

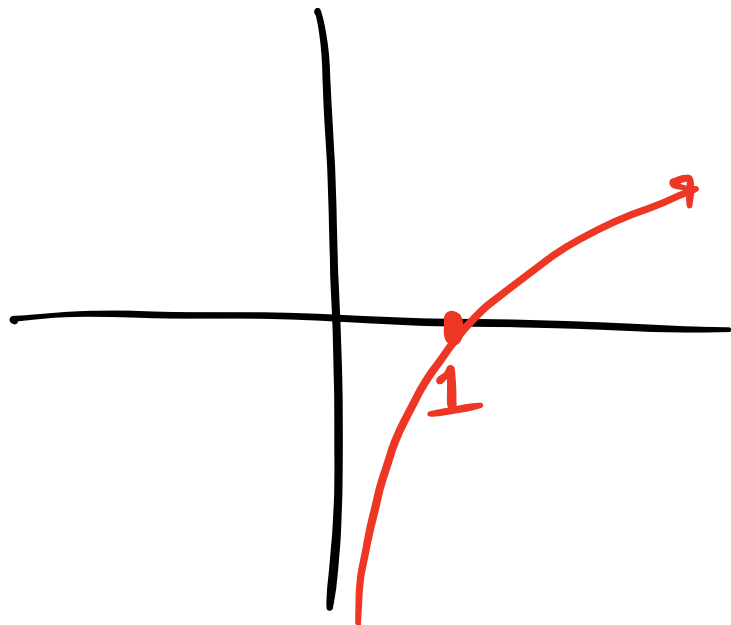
6.3 Natural Exponential.

lets draw $y = \ln(x)$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln(x) = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln(x) = -\infty$$

$$\ln(1) = 0$$



Notice that $\ln(x)$ must have an inverse function, since it is one-to-one on $(0, \infty)$

lets draw it!

first, we call it $\exp(x) = y$ iff $x = \ln(y)$

$$y = \ln(x)$$

$$D: (0, \infty)$$

$$R: (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$(1, 0)$$

$$\text{since } \ln(1) = 0$$

so

$$y = \exp(x)$$

$$D: (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$R: (0, \infty)$$

$$(0, 1)$$

so

$$\exp(0) = 1.$$

one other special number:

