

### Thm 8.2.6 (Dini's Theorem)

Let  $f_n: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a monotone seq. of continuous functions

- $f_n \rightarrow f$  on  $[a, b]$  (pointwise convergence)
- $f$  is continuous

Then  $f_n \Rightarrow f$  on  $[a, b]$  (uniform convergence)

Remark: monotone  $\begin{cases} \text{increasing seq.: } n \leq m \Rightarrow f_n(x) \leq f_m(x), \forall x \in [a, b] \\ \text{decreasing seq.: } n \leq m \Rightarrow f_n(x) \geq f_m(x), \forall x \in [a, b] \end{cases}$

Pf We assume  $f_n$  is a decreasing seq. The proof is similar for increasing sequence.

Let  $g_n = f_n - f$ .

Then  $g_n$  is decreasing, continuous and

$g_n \rightarrow 0$  (pointwise)

(Different proof from the Textbook)

Assume on the contrary that  $g_n \not\Rightarrow 0$  not uniform.

Then by lemma 8.1.5,

$\exists \varepsilon_0 > 0$ , a subseq  $g_{n_k}$  of  $g_n$ , and a seq  $x_k \in [a, b]$

s.t.  $|g_{n_k}(x_k) - 0| \geq \varepsilon_0$

$\Rightarrow g_{n_k}(x_k) \geq \varepsilon_0$  (as  $g_n$  decreasing  $\Rightarrow g_n \geq 0$ )

Since  $x_k \in [a, b]$ ,  $(x_k)$  is a bounded seq.

Then Bolzano-Weierstrass Thm (Thm 3.4.8) implies that

$x_k$  has a convergence subseq  $(x_{k_l})_{l=1}^{\infty}$

Let  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} x_{k_l} = z$ .

Since  $[a, b]$  is a closed interval  $z \in [a, b]$ .

By assumption  $g_n(z) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

$\therefore g_{n_{k_l}}(z) \rightarrow 0$  as  $l \rightarrow \infty$ .

$\Rightarrow \exists L > 0$  s.t.

if  $l \geq L$ , then  $0 \leq g_{n_{k_l}}(z) < \frac{\epsilon_0}{2}$

In particular  $0 \leq g_{n_{k_L}}(z) < \frac{\epsilon_0}{2}$

For clarity of presentation, denote  $n_{k_L}$  by  $N$ .

Then  $0 \leq g_N(z) < \frac{\epsilon_0}{2}$ .

Now using continuity of  $g_N (= g_{n_{k_L}})$

$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} g_N(x_{k_l}) = g_N(z)$  (since  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} x_{k_l} = z$ )

$\Rightarrow \exists L_1 > 0$  s.t. if  $l \geq L_1$ , then

$g_N(x_{k_l}) < \frac{\epsilon_0}{2}$

Using the assumption that  $g_n$  is decreasing, we have

$$g_n(x_{k_\ell}) \leq g_{n_{k_\ell}}(x_{k_\ell}) < \frac{\varepsilon_0}{2}, \quad \forall n \geq N = n_{k_\ell}$$

In particular, for  $n = n_{k_\ell}$  with  $\ell \geq \max\{l, L\}$ , we have

$$\varepsilon_0 \leq g_{n_{k_\ell}}(x_{k_\ell}) \leq \frac{\varepsilon_0}{2}$$

which is a contradiction.

Therefore  $g_n \Rightarrow 0$  (uniform convergence) ~~✗~~

Remark: The approach in Textbook requires the fact that for any given function  $x \mapsto \delta(x) > 0$  on  $[a, b]$

$\exists$  finitely many  $x_i \in [a, b]$ ,  $i=1, \dots, l$  such that

$$[a, b] \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^l (x_i - \delta(x_i), x_i + \delta(x_i)).$$

This needs the Thm 5.5.5 which is not covered in MATH2500.

These two proofs use different versions of the fact that  $[a, b]$ , a closed & bounded interval, is compact:

(i) Any sequence in  $[a, b]$  has a subsequence converges to some point in  $[a, b]$ .

(ii) For any open cover of  $[a, b]$ ,  $[a, b] \subset \bigcup_{\lambda} (\alpha_{\lambda}, \beta_{\lambda})$ ,  
(where  $(\alpha_{\lambda}, \beta_{\lambda})$  are open intervals, could be infinitely many)  
has finite subcover, i.e.

