

Problem 14, §6.4

Prove that for small x

$$\frac{1}{x} \log(1+x) = 1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} + \dots,$$

and hence that

$$(1+x)^{\frac{1}{x}} = e\left(1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{7}{12}x^2 + \dots\right).$$

Hence prove that

$$\frac{e - \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n}{1/n} \rightarrow \frac{e}{2} \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$