

Section 4.2 - The Natural Logarithm Function

Definition: The number e is defined by the limit

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

Plot1	Plot2	Plot3	X	Y1	
\Y1=(1+1/X)^X			10	2.5937	
\Y2=			100	2.7048	
\Y3=			1000	2.7169	
\Y4=			10000	2.7181	
\Y5=			100000	2.7183	
\Y6=			1E6	2.7183	
\Y7=			1E-6	1	
			X=1E-6		

	2.718281828
Y1(10^20	1
Y1(10^15	1
Y1(10^12	2.718281828

Compound Interest Formula:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P\left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{mt} &= P\left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{m\left(\frac{t}{m}\right)} = P\left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{\frac{m}{r}(rt)} \\
 &= P\left(\left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{\frac{m}{r}}\right)^{rt}
 \end{aligned}$$

If $r > 0$ is fixed, then

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m}{r} = \frac{1}{r} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} m = \frac{1}{r} \cdot \infty = \infty$$

$$\text{So, } \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{\frac{m}{r}}\right)^{rt} = P\left(\lim_{\frac{m}{r} \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{\frac{m}{r}}\right)^{rt} = Pe^{rt}!$$

Continuous Compounding:

$A(t) = Pe^{rt}$, where e = the natural base
 'e' for 'Euler' who discovered it.

Continuous Compounding is very close to Daily Compounding:

$P = \$100, r = .05$, compounded daily and continuously, side by side.

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Plot1 Plot2 Plot3
\Y1=100(1+.05/36
5)^(365*X)
\Y2=100e^(.05*X)
\Y3=
\Y4=
\Y5=
    
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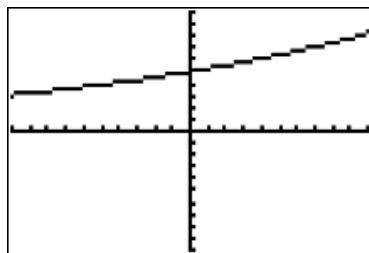
X	Y1	Y2
5	128.4	128.4
10	164.87	164.87
100	14836	14841
1000	5.2E23	5.2E23
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1E-6	100	100

X=100000

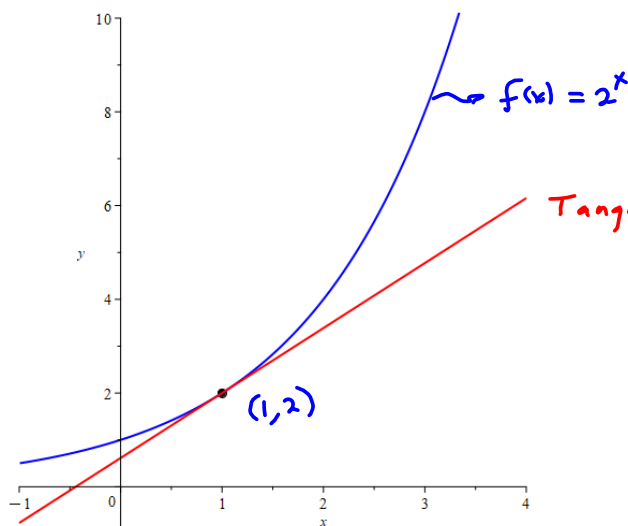
$P = \$5 r = .05$, compounded daily and continuously, side by side in a 10x10 square window. I used \$5 so you could see both of them in the standard window. According to my TI-84, the two are one, graphically.

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Plot1 Plot2 Plot3
\Y1=5*(1+.05/365
)^(365*X)
\Y2=5e^(.05*X)
\Y3=
\Y4=
\Y5=
\Y6=
    
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Calculus Connection. How do we find the slope of $f(x)=2^x$ at $x=1$?

