

## Logarithms

### 9.01 Introduction :

We have to solve many problems from mathematical method in which expression contains larger multiple product, division or rational powers. It takes huge time to solve it, and possibility of errors. Many mathematician have paid attention for this and John Napier gave hypothesis of logarithms in 1614 B.C. By using logarithms we have convert the complex problems like large multiplication, division and power into addition, subtraction and multiplication respectively. So, complex problems have been solved easily in limited time. In this chapter, we will study the different rules of logarithms and by using logarithms we will know the importance of it.

### 9.02 Logarithms :

We write the continuous multiplication in form of power, like  $2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8$ , is also written as  $2^3$ . In this, 2 is called the base and 3 is called the index.

In general from, if three numbers  $a$ ,  $x$  and  $n$  have relation like  $a^x = n$ , then  $a$  is called the base and  $x$  is called the index.

**Definition :** If  $a$  and  $n$  are positive real number (where  $a \neq 1$ ) and  $a^x = n$  (Index from) then  $x$  is called logarithms of  $n$  to the base  $a$ . It is written as  $x = \log_a n$

Therefore,  $\log_a n = x$  [ $a > 0$ ,  $a \neq 1$ ,  $n > 0$ ]

**Note :** (i)  $\log$  is brief version of logarithm.

(ii) Logarithm of 0 and negative number never be real. If  $k < 0$  then  $\log_a k$  is imaginary.

(iii)  $\log_a 1 = 0$ , Where  $0 < a < 1$  or  $a > 1$

(iv)  $\log_a a = 1$ , Where  $0 < a < 1$  or  $a > 1$

(v) In next studies, the base  $a$  of logarithm is always  $a > 0$  and  $a \neq 1$

### Illustrative Examples

**Example 1 :** Convert the following Exponential into Logarithmic form :

$$(i) 3^4 = 81 \quad (ii) 2^{-5} = 1/32 \quad (iii) (81)^{\frac{1}{4}} = 3$$

**Solution :** (i)  $3^4 = 81$

Logarithmic, form  $\log_3 81 = 4$ .

$$(ii) 2^{-5} = \frac{1}{32}$$

Logarithmic form,  $\log_2 \left( \frac{1}{32} \right) = -5$ .

$$(iii) (81)^{\frac{1}{4}} = 3$$

Logarithmic form,  $\log_{81} 3 = \frac{1}{4}$ .

**Example 2 :** Convert the following Logarithmic form into Exponential form :

$$(i) \log_7 1 = 0 \quad (ii) \log_{128} 2 = \frac{1}{7} \quad (iii) \log_{10} 1000 = 3$$

**Solution :** (i)  $\log_7 1 = 0$  Exponential form,  $7^0 = 1$ .

$$(ii) \log_{128} 2 = \frac{1}{7}, \text{ Exponential form } 128^{1/7} = 2.$$

$$(iii) \log_{10} 1000 = 3, \text{ Exponential form, } 10^3 = 1000.$$

**Note :**  $\log_m 1 = \log_n 1 = 0 (m \neq n)$

## Exercise 9.1

Write the following in Logarithmic form [Q.1 to Q.6]

$$\begin{array}{lll} 1. 2^6 = 64 & 2. 10^4 = 10000 & 3. 2^{10} = 1024 \\ 4. 5^{-2} = \frac{1}{25} & 5. 10^{-3} = 0.001 & 6. 4^{3/2} = 8 \end{array}$$

Write the following in Exponential form [Q.7 to Q.12]

$$\begin{array}{lll} 7. \log_5 25 = 2 & 8. \log_3 729 = 6 & 9. \log_{10} (0.001) = -3 \\ 10. \log_{10} (0.1) = -1 & 11. \log_3 \left( \frac{1}{27} \right) = -3 & 12. \log_{\sqrt{2}} 4 = 4 \\ 13. \text{ If } \log_{81} x = \frac{3}{2}, \text{ then find the value of } x & 14. \text{ If } \log_{125} p = 1/6, \text{ then find the value of } p \\ 15. \text{ If } \log_4 m = 1.5, \text{ then find the value of } m & 16. \text{ Prove that : } \log_4 \left[ \log_2 \left\{ \log_2 (\log_3 81) \right\} \right] = 0 \end{array}$$

## 9.03 Fundamental laws of logarithms :

**Rule 1 : Logarithm of Product of two terms is equal to the sum of Logarithm of individual terms, that means,**  $\log_a (MN) = \log_a M + \log_a N$ .

**Proof :** Let  $M = a^x$

$$\therefore \log_a M = x \quad (i)$$

$$\text{and } N = a^y$$

$$\therefore \log_a N = y \quad (ii)$$

$$\text{Now, } MN = a^x \times a^y$$

$$\text{or, } MN = a^{(x+y)} \quad (iii)$$

(iii) Using definition of Logarithm

$$\log_a (MN) = x + y$$

$$\text{or } \log_a (MN) = \log_a M + \log_a N \quad [\text{from (i) \& (ii)}]$$

**Rule 1 :** Can be generalised as :

$$\log_a (A \times B \times C \times D \times \cdots \times Z) = \log_a A + \log_a B + \log_a C + \cdots + \log_a Z.$$