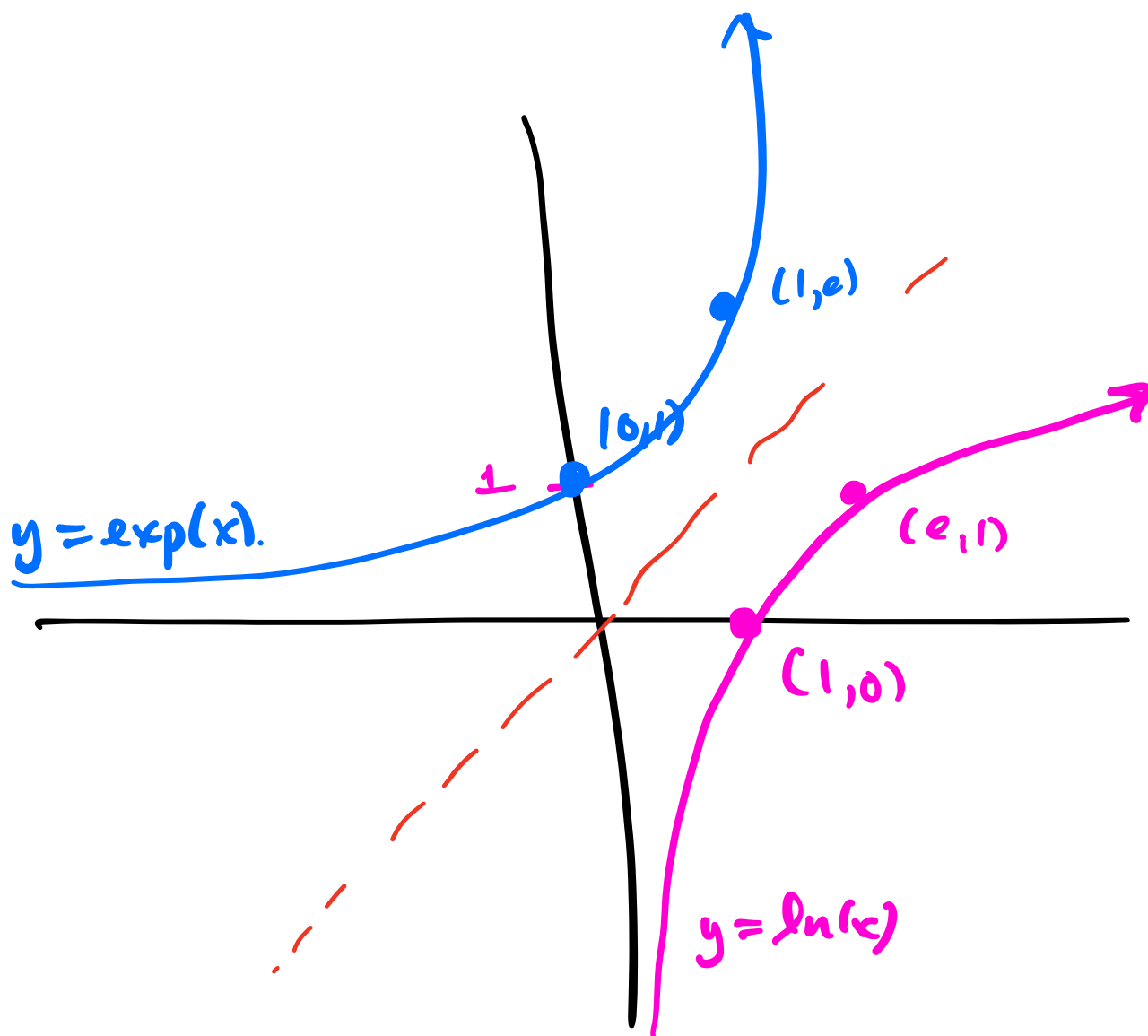
$\ln x$ has to pass 1 somewhere.

(it is increasing, and is below 1 and above 1)

Def: e is the unique number so that

$$\ln(e) = 1.$$

of course this also means that $\exp(1) = e$.



In fact, since $\ln(e^r) = r \ln(e) = r$,
 $\exp(r) = e^r$.

So $\exp(x) = e^x$ is the inverse function for $\ln(x)$.

$$e^{\ln(x)} = x \quad \text{for } x > 0$$

$$\ln(e^x) = x \quad \text{for all } x.$$

these "undo" each other.

Ex: find x if $\ln x = 5$

$$\ln x = 5$$

$$x = e^5.$$

Ex: solve $e^{5-3x} = 10$

$$\ln(e^{5-3x}) = \ln(10)$$

$$5-3x = \ln(10)$$

$$-3x = \ln(10) - 5$$

$$x = \frac{\ln(10) - 5}{-3}$$

limits: $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} e^x = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^x = \infty.$$

properties:

$$\textcircled{1} e^{x+y} = e^x e^y$$

$$\textcircled{2} e^{x-y} = \frac{e^x}{e^y}$$

$$\textcircled{3} (e^x)^y = e^{xy}$$

why? $\ln(e^x e^y) = \ln(e^x) + \ln(e^y)$
 $= x + y.$

so $e^{\ln(e^x e^y)} = e^{x+y}$

$$e^x e^y = e^{x+y}.$$

(2)(3) left for you.

Properties: $\frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x!$

(in fact, there is exactly one function with this property)

Ex: $\frac{d}{dx} e^{\tan x} = e^{\tan x} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(\tan x)$
 $= e^{\tan x} \sec^2 x.$

Ex $\int e^x dx = e^x + C.$ easy peasy.

Ex: $\int x^2 e^{x^3} dx$

let $u = x^3$

$$du = 3x^2 dx$$

$$\frac{1}{3} du = x^2 dx$$

$$= \int e^u \left(\frac{1}{3} du \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} e^u + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} e^{x^3} + C$$