

Elementary functions

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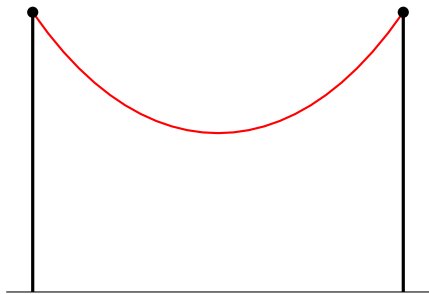
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MOTIVATION

We already know some classic functions : \exp , \ln , \cos , \sin , \tan . In this chapter, we are going to add some new functions to our catalog : \cosh , \sinh , \tanh , \arccos , \arcsin , \arctan , $\arg \cosh$, $\arg \sinh$, $\arg \tanh$.



For example when a necklace is held between two hands then the drawn curve is a **chain** of which the equation involves the hyperbolic cosine and a parameter a (that depends on the length of the wire and the spacing of the posts)

$$y = a \cosh \left(\frac{x}{a} \right).$$

LOGARITHM AND EXPONENTIAL

Definition 1

There exists a unique function, written $\ln :]0, +\infty[\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that :

$$\ln'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \quad (\text{for all } x > 0) \quad \text{and} \quad \ln(1) = 0.$$

In addition, this function verifies (for all $a, b > 0$) :

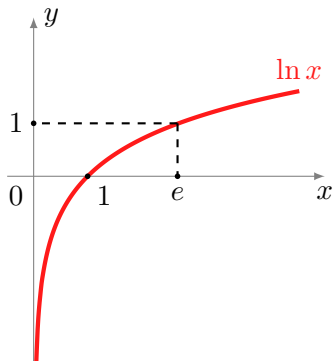
- 1 $\ln(a \times b) = \ln a + \ln b$,
- 2 $\ln\left(\frac{1}{a}\right) = -\ln a$,
- 3 $\ln(a^n) = n \ln a$, (for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$)
- 4 \ln is a continuous function, strictly increasing and defines a bijection of $]0, +\infty[$ on \mathbb{R} ,
- 5 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} = 1$,
- 6 We have $\ln x \leq x - 1$ (for all $x > 0$).

$\ln x$ is called the **Natural Logarithm**. It is characterized by $\ln(e) = 1$.
We define the **base a 's logarithm** by

$$\log_a(x) = \frac{\ln(x)}{\ln(a)}$$

So that $\log_a(a) = 1$.

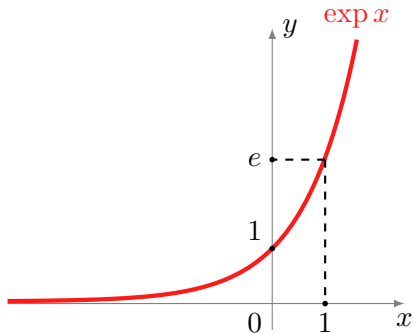
For $a = 10$ we get the **decimal logarithm** \log_{10} such that $\log_{10}(10) = 1$ (and so $\log_{10}(10^n) = n$).



Exponential

Definition 2

The reciprocal bijection of $\ln :]0, +\infty[\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called the **exponential** function, written $\exp : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow]0, +\infty[$.



Properties

For $x \in \mathbb{R}$ we also write down e^x for $\exp(x)$.

Proposition 1

The exponential function verifies the following properties :

- $\exp(\ln x) = x$ for all $x > 0$ and $\ln(\exp x) = x$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- $\exp(a + b) = \exp(a) \times \exp(b)$
- $\exp(nx) = (\exp x)^n$
- $\exp : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow]0, +\infty[$ is a continuous function, strictly increasing verifying $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \exp x = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \exp x = +\infty$.
- The exponential function is a differentiable function and $\exp' x = \exp x$, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. In addition $\exp x \geq 1 + x$.

POWER AND COMPARISON

Definitions

By definition, for $a > 0$ and $b \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$a^b = \exp(b \ln a)$$

Notes 1

- $\sqrt{a} = a^{\frac{1}{2}} = \exp\left(\frac{1}{2} \ln a\right)$.
- $\sqrt[n]{a} = a^{\frac{1}{n}} = \exp\left(\frac{1}{n} \ln a\right)$ (n^{th} **root**).
- We also write down $\exp x$ by e^x which is justified by the following calculus : $e^x = \exp(x \ln e) = \exp(x)$.
- The functions $x \mapsto a^x$ are also called exponential functions and systematically reduce to the classical exponential function by the equality $a^x = \exp(x \ln a)$. Do not confuse this functions with the power functions $x \mapsto x^a$.