**Note :**  $\log_a (M + N + P) \neq \log_a M + \log_a N + \log_a P$

But, if  $M + N + P = MNP$ , then

$$\log_a (M + N + P) = \log_a M + \log_a N + \log_a P$$

**Rule 2 : Logarithm of quotient of two numbers is equal to the difference of Logarithm of numerator and logarithm of denominator, that means,**

$$\log_a \left( \frac{M}{N} \right) = \log_a M - \log_a N$$

**Proof :** Let

$$M = a^x \quad \therefore \quad \log_a M = x \quad (i)$$

$$\text{and } N = a^y \quad \therefore \quad \log_a N = y \quad (ii)$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{M}{N} = \frac{a^x}{a^y} = a^{(x-y)} \quad (iii)$$

Using definition of logarithm

$$\log_a (M / N) = (x - y)$$

$$\log_a (M / N) = \log_a M - \log_a N, \quad [\text{from (i) and (ii)}]$$

**Note :**  $\log_a (M - N) \neq \log_a M - \log_a N$

**Rule 3 : Logarithm of an exponential is equal to the product of index and logarithm of that number that means,**

$$\log_a M^N = N \log_a M$$

**Proof:** Let  $M = a^x \quad \therefore \quad \log_a M = x \quad \dots (i)$

$$\text{Now, } M^N = (a^x)^N$$

$$\text{or } M^N = a^{Nx} \quad \dots (ii)$$

By definition of logarithm

$$\log_a M^N = Nx$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_a M^N = N \log_a M, \quad [\text{from (i)}]$$

$$\text{If } N = \frac{p}{q},$$

$$\text{then } \log_a M^{(p/q)} = \frac{p}{q} \log_a M$$

**Rule 4 :** If  $a > 1$ ,  $\log_a 0 = -\infty$ , and if  $0 < a < 1$ ,  $\log_a 0 = +\infty$ ,

**Proof:** We know that,  $3^{-\infty} = \frac{1}{3^{\infty}} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$

$\therefore$  If  $a^x = 0$  and  $a > 1$ , then  $x = -\infty$

i.e., if  $a > 1$ , then  $a^{-\infty} = 0$

$\therefore$  By definition of logarithm,

$$\log_a 0 = -\infty \quad (\text{where } a > 1)$$

Similarly, we know that

$$\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\infty} = \frac{1}{3^{\infty}} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

$\therefore$  if  $a^x = 0$  and  $0 < a < 1$ , then  $x = +\infty$

i.e., if  $a < 1$  then  $a^{+\infty} = 0$

$\therefore$  By definition,

$$\log_a 0 = +\infty \quad (\text{where } 0 < a < 1)$$

**Note :** It can be shown graphically :

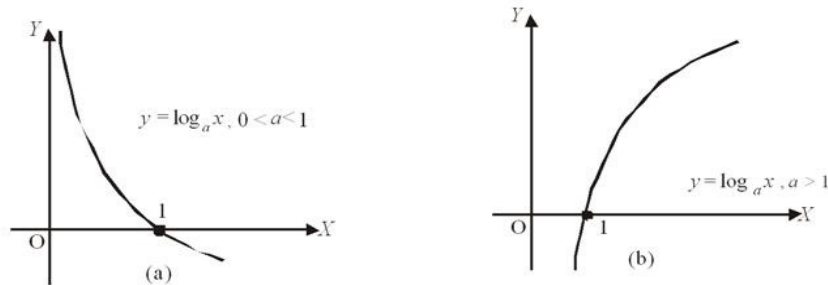


Fig. 9.01

**Rule 5 : To Prove :**  $M = a^{\log_a M}$

**Proof :** Let  $\log_a M = x$  ..... (i)

$$a^x = M \quad \text{..... (ii)}$$

Using (i) in (ii), we get

$$M = a^{\log_a M}$$

In particular, using 'e' instead of  $a$ , we get

$$M = e^{\log_e M}$$

## 9.04 Base changing formula :

**To Prove :**  $\log_b M = \frac{\log_a M}{\log_a b}$

**Proof :** Let  $\log_b M = x \quad \therefore \quad M = b^x$  (i)

and  $\log_a b = y \quad \therefore \quad b = a^y$  (ii)

Using (ii) in (i), we get

$$M = b^x = (a^y)^x$$

$$\Rightarrow M = (a^y)^x$$

$$\Rightarrow M = a^{xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_a M = xy \quad (\text{By definition of logarithm})$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_a M = \log_b M \times \log_a b$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_b M = \frac{\log_a M}{\log_a b}$$

**To Prove :**  $\log_b a \times \log_a b = 1$

**Proof :** Let  $\log_b a = x$  (i)

$$\therefore b^x = a$$

$$\Rightarrow b = a^{1/x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_a b = 1/x \quad (\text{By definition of logarithm})$$
 (ii)

$$\text{from (i) and (ii) } \log_b a \times \log_a b = x \times 1/x = 1$$

**Note :** If the base of logarithm is not mentioned, then it is taken as 10

### Illustrative Examples

**Example 3 :** Prove that  $\log 540 = 2 \log 2 + 3 \log 3 + \log 5$ .

**Solution :** L.H.S.  $= \log 540$   
 $= \log (2^2 \times 3^3 \times 5)$   
 $= \log 2^2 + \log 3^3 + \log 5$   
 $= 2 \log 2 + 3 \log 3 + \log 5 = \text{R.H.S.}$

**Example 4 :** Prove that  $\log (1 + 2 + 3) = \log 1 + \log 2 + \log 3$

**Solution :** L.H.S.  $= \log (1 + 2 + 3)$   
 $= \log 6$   
 $= \log (1 \times 2 \times 3)$   
 $= \log 1 + \log 2 + \log 3 = \text{R.H.S.}$