$\exists$  finitely many  $\lambda_i, i=1, \dots, l$  such that

$$[a, b] \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^l (\alpha_{\lambda_i}, \beta_{\lambda_i})$$

Detail discussion and proof are skipped.

## § 8.3 The Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

### The Exponential Function

Thm 8.3.1  $\exists$  a function  $E: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$$(i) \quad E'(x) = E(x), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(ii) \quad E(0) = 1$$

Pf: Let  $E_1(x) = 1 + x$

$$E_2(x) = 1 + \int_0^x E_1 = 1 + \int_0^x (1 + t) dt = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2}$$

$\vdots$

$$E_{n+1}(x) = 1 + \int_0^x E_n, \quad \forall n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Then "Induction" implies for all  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$E_n(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} \quad (E_n!)$$

Consider a closed interval  $[-A, A]$ . ( $A > 0$ )

Then for  $x \in [-A, A]$  and  $m > n > 2A$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |E_m(x) - E_n(x)| &= \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} + \dots + \frac{x^m}{m!} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{A^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} + \dots + \frac{A^m}{m!} \quad (\text{since } |x| \leq A) \\ &\leq \frac{A^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \left( 1 + \frac{A}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{A^{m-n-1}}{m(m-1)\dots(n+2)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \frac{A^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \left( 1 + \frac{A}{n} + \dots + \frac{A^{m-n-1}}{n^{m-n-1}} \right) \\
&\leq \frac{A^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{m-n-1} \right] \quad (\text{since } n > 2A) \\
&< \frac{2A^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}
\end{aligned}$$

Taking sup. over  $[-A, A]$ , we have  $\forall m > n > 2A$

$$\|E_m - E_n\|_{[-A, A]} \leq \frac{2A^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Cauchy Criterion for Uniform Convergence (Thm 8.1.10) implies

$E_n(x)$  converges uniformly to some function on  $[-A, A]$

Since  $A > 0$  is arbitrary, we conclude that

$E_n(x)$  converges for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  (not necessary uniform on  $\mathbb{R}$ )

It is because,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , we can find an  $A > 0$  s.t.

$x \in [-A, A]$ . Then the uniform convergence on  $[-A, A]$  implies  $E_n(x)$  converges.

Denote the (pointwise) limit by

$$E(x) \stackrel{\text{denote}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n(x), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Note that  $E_n(x) = 1 + \int_0^x E_{n-1}$

$$\Rightarrow E_n(0) = 1, \quad \forall n = 2, 3, \dots \quad (E_1(0) = 1 \text{ is clear})$$

$$\text{Hence } E(0) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n(0) = 1.$$

Also by Fundamental Thm of Calculus (2<sup>nd</sup> Form) Thm 7.3.5

$$\text{and } E_n(x) = 1 + \int_0^x E_{n-1},$$

$$\text{we have } E_n'(x) = E_{n-1}(x)$$

$$\therefore \forall A > 0, \quad E_n' \Big|_{[A, A]} = E_{n-1} \Big|_{[A, A]} \Rightarrow E \Big|_{[A, A]} \text{ (uniform)}$$

Then by Thm 8.2.3, together with  $E_{n+1} \Big|_{[A, A]}(0) \rightarrow E(0)$

we have  $E \Big|_{[A, A]}$  is differentiable and

$$(E \Big|_{[A, A]})' = E \Big|_{[A, A]}$$

Since  $A > 0$  is arbitrary, this implies  $E'(x)$  exists  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  and

$$E'(x) = E(x) \quad \text{✗}$$

Cor 8.3.2 The function  $E$  has derivative of every order and

$$E^{(n)}(x) = E(x), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Pf = Easy by induction.

