

# Rules of exponents.

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$$(b^u)^s = b^{u \cdot s} ; b^u \cdot b^s = b^{u+s}$$

Example:

$$(2^2)^3 = (2 \cdot 2)^3 = \underbrace{(2 \cdot 2)(2 \cdot 2)(2 \cdot 2)}_{6 \text{ } 2\text{'s} !}$$

$$= 2^6 ; (2^2)^3 = 2^{2 \cdot 3}$$

Example

$$2^2 \cdot 2^3 = \underbrace{(2 \cdot 2)(2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2)}_{5 \text{ } 2\text{'s}}$$

or

$$2^2 \cdot 2^3 = 2^{2+3} = 2^5$$

~~2^5~~

$\left| \frac{1}{2} \right| \left| \emptyset \right|$

exponentiating.  
(any base).

Turns adding to multiplying.  
 $\exp(x) = e^x$  (or  $b^x$ ,  
 $b > 0$ ).

$$\exp(x+y) = \exp(x) \exp(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \exp(x)^2 = \exp(2x) \\ \frac{1}{\exp(x)} = \exp(-x) \\ \exp(0) = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(\exp(x))^n = \exp(nx)$$

Why? How ...?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} e^{kx} &= (e^{kx}) \frac{d}{dx} (kx) \quad \boxed{2} \\ &= (e^{kx}) k. \\ &= k e^{kx}. \end{aligned}$$

k a constant; eg an integer.

But  $e^k = \cancel{10} =$  some other constant.

$$\text{so } e^{kx} = (e^k)^x = b^x$$

Thus

$$\frac{d}{dx} b^x = k \cdot b^x = k e^{kx}$$

where  $e^k = b$

i.e.  $k = \log_e(b)$

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Case 1

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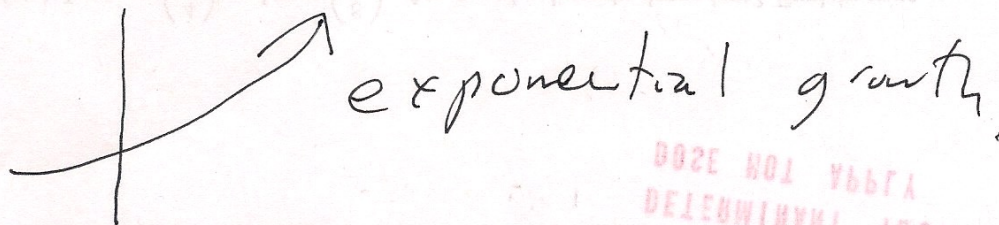
$$1 < b < \infty.$$

Example:  $b = 2$ .

as  $x \uparrow$   $b^x \uparrow$ .

$$2, 2^2, 2^3 = 8, 2^4 = 16$$

$$b^x = e^{kx} \quad \text{with } b > 1 \text{ so } k > 0$$

 exponential growth.

Case 2,  $0 < b < 1$

so  $k < 0$ , Eg  $\frac{1}{e} = b$ ;  $0 < \frac{1}{e} < 1$

$$e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e}; k = -1.$$

$$e^{kt} = b^t$$

as  $t \uparrow$ ,  $e^{kt} = b^t \downarrow$

$$\text{eg: } \frac{1}{2}, \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2, \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3, \dots$$

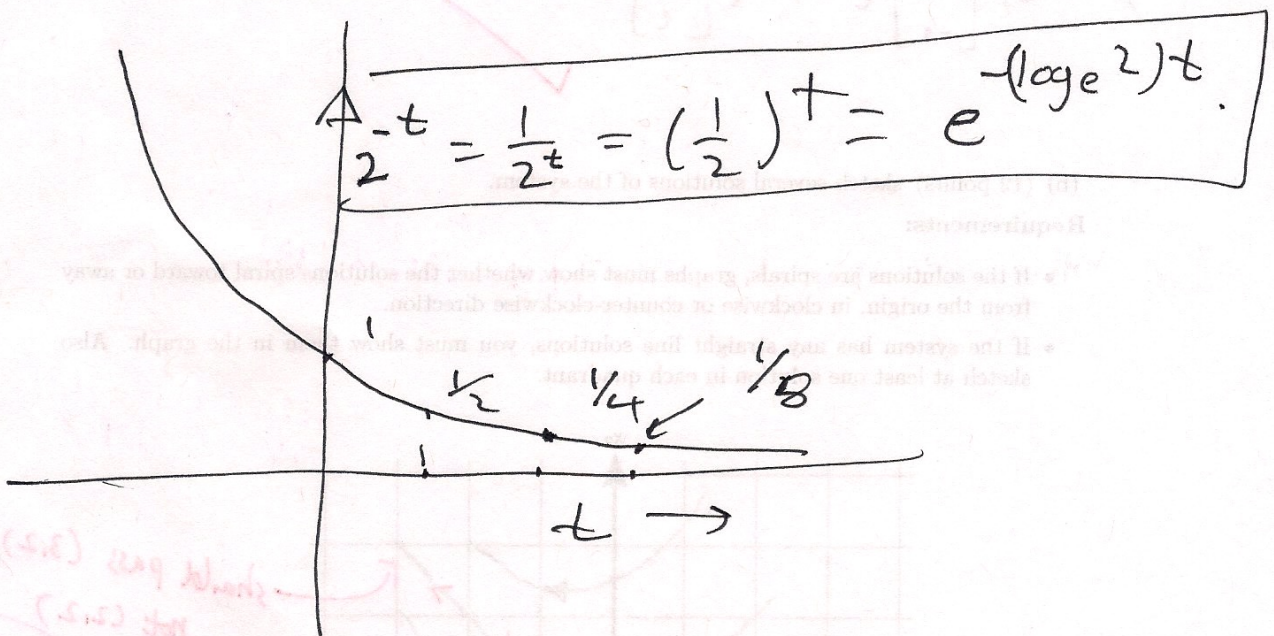
$$1 > b > 0$$

Case

$$\text{eg } \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^t = \frac{1}{2^t} = e^{kt} \quad [4]$$

$$k = -\log_e 2.$$

$$= +\log_e \left(\frac{1}{2}\right).$$



Exponential  
Decay