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 3^{-2} < \log_3 x < \log_3 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{9} < x < 3$$

13. (b) Let  $\log_{10} x - \log_{10} \sqrt{x} = 2 \log_x 10$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \log_{10} x = 2 \log_x 10 \Rightarrow \log_{10} x = \log_x 10^4$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log_{10} x}{\log_x 10} = 4 \Rightarrow (\log_{10} x)^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} x = \pm 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 10^2 \text{ or } 10^{-2}$$



14. (d) The given logarithm expression

$$\frac{\log_{27} 9 \log_{16} 64}{\log_4 \sqrt{2}}$$

is simplified as :

$$\frac{\log 9}{\log 27} \times \frac{\log 64}{\log 16} \times \frac{\log 4}{\log \sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{2 \log 3}{3 \log 3} \times \frac{6 \log 2}{4 \log 2} \times \frac{2 \log 2}{\frac{1}{2} \log 2}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{6}{4} \times 4 = 4$$

15. (b)
- $(\log_x x)(\log_3 2x)(\log_{2x} y) = \log_x x^2$

$$\Rightarrow 1(\log_3 2x)(\log_{2x} y) = 2 \quad (\because \log_x x^2) = 2 \log_x x$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\log 2x}{\log 3}\right) \left(\frac{\log y}{\log 2x}\right) = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\log y}{\log 3} = 2 \Rightarrow \log y = 2 \log 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \log y = \log 3^2 \Rightarrow y = 3^2 \Rightarrow y = 9$$

16. (d) Consider,
- $\log \frac{9}{8} - \log \frac{27}{32} + \log \frac{3}{4}$

$$= \log \left(\frac{9}{8} \times \frac{32}{27}\right) + \log \frac{3}{4}$$

$$= \log \left(\frac{4}{3}\right) + \log \frac{3}{4} = \log \left(\frac{4}{3} \times \frac{3}{4}\right) = \log 1 = 0$$

17. (b)
- $\log_{10} x, \log_{10} y, \log_{10} z$
- are in AP

$$\therefore 2 \log_{10} y = \log_{10} x + \log_{10} z$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_{10} y^2 = \log_{10} (xz)$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = xz$$

$$\Rightarrow x, y, z \text{ are in GP}$$

18. (c)
- $\frac{\log \sqrt{27} + \log \sqrt{8} - \log \sqrt{125}}{\log 6 - \log 5}$

$$= \frac{\log(3^{3/2} \times 2^{3/2}) - \log(5)^{3/2}}{\log 6 - \log 5}$$

$$= \frac{\log 6^{3/2} - \log 5^{3/2}}{\log 6 - \log 5}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{3}{2} \log \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)}{\log \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)} = \frac{3}{2}$$

19. (b) Best way is to go through options

$$\text{Alternatively: } \log_{10} x^2 y^3 = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 y^3 = 10^7 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{and } \log_{10} \left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = 10 \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2 y^3}{(x/y)^2} = \frac{10^7}{(10)^2} \Rightarrow y^5 = 10^5$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 10 \therefore x = 100$$

20. (d)
- $\log_3 2, \log_4 3, \log_5 4, \dots, \log_{16} 15$

$$= \frac{\log 2}{\log 3} \cdot \frac{\log 3}{\log 4} \cdot \frac{\log 4}{\log 5} \dots \frac{\log 15}{\log 16} = \frac{\log 2}{\log 16} = \frac{\log 2}{\log 2^4}$$

$$= \frac{\log 2}{4 \log 2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

21. (d)
- $\log_4 5 = a$
- and
- $\log_5 6 = b$

$$\Rightarrow \log_4 5 \times \log_5 6 = ab$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_4 6 = ab \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \log_2 6 = ab$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + \log_2 3) = 2ab$$

22. (b)
- $\log_3 x + \log_9 x + \log_{27} x + \log_{81} x = \frac{25}{4}$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x + \frac{1}{2} \log_3 x + \frac{1}{3} \log_3 x + \frac{1}{4} \log_3 x = \frac{25}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x [1 + 1/2 + 1/3 + 1/4] = \frac{25}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{25}{2} \times \log_3 x = \frac{25}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x = 3 \Rightarrow x = 27$$

23. (d)
- $\log_{32} 27 \times \log_{243} 8 = \log_{25} 3^3 \times \log_{35} 2^3$

$$= \frac{3}{5} \log_2 3 \times \frac{3}{5} \log_3 2$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 \log_2 3 \times \log_3 2 = \frac{9}{25}$$

24. (c)
- $\log(a^n b^n c^n / a^n b^n c^n) = \log 1 = 0$