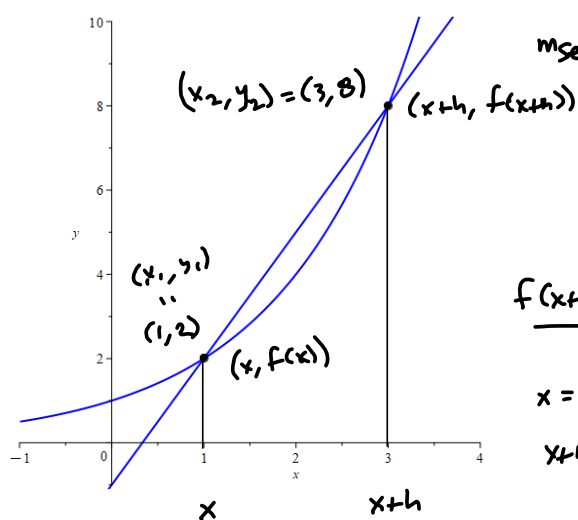


Tangent Line.

What's its slope?

All we know is slope of a straight line and the average slope of a function over an interval.

In College Algebra, we know how to do a secant line:



$$m_{\text{sec}} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{8 - 2}{3 - 1} = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

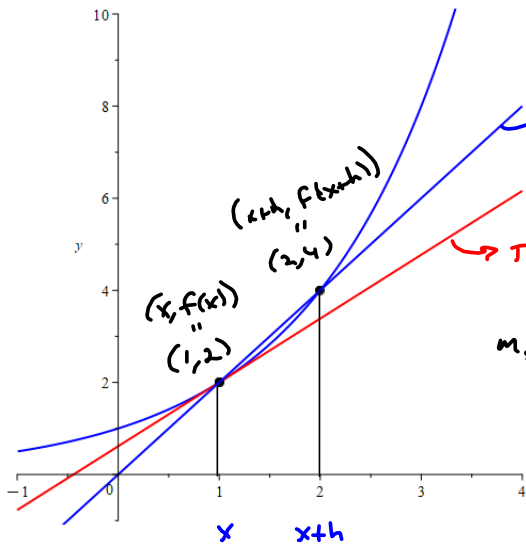
Calculus takes this idea and says "Let's take the 2nd point closer and closer to the first."

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{f(3) - f(1)}{3 - 1} = \dots = 3$$

$$x = 1, h = 2$$

$$x+h = 3.$$

We can take the 2nd point closer to $x_1 = 1$, say, $x_2 = 2$.



$$m_{sec} = \frac{4-2}{2-1} = \frac{2}{1} = 2$$

→ Tangent slope = ?

$$m_{sec} = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{x+h - x} = \frac{2^{x+h} - 2^x}{h}$$

$$= \frac{2^x 2^h - 2^x}{h} = \frac{2^x(2^h - 1)}{h} = \frac{2^h - 1}{h} \cdot 2^x = \frac{2^h - 1}{h} f(x)!$$

and the idea in calculus is to let $h \rightarrow 0$, so they look at $g(h) = \frac{2^h - 1}{h}$, as $h \rightarrow 0$, which we have the technology to explore numerically:

X	Y1	Y2
.01	2	.69556
.001	2	.69339
1E-5	2	.69315
1E-6	2	.69315

This says that the slope of $f(x) = 2^x$ is approximately $(.69315) \cdot f(x) = .69315 \cdot 2^x$