**Example 5 :** If  $\log_{10} 2 = 0.3010$  and  $\log_{10} 3 = 0.4771$ , then find the value of :

(i)  $\log_{10} 5$                       (ii)  $\log_{10} 24$                       (iii)  $\log_{10} (8/9)$

**Solution :** (i)  $\log_{10} 5 = \log_{10} \left( \frac{5 \times 2}{2} \right) = \log_{10} \frac{10}{2} = \log_{10} 10 - \log_{10} 2 = 1 - 0.3010 = .6990$

(ii)  $\log_{10} 24 = \log_{10} (2^3 \times 3) = 3 \log_{10} 2 + \log_{10} 3$   
 $= 3(0.3010) + 0.4771 = 0.9030 + 0.4771 = 1.3801$

(iii)  $\log_{10} (8/9) = \log_{10} 8 - \log_{10} 9 = \log_{10} 2^3 - \log_{10} 3^2 = 3 \log_{10} 2 - 2 \log_{10} 3$   
 $= 3(0.3010) - 2(0.4771) = .9030 - 0.9542 = -0.0512$

**Example 6 :** Prove that :  $4 \log \frac{24}{25} - 16 \log \frac{9}{10} + 7 \log \frac{81}{80} = \log 5$ .

**Solution :** L.H.S.  $= 4 \log \frac{24}{25} - 16 \log \frac{9}{10} + 7 \log \frac{81}{80}$   
 $= 4(\log 24 - \log 25) - 16(\log 9 - \log 10) + 7(\log 81 - \log 80)$   
 $= 4 \log 24 - 4 \log 25 - 16 \log 9 + 16 \log 10 + 7 \log 81 - 7 \log 80$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 4 \log(2^3 \times 3) - 4 \log 5^2 - 16 \log 3^2 + 16 \log(2 \times 5) + 7 \log 3^4 - 7 \log(2^4 \times 5) \\
&= 4 \{ \log 2^3 + \log 3 \} - 8 \log 5 - 32 \log 3 + 16(\log 2 + \log 5) + 28 \log 3 - 7(\log 2^4 + \log 5) \\
&= 12 \log 2 + 4 \log 3 - 8 \log 5 - 32 \log 3 + 16 \log 2 + 16 \log 5 + 28 \log 3 - 28 \log 2 - 7 \log 5 \\
&= 28 \log 2 - 28 \log 2 + 32 \log 3 - 32 \log 3 + 16 \log 5 - 15 \log 5 \\
&= \log 5 = \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

**Example 7:** Solve the following equation :

$$\log(x+1) + \log(x-1) = \log 11 + 2 \log 3.$$

**Solution :**  $\log(x+1) + \log(x-1) = \log 11 + 2 \log 3$

$$\Rightarrow \log\{(x+1)(x-1)\} = \log 11 + \log 3^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(x^2 - 1) = \log 11 + \log 9$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(x^2 - 1) = \log(11 \times 9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(x^2 - 1) = \log 99$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 1 = 99$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 100$$

$$\therefore x = 10 \quad (\because x > 1)$$

**Example 8:** Prove that

$$\log_b a \times \log_c b \times \log_a c = 1.$$

**Solution :** Changing the base of all logarithm to 'e', we get

$$\log_b a = \frac{\log_e a}{\log_e b}, \quad \log_c b = \frac{\log_e b}{\log_e c}, \quad \log_a c = \frac{\log_e c}{\log_e a}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore \text{L.H.S.} &= \frac{\log_e a}{\log_e b} \times \frac{\log_e b}{\log_e c} \times \frac{\log_e c}{\log_e a} \\
&= 1 = \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

## Exercise 9.2

(Assume the base 10 of all logarithm for those questions in which base is not given)

1. Prove that :  $\log 630 = \log 2 + 2 \log 3 + \log 5 + \log 7$ .
2. Prove that :  $\log \frac{9}{14} + \log \frac{35}{24} - \log \frac{15}{16} = 0$
3. Prove that :  $\log 10 + \log 100 + \log 1000 + \log 10000 = 10$ .
4. If  $\log 2 = 0.3010$ ,  $\log 3 = 0.4771$ ,  $\log 7 = 0.8451$  and  $\log 11 = 1.0414$ , then evaluate the following :

$$(i) \log 36 \quad (ii) \log \frac{42}{11} \quad (iii) \log \left( \frac{11}{7} \right)^5$$

$$(iv) \log 70 \quad (v) \log \frac{121}{120} \quad (vi) \log 5^{1/3}$$

5. Find the value of  $x$  from the given equation :

$$\log_x 4 + \log_x 16 + \log_x 64 = 12.$$

6. Solve :  $\log(x+1) - \log(x-1) = 1$

7. Evaluate :  $3^{2-\log_3 4}$ .
8. Write the solution of the following questions in a single term.  
 (i)  $\log 2 + 1$  (ii)  $\log 2x + 2 \log x$
9. Prove that :  
 (i)  $\log_5 3 \cdot \log_3 4 \cdot \log_2 5 = 2$ . (ii)  $\log_a x \times \log_b y = \log_b x \times \log_a y$ .

### 9.05 System of logarithms :

Logarithms with base  $e$  and 10 are mostly used.

