- 1. (a) Several possible solutions:
 - [i] Method known from secondary school: show that f'(x) > 0 for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$f'(x) = \frac{2x}{(e^x + 1)^2}$$
 [0.5 pt]

$$\frac{2x}{(e^x+1)^2} > 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}$$
[0.5 pt]

[ii] With definition: suppose f(a) = f(b), show that a = b: [0.5 pt]

$$\frac{e^{a}-1}{e^{a}+1} = \frac{e^{b}-1}{e^{b}+1}$$

$$(e^{a}-1)(e^{b}+1) = (e^{b}-1)(e^{a}+1)$$

$$e^{a+b}+e^{a}-e^{b}-1 = e^{a+b}-e^{a}+e^{b}-1$$

$$e^{a}-e^{b} = -e^{a}+e^{b}$$

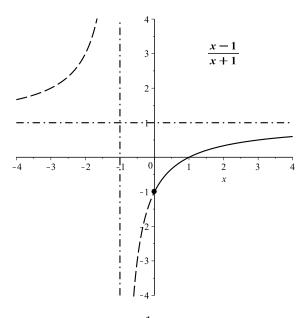
$$2e^{a} = 2e^{b}$$

$$e^{a} = e^{b}$$

$$a = b$$

Flawless execution of the derivation gives [0.5 pt].

(b)



Write f(x) as $g(e^x)$ where $g(u) = \frac{u-1}{u+1}$. The function g maps the interval $(0,\infty)$ onto (-1,1). The range of f is (-1,1). This is also the domain of f^{-1} . [1 pt]

For the inverse: solve y = f(x):

$$y = \frac{e^{x} - 1}{e^{x} + 1}$$

$$y(e^{x} + 1) = e^{x} - 1$$

$$ye^{x} + y = e^{x} - 1$$

$$ye^{x} - e^{x} = -1 - y$$

$$(1 - y)e^{x} = 1 + y$$

$$e^{x} = \frac{1 + y}{1 - y}$$

$$x = \ln\left(\frac{1 + y}{1 - y}\right) = \ln(1 + y) - \ln(1 - y).$$
[1 pt]

We have $f^{-1} \colon (-1, 1) \to \mathbb{R}$ with (replace y by x):

$$f^{-1}(x) = \ln(1+x) - \ln(1-x).$$

(c) Solution 1: differentiate $f^{-1}(x)$:

$$(f^{-1})'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x} + \frac{1}{1-x} = \frac{2}{(1-x)(1+x)} = \frac{2}{1-x^2}.$$
 [0.5 pt]

From this follows $(f^{-1})'(0) = 2$ [0.5 pt]

Solution 2: use $(f^{-1})'(y) = 1/f'(x)$ where f(x) = y:

$$f(0) = 0$$
 [0.5 pt]

and

$$f'(x) = \frac{2e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2}$$
 therefore $f'(0) = \frac{1}{2}$. [0.5 pt]

2. Write down the definition of derivative in x:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}.$$
 [0.5 pt]

Calculate this limit for $f(x) = x^2$:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{(x+h)^2 - x^2}{h}$$

= $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2 - x^2}{h}$
= $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{2xh + h^2}{h}$
= $\lim_{h \to 0} 2x + h$
= $2x$. [1.5 pt]

3. (a) Solve the homogeneous equation using the integrating factor:

$$v(x) = e^{\int 3x^2 - 1 \, dx} = e^{x^3 - x}.$$
 [0.5 pt]

The general solution then is

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{v(x)} = Ce^{x-x^3}.$$
 [0.5 pt]

Use the inital condition to solve C:

$$1 = y(1) = Ce^0$$
 hence $C = 1.$ [0.5 pt]

Write down the solution:

$$y(x) = e^{x-x^3}$$
. [0.5 pt]

(b) Use the integrating factor $v(x) = e^{x^3 - x}$ from (a). Find an antiderivative of $v(x) \cdot x^2 e^x$:

$$\int v(x) \cdot x^2 e^x dx = \int e^{x^3 - x} x^2 e^x dx$$
$$= \int x^2 e^{x^3} dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{3} e^{x^3}.$$
 [1 pt]

A particular solution is found by dividing the result by v:

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{v(x)} \cdot \frac{1}{3}e^{x^3} = \frac{1}{3}e^{x-x^3}e^{x^3} = \frac{1}{3}e^x.$$
 [1 pt]