Try: 3^x
 slope $\approx (1.0986)3^x$

X	Y ₁	Y ₂
100	3	1.1047
.001	3	1.0992
1E-5	3	1.0986
1E-6	3	1.0986

X=1E-7

Find b so that the slope of b^x is $1 \cdot b^x = b^x$

$b > 2, b < 3$
 $b = 2.5?$ $1.169 \cdot 2.5^x$
 $b = 2.75$ 1.0116

X	Y ₁	Y ₂
100	2.72	1.0006
.001	2.72	1.0011
1E-5	2.72	1.0006
1E-6	2.72	1.0006

X=1E-7

X	Y ₁	Y ₂
100	2.71	.99695
.001	2.71	.99745
1E-5	2.71	.99695
1E-6	2.71	.99695

X=1E-7

X	Y ₁	Y ₂
100	2.715	.99879
.001	2.715	.99929
1E-5	2.715	.9988
1E-6	2.715	.99879

X=1E-7

X	Y ₁	Y ₂
100	2.718	.9999
.001	2.718	1.0004
1E-5	2.718	.9999
1E-6	2.718	.9999

X=1E-7

X	Y ₁	Y ₂
100	2.719	1.0003
.001	2.719	1.0008
1E-5	2.719	1.0003
1E-6	2.719	1.0003

X=1E-7

X	Y ₁	Y ₂
100	2.7183	1
.001	2.7183	1.0005
1E-5	2.7183	1
1E-6	2.7183	1

X=1E-7

1 The function $f(x) = e^x$ is called the ---Select--- exponential function. The number e is approximately equal to . (Round your answer to five decimal places.)

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2 In the formula $A(t) = Pe^{rt}$ for continuously compound interest, the letters P , r , and t stand for ---Select---, ---Select---, and ---Select---, respectively, and $A(t)$ stands for ---Select---. So if \$300 is invested at an interest rate of 8% compounded continuously, then the amount after 2 years is \$. (Round your answer to the nearest cent.)

A(t) = future value as a function of t.

P = principal, annual percentage rate = r, t = time, in years. $Pe^{rt} = 300e^{.08 \cdot 2}$

1.0024689
Y2<.000001
1.0006324
e^(1
2.718281828
300e^(.08*2)
331.5512754

≈ \$331.55

3 Complete the table of values, rounded to two decimal places.

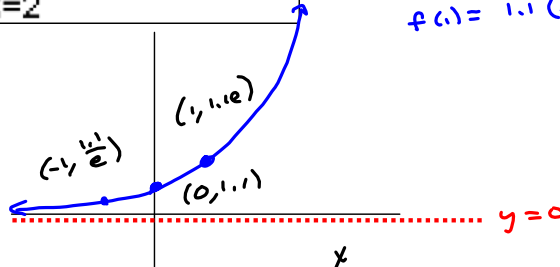
x	$f(x) = 1.1e^x$
-2	<input type="text"/>
-1	<input type="text"/>
-0.5	<input type="text"/>
0	<input type="text"/>
0.5	<input type="text"/>
1	<input type="text"/>
2	<input type="text"/>

Dreadfully tedious.

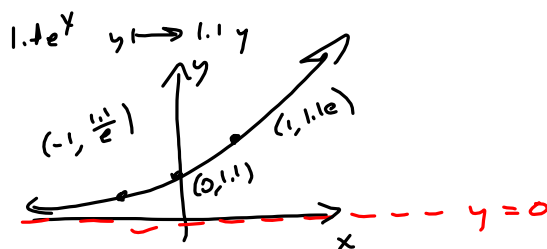
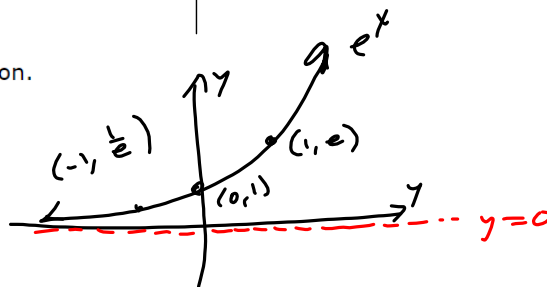
X	Y1
-2	.14887
-1	.40467
-.5	.66718
0	1.1
.2	1.3435
1	2.9901
2	8.128

Plot1	Plot2	Plot3
Y1	1.1e^X	
Y2		
Y3		
Y4		
Y5		
Y6		
Y7		

*$f(-1) = 1.1(\frac{1}{e})$
 $f(0) = 1.1(1)$
 $f(1) = 1.1(e)$*



Sketch a graph of the function.