#### (i) Natural or Napierian system of logarithm :

This method was named after the mathematician Napier. In this method, the base is taken as ' $e$ ', where  $e$  is defined as

$$e = 1 + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1 \times 2} + \frac{1}{1 \times 2 \times 3} + \dots = 2.71828183 \text{ (approx)}$$

It is used for Higher Mathematical calculations. For practical and numerical calculations, it is of no use.

#### (ii) Common or Brigg's system of logarithm :

In this system, base is taken as 10. When base is not given, we always take it as 10. Common logarithm is often used in all behavioural numerical calculations. Brigg had developed the first log table on base 10. So, it is called Brigg's system.

**Note :** All experimental calculations where base is not given, we assume it 10.

### 9.06 Relation between Napierian logarithm and common logarithm :

$$\log_{10} n = \log_e n \times \frac{1}{\log_e 10} \text{ (Using base changing formula)}$$

But  $\log_e 10 = 2.30258509$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\log_e 10} = \frac{1}{2.30258509} = 0.43429448$$

$$\log_{10} n = 0.43429448 \times \log_e n$$

### 9.07 Characteristic and mantissa of the logarithms :

Logarithm of every number is the sum of two numbers in which one number is an integer and another a fraction or decimal number. For example :

$$\log 532 = 2 + .7259 = 2.7259$$

The integral part is known as Characteristic and the fractional part is known as Mantissa. Here Characteristics is 2 and mantissa is 0.7259.

**Note :**

- (i) Integral part can be positive or negative but the fractional part should be always positive. If the mantissa is negative, then it is made positive by subtracting one from the characteristics (integer).
- (ii) The negative characteristic is written by putting a bar on the number.

**Example 9 :** If  $\log 142 = 2.1523$  then 2 is called as characteristics and .1523 is called as Mantissa.

**Example 10 :** If  $\log M = -2.1423$ , then to find its characteristics, the mantissa is made positive as shown below:

$$-2.1423 = -2 - .1423 = (-2 - 1) + (1 - .1423) = -3 + .8577$$

Now, here characteristics is -3 and mantissa is .8577

**Note :** In the example 10, the characteristics is negative, so it is written as  $\bar{3}.8577$  and it is read as 3 bar point

8577. So it should be expressed as  $\log M = \bar{3} \cdot 8577$  instead of  $\log M = -2 \cdot 1423$

## 9.08 Method of finding logarithm of a number :

(i) **Characteristic of logarithm of a number greater than 1 :** Using the laws of Indices we have

$$10^0 = 1 \quad \therefore \log_{10} 1 = 0$$

$$10^1 = 10 \quad \therefore \log_{10} 10 = 1$$

$$10^2 = 100 \quad \therefore \log_{10} 100 = 2$$

$$10^3 = 1000 \quad \therefore \log_{10} 1000 = 3$$

It is clear from the above results, that logarithm of numbers lying between 1 and 10 are in between 0 and 1. Here characteristic is 0. Logarithm of numbers lying between 10 and 100 are in between 1 and 2 means characteristic is 1. Logarithm of numbers lying between 100 and 1000 will be in between 2 and 3 and characteristic will be 2.

So, it concludes that the characteristic of logarithm of number greater than 1 is always be positive and the number of digits in characteristics of a number is always one less than the integral part i.e. if  $n$  is the integral part, then  $(n-1)$  will be characteristic.

**Example :** The integral part of number 42.5 is 42 which has two digits, thus the characteristic of  $\log 42.5$  will be  $2-1=1$ . Similarly, the characteristic of  $\log 425.23$  is  $3-1=2$

(ii) **Characteristic of a number lying between 0 and 1 :**

We know that

$$10^0 = 1 \quad \therefore \log_{10} 1 = 0$$

$$10^{-1} = \frac{1}{10} = .1 \quad \therefore \log_{10} .1 = -1$$

$$10^{-2} = \frac{1}{100} = .01 \quad \therefore \log_{10} .01 = -2$$

$$10^{-3} = \frac{1}{1000} = .001 \quad \therefore \log_{10} .001 = -3$$

Just like that, the characteristic of logarithm of any positive number less than one is always negative and one more than the number of zeros between decimal point and first significant number i.e. if there is 4 zeros between decimal point and first significant number, the characteristic of its logarithm is  $-(n+1)$  or  $(\overline{n+1})$ , where  $n$  denotes number of zeros so discussed.

**Example :** Characteristics of  $\log 0.035$  is  $-2$  and characteristics  $\log 0.00035$  is  $-4$ .

**Note :** Significant number : Remaining number after decimal point by removing the zero before and after non-zero number is called significant number. In .000123 or 123000, significant number is 123 and 1 is first significant number.

$$\log 0.0003 = \log \frac{3}{10000} = \log (3 \times 10^{-4})$$

$$= \log 10^{-4} + \log 3$$

$$= -4 + 0.4771 = \bar{4}.4771$$

[ $\log 3 = 0.4771$  from logarithmic table]

$$\text{and } \log 0.007294 = \log \frac{7.294}{1000} = \log (7.294 \times 10^{-3})$$

$$= \log 10^{-3} + \log 7.294 = -3 + 0.8629$$

$$= \bar{3} \cdot 8629$$

$$[\log 7.294 = 0.86291]$$

### Working Rule to Find the Characteristics :

- (i) Convert the number into a decimal form.
- (ii) If  $a > 1$ , then Characteristic =  $n - 1$  (where  $n$  is the number of digits in integral part)
- (iii) If  $0 < a < 1$ , then Characteristic =  $-(n + 1)$  (where  $n$  is the number of zeros after the decimal part discussed)

### 9.09 Method to find the mantissa of logarithm of a number :

To find the value of mantissa, we use the Logarithm table given at the end of the book.