Properties

Proposition 2

Let $x, y > 0$ and $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

- $x^{a+b} = x^a x^b$

- $x^{-a} = \frac{1}{x^a}$

- $(xy)^a = x^a y^a$

- $(x^a)^b = x^{ab}$

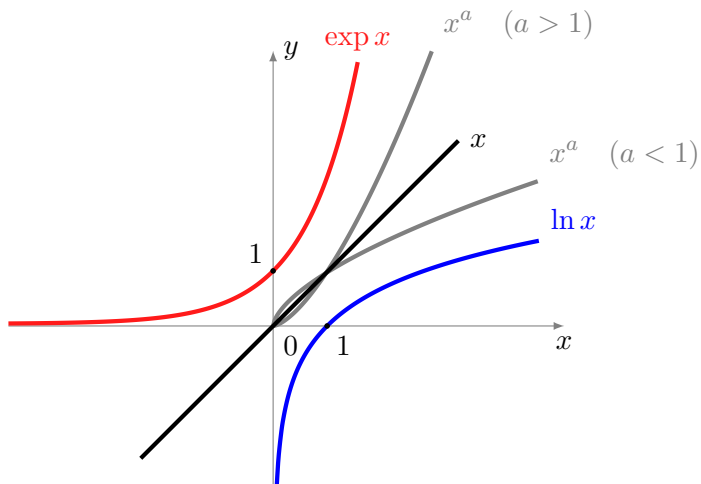
- $\ln(x^a) = a \ln x$

Let us compare the functions $\ln x$, $\exp x$ with x :

Proposition 3

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} = 0 \quad \text{et} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\exp x}{x} = +\infty.$$

Graphically



INVERSE CIRCULAR FUNCTIONS

Arccosinus

Let us consider the cosine function $\cos : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$, $x \mapsto \cos x$. To obtain a bijection from this function, we must consider restricting the cosine to the interval $[0, \pi]$. In this interval, the cosine function is continuous and strictly decreasing, so the restriction

$$\cos|_{[0, \pi]} : [0, \pi] \rightarrow [-1, 1]$$

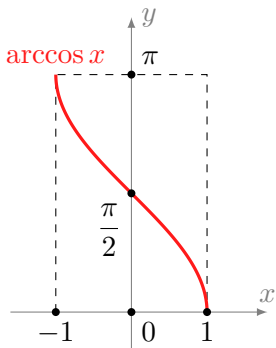
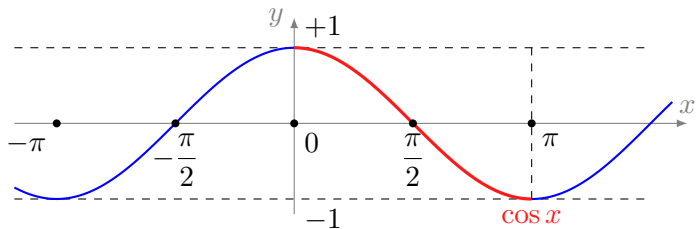
is a bijection.

Definition 3

The reciprocal bijection of the function \cos is the **arccosinus** function :

$$\arccos : [-1, 1] \rightarrow [0, \pi]$$

Graphically



Properties

Proposition 4

We have by definition the reciprocal bijection :

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(\arccos(x)) &= x \quad \forall x \in [-1, 1] \\ \arccos(\cos(x)) &= x \quad \forall x \in [0, \pi]\end{aligned}$$

In other words :

$$\text{If } x \in [0, \pi] \quad \cos(x) = y \iff x = \arccos y$$

Let us finish with the derivative function of arccos:

$$\arccos'(x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad \forall x \in]-1, 1[$$

Arcsinus

The restriction

$$\sin|_{[-\frac{\pi}{2}, +\frac{\pi}{2}]} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$$

is a bijection. Its reciprocal bijection is the function **arcsinus** :

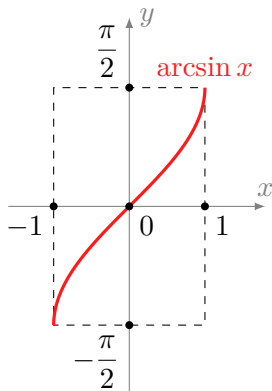
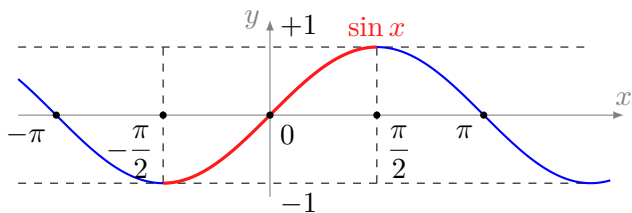
$$\arcsin : [-1, 1] \rightarrow [-\frac{\pi}{2}, +\frac{\pi}{2}].$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(\arcsin(x)) &= x \quad \forall x \in [-1, 1] \\ \arcsin(\sin(x)) &= x \quad \forall x \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, +\frac{\pi}{2}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{If } x \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, +\frac{\pi}{2}] \quad \sin(x) = y \iff x = \arcsin y$$

$$\arcsin'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad \forall x \in]-1, 1[$$

Geometrically



Arctangent

The restriction

$$\tan|_{\left] -\frac{\pi}{2}, +\frac{\pi}{2} \right[} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is a bijection. Its reciprocal bijection is the function **arctangente** :

