

Physics 155 HW # 3

- 1.) The logarithmic derivative of a function $f(x)$ is given by:

$$\frac{\frac{df(x)}{dx}}{f(x)} = \frac{d}{dx} \ln f(x) \quad (1)$$

- a.) Compute the logarithmic derivative of ax^n and $a(x-c)^n$.
- b.) Prove that the logarithmic derivative of a product of two functions $W(x) = U(x)V(x)$ is the sum of the logarithmic derivatives of U and V .
- c.) Find the logarithmic derivative of

$$(x-a_1)^{n_1}(x-a_2)^{n_2}(x-a_3)^{n_3}\dots(x-a_p)^{n_p}$$

for integers n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p .

- d.) Find a function whose logarithmic derivative is 0, 1, or $2x$.

- 2.) Use the appropriate trig substitution to integrate (*i.e.* compute the antiderivative)

$$\int dx \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} \quad (2)$$

Hint: manipulate the equation to get a $\sqrt{1-x^2}$ in the denominator before using a trig substitution.

2.)

3.) Use induction to show that

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^n}{dx^n}(fg) &= \frac{d^n f}{dx^n}g + \binom{n}{1}\frac{d^{n-1}f}{dx^{n-1}}\frac{dg}{dx} + \binom{n}{2}\frac{d^{n-2}f}{dx^{n-2}}\frac{d^2g}{dx^2} + \dots \\ &+ \binom{n}{n-1}\frac{df}{dx}\frac{d^{n-1}g}{dx^{n-1}} + f\frac{d^n g}{dx^n}\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

where $\binom{n}{m} = \frac{n!}{m!(n-m)!}$ is the binomial coefficient.

4.) Evaluate the following integrals analytically:

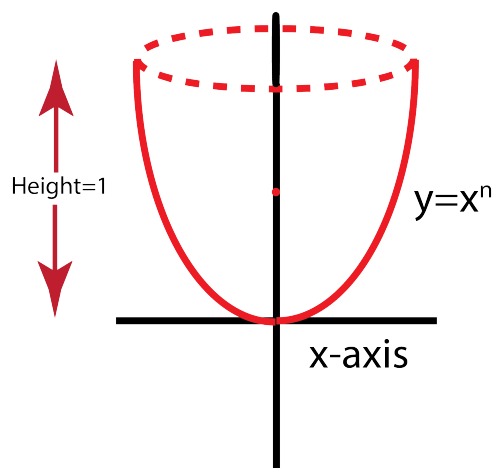
$$\text{a.) } \int_0^a \frac{dx}{x^2 + a^2}\tag{4}$$

$$\text{b.) } \int_{-1}^1 dx \sqrt{e^x}\tag{5}$$

$$\text{c.) } \int_0^1 dx \cos^{-1}\left(\sqrt{1-x^2}\right)\tag{6}$$

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- 5.) Evaluate the surface area and the volume of the surface of revolution given by a function $y = x^n$ with a height $h = 1$.



For the integrals, work them out to a one-dimensional integral. You won't be able to integrate the general case, so do only $n = 1$ and $n = 2$, which can be integrated. Also determine these values numerically (give a decimal answer).