Cor. 3.3 If  $x > 0$ , then  $E(x) > 1+x$

Pf: From  $E_n(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!}$ , we have

$$m > n \Rightarrow E_m(x) > E_n(x), \quad \forall x > 0$$

Letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , and take  $n > 1$ , we have

$$E(x) \geq E_n(x) > E_1(x) = 1+x, \quad \forall x > 0$$

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Thm 3.4:  $E: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is the unique function satisfying

$$(*) \begin{cases} E'(x) = E(x), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \\ E(0) = 1 \end{cases}$$

Pf: Suppose that  $E_1$  &  $E_2$  satisfy  $(*)$ .

$$\text{Let } F = E_1 - E_2.$$

Then  $F$  is differentiable and

$$\begin{cases} F' = E_1' - E_2' = E_1 - E_2 = F \\ F(0) = E_1(0) - E_2(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Moreover, induction  $\Rightarrow F$  has derivatives of every order

$$\text{and } F^{(n)} = F, \quad \forall n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\text{Hence } F^{(n)}(0) = F(0) = 0, \quad \forall n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$



Applying Taylor's Thm 6.4.1 to  $F|_{[0,x]}$  for  $x > 0$   
or  $F|_{[x,0]}$  for  $x < 0$ ,

we have for  $x > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= F(0) + F'(0)x + \dots + \frac{F^{(n-1)}(0)}{(n-1)!}x^{n-1} + \frac{F^{(n)}(c_n)}{n!}x^n \\ &= \frac{F(c_n)}{n!}x^n \quad \text{for some } c_n \in [0,x]. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $F$  is cts on  $[0,x]$ ,  $F$  is bdd on  $[0,x]$ .

$\therefore \exists K > 0$  (depends on  $x$ ) such that

$$|F(c_n)| \leq K \quad (\forall n=1,2,\dots)$$

$$\Rightarrow |F(x)| \leq K \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 0$ , letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we have  $|F(x)| = 0$ .

$$\therefore F(x) \equiv 0, \quad \forall x > 0$$

Similarly for  $x < 0$ , we also have  $F(x) \equiv 0, \quad \forall x < 0$ .

All together  $F(x) \equiv 0$ .

$$\text{i.e. } E_1(x) \equiv E_2(x)$$

$\therefore$  The function  $E$  is unique.



Def 8.3.5 The Unique function  $E: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\begin{cases} E'(x) = E(x), \forall x \in \mathbb{R} & \text{--- (i)} \\ E(0) = 1 & \text{--- (ii)} \end{cases}$$

is called the exponential function and is denoted by  $e^x$  or  $\exp(x)$

The number  $e = E(1)$  is called the Euler's number.

Thm 8.3.6 Exponential function  $E$  satisfies

- $E(x) \neq 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  — (iii)
- $E(x+y) = E(x)E(y) \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  — (iv)
- $E(r) = e^r, \forall r \in \mathbb{Q}$  — (v)

Remarks: • (iv) justifies the use of notation  $e^x = E(x)$ :

$$e^{x+y} = e^x e^y, \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

- In (v), "RHS" means the rational power of the number  $e$

Pf: (iii) Suppose on the contrary that  $E(\alpha) = 0$  for some  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

Since  $E(0) = 1, \alpha \neq 0$ .

Let  $J_\alpha =$  closed interval  $[0, \alpha]$  or  $[\alpha, 0]$  depends on the sign of  $\alpha$ .

and  $K > 0$  such that  $|E(x)| \leq K, \forall x \in J_\alpha$ .

As  $E$  has derivative of all order, Taylor's Thm 6.4.1

(base at  $x_0 = d$ ) implies  $\forall n=1,2,3,\dots$

$$E(0) = E(d) + \frac{E'(d)}{1!}(0-d) + \dots + \frac{E^{(n-1)}(d)}{(n-1)!}(0-d)^{n-1} \\ + \frac{E^{(n)}(c_n)}{n!}(0-d)^n$$

for some  $c_n \in J_d$ .

$$\Rightarrow 1 = E(d) + E'(d)(-d) + \frac{E''(d)}{2!}(-d)^2 + \dots + \frac{E^{(n-1)}(d)}{(n-1)!}(-d)^{n-1} \\ + \frac{E(c_n)}{n!}(-d)^n$$

Since  $E(0) = 1$ , and  $E^{(k)} = E \quad \forall k=1,2,\dots$

By  $E(d) = 0$ ,

$$1 = \frac{E(c_n)}{n!}(-d)^n$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$1 \leq \frac{K|d|^n}{n!}, \quad \forall n=1,2,\dots$$

( $\rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ )

which is impossible.  $\therefore E(d) \neq 0, \forall d \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Pf: (iv) Fix  $y$  and consider the ratio

$$G(x) = \frac{E(x+y)}{E(y)} \quad \text{as a function of } x.$$

$G(x)$  is well-defined since  $E(y) \neq 0$  by (iii).