#### Properties of Log Table :

- (1) It contains the value of Mantissa.
- (2) It has three parts :
  - (i) **First Column** : It contains number from 10 to 99
  - (ii) **Next ten Columns** : It has values for numbers ranging from 0, 1, 2, ..., 9
  - (iii) **Column of Mean Difference** : Last three columns are divided into three sub-columns which are headed by numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.

#### Working Rule to find the Msntissa :

To understand, how to find the mantissa let us consider an example of  $\log 38 \cdot 56$

- (i) Remove the decimal in a number if any like here the number will be 3856.
  - (ii) Firstly we will take the first two digits i.e. 38 and move to the column one of the log table.
  - (iii) Number 5 is to be seen in the next ten columns of the table.
  - (iv) Note the number in the 38th row and 5th column i.e. 5855.
  - (v) Now move to the Mean Difference column of Log Table.
  - (vi) Read the value of the digit 6 in the column, which is 7.
  - (vii) Add the numbers i.e.  $5855 + 7 = 5862$  Put the decimal before the four digits, thus we get the Mantissa
- Therefore Mantissa of  $\log 38 \cdot 56$  is .5862

#### Note :

- (i) It is clear from the above result that the decimal is to be put before the given Mantissa.
- (ii) If the number is a one digit number whose Log value is to be derived, then we put zero after the number i.e. To find Mantissa of  $\log 3$ , we see  $\log 30$  or  $\log 300$  in the Log table.
- (iii) If a number has more than four significant digits, then using log table for 4 digit.
  - (a) If next number is less than 5, then we let it.
  - (b) If next number is greater than 5, then use add 1 to previous number.  
So, we find the logarithm of obtained 4 digit number.
- (iv) To find logarithm of any number :
  - (a) We find the characteristic by method described in section 9.08
  - (b) We find the mantissa by method described in section 9.00  
i.e. characteristic and mantissa of  $38.56$  is 1 and .5862 respectively.  
So,  $\log 38.56 = 1.5862$
- (v) Mantissa of same numbers are same. For example, 2834, 28.34 and 0.002834 has characteristic 3, 1 and -3 and but their Mantissa will remain same which is .4524.

### Illustrative Examples

**Example 11 :** Determine the characteristic of the following numbers :

- (i) 5970    (ii) 125.35    (iii) 2.5795    (iv) 0.7598    (v) 0.0074

**Solution :**

- (i) Number 5970 has 4 digits, thus the characteristic is  $4 - 1 = 3$
- (ii) Number has 3 digit (integral part, 125) thus the characteristic is  $3 - 1 = 2$
- (iii) Number has 1 digit (integral part, 2) thus the characteristic is  $1 - 1 = 0$
- (iv) Number has the characteristic -  $(0 + 1) = -1$  or  $\bar{1}$  (as there is no zero after the decimal part)
- (v) Number has the characteristic -  $(2 + 1) = -3$  or  $\bar{3}$  (as there is two zero after the decimal part)

**Example 12 :** Using log table, find logarithm of the following numbers :

- (i) 25794                      (ii) 5.3498                      (iii) 0.3582                      (iv) 0.003                      (v) 0.000125

**Solution :**

- (i) Number 25794 has 5 digits, thus characteristics of  $\log 25794$  is  $= 5 - 1 = 4$   
Thus finding the value of 25 in 7th column which is 4099 with 9 mean difference column, we have 15.  
 $\therefore 4099 + 15 = 4114$  (We have left the 4 because it is less than 5)  
therefore, Mantissa is  $= .4114$   
 $\therefore \log 25794 = 4.4114$
- (ii) Characteristics of  $\log 5.3498$  is  $= 1 - 1 = 0$   
Thus finding the value of 53 in 4th column with 9 mean difference column, we have the mantissa  $= .7284$   
 $\therefore \log 5.3498 = 0.7284$
- (iii) Characteristics of  $\log (0.3582)$  or  $= -(0 + 1) = -1 = \bar{1}$   
mantissa  $= .(5539 + 2) = .5541$   
 $\therefore \log 0.3582 = \bar{1}.5541$
- (iv) Characteristics of  $\log 0.003$  or  $= -(2 + 1) = -3 = \bar{3}$   
mantissa  $= .(4771)$   
 $\therefore \log 0.003 = \bar{3}.4771$
- (v) Characteristics of  $\log 0.000125$  or  $= -(3 + 1) = -4 = \bar{4}$   
mantissa  $= .(0969)$   
 $\therefore \log 0.000125 = \bar{4}.0969$

**Exercise 9.3**

1. Determine the Characteristics of the logarithm of the following numbers :
 

|                  |                |               |                 |
|------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| (i) 1270         | (ii) 20.125    | (iii) 7.985   | (iv) 431.5      |
| (v) 0.02         | (vi) 0.02539   | (vii) 70      | (viii) 0.000287 |
| (ix) 0.005       | (x) 0.00003208 | (xi) 0.000485 | (xii) 0.007     |
| (xiii) 0.0005309 |                |               |                 |
2. Using the log table find the logarithm of the following numbers :
 

|            |                |               |                  |
|------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|
| (i) 2813   | (ii) 400       | (iii) 27.28   | (iv) 9           |
| (v) 0.678  | (vi) 0.0035    | (vii) 0.08403 | (viii) 0.000287  |
| (ix) 1.234 | (x) 0.00003258 | (xi) 0.000125 | (xii) 0.00003208 |

**9.10 Antilogarithms and their tables :**

The inverse of Logarithm is Anti logarithm. Thus, a positive number  $n$  is an Antilog of number  $m$ , if  $\log n = m$   
i.e.  $n$  is the antilog of  $m \Rightarrow n = \text{anti log } m \Leftrightarrow \log n = m$ .

