

## Homework #6

**1 (Average Value Theorem).** In HW 3 you showed that if  $f$  is a positive continuous function on  $[a, b]$  then there exists some  $c \in (a, b)$  such that the area  $A$  under the graph of  $f$  satisfies  $A = f(c)(b - a)$ . Apply the Mean Value Theorem to the function  $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$  to show that this property holds for any continuous function  $f$  (not just positive) and that, in fact, the value  $f(c)$  is given by

$$f(c) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt. \quad (1)$$

**Note:** The value  $f(c)$  in (1) is called *the average value of  $f$  on the interval  $[a, b]$* . For a discrete set of values their average is the sum of values divided by the total number of values; here we have a continuum of values  $f(x)$  for  $x \in [a, b]$  and their average is the continuous sum of values  $f(x)$  for  $x \in [a, b]$  ( $\int_a^b f(t) dt$ ) divided by the total number of  $x$ 's ( $b - a$ ).

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(a) Determine  $F' \left( \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}} \right)$  if  $F(x) = \int_0^{\sin x^2} \frac{1}{t} dt$ .

(b) Determine  $f(4)$  if  $\int_0^x f(t) dt = x \cos(\pi x)$ .

Hint for (b): The answer is not  $\int_0^4 f(t) dt$ .

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**3** Consider  $f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$  for  $x > 0$ .

(a) Show  $f$  has a global maximum at  $e$ . What is the maximum value of  $f$ ?

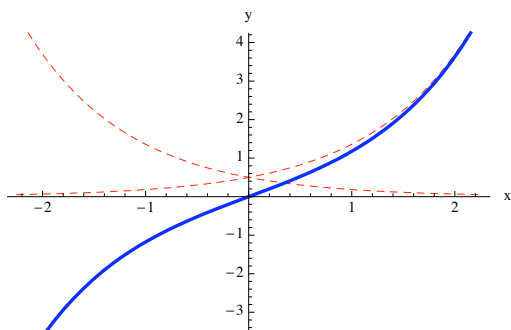
(b) Sketch a graph of the function  $f$ .

(c) Since  $e < \pi$  it follows from (a) that  $\frac{\ln \pi}{\pi} < \frac{\ln e}{e}$ . Use this to show  $\pi^e < e^\pi$ .

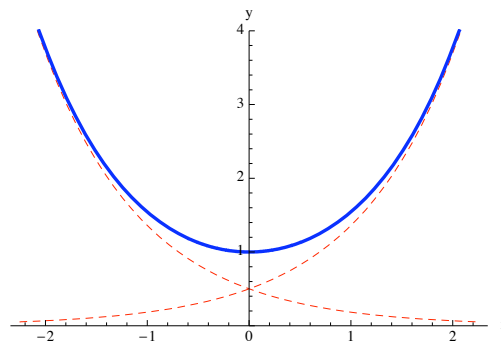
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**4 (Hyperbolic Trig functions.)** The hyperbolic sine and cosine are important functions in many areas of science and engineering. They are defined by

$$\sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}e^x - \frac{1}{2}e^{-x} \quad \text{and} \quad \cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}e^x + \frac{1}{2}e^{-x}.$$



$$\sinh x = \frac{e^x}{2} - \frac{e^{-x}}{2}$$



$$\cosh x = \frac{e^x}{2} + \frac{e^{-x}}{2}$$

(dashed graphs are of  $e^x/2$  and  $e^{-x}/2$ ,  $\sinh x$  is their difference,  $\cosh x$  is their sum).

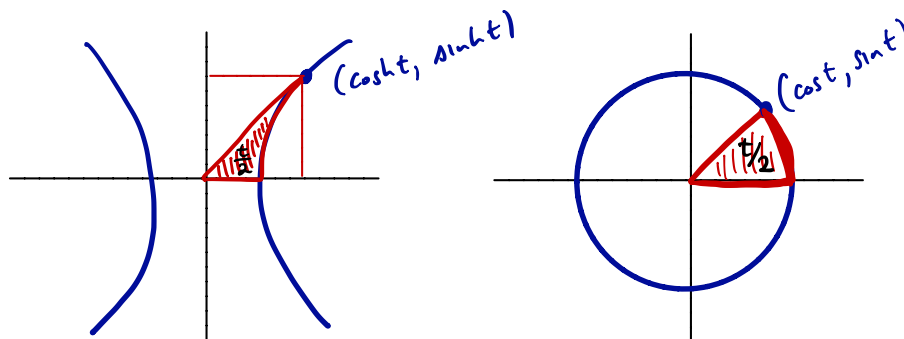
The hyperbolic trig functions are not periodic, but they share many similar properties to their periodic cousins  $\sin x$  and  $\cos x$ .

- (a) Show that  $\sinh 0 = 0$  and  $\cosh 0 = 1$ .
- (b) Show that  $\sinh x$  is an odd function and  $\cosh x$  is an even function.
- (c) Show that  $\cosh^2 x - \sinh^2 x = 1$ .
- (d) Part (c) implies the set of points  $(x, y) = (\cosh t, \sinh t)$  satisfy  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$ , an equation whose graph is a hyperbola. Do the points  $(\cosh t, \sinh t)$  cover the entire hyperbola  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$ ? Explain.

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5 The following figure illustrates another interesting connection between the circular trig functions sine and cosine and the hyperbolic trig functions sinh and cosh:



In each case the area of the shaded region defined by  $t$  is  $t/2$ . For the circle, the entire area is  $\pi$  and the wedge has radian angle  $t$ , so the area is  $A = \frac{t}{2\pi} \cdot \pi = \frac{t}{2}$ . For the hyperbola, the shaded area can be realized as the area of the triangle defined by the points  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(\cosh t, 0)$ , and  $(\cosh t, \sinh t)$ , less the area under the hyperbola from  $x = 1$  to  $x = \cosh t$ :

$$A(t) = \frac{1}{2} \cosh t \sinh t - \int_1^{\cosh t} \sqrt{x^2 - 1} \, dx$$

- Instead of computing this unfriendly integral for  $A(t)$ , first show that  $A'(t) = \frac{1}{2}$ .
- Explain why part (a) implies  $A(t) = \frac{t}{2} + C$  for some constant  $C$ .
- Use the known value  $A(0)$  to determine  $C$  and therefore verify  $A(t) = \frac{t}{2}$ , as desired.

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## 6 (Derivatives of Hyperbolic Trig Functions)

(a) Show that

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sinh x) = \cosh x \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\cosh x) = \sinh x$$

(b) Use the result of (a) to verify that  $y = \sinh x$  and  $y = \cosh x$  each satisfy the differential equation

$$y'' = y. \quad (2)$$

Similarly, verify that  $y = \sin x$  and  $y = \cos x$  each satisfy the differential equation

$$y'' = -y. \quad (3)$$

We will see in Math 82 that, in fact, *any* solution of (2) has the form  $y = c_1 \sinh x + c_2 \cosh x$  for some constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ , and *any* solution of (3) has the form  $y = c_1 \sin x + c_2 \cos x$  for some constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ . We say these functions form a “basis” for the set of all solutions.

(c) One defines the hyperbolic tangent (read “tanch”) and hyperbolic secant (read “setch”) by

$$\tanh x = \frac{\sinh x}{\cosh x} \quad \text{and} \quad \operatorname{sech} x = \frac{1}{\cosh x}.$$

Show that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tanh x = \operatorname{sech}^2 x \quad \frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{sech} x = -\tanh x \operatorname{sech} x.$$

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