

## Handout: More Differentiation

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**Problem 1.** Find an expression for  $\frac{d}{dx} (f(x)^{g(x)})$ .

**Problem 2.** Use the preceding problem to compute the derivative of  $x^{(x^x)}$ .

**Problem 3.** Compute the derivative of  $\operatorname{arccot} x$ .

**Problem 4.** Compute the derivative of

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{x+1}{x-1} \right).$$

What are the domains of  $f$  and  $f'$ ?

**Problem 5.** Find values for  $a$  and  $b$  so that the function

$$f(x) = \sin(ax + b)$$

passes through the point  $(2, 1/2)$  with slope  $-1$ .

Are there multiple choices of  $a$  and  $b$  that work? Do these choices actually give you different functions  $f$ ?