

Properties of e.

- (1) e lies between 2.7 and 2.8. i.e., $2.7 < e < 2.8$ (since $\frac{1}{n!} \leq \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$ for $n \geq 2$)
- (2) The value of e correct to 10 places of decimals is 2.7182818284
- (3) e is an irrational (incommensurable) number
- (4) e is the base of natural logarithm (Napier logarithm) i.e. $\ln x = \log_e x$ and $\log_{10} e$ is known as

Napierian constant. $\log_{10} e = 0.43429448$, $\ln x = 2.303 \log_{10} x$

$$\left(\text{since } \ln x = \log_{10} x \cdot \log_e 10 \text{ and } \log_e 10 = \frac{1}{\log_{10} e} = 2.30258509 \right)$$