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3. Sketch a graph of xe^x .

(Calculate intervals of pos./neg., incr./decr., concave up/down.)

WARNING: Study problems 5.3 #11–14. On syllabus, but not on webassign! Use graph transformations, not calculus.

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Note that $x = a^y$ also implies (take natural log of both sides)

$$\ln(x) = \ln(a^y) = \ln(e^{\ln(a)y}) = \ln(a)y,$$

so

$$\log_a(x) = y = \ln(x)/\ln(a).$$

Thus $\log_a(x)$ satisfies the same algebraic rules as $\ln(x)$, and

$$\frac{d}{dx} \log_a(x) = \frac{1}{\ln(a)x}.$$

You try:

$$\log_a(x) = \ln(x)/\ln(a) \quad \frac{d}{dx} \log_a(x) = \frac{1}{\ln(a)x}$$

1. Evaluate the following functions.

$$\log_5(25) \quad \log_7 \sqrt{7} \quad \log_4 8 - \log_4 2$$

2. Differentiate the following functions.

$$\log_{10} x \quad x \log_2(x) \quad 2^{x+\log_3(x)}$$

3. Sketch graphs of the following 3 functions on the same set of axes.

$$y = \ln(x), \quad y = \log_2(x), \quad y = \log_3(x).$$

(Recall $2 < e < 3$.)

