

Challenging assignment 1

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do not bother answering it after 25th August 2014

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- This is **not** a mandatory assignment.
 - Assignment problems are slightly tougher than exam and classroom problems. These problems are expected to provoke critical and *out of the box* thinking.
 - Try and solve as many problems as you can. You are not expected to solve all problems.
 - You are not evaluated based on this. So, do not copy.

1. Suppose $y^{(n)}$ stands for the n th derivative of $y(x)$. If n is even, then $y^{(n)} = y$. Can you guess $y(x)$? What happens to $y^{(n)}$ when n is odd ?

2. Find

$$\underbrace{D^n(D^n(\dots D^n(x^{n^n}) \dots))}_{n \text{ times}}$$

3. Give a geometric (intuitive!) proof of

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{r}{\frac{dr}{d\theta}}$$

4. Suppose any vertical cross section of a soap bubble floating on the surface of water looks identical. The base of the bubble(on the surface of water) is circular with radius r . The curvature of any point on the cross section is proportional to height from the surface of water. The bubble bursts if curvature at any point exceeds c_{max} . Whats is maximum possible height of a bubble?