- (i)  $\log 300 = 2.4771 \Leftrightarrow \text{antilog } 2.4771 = 300$
- (ii)  $\log 432.5 = 2.6360 \Leftrightarrow \text{antilog } 2.6360 = 432.5$
- (iii)  $\log 0.1257 = \bar{1}.0993 \Leftrightarrow \text{antilog } (\bar{1}.0993) = 0.1257$
- (iv)  $\log 0.000425 = \bar{4}.6284 \Leftrightarrow \text{antilog } (\bar{4}.6284) = 0.0004250$

The value of Antilog can be derived using an Antilog table given at the last of the book.

The numbers in the first column of the table range from 0 to 9 and rest of the columns are similar as of log table.

### Working Rule to find Antilogarithm :

- (i) For the given number, the integral part is left and the value of two consecutive number of decimal part is seen in the antilog table.
- (ii) Firstly the first two digits after decimal is seen in the first column.
- (iii) Secondly the third digit after decimal is chosen from the given nine columns followed by the fourth digit is seen in the mean difference column. The numbers obtained are added. (Same as in case of finding log)
- (iv) Now we have to focus on the characteristics part. If the integral part is positive, say ' $n$ ', then the decimal is put after the  $(n + 1)$  digits of the number obtained in step (iii).

If the integral part is negative, say ' $\bar{n}$ ', then  $(n - 1)$  zeros are put on the right side of the decimal in the number obtained in step (iii).

**Note :** If number is negative for which we have to find antilog, then we have to make decimal part positive.

We add 1 to it and subtract 1 from integral part. Thus, we find the antilog of number.

**Example :** The number -3.6432 has the decimal part negative. Therefore, we convert the number as shown below :

$$\begin{aligned} -3.6432 &= -3 - 1 + 1 - 0.6432 \\ &= -4 + 0.3568 = \bar{4}.3568 \end{aligned}$$

## Illustrative Examples

**Example 13 :** Determine the Antilog of  $3.7523$

**Solution :**

- (i) The fractional part is  $.7523$
- (ii) In the antilog table, look for  $.75$  in the first column followed by the third column with number 2 and 3 in the mean difference, which is 4
- (iii) Add the numbers obtained in step (ii)  $= 5649 + 4 = 5653$
- (iv) The given number has integral part 3 thus the decimal to be put after four digits.
- (v) Thus  $\text{antilog } 3.7523 = 5653.0$

**Example 14 :** Determine the antilog  $\bar{2}.0258$

**Solution :**

- (i) The fractional part is  $.0258$
- (ii) In the antilog table, look for  $.02$  in the first column followed by the column with number 5 and 8 in the mean difference which is 2
- (iii) Add the numbers obtained in step (ii)  
 $\therefore 1059 + 2 = 1061.$
- (iv) The given number has integral part  $\bar{2}$  thus  $2 - 1 = 1.$

i.e. putting one zero after the right side of the and we write the number obtained in step (iii) i.e. .01061.

**Example 15 :** If  $\log x = 0.5428$ , then find the value of  $x$ .

**Solution :**  $\log x = 0.5428$   
or  $x = \text{antilog } 0.5428$   
 $= 3.489$

### Exercise 9.4

- Find the Antilogarithm of the following numbers :  
(i)  $1.3210$  (ii)  $2.4127$  (iii)  $0.084$   
(iv)  $\bar{1}.301$  (v)  $\bar{3}.2462$  (vi)  $\bar{2}.0258$
- Evaluate :  
(i)  $\text{antilog } 3.1234$  (ii)  $\text{antilog } \bar{2}.5821$  (iii)  $\text{antilog } 0.3$   
(iv)  $\text{antilog } 2.466$
- Find the value of  $x$  in the following :  
(i)  $\log x = \bar{2}.6727$  (ii)  $\log x = 0.452$

### Miscellaneous Examples

**Example 16 :** If  $\text{antilog } 1.4339 = 27.16$ , then find  $\text{antilog } \bar{2}.4339$

**Solution :** Since the fractional part of  $1.4339$  and  $\bar{2}.4339$  are same, therefore, the antilog of both the terms will be same

If integral part is  $\bar{2}$ , then in the antilog, there will be one zero after decimal.

Thus, required  $\text{antilog } \bar{2}.4339 = .02716$

**Example 17 :** If  $\log 0.723 = \bar{1}.8591$ , then find the value of  $\sqrt[3]{72.3}$

**Solution :** Let  $x = \sqrt[3]{72.3}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \log x &= \log (72.3)^{1/3} & \text{or} & \log x = \frac{1}{3} \log (72.3) \\ \text{or} \log x &= \frac{1}{3} (1.8591) & & [\because \log 0.723 \text{ and } \log 7.23 \text{ have same mantissa}] \\ \text{or} \log x &= 0.6197 \\ \text{or} x &= \text{antilog } (.6197) & \therefore x &= 4.166 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 18 :** Express  $\log \left( \frac{2^3 \times 3}{5^2 \times 7^3} \right)$  as the sum and the difference of logarithm.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solution : } \log \left( \frac{2^3 \times 3}{5^2 \times 7^3} \right) &= \log (2^3 \times 3) - \log (5^2 \times 7^3) \\ &= \log 2^3 + \log 3 - \log 5^2 - \log 7^3 \\ &= 3 \log 2 + \log 3 - 2 \log 5 - 3 \log 7 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 19 :** If  $\log_{\sqrt{8}} b = 3\frac{1}{3}$ , then find the value of  $b$ .

