

Today

- Derivative of $\ln(x)$ aka $\log(x)$.
- Derivative of a^x .
- Log-log and semi-log plots.
- Exponential derivative (what is C_a ?)
- Converting between a^x and e^{kx} .

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• Solve for y' : $y' = e^{-y} = 1/x$

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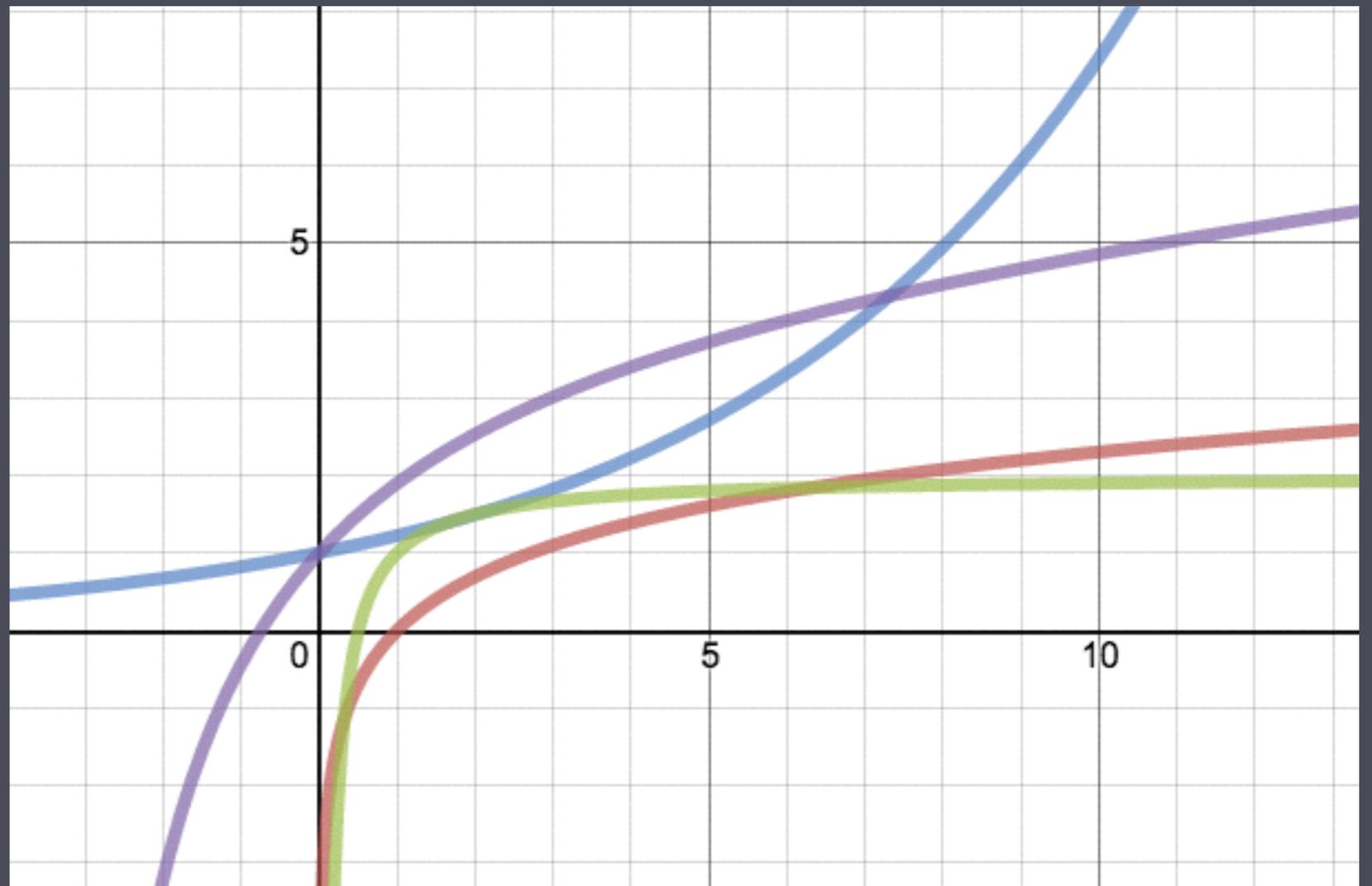
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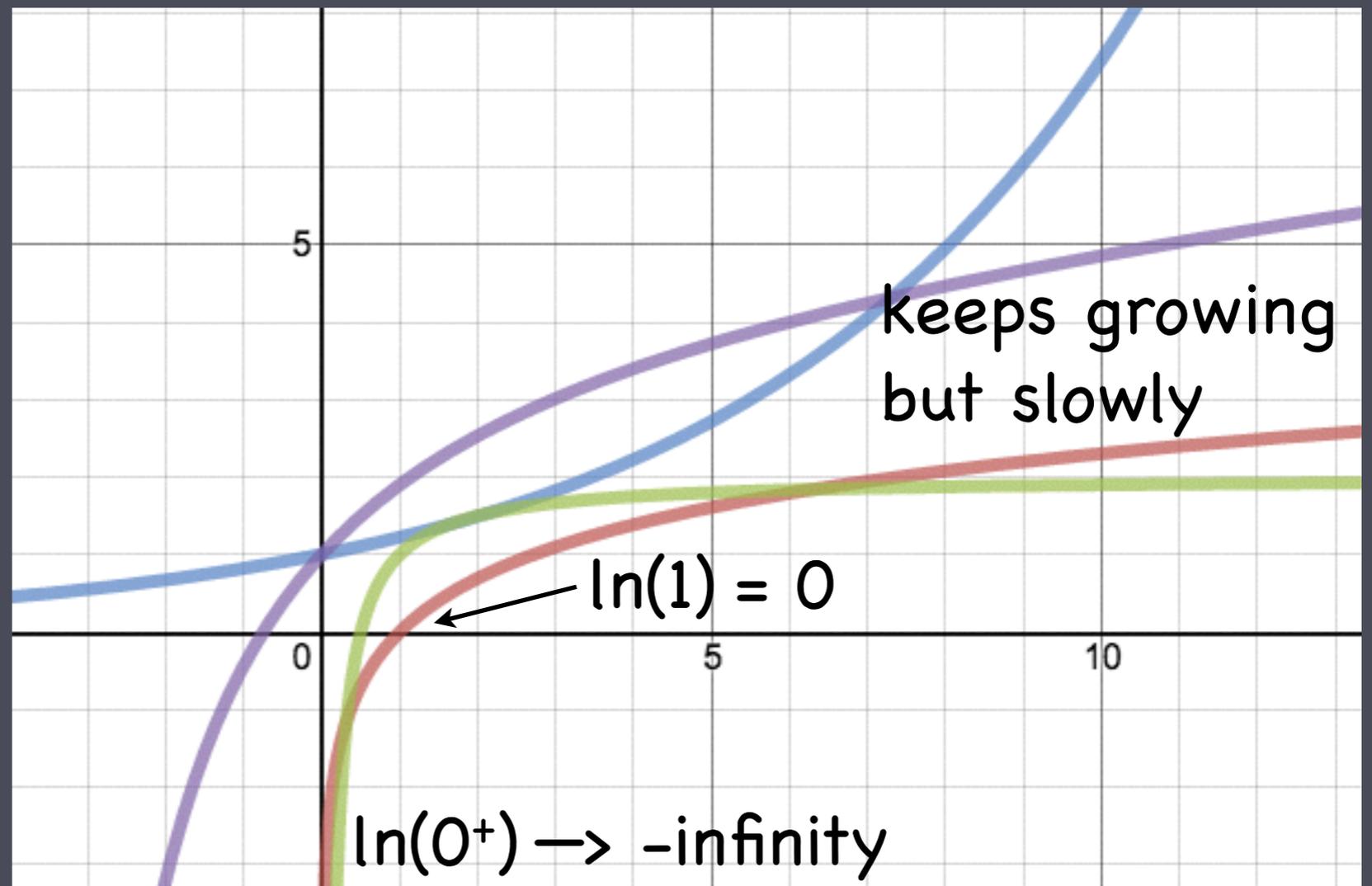
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Log-log and semi-log plots