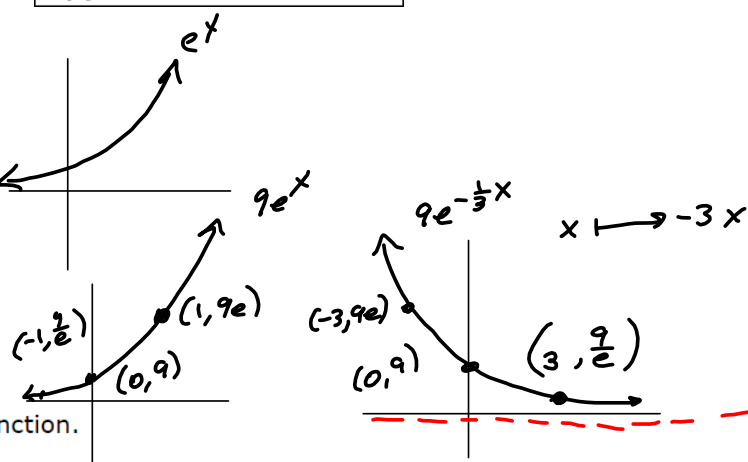
4 Complete the table of values, rounded to two decimal places.

x	$f(x) = 9e^{-x/3}$
-3	<input type="text"/>
-2	<input type="text"/>
-1	<input type="text"/>
0	<input type="text"/>
1	<input type="text"/>
2	<input type="text"/>
3	<input type="text"/>

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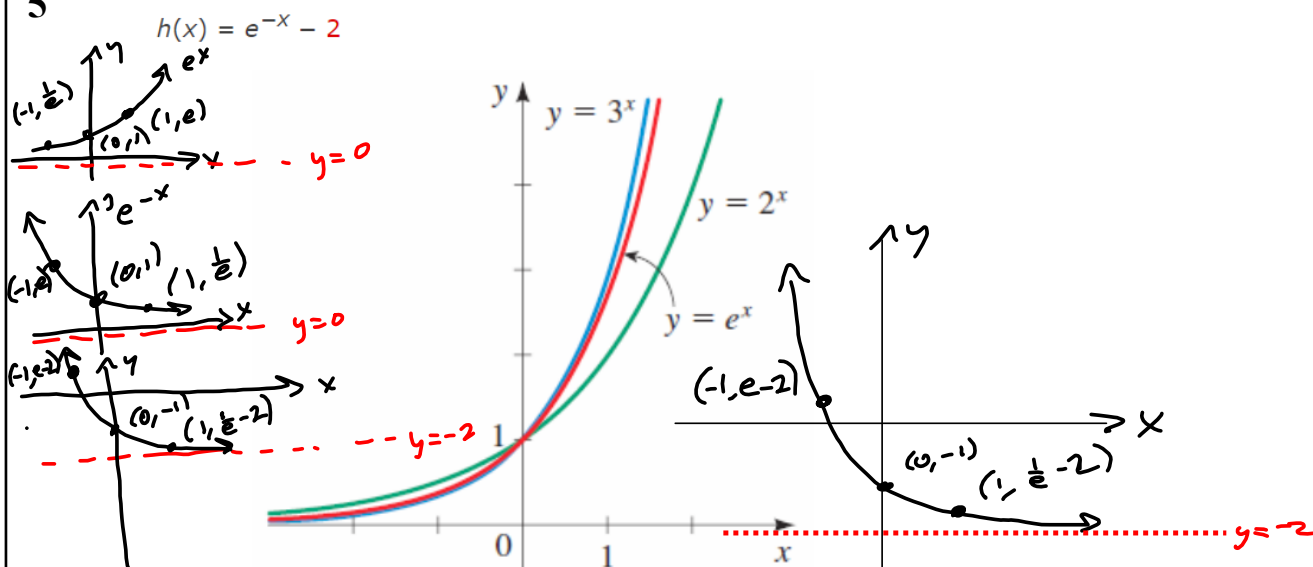
Plot1 Plot2 Plot3
Y1=9e^(-X/3)
Y2=
Y3=
Y4=
Y5=
Y6=
Y7=
    
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X	Y1
-3	24.465
-2	17.53
-1	12.561
0	9
1	6.4488
2	4.6208
3	3.3109



Sketch a graph of the function.