**Solution :**  $\log_{\sqrt{8}} b = 3\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow (\sqrt{8})^{\frac{10}{3}} = b$

$$\Rightarrow b = \left(2^{\frac{3}{2}}\right)^{\frac{10}{3}} = 2^{\left(\frac{10}{3}\right)\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)} = 2^5 = 32 \quad \therefore b = 32$$

**Example 20 :** If  $\frac{\log a}{b-c} = \frac{\log b}{c-a} = \frac{\log c}{a-b}$ , Prove that:  $a^a \cdot b^b \cdot c^c = 1$

**Solution :** Let  $\frac{\log a}{b-c} = \frac{\log b}{c-a} = \frac{\log c}{a-b} = k$

then,  $\log a = k(b-c)$ ,  $\log b = k(c-a)$  and  $\log c = k(a-b)$

$$\therefore a \log a + b \log b + c \log c = a \cdot k(b-c) + b \cdot k(c-a) + ck(a-b) = 0$$

$$\therefore \log a^a + \log b^b + \log c^c = 0$$

$$\log a^a b^b c^c = \log 1 \quad \text{or} \quad a^a \cdot b^b \cdot c^c = 1 \quad [\because \log 1 = 0]$$

### Miscellaneous Exercise 9

- If  $\log_{\sqrt{2}} x = 4$ , then the value of  $x$  will be :  
 (A)  $4^{\sqrt{2}}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{4}$  (C) 4 (D)  $4 \times \sqrt{2}$
- If  $\log_x 243 = 2 \cdot 5$ , then the value of  $x$  will be :  
 (A) 9 (B) 3 (C) 1 (D) 81
- The value of  $\log(1+2 \times 3)$  :  
 (A)  $2 \log 3$  (B)  $\log 1 \cdot \log 2 \cdot \log 3$  (C)  $\log 1 + \log 2 + \log 3$  (D)  $\log 7$
- The value of  $\log(m+n)$  :  
 (A)  $\log m + \log n$  (B)  $\log mn$  (C)  $\log m \times \log n$  (D) None of these
- The value of  $\log_b a \cdot \log_c b \cdot \log_a c$  :  
 (A) 0 (B)  $\log abc$  (C) 1 (D)  $\log(b^a \cdot c^b \cdot a^c)$
- If  $a > 1$ , then value of  $\log_a 0$  :  
 (A)  $-\infty$  (B)  $\infty$  (C) 0 (D) 1
- If  $0 < a < 1$ , then value of  $\log_a 0$  :  
 (A)  $-\infty$  (B)  $\infty$  (C) 0 (D) 1
- Another form of  $\log_a b$  is:  
 (A)  $a^b$  (B)  $b^a$  (C)  $\frac{1}{\log_b a}$  (D)  $\log_b a$
- Numbers  $\log_2 7$  is:  
 (A) Integer (B) Rational (C) Ir-rational (D) Prime
- If  $a = \log_3 5$  and  $b = \log_7 25$  then the correct option is:

(A)  $a < b$ (B)  $a > b$ (C)  $a = b$ 

(D) None of these

11. If  $\log_2 x + \log_2 (x-1) = 1$ , then find the value of  $x$ .
12. If  $\log(a-b) = \log a - \log b$ , then find the value of  $a$  in terms of  $b$  will be?
13. If  $\frac{1}{\log_a x} + \frac{1}{\log_c x} = \frac{2}{\log_b x}$ , then find the relation between  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .
14. If  $\log 2 = 0.3010$ , then find the value of  $\log 200$ .
15. Find the value of  $\log 0.001$
16. If  $\log 7 = 0.8451$  and  $\log 3 = 0.4771$ , then find  $\log (21)^5$ .
17. Find the value of  $\log 6 + 2 \log 5 + \log 4 - \log 3 - \log 2$ .
18. If  $\frac{\log 144}{\log 12} = \log x$ , then find  $x$ .
19. Prove that:  $\log_{10} \tan 1^\circ \cdot \log_{10} \tan 2^\circ \dots \log_{10} \tan 89^\circ = 0$
20. Prove that:  $\log_3 4 \cdot \log_4 5 \cdot \log_5 6 \cdot \log_6 7 \cdot \log_7 8 \cdot \log_8 9 = 2$
21. If  $\log 52.04 = 1.7163$ ,  $\log 80.65 = 1.9066$  and  $\log 9.753 = 0.9891$ , then find the value of  $\log \frac{52.04 \times 80.65}{9.753}$
22. If  $\log 32.9 = 1.5172$ ,  $\log 568.1 = 2.7544$  and  $\log 13.28 = 1.1232$ , then find the value of  $\log \frac{(13.28)^3}{32.9 \times 568.1}$
23. If  $\log 2 = 0.3010$  and  $\log 3 = 0.4771$ , then find the value of  $\log (0.06)^6$
24. Prove that:  $\log \left( \frac{x^y y^x}{z^x x^z} \right) = x(\log y - \log z) + (y - z) \log x$ .
25. Express  $\log \frac{11^3}{5^7 \times 7^5}$  as a sum and difference of logarithm.
26. (a) If  $\text{antilog } 1.5662 = 36.83$ , then evaluate the following:
  - (i)  $\text{antilog } \bar{1}.5662$       (ii)  $\text{antilog } 2.5662$       (iii)  $\text{antilog } \bar{2}.5662$
 (b) Find the value of  $\text{antilog}(\log x)$
27. Find the value of  $(17)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  if  $\log 17 = 1.2304$  and  $\text{antilog } 0.6152 = 4.123$
28. If  $\log_{10} 3 = 0.4771$ , find the value of  $\log_{10} 0.027$
29. Using the log table, evaluate:  $\frac{520.4 \times 8.065}{97.53}$
30. If  $\log x - \log(x-1) = \log 3$ , then find  $x$ .

