One-Variable Calculus: Exponents and Logarithms CH5

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Exponential Functions

Definition (Exponential Function)

 $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is exponential function if $f(x) = \bar{a}\bar{b}^x$, $\bar{b} > 0$

- $x \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow f(x) := \bar{a} \prod_{i=1}^{x} \bar{b}$
- $f(0) := \bar{a}$
- $f(1/n) := \bar{a} \sqrt[n]{\bar{b}}$
- $f(m/n) := \bar{a} \sqrt[n]{\bar{b}^m}$
- $x < 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = \bar{a}(1/\bar{b})^{|x|}$
- Graph: convex, monotonic increasing (b > 1) or decreasing $(b \in (0, 1))$ function



Growth of an Account with Interest rate r

Saving Account at $t=\bar{T}$ with Interest rate \bar{r} , Initial Endowment \bar{A}

$$A_t = \bar{A} \left(1 + \bar{r} \right)^{\bar{T}}$$

Compound Interest

If interest is compounded n times per time unit,

$$A_t = \bar{A} \left(1 + \frac{\bar{r}}{n} \right)^{n\bar{T}}$$

Continuous Compounding

Compound Interest with $n \to \infty$

$$A_t = \lim_{n \to \infty} \bar{A} \left(1 + \frac{\bar{r}}{n} \right)^{nT} = \bar{A} e^{\bar{r}\bar{T}}$$

Number e

Definition (The Number e)

$$e := \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \approx 2.718281693 \cdots$$

e is irrational number.

Theorem (5.1)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} A \left(1 + \frac{r}{n} \right)^{nt} = Ae^{rt}$$

In general, an initial quantity a_0 with growth rate r (per time unit) become a_0e^{rt} at time t (time unit)



Logarithm

Definition (Base b Logarithm)

Base b logarithm is an inverse of exponential function with base b

$$f = b^x \Leftrightarrow x = \log_b f$$

- $a^{\log_a z} = z$
- $\log_a a^y = y$
- \bullet Graph: concave, monotonic increasing (b > 1) or convex, monotonic decreasing (b \in (0,1))

Natural Logarithm

Definition (Natural Logarithm)

Base e logarithm is <u>natural logarithm</u>

$$\ln x := \log_e x$$

$$\ln x = y \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad e^y = x$$

$$e^{\ln x} = x$$

$$\ln e^x = x$$

Basic Properties of Exponential functions

 $\forall r, s \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$a^r a^s = a^{r+s}$$

$$a^{-r} := 1/a^r$$

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$$a^r/a^s = a^{r-s}$$

$$(a^r)^s = a^{rs}$$

$$a^0 := 1$$

Basic Properties of Logarithmic functions

$$\forall r, s, a, b, c > 0 \land a, c \neq 1,$$

- $\log(1/s) = -\log s$

- $\bullet \log_a b = \frac{\log_c b}{\log_c a} = \frac{\ln b}{\ln a}$

(Ex5.4) Rule of 70 (or 69)



Derivatives of Exp and Log functions

Theorem (5.2)

$$(e^x)' = e^x$$

$$(\ln x)' = \frac{1}{x}$$

if $u \in \mathbb{C}^1$, from chain rule,

$$(e^u)' = (e^u) u'$$

$$(\ln u)' = \frac{u'}{u}$$

(u > 0)

Present Value

Present Value (PV)

After time T, A (at t=0) grow to B (at t=T)

$$B = Ae^{rT}$$

A is the present value (PV) of B at t=T

$$A = Be^{-rT}$$

PV of annuity



Logarithmic Derivative

(Ex5.10)
$$(x^x)' = ?$$

Elasticity of f is the Slope in log-log Graph of f

$$\epsilon := \frac{\frac{df}{f}}{\frac{dx}{x}} = \frac{d\ln f}{d\ln x}$$