

Exam 1 Wednesday IN CLASS

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Exam Format

50 minutes

6 multiple choice

2 short answers → SHOW YOUR WORK

Calculators OK

What's on the Exam?

- Elementary Functions
 - linear fns, quadratic fns, composition and inverses, graphing
- Exponentials
 - definition, properties, graph
- Logarithms
 - definition, properties, graph
- Sequences
 - exponential, recursive sequences
- Limits of Sequences
 - definition, how to find limits of recursive sequences

L • Semi-log and Double Log Plots

- graphs in these coordinates,
translating between log coordinates and
standard coordinates

Semilog Plots

Graph a fn $y = f(x)$ where the vertical
axis is $Y = \log(y)$.

If the graph of a function in a semilog
plot is a line, then the function is
an exponential function.

The graph of $y = a \cdot b^x$ in a semilog plot
is a line w/ slope $\log(b)$ and y-intercept
 $\log(a)$.

$$\begin{aligned} Y = \log(y) &= \log(a \cdot b^x) \\ &= \log(a) + \log(b^x) \\ &= \log(a) + \log(b) \cdot x \end{aligned}$$

Ex: Consider the function $y = 10 \cdot (1000)^x$.
a) Let $Y = \log(y)$ and write Y
as a function of x .

b) Graph this function on a semi-log plot.

a) $y = a \cdot b^x$

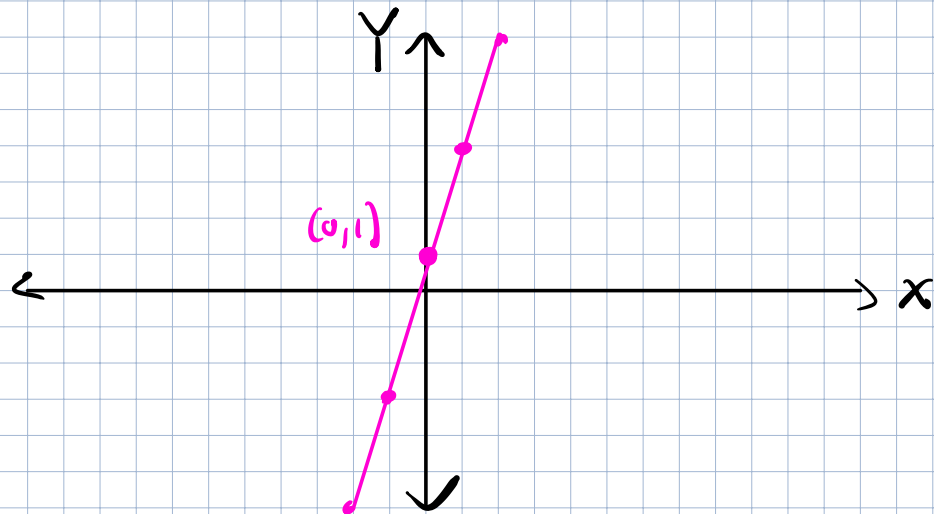
$$a = 10$$

$$b = 1000$$

$$Y = \log(10) + \log(1000) \cdot x$$

$$= 1 + 3 \cdot x$$

b)



Ex: A double-log plot is where you graph a function $y = f(x)$ where the vertical axis is $Y = \log(y)$ and the horizontal axis is $X = \log(x)$.

If the graph of a function on a double-log plot is a line, then that function is a power function: $y = a \cdot x^m$.

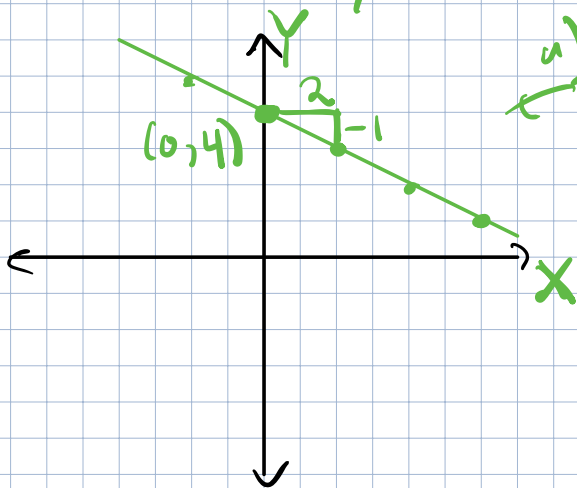
Specifically, the graph of $y = a \cdot x^m$ on a double-log plot is a line with slope m and y -intercept $\log(a)$.

$$y = a \cdot x^m$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y = \log(y) &= \log(a \cdot x^m) \\ &= \log(a) + \log(x^m) \\ &= \log(a) + m \cdot \log(x) \\ &= \log(a) + m \cdot X \end{aligned}$$

Ex: Suppose I give you this double-log plot.

