

CM 210- Fall 2018. Class notes for solving Legendre Transforms in HW#1  
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Here is a package that does the Legendre transform of most reasonable functions f. I call it `LegendreTr[f_,m_]`. The parameter m is the number of roots you expect the derivative equation to have. One can always start with m=1. One can then try m=2 etc.... We can use it to invert the LT as well.....

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In[38]:= LegendreTr[f_, m_] := Block[{}, leg = x y - f; der = D[leg, x];
    xsol = x /. Solve[der == 0, x]; Do[g[j] =
        Simplify[(leg /. x → xsol[[j]])], Assumptions -> Element[g[j], Reals]], {j, 1, m}];
    Return[Table[g[j] /. y → x, {j, 1, m}]]]
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a) Here is one simple example. It is the solution to Problem 4(a,b)

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In[49]:= f0 = Exp[x - 1]
Out[49]= e-1+x

In[50]:= lf0 = Simplify[LegendreTr[f0, 1][[1]], Assumptions → Element[x, Reals]]
Out[50]= ConditionalExpression[x (2 ± π C[1] + Log[x]), C[1] ∈ Integers]
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Here we got the logarithm with its complex integers. Set C(1)=0 and proceed next.

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In[53]:= f0 = x Log[x]
Out[53]= x Log[x]

In[54]:= Simplify[LegendreTr[f0, 1][[1]], Assumptions → Element[x, Reals]]
Out[54]= e-1+x
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Next we do problem \$.c

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In[55]:= Clear[f0]
In[56]:= f0 = x^2 / 2 - x^3 / 3
Out[56]= 
$$\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3}$$


In[57]:= lf0 = LegendreTr[x^2 / 2 - x^3 / 3, 2]
Out[57]= 
$$\left\{ -\frac{1}{24} \left( -1 + \sqrt{1 - 4x} \right) \left( -1 + \sqrt{1 - 4x} + 8x \right), -\frac{1}{24} \left( 1 + \sqrt{1 - 4x} \right) \left( 1 + \sqrt{1 - 4x} - 8x \right) \right\}$$


In[58]:= G1 = lf0[[1]]
Out[58]= 
$$-\frac{1}{24} \left( -1 + \sqrt{1 - 4x} \right) \left( -1 + \sqrt{1 - 4x} + 8x \right)$$

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In[59]:= **G2 = lf0[[2]]**

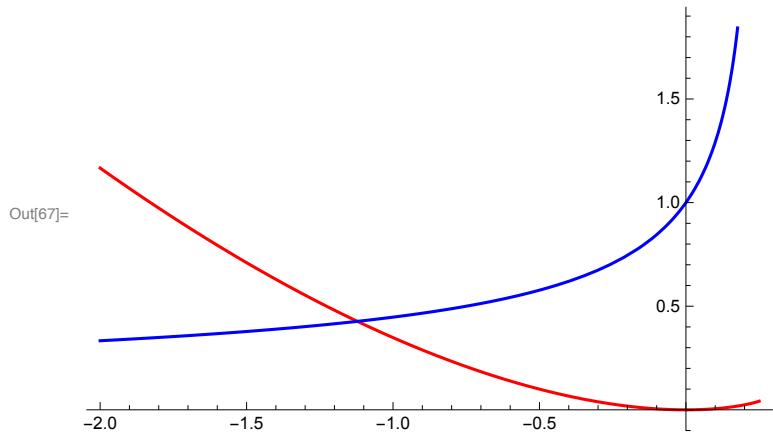
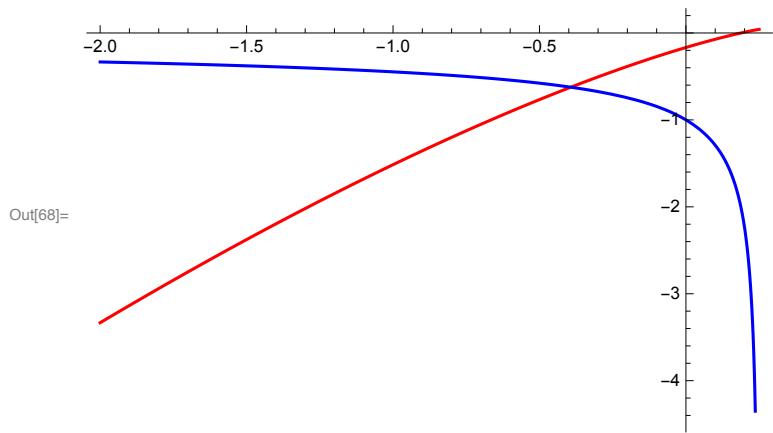
$$\text{Out}[59]= -\frac{1}{24} \left(1 + \sqrt{1 - 4x}\right) \left(1 + \sqrt{1 - 4x} - 8x\right)$$

