# Chapter 1 Some Mathematical Basics

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$$(1-x)S = 1 + x + x^{2} + x^{3} + \dots + x^{n}$$

$$-x - x^{2} - x^{3} + \dots - x^{n} - x^{n+1}$$

$$= 1 - x^{n+1}$$

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, where  $|x| < 1$ 

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$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{1 - x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - x} \quad \text{(because } |x| < 1\text{)}$$

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**Q:** What is S? (Assume  $x \neq 1$ )

$$S = 1 + 2x + 3x^2 + 4x^3 + \dots + nx^{n-1} \qquad (x \neq 1)$$

$$S = \frac{d}{dx} (1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^n)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{1 - x} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\frac{d}{dx} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}}{\frac{d}{dx} \frac{g(x)}{g(x)}} = \frac{\frac{g(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} f(x) - f(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} g(x)}{g(x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(1 - x) \cdot (-(n+1)x^n) - (1 - x^{n+1}) \cdot (-1)}{(1 - x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1 - (n+1)x^n + nx^{n+1}}{(1 - x)^2}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$$

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Do inner integral first 
$$= \int_{y=0}^{y=\infty} y e^{-y} dy$$

$$= 1 \qquad \text{(via integration by parts)}$$

#### Integration by parts

$$\int_{y=0}^{y=\infty} y \, e^{-y} dy = ?$$

$$\int_{a}^{b} u dv = uv \Big|_{y=a}^{y=b} - \int_{a}^{b} v du$$

$$\int_{y=0}^{y=\infty} y e^{-y} dy = -ye^{-y} \Big|_{y=0}^{y=\infty} - \int_{y=0}^{y=\infty} (-e^{-y}) dy$$

$$= 0 - (-0) - e^{-y} \Big|_{y=0}^{y=\infty}$$

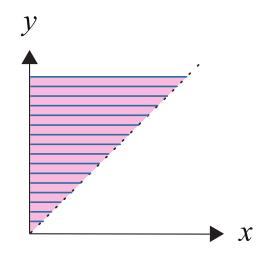
$$= 0 - (0 - 1)$$

$$= 1$$

# Review of Double Integrals

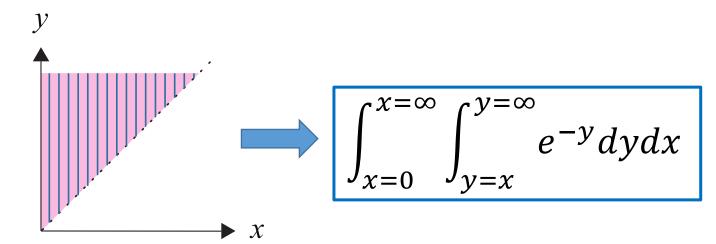
Q: Derive: 
$$\int_{y=0}^{y=\infty} \int_{x=0}^{x=y} e^{-y} dx dy$$
 by first reversing the order of integration

#### Original integration space



y ranges from 0 to  $\infty$ . For each particular value of y, we let x range from 0 to y.

#### **Equivalent integration space**



x ranges from 0 to  $\infty$ . For each particular value of x, we let y range from x to  $\infty$ .

# Review of Double Integrals

Q: Derive:  $\int_{y=0}^{y=\infty} \int_{x=0}^{x-y} e^{-y} dx dy$  by first reversing the order of integration

$$\int_{x=0}^{x=\infty} \int_{y=x}^{y=\infty} e^{-y} dy dx = \int_{x=0}^{x=\infty} -e^{-y} \Big|_{y=x}^{y=\infty} dx$$

$$= \int_{x=0}^{x=\infty} (0 + e^{-x}) dx$$

$$= -e^{-x} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=\infty} = 1$$

#### Fundamental Theorem of Calculus (FTC)

**Theorem 1.8: (FTC)** Let f(t) be a continuous function defined on the interval [a, b]. Then, for any x, where a < x < b,

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{a}^{x} f(t)dt = f(x)$$

Furthermore, for any differentiable function g(x),

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{a}^{g(x)} f(t)dt = f(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

# Fundamental Theorem of Calculus (FTC)

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#### Intuition:

Let 
$$Box(x) = \int_{a}^{x} f(t)dt$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}Box(x) = \lim_{\Delta \to 0} \frac{Box(x + \Delta) - Box(x)}{\Delta}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta \to 0} \frac{\int_{a}^{x+\Delta} f(t)dt - \int_{a}^{x} f(t)dt}{\Delta}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta \to 0} \frac{\int_{x}^{x+\Delta} f(t)dt}{\Delta} \approx \lim_{\Delta \to 0} \frac{f(x) \cdot \Delta}{\Delta} = f(x)$$

Box(x) is the area under f(t)between t=a and t=x. We seek the rate at which this area changes for a small change in x.

