

$$x_{n+1} = \ln(e^{x_n} - x_n)$$

Suppose the sequence converges to a limit  $L$ . That is,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = L.$$

Taking limits on both sides,

$$L = \ln(e^L - L)$$

$$e^L = e^L - L$$

$$\Rightarrow L = 0.$$

Hence, the sequence converges to 0.

$$e^{x_{n+1}} = e^{x_n} - x_n$$

$$x_n = e^{x_n} - e^{x_{n+1}}$$

The infinite series  $x_0 + x_1 + x_2 + \dots$  can be written as

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k.$$

Applying the method of differences,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (e^{x_k} - e^{x_{k+1}}) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^{x_0} - e^{x_{n+1}}) \\ &= e^{x_0} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{x_{n+1}} \\ &= e - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{x_{n+1}} \\ &= e - 1. \because \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{x_{n+1}} = \exp\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n+1}\right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$