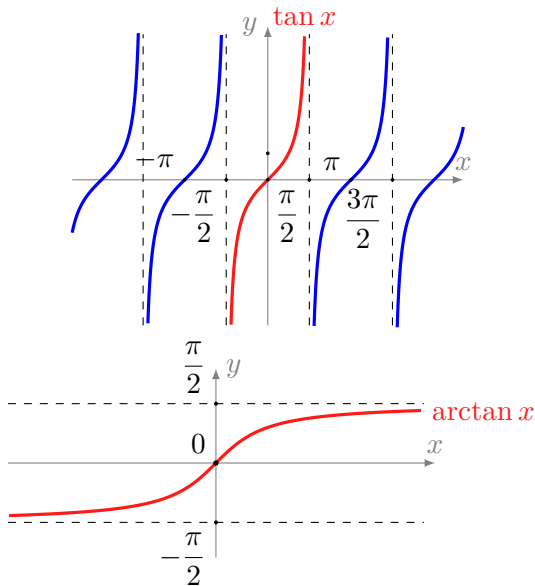
$$\arctan : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \left] -\frac{\pi}{2}, +\frac{\pi}{2} \right[.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tan(\arctan(x)) &= x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \\ \arctan(\tan(x)) &= x \quad \forall x \in \left] -\frac{\pi}{2}, +\frac{\pi}{2} \right[\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{If } x \in \left] -\frac{\pi}{2}, +\frac{\pi}{2} \right[\quad \tan(x) = y \iff x = \arctan y$$

$$\arctan'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Geometrically



HYPERBOLIC FUNCTIONS AND INVERSES

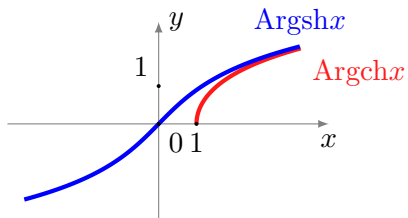
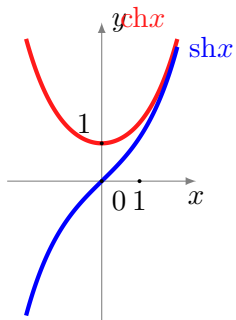
Hyperbolic Cosinus

For $x \in \mathbb{R}$, The **hyperbolic cosinus** is :

$$\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$$

The restriction $\cosh|_{[0, +\infty[} : [0, +\infty[\rightarrow [1, +\infty[$ is a bijection. Its reciprocal bijection is the function $\operatorname{arg} \cosh : [1, +\infty[\rightarrow [0, +\infty[$.

Geometrically



Hyperbolic Sinus and its inverse

For $x \in \mathbb{R}$, the **hyperbolic sinus** is :

$$\sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$$

$\sinh : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Is a continuous function, differentiable, strictly increasing and verifying $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \sinh x = -\infty$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \sinh x = +\infty$, so it's a bijection. Its reciprocal bijection is the function $\arg \sinh : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Proposition 5

- $\cosh^2 x - \sinh^2 x = 1$
- $\cosh' x = \sinh x$, $\sinh' x = \cosh x$
- $\arg \sinh : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is strictly increasing and continuous.
- $\arg \sinh$ is a differentiable function and $\arg \sinh' x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}$.
- $\arg \sinh x = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})$.

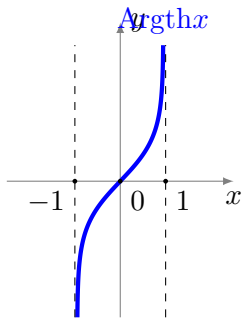
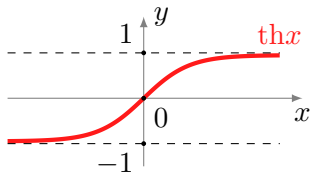
Hyperbolic Tangent

By definition the **hyperbolic tangent** is :

$$\tanh x = \frac{\sinh x}{\cosh x}$$

The function $\tanh : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow]-1, 1[$ is a bijection, we write $\operatorname{argtanh} :]-1, 1[\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ its reciprocal bijection.

Geometrically



Hyperbolic Trigonometry

$$1 = \cosh^2 x - \sinh^2 x$$

$$\cosh(a + b) = \cosh a \cdot \cosh b + \sinh a \cdot \sinh b$$

$$\sinh(a + b) = \sinh a \cdot \cosh b + \sinh b \cdot \cosh a$$

$$\cosh' x = \sinh x \quad \sinh' x = \cosh x$$

$$\tanh' x = 1 - \tanh^2 x = \frac{1}{\cosh^2 x}$$

$$\arg \cosh' x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} \quad (x > 1) \quad \arg \sinh' x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}$$

$$\arg \tanh' x = \frac{1}{1 - x^2} \quad (|x| < 1)$$

$$\arg \cosh x = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}) \quad (x \geq 1)$$

$$\arg \sinh x = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}) \quad (x \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$\arg \tanh x = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1 + x}{1 - x} \right) \quad (-1 < x < 1)$$

GOOD LUCK !!