

## 7.3 Exponential Functions

$$e = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x \approx 2.718281828459$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{100}\right)^{100} \approx 2.704813829$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{\text{million}}\right)^{\text{million}} \approx 2.718280469$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{\text{trillion}}\right)^{\text{trillion}} \approx 2.718281827$$

### Differentiation/Integration Rules for the Euler number

$$\textcircled{1} \frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x$$

$$\textcircled{2} \frac{d}{dx} e^u = u' e^u$$

$$\textcircled{3} \int e^x dx = e^x + C$$

$$\textcircled{4} \int e^{kx} dx = \frac{e^{kx}}{k} + C$$

Ex. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$y = e^{\sin 2x} \Rightarrow y' = \frac{d}{dx} \sin 2x \cdot e^{\sin 2x} \\ = 2 \cos 2x \cdot e^{\sin 2x}$$

$$y = e^{x^2} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x e^{x^2}$$

$$y = e^{9x^2+3x-1} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = (18x+3)e^{9x^2+3x-1} \\ \text{OR} \\ 3(6x+1)e^{9x^2+3x-1}$$

Find  $\int \frac{e^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x^2} dx$

let  $u = x^{-1}$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = -x^{-2}$$

$$dx = \frac{du}{-x^{-2}}$$

$$dx = -x^2 du$$

$$\int \frac{e^u}{x^2} \cdot (-x^2 du) =$$

$$- \int e^u du = -e^u + c$$

$$= -e^{\frac{1}{x}} + c$$

Find  $\int_0^{\ln 8} \frac{e^x}{1+e^x} dx$

let  $u = 1+e^x$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = e^x$$

$$dx = \frac{du}{e^x}$$

$$\int_2^9 \frac{du}{u} = \ln u \Big|_2^9$$

$$= \ln 9 - \ln 2$$

$$= \ln \frac{9}{2} = \ln(4.5)$$

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ln(4.5) 1.504077397
fnInt(e^(X)/(1+e^(X)),X,0,ln(8))
1.504077397
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On "old" calculators and programming languages you could NOT use  $2^3$  for  $2^3$ . The input for this was  $\exp(3 \cdot \ln(2)) = e^{3 \ln 2}$

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Theorem:  $e^{x \ln a} = a^x$

Proof:  $e^{x \ln a} = e^{\ln a^x}$ .

Since  $f(x) = e^x$  and  $g(x) = \ln x$  are inverse functions,  $e^{\ln a^x} = a^x$ .

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $y = 2^x$ .

$$y = e^{x \ln 2} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = (\ln 2) e^{x \ln 2} = (\ln 2) \cdot 2^x.$$

More Rules:  $\frac{d}{dx}(a^x) = (\ln a) a^x$ .

$$\frac{d}{dx}(a^u) = \underline{\underline{u'(\ln a) a^u}}$$

Ex. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , if  $y = 14^{\sin x}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \cos x (\ln 14) 14^{\sin x}$$

Recall the change of base formula:

$$\log_a x = \frac{\ln x}{\ln a} \quad ; \quad \text{thus, } \log_7 38 = \frac{\ln 38}{\ln 7} .$$

Ex. If  $y = \log_7 x$  find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{\ln x}{\ln 7} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\ln 7} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \\ &= \frac{1}{x \ln 7} \end{aligned}$$

Even More Rules

$$\frac{d}{dx} \log_a x = \frac{1}{x \ln a}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \log_a u = \frac{u'}{u \ln a}$$

$$\int a^x dx = \frac{a^x}{\ln a} + C$$

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if

$$y = \log_{18} \sin(4x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4 \cos 4x}{(\sin 4x) \cdot \ln 18} \text{ OR } \frac{4 \cot 4x}{\ln 18}$$

Find  $\int \cos x \cdot 2^{\sin x} dx$

let  $u = \sin x$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \cos x$$

$$dx = \frac{du}{\cos x}$$

$$\int 2^u du = \frac{2^u}{\ln 2} + C$$

$$= \frac{2^{\sin x}}{\ln 2} + C$$