

## An approach to “early transcendentals”

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### The function $\text{god}(t)$

There is one function that

- (a) in the Beginning, created something from nothing, and
- (b) is “unchanging”, or rather, its change is itself.

Through the ages thinkers have contemplated this function and nowadays it is common to write (a) and (b) in abbreviated form,

$$(a') \quad \text{god}(0) = 1, \quad \text{and} \quad (b') \quad \frac{d \text{god}(t)}{dt} = \text{god}(t),$$

but the meaning is still the same.

Two of the children of god are eve and adam:

$$\text{god}(it) = \text{adam}(t) + i \text{eve}(t).$$

### Trying to understand $\text{god}(t)$

If we try to “understand” god in “normal” terms,

$$\text{god}(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_3 t^3 + \dots,$$

then

$$\text{since} \quad \text{god}(0) = 1, \quad a_0 = 1, \quad \text{and}$$

$$\text{since} \quad \frac{d \text{god}(t)}{dt} = \text{god}(t), \quad \begin{array}{l} a_1 = a_0, \quad \text{and} \\ 2a_2 = a_1, \quad \text{and} \\ 3a_3 = a_2, \quad \text{and} \\ 4a_4 = a_3, \quad \text{and} \\ 5a_5 = a_4, \quad \dots, \text{ etc.}, \end{array}$$

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and so

$$\text{god}(t) = 1 + t + \frac{1}{2!}t^2 + \frac{1}{3!}t^3 + \frac{1}{4!}t^4 + \dots,$$

which illustrates that  $\text{god}(t)$  exists everywhere and goes on forever.

### An amazing thing about $\text{god}(t)$

One of the amazing things about  $\text{god}$  is that

$$\text{god}(t + s) = \text{god}(t) \text{god}(s).$$

To see why  $\text{god}$  is this way suppose that there is a “different” function such that

$$(a'') \text{ is “unchanging” } \left( \text{i.e. } \frac{d \widetilde{\text{god}}(t)}{dt} = \widetilde{\text{god}}(t) \right), \quad \text{and}$$

$$(b'') \text{ in the Beginning, was the way that } \text{god} \text{ is after } s \text{ millenia } \left( \text{i.e. } \widetilde{\text{god}}(0) = \text{god}(s) \right).$$

By the chain rule,

$$\frac{d \text{god}(t + s)}{dt} = \text{god}(t + s) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{god}(0 + s) = \text{god}(s),$$

and so

$$\text{god}(t + s) = \widetilde{\text{god}}(t).$$

Also,

$$\frac{d (\text{god}(t)\text{god}(s))}{dt} = \text{god}(t)\text{god}(s), \quad \text{and} \quad \text{god}(0)\text{god}(s) = \text{god}(s),$$

and so

$$\text{god}(t)\text{god}(s) = \widetilde{\text{god}}(t) = \text{god}(t + s).$$

### What about $\text{adam}(t)$ and $\text{eve}(t)$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{god}(it) &= 1 + it + \frac{(it)^2}{2!} + \frac{(it)^3}{3!} + \frac{(it)^4}{4!} + \frac{(it)^5}{5!} + \dots \\ &= 1 + \frac{i^2 t^2}{2!} + \frac{i^4 t^4}{4!} + \frac{i^6 t^6}{6!} + \dots \\ &\quad + it + \frac{i^3 t^3}{3!} + \frac{i^5 t^5}{5!} + \frac{i^7 t^7}{7!} + \dots \\ &= 1 - \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{t^4}{4!} - \frac{t^6}{6!} + \dots \\ &\quad + it - \frac{it^3}{3!} + \frac{it^5}{5!} - \frac{it^7}{7!} + \dots \\ &= \left( 1 - \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{t^4}{4!} - \frac{t^6}{6!} + \frac{t^8}{8!} - \dots \right) + i \left( t - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^5}{5!} - \frac{t^7}{7!} + \dots \right) \end{aligned}$$

and, since adam and eve are the children of god,

$$\text{i.e.} \quad \text{because} \quad \text{god}(it) = \text{adam}(t) + i \text{eve}(t) ,$$

we see that

$$\text{adam}(t) = 1 - \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{t^4}{4!} - \frac{t^6}{6!} + \frac{t^8}{8!} + \dots, \quad \text{and}$$

$$\text{eve}(t) = t - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^5}{5!} - \frac{t^7}{7!} + \frac{t^9}{9!} + \dots,$$

from which it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{adam}(0) &= 0, & \text{eve}(0) &= 1, \\ \text{adam}(-t) &= -\text{adam}(t), & \text{eve}(-t) &= \text{eve}(t), \\ \frac{d \text{adam}(t)}{dt} &= \text{eve}(t), & \frac{d \text{eve}(t)}{dt} &= -\text{adam}(t). \end{aligned}$$

So, adam and eve are complete opposites and identical twins at the same time.

