

Let $f(x) = \frac{e^{2x} + 1}{e^{2x} - 1}$, for $x > 0$.

- (a) The equation $x = f(x)$ has one root, denoted by a .

Verify by calculation that a lies between 1 and 1.5. [2]

- (b) Use an iterative formula based on the equation in part (a) to determine a correct to 2 decimal places. Give the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places. [3]

- (c) Find $f'(x)$. Hence find the exact value of x for which $f'(x) = -8$. [6]