## Exponents and Logarithms Diagnostic Quiz

Take this quiz to see if you need Lectures 5A, 5B, 5C (Exponents and Logarithms). Answers on page 2. Important: Pencil or pen only. No calculators.

- 1. Sate the inverse of the function  $f(x) = e^x$ .
- 2. Sketch the graphs of  $y = e^x$  and  $y = \ln(x)$ .



- 3. Write as a single logarithm:  $\ln(x^3) \frac{1}{2}\ln(x+2)$
- 4.  $\log_2(\sqrt{2}) =$
- 5.  $\ln(1/e) =$
- 6.  $\ln(1) =$
- 7. Find the inverse of  $f(x) = 2 + \ln(x 3)$ .

Here are the solutions. If your answers are not all correct, then you probably need Lectures 5ABC.

- 1. Sate the inverse of the function  $f(x) = e^x$ . Inverse is  $\ln(x)$ .
- 2. Sketch the graphs of  $y = e^x$  and  $y = \ln(x)$ .



3. Write as a single logarithm:  $\ln(x^3) - \frac{1}{2}\ln(x+2)$ 

$$\ln(x^3) - \frac{1}{2}\ln(x+2) = \ln(x^3) - \ln((x+2)^{1/2})$$
$$= \ln(x^3) - \ln(\sqrt{x+2})$$
$$= \frac{\ln\left(\frac{x^3}{\sqrt{x+2}}\right)}{\ln\left(\frac{x^3}{\sqrt{x+2}}\right)}$$

$$4. \log_2(\sqrt{2}) = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

- 5.  $\ln(1/e) = -1$
- 6.  $\ln(1) = 0$
- 7. Find the inverse of  $f(x) = 2 + \ln(x 3)$ .

$$y = 2 + \ln(x - 3)$$
  

$$x = 2 + \ln(y - 3)$$
  

$$x - 2 = \ln(y - 3)$$
  

$$e^{x-2} = e^{\ln(y-3)}$$
  

$$e^{x-2} = y - 3$$
  

$$e^{x-2} = e^{\ln(y-3)}$$
  

$$3 + e^{x-2} = y$$

(interchange variables) (solve for y)

Therefore  $f^{-1}(x) = 3 + e^{x-2}$ .