

Section 1: Introducing the hyperbolic functions

Exercise level 1 solutions

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad \tanh 3x &= \frac{\sinh 3x}{\cosh 3x} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}(e^{3x} - e^{-3x})}{\frac{1}{2}(e^{3x} + e^{-3x})} \\
 &= \frac{e^{6x} - 1}{e^{6x} + 1} \quad \left(\text{or } \frac{e^{3x} - e^{-3x}}{e^{3x} + e^{-3x}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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 2. \quad (i) \quad 2 \sinh x \cosh x &= 2 \left(\frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} \right) \left(\frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} \right) \\
 &= 2 \left(\frac{e^{2x} - 1 + 1 - e^{-2x}}{4} \right) \\
 &= \frac{e^{2x} - e^{-2x}}{2} \\
 &= \sinh 2x
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (ii) \quad 1 + 2 \sinh^2 x &= 1 + 2 \left(\frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} \right)^2 \\
 &= 1 + 2 \left(\frac{e^{2x} - 2 + e^{-2x}}{4} \right) \\
 &= 1 + \frac{e^{2x} + e^{-2x}}{2} - 1 \\
 &= \cosh 2x
 \end{aligned}$$

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 (ii) \quad \cosh x \sinh 4x &= \cosh x \times 2 \sinh 2x \cosh 2x \\
 &= \cosh x \times 4 \sinh x \cosh x (1 + 2 \sinh^2 x) \\
 &= 4 \sinh x \cosh^2 x (1 + 2 \sinh^2 x) \\
 &= 4 \sinh x (1 + \sinh^2 x) (1 + 2 \sinh^2 x) \\
 &= 4 \sinh x + 12 \sinh^3 x + 8 \sinh^5 x
 \end{aligned}$$

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 3. \quad \frac{d}{dx} (x^3 \cosh^2 4x) &= 3x^2 \cosh^2 4x + x^3 \times 2 \times 4 \sinh 4x \cosh 4x \\
 &= 3x^2 \cosh^2 4x + 8x^3 \sinh 4x \cosh 4x
 \end{aligned}$$

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4. Using $\cosh 2x = 1 + 2\sinh^2 x$

$$\sinh^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(\cosh 2x - 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sinh^2 x \, dx &= \int \frac{1}{2}(\cosh 2x - 1) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4}\sinh 2x - \frac{1}{2}x + c\end{aligned}$$

5. $4\cosh x + 5\sinh x = 6$

$$4 \times \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x}) + 5 \times \frac{1}{2}(e^x - e^{-x}) = 6$$

$$9e^x - e^{-x} = 12$$

$$9e^{2x} - 12e^x - 1 = 0$$

$$e^x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144 + 36}}{18} = \frac{12 \pm 6\sqrt{5}}{18} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{5}}{3}$$

e^x cannot be negative, so $e^x \neq \frac{2 - \sqrt{5}}{3}$

Hence $e^x = \frac{2 + \sqrt{5}}{3}$, i.e. $x = \ln\left(\frac{2 + \sqrt{5}}{3}\right)$