- A log-log plot is a plot on which you plot $\log(y)$ versus $\log(x)$ instead of y versus x .
- A semi-log plot is a plot on which you plot $\log(y)$ versus x instead of y versus x .

←---this is what OSH 5 asks you to use

Semi-log plot of exponential function

- Suppose $y = ae^{kx}$. a and k are constants.
- Define new variable $V = \ln(y)$.
- $V = \ln(y) = \ln(ae^{kx}) = \ln(a) + kx$.
- $V = A + kx$ where $A = \ln(a)$.
- On a semi-log plot, $y = ae^{kx}$ looks linear.

$$f(x) = a^x. \quad f'(x) = C_a a^x. \quad C_a = ???$$

- Recall that we got stuck on this derivative.
- Time to get unstuck...

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From the last two clicker Qs...

• $f(x) = e^{\ln(2)x} \rightarrow f'(x) = \ln(2)e^{\ln(2)x}.$

• $f(x) = e^{\ln(2)x} \rightarrow f(x) = 2^x.$

• So $f(x) = 2^x \rightarrow f'(x) = 2^x \ln(2).$

• In general, $f(x) = a^x \rightarrow f'(x) = a^x \ln(a).$

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$$\ln(a) = k \ln(e)$$

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$$\ln(a) = k$$

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$$\rightarrow f'(x) = a^x \ln(a).$$

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