

#### 4. FUNCTIONS OF ONE REAL VARIABLE (CONTINUATION)

##### 4.4. Elementary functions.

**Theorem 4.15.** *There exists a unique function **logarithm** (log) with the following properties*

- (L1)  $D(\log) = (0, +\infty)$  and log is increasing on  $(0, +\infty)$ ,
- (L2)  $\forall x, y \in (0, +\infty) : \log xy = \log x + \log y$ ,
- (L3)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\log x}{x-1} = 1$ .

**Definition. Exponential function** (exp) is defined as the inverse function to log.

**Definition.** Let  $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $a > 0$ . The number  $a^b$  is defined by  $a^b = \exp(b \log a)$ .

**Theorem 4.16.** *There exists a unique positive real number  $\pi$  and a unique function **sine** (sin) with the following properties*

- (S1)  $D(\sin) = \mathbf{R}$ ,
- (S2) sin is increasing on  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ ,
- (S3)  $\sin 0 = 0$ ,
- (S4)  $\forall x, y \in \mathbf{R} : \sin(x + y) = \sin x \cdot \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} - y) + \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} - x) \cdot \sin y$ ,
- (S5)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$ .

**Definition.** The function **cosine** (cos) is defined by

$$\cos x = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right), \quad x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

The function **tangent** (tan) is defined by

$$\tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

for each real  $x$ , where the fraction makes sense, i.e.,

$$D(\tan) = \{x \in \mathbf{R}; x \neq (2k + 1)\pi/2, k \in \mathbf{Z}\}.$$

The symbol cot stands for the function **cotangent**, which is defined on the set  $D(\cot) = \{x \in \mathbf{R}; x \neq k\pi, k \in \mathbf{Z}\}$  by

$$\cot x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}.$$

**Definition** (cyclometric functions). We define functions **arcsine** (arcsin), **arccosine** (arccos), **arctangent** (arctan), **arccotangent** (arccot) by

$$\begin{aligned} \arcsin &= (\sin |_{[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]})^{-1}, \\ \arccos &= (\cos |_{[0, \pi]})^{-1}, \\ \arctan &= (\tan |_{(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})})^{-1}, \\ \operatorname{arccot} &= (\cot |_{(0, \pi)})^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 4.17.** *Functions log, exp, sin, cos, tan, cot, arcsin, arccos, arctan and arccot are continuous on their domains.*