

1. (a) Most identities about regular trig functions are related to the fundamental identity  $\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x) = 1$ . What is the fundamental identity for hyperbolic trig functions? Show that this identity holds by using the definitions

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

(b) Divide the identity from (a) by  $\sinh^2$  or  $\cosh^2$  to get two new identities.

(c) Use Implicit Differentiation to show that the derivative of  $\tanh^{-1}(x)$  is  $\frac{1}{1-x^2}$ . You will need to make use of the identity in (a) or one of the identities in (b). [Hint: If you're not sure how to do this problem, you may use part (d) as a roadmap.]

(d) Below is an attempt to compute the derivative of the inverse hyperbolic cosecant function  $\text{csch}^{-1}(x)$ . There is a subtle difference between the formula obtained below and the one given to you in class / in the textbook. Locate the error in this argument and fix it.

Let  $y = \text{csch}^{-1}(x)$ . Then  $\text{csch}(y) = x$ , i.e.  $1 = x \sinh(y)$ . Hence

$$0 = x \cosh(y) \frac{dy}{dx} + \sinh(y).$$

Therefore  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{\sinh(y)}{x \cosh(y)}$ . Since  $\sinh(y) = x^{-1}$ ,

$$\cosh(y) = \sqrt{1+x^{-2}} = x^{-1}\sqrt{x^2+1}.$$

So finally we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x^{-1}}{x \cdot x^{-1}\sqrt{x^2+1}} = -\frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2+1}}.$$