

In Problems 1 - 10, solve each equation algebraically. Express irrational solutions in exact form and as a decimal rounded to 3 decimal places. Verify your results using a graphing utility.

1. $4^{1-2x} = 2$

$$2^{2-4x} = 2$$

$$2-4x = 1$$

$$-4x = -1$$

$$x = 1/4$$

2. $4^{x-x^2} = \frac{1}{2}$

$$2^{2x-2x^2} = 2^{-1}$$

$$-2x^2 + 2x = -1$$

$$2x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(2)(-1)}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{12}}{4} = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

$$x = \left\{ \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2} \right\} \approx \{ 1.366, -0.366 \}$$

3. $\log_{\sqrt{2}} x = -6$

$$\sqrt{2}^{-6} = x$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2^{3/2}} = \frac{1}{8}$$

4. $5^{x+2} = 7^{x-2}$

$$(x+2)\ln 5 = (x-2)\ln 7$$

$$x\ln 5 + 2\ln 5 = x\ln 7 - 2\ln 7$$

$$2\ln 5 + 2\ln 7 = x\ln 7 - x\ln 5$$

$$\ln(25 \cdot 49) = x(\ln \frac{7}{5})$$

$$x = \frac{\ln(25 \cdot 49)}{\ln \frac{7}{5}} \approx 21.133$$

7. $\log(7x-12) = 2\log x$

$$7x-12 = x^2$$

$$x^2 - 7x + 12 = 0$$

$$(x-4)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x = \{4, 3\}$$

$9 \ln e^{1-2x} = 4$

$$1-2x = \ln 4$$

$$-2x = -1 + \ln 4$$

$$2x = 1 - \ln 4$$

$$x = \frac{1 - \ln 4}{2} \approx -0.193$$

5. $9^{2x} = 27^{3x-4}$

$$3^{4x} = 3^{9x-12}$$

$$4x = 9x - 12$$

$$12 = 5x$$

$$x = 12/5$$

6. $2^{x+1} \cdot 8^{-x} = 4$

$$2^{x+1} \cdot 2^{-3x} = 2^2$$

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

$$-2x+1 = 2$$

$$-2x = 1$$

$$x = -1/2$$

8. $\log_2 x + \log_2 (x+2) = 3$

$$\log_2 (x^2 + 2x) = 3$$

$$x^2 + 2x = 8$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$(x+4)(x-2) = 0$$

$$x = \{2\}$$

10. $(4^x - 14 \cdot 4^{-x} = 5)4^x$

$$4^{2x} - 14 = 5 \cdot 4^x$$

$$4^{2x} - 5 \cdot 4^x - 14 = 0$$

$$(4^x - 7)(4^x + 2) = 0$$

$$\ln 4^x = \ln 7 \quad 4^x \neq -2$$

$$x \ln 4 = \ln 7$$

$$x = \frac{\ln 7}{\ln 4} \approx 1.404$$

In Problems 11 and 12, use the following result: If x is the atmospheric pressure (measured in millimeters of mercury), then the formula for the altitude $h(x)$ (measured in meters above sea level)

$$\text{is } h(x) = (30T + 8000) \log\left(\frac{P_0}{x}\right)$$

where T is the temperature (in degrees Celsius) and P_0 is the atmospheric pressure at sea level, which is approximately 760 millimeters of mercury.

11. At what height is a Piper Cub whose instruments record an outside temperature of 0°C and a barometric pressure of 300 millimeters of mercury?

$$\begin{aligned} h(300) &= (30(0) + 8000) \log\left(\frac{760}{300}\right) \\ &= 8000 \log\left(\frac{760}{300}\right) \approx 3229.54 \text{ meters} \end{aligned}$$

12. How high is a mountain if instruments placed on its peak record a temperature of 5°C and a barometric pressure of 500 millimeters of mercury?

$$\begin{aligned} h(500) &= (30 \cdot 5 + 8000) \log\left(\frac{760}{500}\right) \\ &= 8150 \log\left(\frac{760}{500}\right) \approx 1482.03 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

13. A child's grandparents wish to purchase a bond that matures in 18 years to be used for her college education. The bond pays 4% interest compounded semiannually. How much should they pay so that the bond will be worth \$85,000 at maturity? $n=2$

$$85000 = P \left(1 + \frac{.04}{2}\right)^{2 \cdot 18}$$

$$P = \$41,668.97$$

14. The half-life of radioactive cobalt is 5.27 years. If 100 grams of radioactive cobalt is present now, how much will be present in 20 years? In 40 years?

$$\ln \frac{1}{2} = k e^{k(5.27)}$$

$$\ln \frac{1}{2} = 5.27k$$

$$k \approx -.1315$$

$$N(t) = N_0 e^{-.1315t}$$

$$N(20) = 100 e^{-.1315(20)}$$

$$\approx 7.20 \text{ grams}$$

$$N(40) = 100 e^{-.1315(40)}$$

$$\approx 0.519 \text{ g}$$

15. Suppose the population of a newly discovered insect grows according to the logistic growth model $P(t) = \frac{50000}{1 + 25e^{-0.04t}}$ where P represents the population and t represents the time in years.

(a) How many insects were originally discovered?

$$P(0) = \frac{50000}{1+25} \approx 1923 \text{ insects}$$

(b) Determine the maximum population of the insect population.

$$50000$$

(c) Use a graphing utility, graph $P = P(t)$.

(d) When will the population reach 20,000 insects?

$$20000 = \frac{50000}{1+25e^{-0.04t}}$$

$$1+25e^{-0.04t} = \frac{50}{2}$$

$$25e^{-0.04t} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$e^{-0.04t} = \frac{3}{50}$$

$$t = \frac{\ln \frac{3}{50}}{-0.04} \approx 70.34 \text{ yrs.}$$

16. The following data represent the value of an IRA invested in a variety of mutual funds.

Year	Account Value
0	\$3000
1	\$3165
2	\$3299
3	\$3563
4	\$3926
5	\$4170

(a) Using a graphing utility, draw a scatter diagram for the data.

(b) Using a graphing utility, build an exponential model from the data.

$$y = 2951.976957 (1.07005667)^x$$

(c) Based on the model, predict the value of the account after 10 years.

$$\$5810.06$$