- Write Y as a fn in terms of X .
- Write y as a fn in terms of x .
- Graph y as a fn in terms of x .



a) linear fn with
 y -intercept 4 and
slope $-\frac{1}{2}$

$$Y = 4 - \frac{1}{2}X$$

b) We want to turn this into a power function of the form $y = a \cdot x^m$

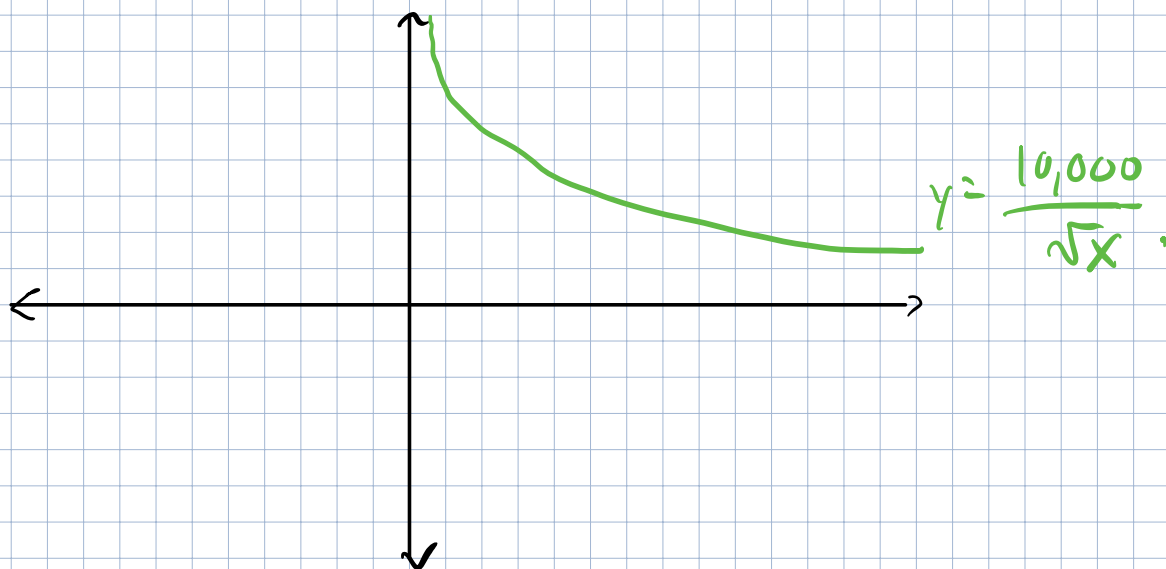
y-intercept: $y = \log(a)$ ←

$$10000 = 10^4 = 10^{\log(a)} = a$$

slope: $m = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$y = 10,000 \cdot x^{-1/2} = \frac{10,000}{\sqrt{x}}$$

c)



Limits of Sequences

Ex: Consider the recursive sequence:

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{6}{a_{n+1}}, \quad a_0 = 0.$$

Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$.

First, find the fixed points.

Plug in $a = a_n = a_{n+1}$.

$$a = \frac{6}{a+1}$$

Solve for a .

$$a(a+1) = 6$$

$$a^2 + a = 6$$

$$a^2 + a - 6 = 0$$

$$\text{Q.F.: } a = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(-6)}}{2 \cdot 1}$$

$$a = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1+24}}{2} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{25}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-1 \pm 5}{2}$$

$a = -3, 2$ ← Fixed points.

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{6}{a_n+1}$$

$$a_0 = 0.$$

$$a_0 = 0$$

$$a_1 = \frac{6}{a_0+1} = \frac{6}{0+1} = 6$$

$$a_2 = \frac{6}{a_1+1} = \frac{6}{6+1} = \frac{6}{7}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{6}{a_2+1} = \frac{6}{\frac{6}{7}+1} = \frac{6}{\frac{13}{7}} = \frac{42}{13}$$

These numbers are all positive, so they can't be approaching -3 .

$$\text{So } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 2.$$

Alternative approach: plug in values close to the fixed points.

For $a=2$, plug in 2.001

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{6}{2.001+1} = 1.999334 \dots$$

Closer to 2 , so this is a locally stable fixed pt.

For $a=-3$, plug in -3.001

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{6}{-3.001+1} = -2.99850 \dots$$

Further from -3 , so this is a locally unstable fixed point.

Ex: $a_{n+1} = \frac{6}{a_n + 1}$, $a_0 = -3$.

$$a_0 = -3$$

$$a_1 = \frac{6}{-3+1} = \frac{6}{-2} = -3$$

$$a_2 = \frac{6}{a_1 + 1} = \frac{6}{-3 + 1} = -3$$

Sequence is $-3, -3, -3, -3, \dots$

Limit is -3 .