5 Graph the function, not by plotting points, but by starting from the graph of $y = e^x$ in the figure below.



State the domain and range. (Enter your answers using interval notation.)

$$D = (-\infty, \infty) = \mathbb{R}$$

State the asymptote.

$$R = (-2, \infty)$$

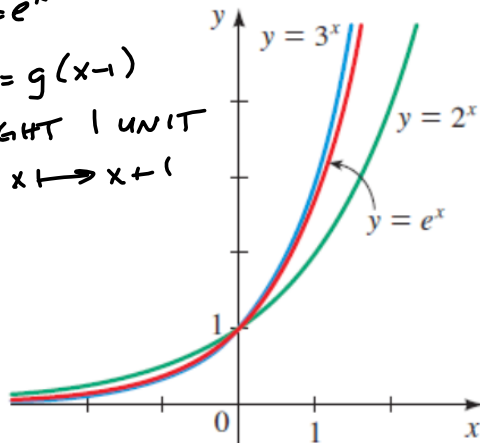
$$\text{H.A. : } y = -2$$

Graph the function, not by plotting points, but by starting from the graph of $y = e^x$ in the figure below.

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$$f(x) = e^{x-1}$$

$g(x) = e^x$
 $f(x) = g(x-1)$
 RIGHT 1 UNIT
 $x \mapsto x+1$



State the domain and range. (Enter your answers using interval notation.)

State the asymptote.

Graph the function, not by plotting points, but by starting from the graph of $y = e^x$ in the figure below.

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$$y = e^{x-1} + 4$$

$f(x) = e^x \xrightarrow[\text{RIGHT 1}]{x \mapsto x+1} e^{x-1} \xrightarrow[\text{UP 4}]{y \mapsto y+4} e^{x-1} + 4$

State the y-intercept, domain, range, and horizontal asymptote. (Enter your answers using interval notation. Round your intercept to two decimal places.)

y-intercept

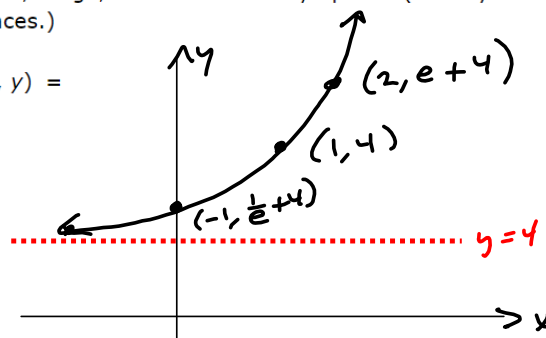
$(x, y) =$

domain \mathbb{R}

range $(4, \infty)$

horizontal asymptote

$y = 4$



8 Graph the function, not by plotting points, but by starting from the graph of $y = e^x$ in the figure below.

$$h(x) = e^{x+1} - 4$$

State the y-intercept, domain, range, and horizontal asymptote. (Enter your answers using interval notation. Round your intercept to two decimal places.)

y-intercept $(x, y) =$

domain

range

horizontal asymptote

Graph the function, not by plotting points, but by starting from the graph of $y = e^x$ in the figure below.