$$G(0) = \frac{E(y)}{E(y)} = 1.$$

$E$  differentiable  $\Rightarrow G$  differentiable and

$$G'(x) = \frac{E'(x+y)}{E(y)} \quad (\text{by Chain rule})$$

$$= \frac{E(x+y)}{E(y)} = G(x) \quad (\text{by (i)})$$

By Thm 8.3.4,  $G(x) = E(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\therefore E(x+y) = E(x)E(y) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Pf: (v)

$$\text{By (iv)} \quad E(nx) = E((n-1)x + x) = E((n-1)x)E(x)$$

$$= (E((n-2)x)E(x))E(x)$$

$$\dots = E(0)E(x)^n = E(x)^n, \quad \forall n=1,3,3,\dots$$

Clearly, it also holds for  $n=0$ :  $E(0 \cdot x) = (E(x))^0 = 1$ ,  $\forall x$

Putting  $x = \frac{1}{n}$ , we have

$$e = E(1) = E(n \cdot \frac{1}{n}) = [E(\frac{1}{n})]^n$$

$$\therefore E(\frac{1}{n}) = e^{\frac{1}{n}} \text{ as } n\text{-root of the number } e.$$

For  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

Case (1)  $m \geq 0$

$$\text{Then } E(\frac{m}{n}) = (E(\frac{1}{n}))^m = (e^{\frac{1}{n}})^m = e^{\frac{m}{n}}.$$

Case (2),  $m < 0$ .

$$\text{Then } -m > 0 \text{ and } 1 = E(0) = E(\frac{m}{n} + \frac{(-m)}{n}) = E(\frac{m}{n})E(\frac{(-m)}{n})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E\left(\frac{m}{n}\right) &= \frac{1}{E\left(\frac{-m}{n}\right)} = \frac{1}{e^{\frac{-m}{n}}} && \text{since } -m > 0 \\ &= e^{\frac{m}{n}} \end{aligned}$$

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Thm 3.7 } • Exponential function  $E$  is strictly increasing on  $\mathbb{R}$  and  
 •  $E(\mathbb{R}) = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : y > 0\}$ .

Further } •  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} E(x) = 0$   
 •  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} E(x) = +\infty$  } — (vi)

Pf:  $E$  differentiable on  $\mathbb{R} \Rightarrow E$  continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

It's proved in (ii) in Thm 3.6 that  $E(x) \neq 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$\therefore E(0) = 1 \Rightarrow E(x) > 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

Otherwise, intermediate value thm  $\Rightarrow E(x_0) = 0$  for some  $x_0$  which is a contradiction.

Hence  $E'(x) = E(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

which implies  $E$  is strictly increasing.

By Cor 3.3,  $E(x) > 1+x \quad \forall x > 0$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} E(x) = +\infty$ .

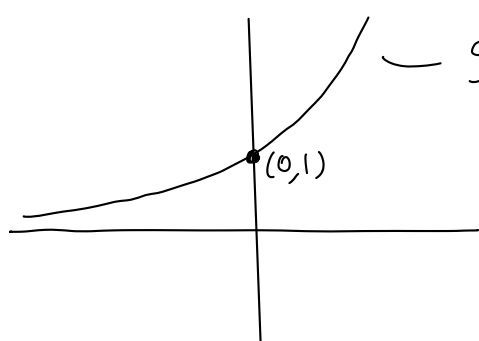
Using (iv), if  $x < 0$ , then  $E(x) = \frac{1}{E(|x|)}$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} E(x) = \lim_{|x| \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{E(|x|)} = 0.$$

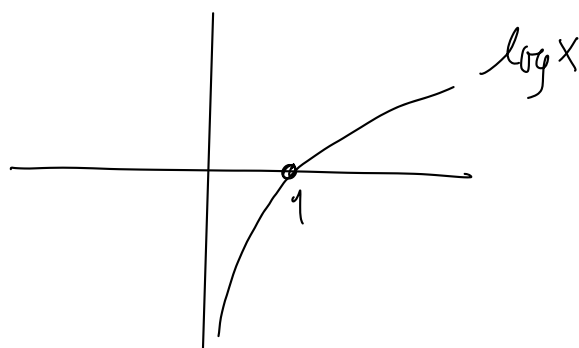
Finally, with continuity of  $E$  and the values of the limits, intermediate value theorem implies

$$\forall y > 0, \exists x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } y = E(x).$$

$$\text{Therefore } E(\mathbb{R}) = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : y > 0\}.$$



graph of  $E(x) = \exp(x) = e^x$



## The Logarithm Function

Def 8.3.8 The inverse function of  $E$  is called the logarithm (or the natural logarithm).

