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The Relation between Hyper-Exponential Functions and Napier Number

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Special functions that satisfy the following differential equation are defined as hyper-exponential functions of n-order.

$$\frac{d^n y(x)}{dx^n} = f(x)y(x)$$

The hyper-exponential function can be said to be a family of functions of such special functions.

I created the symbol **exph** to represent the hyper-exponential function.

Exph stands for hyper-exponential function, which means infinite series as follows.

$$x \in R$$
, $f(x) \in R$, $i \in N_0$, $j \in N_0$, $n \in N$

$$f(x)$$
:

A differentiable function defined by some interval containing zero, which is an integrable and bounded function.

$$seed(x; 0) = 1$$

 $seed(x; j) = \frac{x^{j}}{j!}$ $(j = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1)$

$$\begin{split} k_0(x) &= seed(x; j) \quad (j = 0, 1, 2, \cdots, n - 1) \\ k_{i+1}(x) &= \int_0^x \cdots \int_0^x dx^n \, f(x) \, k_i(x) \\ exph_j^n\{x; f(x)\} &= \sum_{i=0}^\infty k_i(x) \end{split}$$

And for,

$$y(x) = exph_i^n\{x; f(x)\}$$

The following differential equation is obtained.

$$\frac{d^n y(x)}{dx^n} = f(x)y(x) .$$

Thus, **exph** is a form of representation of the hyper-exponential function.

Napier number:

$$e = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i!} = 2.718281828 \cdots$$

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Exponential function:

$$e^x = exp(x) = exph_0^1(x; 1) = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^i}{i!}$$
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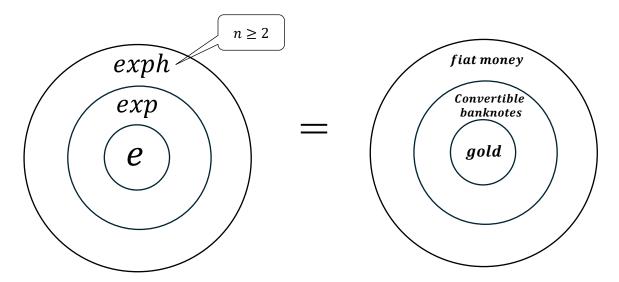
The following feature of hyper-exponential functions of first-order is important.

$$exph_0^1{x; f(x)} = e^{\int_0^x f(x)dx}.$$

Thus, hyper-exponential functions of first-order are tied to the Napier number e. For this reason, if the Napier number is compared to gold, not only the exponential function but also hyper-exponential functions of first-order can be compared to convertible banknotes.

On the other hand, hyper-exponential functions of second-order or higher-order cannot be described by using the Napier number, so they can be compared to fiat money.

What I am arguing is that, just as humanity has come to use fiat money as currency, the time has come for researchers to use hyper-exponential functions of second-order or higher-order, which are not tied to the Napier number, in various fields such as mathematics, physics, and science and technologies.



As mentioned above, hyper-exponential functions contain the exponential function. And hyper-exponential functions of second-order or higher-order are not tied to the Napier number.

I eagerly recommend that all of humanity, including researchers, understand this and make active use of exph.