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$$g(x) = -e^{x-1} - 4$$

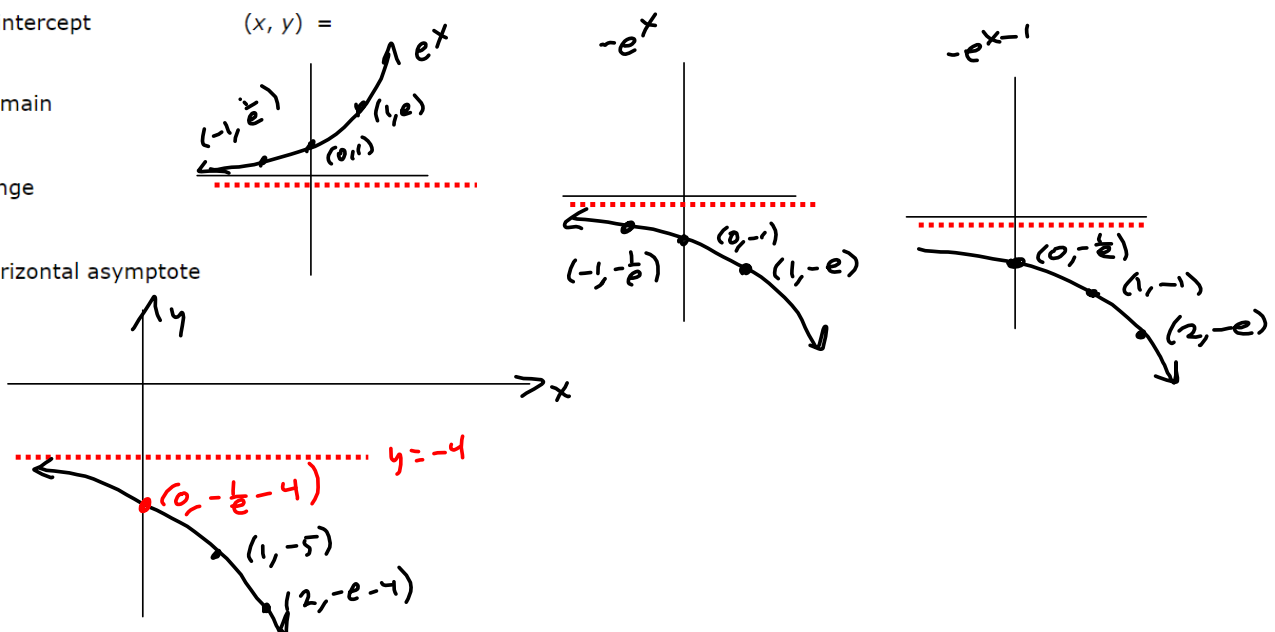
State the y-intercept, domain, range, and horizontal asymptote. (Enter your answers using interval notation. Round your intercept to two decimal places.)

y-intercept $(x, y) =$

domain

range

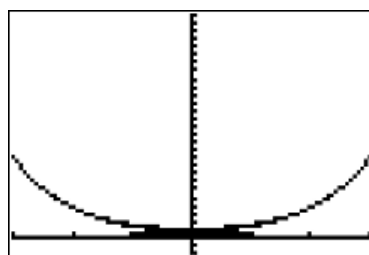
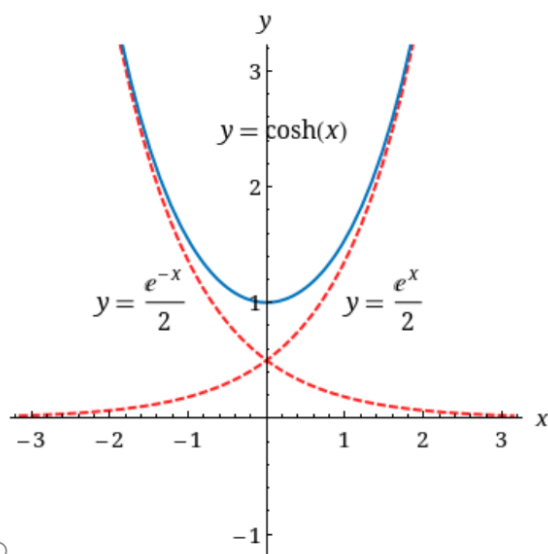
horizontal asymptote



The hyperbolic cosine function is defined by

$$10 \quad \cosh(x) = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}.$$

- (a) Sketch the graphs of the functions $y = \frac{1}{2}e^x$ and $y = \frac{1}{2}e^{-x}$ on the same axes, and use graphical addition to sketch the graph of $y = \cosh(x)$.