Notation: In the Textbook, logarithm is denoted by " $L$ ".

Other common notations are " $\ln$ " or " $\log$ ".

(used more in graduate textbook  
of research articles in mathematics)

Note: By definition

$$\begin{cases} (L \circ E)(x) = x, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} & (E: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \{y > 0\} = E(\mathbb{R})) \\ (E \circ L)(y) = y, \quad \forall y > 0 \end{cases}$$

i.e.  $\ln e^x = x, \quad e^{\ln y} = y$

(or  $\log e^x = x, \quad e^{\log y} = y$ )

Thm 3.9 • The logarithm  $L: \{x > 0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a strictly increasing

function with domain  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0\}$  and  $L(\{x > 0\}) = \mathbb{R}$ .

- $L'(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad \forall x > 0$  ————— (vii)
- $L(xy) = L(x) + L(y), \quad \forall x > 0, y > 0$  ————— (viii)
- $L(1) = 0 \quad \& \quad L(e) = 1$  ————— (ix)
- $L(x^r) = rL(x), \quad \forall x > 0$  and  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  ————— (x)
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} L(x) = -\infty \quad \& \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} L(x) = +\infty$  ————— (xi)

Pf: All are easy from the definition. (Ex!)

Note that in property (x),  $L(x^r) = rL(x)$  actually works for irrational number  $\alpha = L(x^\alpha) = \alpha L(x)$ .

However,  $x^\alpha$  is not yet defined in the Textbook

for  $\alpha \notin \mathbb{Q}$ .

## Power Functions

Def 8.3.10 If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x > 0$ , then

$$x^\alpha \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} e^{\alpha \ln x} = E(\alpha L(x))$$

The function  $x \mapsto x^\alpha$  for  $x > 0$  is called the power function with exponent  $\alpha$ .

Note: If  $\alpha = r \in \mathbb{Q}$ , then for  $x > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} E(\alpha L(x)) &= E(rL(x)) = E(L(x^r)) \quad (\text{by property (x)}) \\ &= x^r \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Def 8.3.10 is consistent with previous definition for  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

Thm 8.3.11 If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x, y \in (0, \infty)$ , then

$$(a) 1^\alpha = 1, \quad (b) x^\alpha > 0, \quad (c) (xy)^\alpha = x^\alpha y^\alpha, \quad (d) \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^\alpha = \frac{x^\alpha}{y^\alpha}$$

Pf: (Easy Ex!)

Thm 8.3.12 If  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \in (0, \infty)$ , then

$$(a) x^{\alpha+\beta} = x^\alpha x^\beta, \quad (b) (x^\alpha)^\beta = x^{\alpha\beta} = (x^\beta)^\alpha,$$

$$(c) x^{-\alpha} = \frac{1}{x^\alpha}, \quad (d) \text{ If } \alpha < \beta, \text{ then } x^\alpha < x^\beta \text{ for } x > 1$$

Pf: (Easy Ex!)



Thm 8.3.13 For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$x \mapsto x^\alpha$  is continuous and differentiable on  $(0, \infty)$ , and

$$Dx^\alpha = \alpha x^{\alpha-1}$$

Pf: Chain rule  $\Rightarrow x^\alpha$  is differentiable & hence continuous

and 
$$Dx^\alpha = D(E(\alpha L(x))) = E'(\alpha L(x)) D(\alpha L(x))$$

$$= E(\alpha L(x)) \cdot \alpha D(L(x))$$

$$= \alpha x^\alpha \cdot \frac{1}{x} = \alpha x^{\alpha-1} \quad \#$$

The Function  $\log_a$  (logarithm of  $x$  to the base  $a$ )

Def 8.3.14 Let  $a > 0$  and  $a \neq 1$ .

$$\log_a(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\ln x}{\ln a} \quad \text{for } x > 0.$$