## Important Points

1. If  $a^x = n$ , then  $\log_a n = x$   $[a > 0, a \neq 1, n > 0]$
2.  $\log_a MN = \log_a M + \log_a N$
3.  $\log_a \frac{M}{N} = \log_a M - \log_a N$
4.  $\log_a (M)^N = N \log_a M$
5.  $\log_a a = 1$
6.  $\log_a 1 = 0$
7.  $\log_a M = \log_b M \times \log_a b$
8.  $\log_b a \times \log_a b = 1$
9.  $\log_a 0 = -\infty$ , If  $a > 1$
10.  $\log_a 0 = +\infty$ ,  $0 < a < 1$
11.  $M = e^{\log_e M}$
12.  $\log_{10} n = \log_e n \times 0.43429$
13. The inverse of logarithm is known as Antilogarithm
14.  $m = \log n \Leftrightarrow n = \text{antilog } m$
15.  $\text{antilog}(\log n) = n$

## Answers

### Exercise 9.1

- |                                            |                             |                             |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. $\log_2 64 = 6$                         | 2. $\log_{10} 10000 = 4$    | 3. $\log_2 1024 = 10$       |
| 4. $\log_5 \left(\frac{1}{25}\right) = -2$ | 5. $\log_{10} 0.001 = -3$   | 6. $\log_4 8 = \frac{3}{2}$ |
| 7. $5^2 = 25$                              | 8. $3^6 = 729$              | 9. $10^{-3} = 0.01$         |
| 10. $10^{-1} = 0.1$                        | 11. $3^{-3} = \frac{1}{27}$ | 12. $(\sqrt{2})^4 = 4$      |
| 13. 729                                    | 14. $\sqrt{5}$              | 15. 8                       |

### Exercise 9.2

- |               |                   |              |                   |                  |                  |
|---------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 4. (i) 1.5562 | (ii) 0.5818       | (iii) 0.9815 | (iv) 1.8451       | (v) 0.0037       | (vi) 0.2330      |
| 5. 2          | 6. $1\frac{2}{9}$ |              | 7. $2\frac{1}{4}$ | 8. (i) $\log 20$ | (ii) $\log 2x^3$ |

### Exercise 9.3

- |                     |                      |                       |               |                    |                 |
|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1. (i) 3            | (ii) 1               | (iii) 0               | (iv) 2        | (v) $\bar{2}$      | (vi) $\bar{2}$  |
| (vii) 1             | (viii) $\bar{4}$     | (ix) $\bar{3}$        | (x) $\bar{5}$ | (xi) $\bar{4}$     | (xii) $\bar{3}$ |
| (xiii)              |                      |                       |               |                    |                 |
| 1. (i) 3.4492       | (ii) 2.6021          | (iii) 1.4359          | (iv) 0.9542   | (v) $\bar{1}.8312$ |                 |
| (vi) $\bar{3}.5441$ | (vii) $\bar{2}.9245$ | (viii) $\bar{4}.4579$ | (ix) 0.0913   | (x) $\bar{5}.5130$ |                 |
| (xi) $\bar{4}.0969$ | (xii) $\bar{5}.5062$ |                       |               |                    |                 |

### Exercise 9.4

1. (i)  $20\cdot94$  (ii)  $258\cdot6$  (iii)  $1\cdot213$  (iv)  $0\cdot2000$  (v)  $0\cdot001763$  (vi)  $0\cdot01061$   
2. (i)  $1328\cdot0$  (ii)  $0\cdot03820$  (iii)  $1\cdot995$  (iv)  $2\cdot924$   
3. (i)  $0\cdot04707$  (ii)  $2\cdot831$

### Miscellaneous Exercise 9

1. (C)      2. (A)      3. (D)      4. (D)      5. (C)      6. (A)      7. (B)  
8. (C)      9. (C)      10. (A)
11. 2      12.  $\frac{b^2}{b-1}$       13.  $b^2=ac$   
14.  $2\cdot3010$       15.  $\bar{3}$  or  $-3$       16.  $6\cdot611$   
17. 2      18. 100      21.  $2\cdot6338$   
22.  $-0\cdot9020$  or  $\bar{1}\cdot0980$       23.  $-7\cdot3314$  or  $\bar{8}\cdot6686$   
25.  $3\log 11 - 7\log 5 - 5\log 7$   
26. (a) (i)  $0\cdot3683$  (ii)  $368\cdot3$  (iii)  $0\cdot03683$  (b)  $x$   
27.  $4\cdot123$       28.  $\bar{2}\cdot4313$       29.  $43\cdot03$       30.  $\frac{3}{2}$