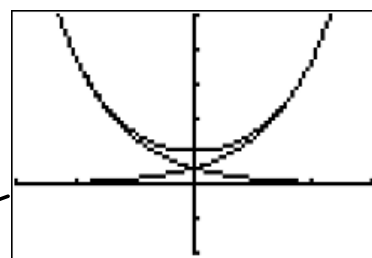


Graphing calculator lacks fidelity to show where one leaves off and the other begins. Shrinking down the vertical:

- (b) Use the definition to show that $\cosh(-x) = \cosh(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \cosh(-x) &= \frac{e^{-x} + e^{-(-x)}}{2} = \frac{e^{-x} + e^{+x}}{2} \\ &= \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} = \cosh(x) \rightarrow \\ &\text{cosh}(x) \text{ is even} \\ &f(-x) = f(x) \end{aligned}$$

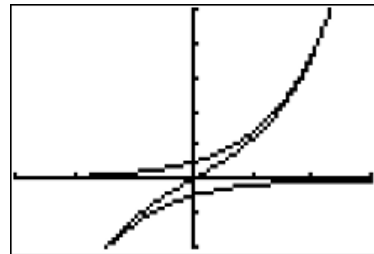
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Xscl=1
Ymin=-2
Ymax=5
Yscl=1
↓Xres=1
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The hyperbolic sine function is defined by

$$11 \quad \sinh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} = \frac{e^x + (-e^{-x})}{2}$$

- (a) Sketch the graphs of the functions $y = \frac{e^x}{2}$ and $y = -\frac{e^{-x}}{2}$ on the same axes, and use graphical addition to sketch the graph of $y = \sinh(x)$.



- (b) Use the definition to show that $\sinh(-x) = -\sinh(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \sinh(-x) &= \frac{e^{-x} - e^{-(-x)}}{2} = \frac{e^{-x} - e^x}{2} \\ &= -\frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} = -\sinh(x), \text{ i.e.,} \\ &\quad f(x) \text{ is odd.} \end{aligned}$$

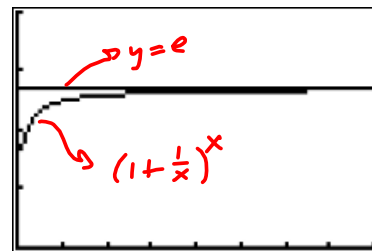
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A graphing device is recommended.

Illustrate the definition of the number e by graphing the curve $y = (1 + 1/x)^x$ and the line $y = e$ on the same screen, using the viewing rectangle $[0, 40]$ by $[0, 4]$.

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Plot1 Plot2 Plot3
Y1=(1+1/X)^X
Y2=e^(1)
Y3=
Y4=
Y5=
Y6=
Y7=
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WINDOW
Xmin=0
Xmax=40
Xscl=5
Ymin=0
Ymax=4
Yscl=1
Xres=1
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A radioactive substance decays in such a way that the amount of mass remaining after t days is given by the function

13 $m(t) = 11e^{-0.016t}$ $m(0) = m_0 = 11e^{-0} = 11$

where $m(t)$ is measured in kilograms.

- (a) Find the mass (in kg) at time $t = 0$.

kg

- (b) How much of the mass (in kg) remains after 50 days? (Round your answer to one decimal place.)

kg

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Plot1 Plot2 Plot3
Y1=11e^(-.016X)
Y2=
Y3=
Y4=
Y5=
Y6=
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1.0006324
e^(1
2.718281828
300e^(.05*2)
331.5512754
Y1(50)
4.942618605
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$$m(50) = 11e^{-0.016(50)} \approx 4.942618605 \text{ kg}$$

$$\approx 4.9 \text{ kg}$$

An investment of \$3,000 is deposited into an account for which interest is compounded continuously. Complete the table by filling in the amounts to which the investment grows at the indicated times. (Round your answers to the nearest cent.)

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$r = 6\%$

Time (years)	Amount
1	\$ <input type="text"/>
2	\$ <input type="text"/>
3	\$ <input type="text"/>
4	\$ <input type="text"/>
5	\$ <input type="text"/>
6	\$ <input type="text"/>

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Section 4.2 #14			CONTINUOUS COMPOUNDING:			
2							
3					\$3,185.51		
4	<i>P</i>	<i>r</i>			\$3,382.49		
5	\$3,000.00	0.06			CONTINUOUS=\$A\$5*EXP(\$B\$5*B10)		
6							
7		<i>t</i>	<i>A(t)</i>		<i>t</i> = time in years		
8		1	\$3,185.51		<i>r</i> = Annual Percentage Rate		
9		2	\$3,382.49		<i>A</i> = Future Value		
10		3	\$3,591.65		<i>P</i> = Principal Amount or present value		
11		4	\$3,813.75		<i>e</i> = the natural exponential base		
12		5	\$4,049.58				
13		6	\$4,299.99				
14		7	\$4,565.88				

If \$3,000 is invested at an interest rate of 4.5% per year, compounded continuously, find the value of the investment after the given number of years. (Round your answers to the nearest cent.)

