

**Salahaddin University-Erbil**  
**College of Engineering**  
**Department of Water Resources Engineering**  
**2023/2024**



**Mathematics II**  
**Transcendental Function**  
**Chapter Six**  
**The Exponential Function**

Shawnm Mudhafar Saleh

[shawnm.saleh@su.edu.krd](mailto:shawnm.saleh@su.edu.krd)

# 6.5. The Exponential Function

- The Function

$$y = e^x$$

e=2.718281828459045

$$e^2 = e \cdot e \quad , e^{-2} = \frac{1}{e^2} \quad , e^{1/2} = \sqrt{e}$$

- When we take logarithm of e:

$$\ln e^r = r \ln e = r \cdot 1 = r$$

- Which means that ***ln and exp*** are inverse of each others and

$$\ln e^2 = 2$$

## Definition

For every real number  $x$ ,  $e^x = \ln^{-1} x = \exp x$

## Inverse Equations for $e^x$ and $\ln x$

$$e^{\ln x} = x \quad \text{all } x > 0$$

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

### Examples

1.  $\ln e^2$

2.  $\ln e^{-1}$

3.  $\ln \sqrt{e}$

4.  $\ln e^{\sin x}$

5.  $e^{\ln 2}$

6.  $e^{\ln(x^2+1)}$

7.  $e^{3\ln 2}$

### Example:

Find  $k$  if  $e^{2k} = 10$

# General Exponential Function $a^x$

- Definition
- For any numbers  $a > 0$  and  $x$ , the exponential function with base  $a$  is

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

- Laws of Exponents for  $e^x$

$$1. e^{x_1} \cdot e^{x_2} = e^{x_1+x_2}$$

$$2. e^{-x} = \frac{1}{e^x}$$

$$3. \frac{e^{x_1}}{e^{x_2}} = e^{x_1-x_2}$$

$$4. (e^{x_1})^{x_2} = e^{x_1 x_2} = (e^{x_2})^{x_1}$$

# Examples

a.  $e^{x+\ln 2}$

b.  $e^{-\ln x}$

c.  $\frac{e^{2x}}{e}$

d.  $(e^3)^x$

**Simplify**  $\ln \frac{e^{2x}}{5}$

Solve:

1.  $e^{3y} = 2 + \cos x$

2.  $\ln(y - 1) - \ln y = 3x$

**Remark**

1. To remove logarithm from an equation, exponentiate both sides

2. To remove exponentials take logarithm for both sides

# The Derivative and Integral of $e^x$

- Derivative

- If  $y = e^x$ , Then  $\frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x$

- If  $u$  is any differentiable function of  $x$ , then

$$\frac{d}{dx} e^u = e^u \frac{du}{dx}$$

- Integration

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

# Examples

- Differentiate

- $y = 5e^x$

- $y = e^{-x}$

- $y = e^{\sin x}$

- Integrate

- $\int_0^{\ln 2} e^{3x} dx$

- $\int_0^{\pi/2} e^{\sin x} \cos x dx$

- **Example:** find area under the curve  $y = e^{-x}$  for  $x=0$  to  $x=b$  where  $b>0$ .
- **Simplify**  $e^{\ln 2 + 3 \ln x}$
- **Solve**  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2xe^{-y}$ , for  $y=0$  when  $x=2$