### Complete opposites and identical twins at the same time, another manifestation

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \text{god}(0) = \text{god}(it - it) = \text{god}(it + i(-t)) = \text{god}(it)\text{god}(i(-t)) \\ &= (\text{adam}(t) + i \text{eve}(t))(\text{adam}(-t) + i \text{eve}(-t)) \\ &= (\text{adam}(t) + i \text{eve}(t))(\text{adam}(t) - i \text{eve}(t)) \\ &= (\text{adam}(t))^2 + (\text{eve}(t))^2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e.} \quad 1 = (\text{adam}(t))^2 + (\text{eve}(t))^2.$$

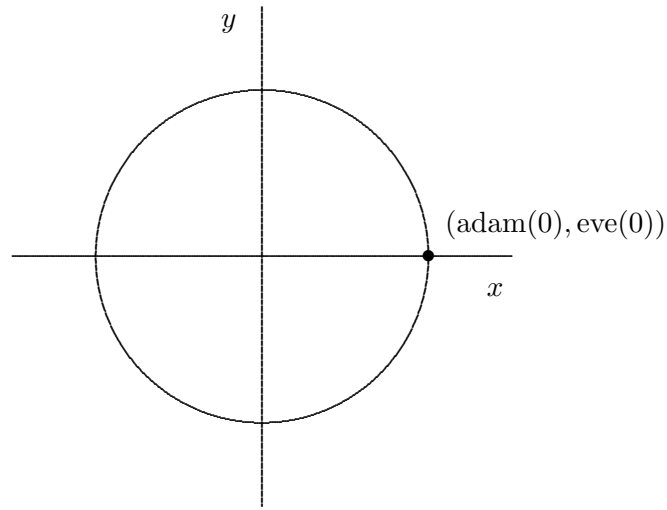
### Through the ages: where are we now?

Let  $x = \text{eve}(t)$  and  $y = \text{adam}(t)$ .

(A) In the Beginning the point  $(x, y)$  was at  $(\text{adam}(0), \text{eve}(0)) = (1, 0)$ , and

since  $1 = (\text{adam}(t))^2 + (\text{eve}(t))^2$ ,  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ , and

(B) adam and eve travel through the ages on a circle of radius 1.



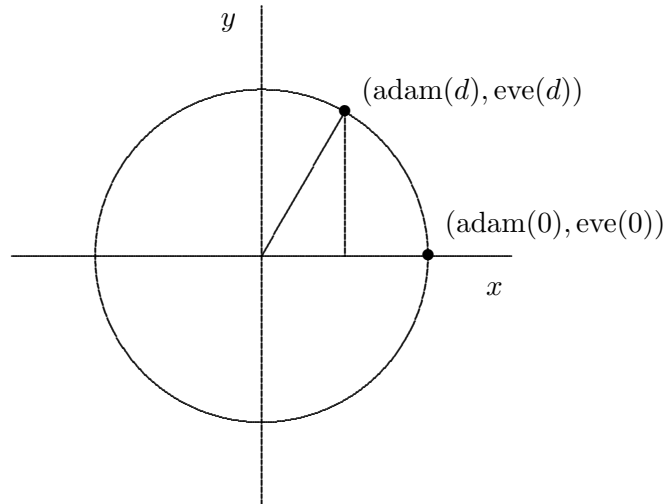
Where are they after  $d$  millenia?

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{The distance traveled} &= \int_{t=0}^{t=d} ds = \int_{t=0}^{t=d} \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt \\
 \text{after } d \text{ millenia} &= \int_{t=0}^{t=d} \sqrt{\left(\frac{d \text{ adam}(t)}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{d \text{ eve}(t)}{dt}\right)^2} dt \\
 &= \int_{t=0}^{t=d} \sqrt{(\text{eve})^2 + (-\text{adam}(t))^2} dt \\
 &= \int_{t=0}^{t=d} \sqrt{1} dt = \int_{t=0}^{t=d} dt = t \Big|_{t=0}^{t=d} = d - 0 = d,
 \end{aligned}$$

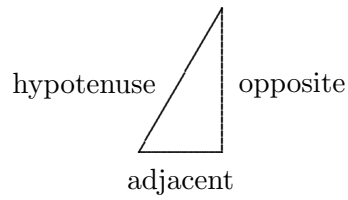
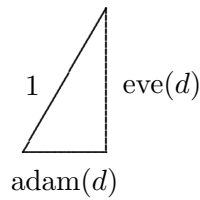
and so

$\text{adam}(t)$  =  $x$ -coordinate of the point on a circle of radius 1  
which is distance  $d$  from the point  $(1,0)$ , and

$\text{eve}(t)$  =  $y$ -coordinate of the point on a circle of radius 1  
which is distance  $d$  from the point  $(1,0)$ .



The triangle in this picture is



and so

$$\text{adam}(d) = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{hypotenuse}} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{eve}(d) = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

for a right triangle with angle  $d$ .

**Some remarks on society**

1. It is interesting to note that our school systems like to introduce our children to  $\text{adam}(t)$  and  $\text{eve}(t)$  but prefer to hide from my child how close they really are to  $\text{god}(t)$ .

2. Mathematicians are a cloistered group and prefer to study  $\text{god}$ ,  $\text{adam}$ , and  $\text{eve}$  in anonymity. In the mathematical literature

$\text{god}(t)$	is usually called	$e^t$ ,	
$\text{adam}(t)$	is usually termed	$\cos t$ ,	and
$\text{eve}(t)$	is usually called	$\sin t$ .	