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- (a) 2 years
\$
- (b) 4 years
\$
- (c) 12 years
\$

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	Section 4.2 #15			CONTINUOUS COMPOUNDING: $A(t) = Pe^{rt}$					
2									
3					\$3,138.08				
4	<i>P</i>	<i>r</i>			\$3,282.52				
5	\$3,000.00	0.045			\$3,433.61				
6									
7		<i>t</i>	<i>A(t)</i>		<i>t</i> = time in years				
8		1	\$3,138.08		<i>r</i> = Annual Percentage Rate				
9		2	\$3,282.52		<i>A</i> = Future Value				
10		3	\$3,433.61		<i>P</i> = Principal Amount or present value				
11		4	\$3,591.65		<i>e</i> = the natural exponential base				
12		12	\$5,148.02						
13		13	\$5,384.97						
14		14	\$5,632.83						

16 A graphing device is recommended.

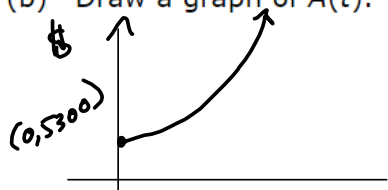
A sum of \$5,300 is invested at an interest rate of 9% per year, compounded continuously.

(a) Find the value $A(t)$ of the investment after t years.

$$A(t) = \boxed{Pe^{rt}}$$

P = Principal Amt or Present Value, in \$
 e = natural base
 r = annual % rate as a decimal.
 t = time in yrs.

(b) Draw a graph of $A(t)$.



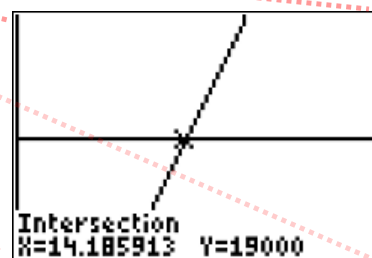
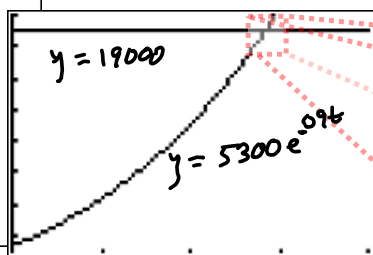
(c) Use the graph of $A(t)$ to determine when (in yr) this investment will amount to \$19,000. (Round your answer to the nearest whole number.)

yr

$$\text{Solve } A(t) = 5300e^{.09t} = \$19000$$

$$\text{Graph} \rightarrow t \approx 14.185913 \text{ yrs} \\ \approx \boxed{14 \text{ yrs}}$$

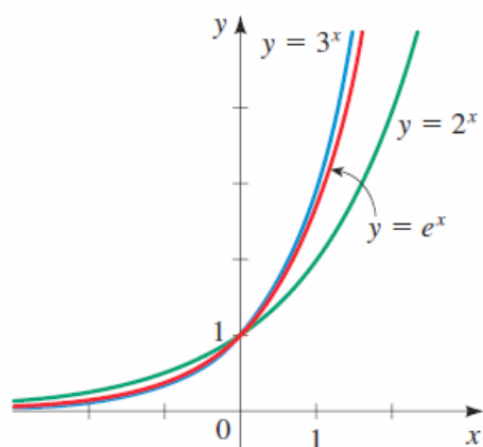
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Yscl=2000
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$$g(x) = 3 + e^x$$



State the domain and range. (Enter your answers using interval notation.)

domain

range

State the asymptote.