

5.5 Day 2

Note: To solve logarithmic equations, write the equation in exponential form

$$y = \log_b x \iff x = b^y$$

Write the following in exponential form

a) $\log_{10} 5 = x$

b) $\log_3 5x = 2$

c) $\log_6(x+2) = 50$

$$10^x = 5$$

$$3^2 = 5x$$

$$6^{50} = x+2$$

Ex 1 Solve $\log_{10}(4x-12) = 3$

① Write in exponential

$$10^3 = 4x - 12$$

$$1000 = 4x - 12$$

$$+12 \quad +12$$

$$\frac{1012}{4} = \frac{4x}{4}$$

$$\boxed{x = 253}$$

② Simplify

③ Solve

Try a) $\log 7x - 15 = 6$

$$10^6 = 7x - 15$$

$$1000000 = 7x - 15$$

$$1000015 = 7x$$

$$\boxed{x = 142859.286}$$

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

$$10^{-2} = 3x + 1$$

$$0.01 = 3x + 1$$

$$-0.99 = 3x$$

$$\boxed{x = -0.33}$$