

# Power Logarithmic Inequality

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## Abstract

In this article we will see a new identity  $A^{C-1} > C \cdot \ln A$ , which can be used to proof few useful identities and also can be used in different approximation.

To reach our goal we will consider functions of the form

$$f(x) = \frac{A^x}{B} - 1 \quad (1)$$

Here A and B are real positive numbers.

Later we will put some more restrictions on them according to our needs.

## Restricting the Function.

Our method of finding out the inequality, heavily depends upon the **area definition of definite integral**.

To make our work easy, we will only consider the A and B such that the **eq-1**  $f(1) = 0$ . This gives us

$$f(x) = \frac{A^x}{A} - 1 \quad (2)$$

## The Inequality and It's application

**Theorem 1** (Power-Log Inequality). *If A and C are both real numbers with  $C > 1$  and  $A \geq e$ , then*

$$A^{C-1} > C \cdot \ln A$$

*Proof.* In the **Fig-1**, we have drawn the graph of  $f(x)$  and as you can see it goes through the point (1,0).

From this,

$$\text{Area under the Curve} = \Delta = \int_1^C \left( \frac{A^x}{A} - 1 \right) dx \quad (3)$$

Which on simplifying gives us,

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{\ln A} \left( \frac{A^C}{A} - C \cdot \ln A \right) + \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\ln A} \right) \quad (4)$$

Notice, **if the curve is always above x-axis**, then we can be always sure that  $\Delta \geq 0$ . Also we can see that we can have many conditions on how  $\Delta$  can be zero, but we are only interested in the particular case for which both the **terms individually greater than zero**, i.e.,

$$1 - \frac{1}{\ln A} \geq 0 \Rightarrow A \geq e \quad (5)$$

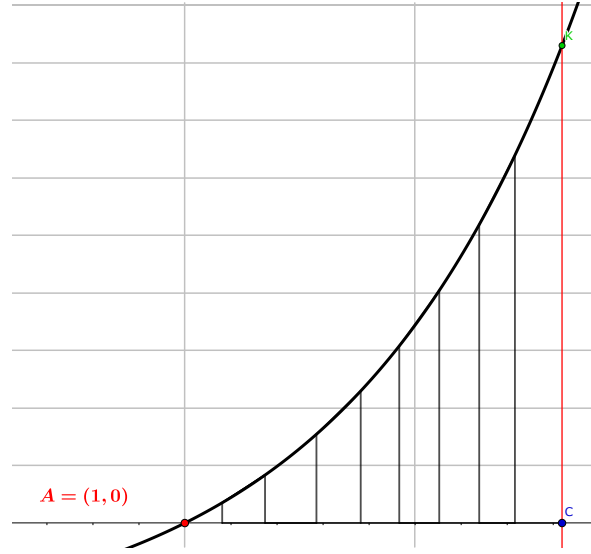


Figure 1: Graph of  $f(x)$  and  $C$  is any real number with  $C > 1$ .

From the other one,

$$\frac{1}{\ln A} \left( \frac{A^C}{A} - C \cdot \ln A \right) > 0 \Rightarrow A^{C-1} > C \cdot \ln A \quad (6)$$

And hence this gives our result. □

**Note:** It should be noted that  $C > 1$ . As if  $C$  is less than 1 then the area is negative and the sign of the inequality flips and if  $C = 1$ , then the **area under the curve is zero**.

**Remark.** As  $A^{C-1} > C \cdot \ln A$ , we can also write

$$A^{C-1} > C \quad (7)$$

As  $\ln(A) \geq 1$  for all  $A \geq e$

This new inequality is indeed powerful. It can give us a general proof for a more general series of power inequalities.

**Theorem 2** (A-B Inequality). *If  $A$  and  $B$  are real numbers and also  $e \leq A < B$ , then*

$$A^B > B^A$$

*Proof.* In **equation-7**, if we use  $C = \frac{B}{A} (B > A)$ ,

$$A^{\frac{B}{A}-1} > \frac{B}{A} \Rightarrow A^{\frac{B}{A}} > B$$

which gives us our result. □

**Remark.** *If you use  $B = \pi$  in the Theorem-2 or  $C = \frac{B}{e}$  in Theorem-1, then you will find another famous inequality*

$$e^B > B^e \tag{8}$$

*This last one also gives us another famous inequality*

$$e^\pi > \pi^e$$

**Theorem 3** (Pseudo AM-GM inequality). *If  $A$  and  $B$  are two real numbers such that  $e \leq A, B$  then,*

$$\frac{A+B}{2} > \ln(AB)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

*Proof.* Suppose,  $A$  and  $B$  are two real numbers and  $A, B \geq e$ . Hence they both satisfy the condition of *Theorem – 1*, i.e.,

$$A > 2 \cdot \ln A \quad \text{and} \quad B > 2 \cdot \ln B$$

Here we have taken  $C = 2$ .

Adding this two equations,

$$\frac{A+B}{2} > \ln A + \ln B$$

From this,

$$\frac{A+B}{2} > \ln AB > \frac{\ln AB}{2}$$

And hence gives us our result. □

As you have seen, this **Power Logarithmic Inequality** can be used in many ways, giving us beautiful results.

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