Since

 $f(x) \approx f(x + \Delta)$ 

# Fundamental Theorem of Calculus (FTC)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{a}^{g(x)} f(t)dt = f(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

$$Box(x) = \int_{a}^{g(x)} f(t)dt$$

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$$= \lim_{\Delta \to 0} \frac{\int_{g(x)}^{g(x+\Delta)} f(t)dt}{\Delta}$$

$$\approx \lim_{\Delta \to 0} \frac{f(g(x)) \cdot (g(x+\Delta) - g(x))}{\Delta}$$

$$= f(g(x)) \cdot \lim_{\Delta \to 0} \frac{g(x+\Delta) - g(x)}{\Delta} = f(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

#### Understanding e

$$e \approx 2.7183$$

$$e \equiv \lim_{n \to \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n$$

**Q:** How should we interpret *e* ?

A: Suppose you have m dollars. You are promised 100% interest yearly.

- $\triangleright$  If interest is compounded annually, we have  $\frac{2m}{n}$  dollars after 1 year.
- > If interest is compounded every 6 mo, we have  $\frac{\left(1+\frac{1}{2}\right)m=\frac{3}{4}m}{4}$  dollars after 1 year
- > If interest is compounded every 4 mo, we have  $\frac{\left(1+\frac{1}{3}\right)m=\frac{64}{27}m}{\text{dollars after 1 year}}$
- $\blacktriangleright$  If interest is compounded continuously, we have  $\frac{1+\frac{1}{n}}{m} \xrightarrow{m \to e \cdot m}$  dollars after 1 year

# Understanding e<sup>x</sup>

Claim: 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{x}{n} \right)^n = e^x$$

#### **Proof:**

Let  $a = \frac{n}{x}$ . As  $n \to \infty$ , we have  $a \to \infty$ .

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{x}{n} \right)^n = \lim_{a \to \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{a} \right)^{ax} = \lim_{a \to \infty} \left( \left( 1 + \frac{1}{a} \right)^a \right)^x = e^x$$

# Review of Taylor/Maclaurin series

Let 0 < x < 1.

**Q:** Which is bigger, 1 + x or  $e^x$ ?

**Q:** Which is bigger, 1 - x or  $e^{-x}$ ?

**A:** Recall, we can express f(x) via its Taylor series expansion around x=0:

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 + \cdots$$

$$e^{x} = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^{2}}{2!} + \frac{x^{3}}{3!} + \frac{x^{4}}{4!} \dots$$

$$e^{-x} = 1 - \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^{2}}{2!} - \frac{x^{3}}{3!} + \frac{x^{4}}{4!} - \dots$$

$$e^{-x} > 1 - x$$

#### Harmonic Number

<u>Defn</u>: The nth harmonic number is denoted by  $H_n$ , where

$$H_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$$

Harmonic Number Theorem:

$$\ln(n+1) < H_n < 1 + \ln(n)$$

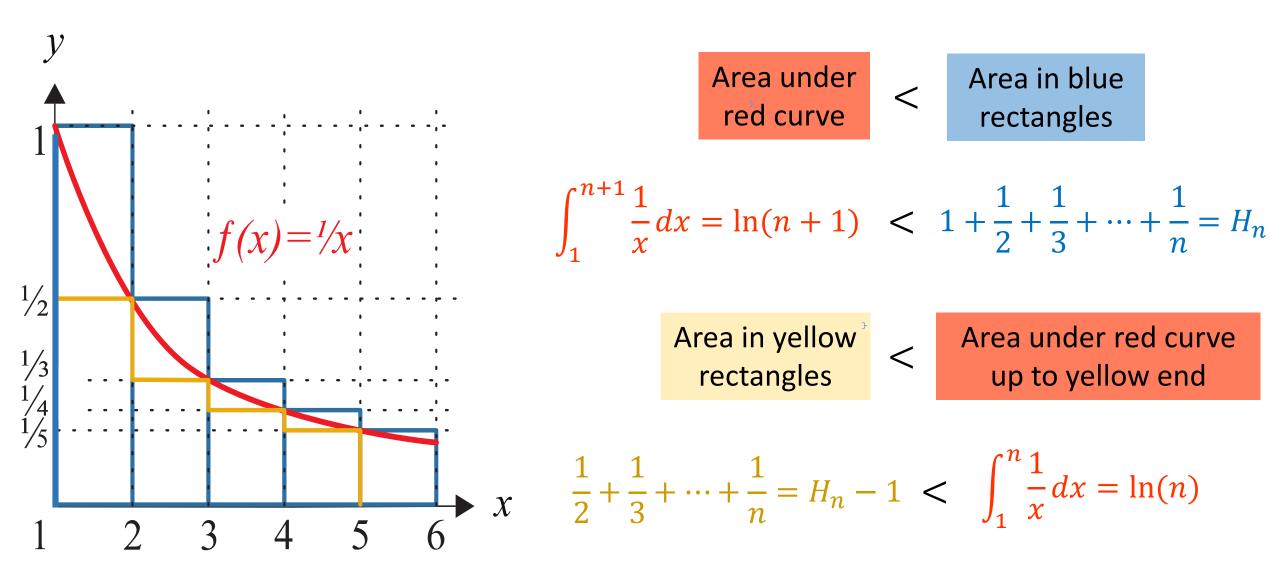
We will prove this next...

Cor:

$$H_n \approx \ln(n)$$
 for high  $n$ 

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} H_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots = \infty$$

#### Proof of Harmonic Number Theorem



#### Counting: Combinations versus Permutations

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$$n(n-1)(n-2)\cdots(n-(k-1)) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$$

Combinations

**Q:** Answer the question if the order of the flavors doesn't matter.

$$ABC = ACB = BCA = BAC = CBA = CAB$$

$$\frac{n!}{(n-k)! \, k!} = \binom{n}{k} = "n \text{ choose } k"$$

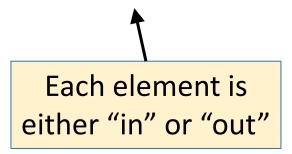
so divide #permutations by k!

**Q**: Evaluate: 
$$S_1 = \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} + \cdots + \binom{n}{n}$$

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All All subsets of size 0 of size 1 of size 2 of size  $n$ 

 $S_1 = \text{total number of subsets of } n \text{ elements} = 2^n$ 



**Q**: Evaluate: 
$$S_2 = \binom{n}{0} y^n + \binom{n}{1} x y^{n-1} + \binom{n}{2} x^2 y^{n-2} + \dots + \binom{n}{n} x^n$$

A: This is the binomial expansion of  $(x + y)^n$ 

**Q**: Evaluate: 
$$S_3 = \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1}x + \binom{n}{2}x^2 + \cdots + \binom{n}{n}x^n$$

A: This is the binomial expansion of  $(x + 1)^n$ 

#### Some useful bounds

#### Theorem 1.12:

$$\left(\frac{n}{k}\right)^k < \binom{n}{k} < \left(\frac{ne}{k}\right)^k$$

See book for proof!

#### Theorem (Stirling):

$$\sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n < n! < e \sqrt{n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$$

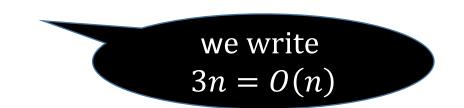
### Asymptotic notation: big-O

Asymptotic notation is a way to summarize rate at which function f(n) grows with n.

 $\square$  O(g(n)) is the set of functions that grow no faster than g(n).

$$\geq 3n, \sqrt{n}, \lg\lg(n) \in O(n)$$

$$> n^2$$
,  $n \lg(n) \notin O(n)$ 



<u>Defn</u>: We say that f(n) = O(g(n)), pronounced as f(n) is **big-O** of g(n), if there exists a constant  $c \ge 0$ , s.t.,

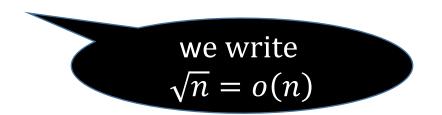
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = c$$

#### Asymptotic notation: little-o

 $\bigcirc o(g(n))$  is the set of functions that grow strictly slower than g(n).

$$\geq 2\sqrt{n}$$
, 15 lg lg  $(n) \in o(n)$ 

$$\geqslant \frac{n}{2}$$
,  $n \lg \lg (n)$ ,  $n^3 \notin o(n)$ 



<u>Defn</u>: We say that f(n) = o(g(n)), pronounced as f(n) is **little-o** of g(n), if

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{f(n)}{g(n)}=0$$

Cor: We say that 
$$f(n) = o(1)$$
 if  $\lim_{n \to \infty} f(n) = 0$ .

# Asymptotic notation: big-Omega

 $\square \Omega(g(n))$  is the set of functions that grow no slower than g(n).

<u>Defn</u>: We say that  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ , pronounced as f(n) is **big-Omega** of g(n), if

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{f(n)}{g(n)}>0$$

### Asymptotic notation: little-omega

 $\square \omega(g(n))$  is the set of functions that grow strictly faster than g(n).

$$> \frac{n^2}{2}$$
,  $n \lg n$ ,  $n^3 \in \omega(n)$ 

$$> n$$
,  $15\sqrt{n}$ ,  $25n \notin \omega(n)$ 

we write 
$$n^2 = \omega(n)$$

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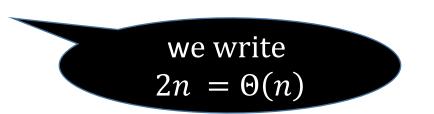
$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{f(n)}{g(n)}=\infty$$

# Asymptotic notation: big-Theta

 $\square \Theta(g(n))$  is the set of functions that grow at the same rate as g(n).

$$\geq$$
 15 $n$ ,  $\frac{n}{2} \in \Theta(n)$ 

$$ightharpoonup n \log n$$
,  $15\sqrt{n}$ ,  $n^2 \notin \Theta(n)$ 



<u>Defn</u>: We say that  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ , pronounced as f(n) is **Theta** of g(n), if

$$f(n) = O(g(n))$$
 and  $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$