In[65]:= **G1curvature = Simplify[D[G1, {x, 2}]]**

$$\text{Out}[65]= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 4x}}$$

In[66]:= **G2curvature = Simplify[D[G2, {x, 2}]]**

$$\text{Out}[66]= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 4x}}$$

In[67]:= **Plot[{G1, G1curvature}, {x, -2, 1/4}, PlotStyle -> {Red, Blue}]**In[68]:= **Plot[{G2, G2curvature}, {x, -2, 1/4}, PlotStyle -> {Red, Blue}]**

This shows us that G1 is concave upwards, while G2 is concave downwards

Next we do another LT on G1 and G2!

In[69]:= **LG11 = LegendreTr[G1, 1]**

$$\text{Out}[69]= \left\{ \frac{1}{24} \left( -24(-1+x)x^2 + \left( -1 + \sqrt{(-1+2x)^2} \right) \left( -1 + 8x - 8x^2 + \sqrt{(-1+2x)^2} \right) \right) \right\}$$

In[70]:= **LG12 = LegendreTr[G1, 2]**

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$$\text{Out}[70]= \left\{ \frac{1}{24} \left( -24 (-1 + x) x^2 + \left( -1 + \sqrt{(-1 + 2 x)^2} \right) \left( -1 + 8 x - 8 x^2 + \sqrt{(-1 + 2 x)^2} \right) \right), \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{1}{12} \left( 1 - \sqrt{1 - 4 \{x - x^2\} [2]} \right) + \left( -\frac{1}{2} + x + \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{1 - 4 \{x - x^2\} [2]} \right) \{x - x^2\} [2] \right\}$$

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In[71]:= **LG21 = LegendreTr[G2, 1]**

$$\text{Out}[71]= \left\{ \frac{1}{24} \left( -24 (-1 + x) x^2 + \left( 1 + \sqrt{(-1 + 2 x)^2} \right) \left( 1 - 8 x + 8 x^2 + \sqrt{(-1 + 2 x)^2} \right) \right) \right\}$$

In[72]:= **LG22 = LegendreTr[G2, 2]**

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$$\text{Out}[72]= \left\{ \frac{1}{24} \left( -24 (-1 + x) x^2 + \left( 1 + \sqrt{(-1 + 2 x)^2} \right) \left( 1 - 8 x + 8 x^2 + \sqrt{(-1 + 2 x)^2} \right) \right), \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{1}{12} \left( 1 + \sqrt{1 - 4 \{x - x^2\} [2]} \right) + \left( -\frac{1}{2} + x - \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{1 - 4 \{x - x^2\} [2]} \right) \{x - x^2\} [2] \right\}$$

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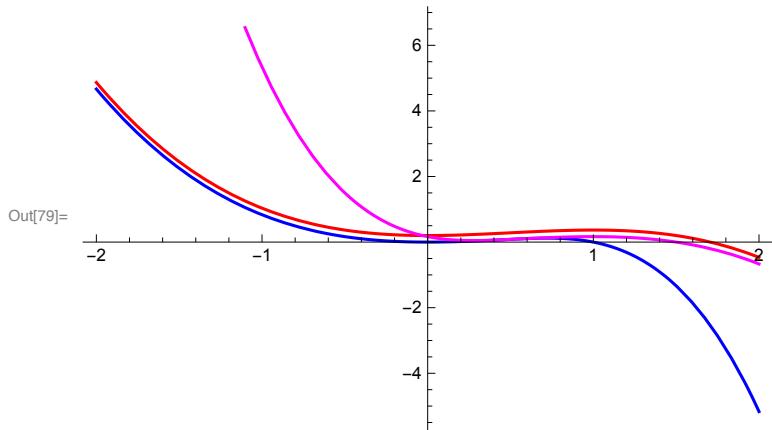
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Here we see that only one LT exists for G1 and G2. Let us plot these and compare with original function f0

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In[79]:= Plot[{f0 + .2, LG11, LG21}, {x, -2, 2}, PlotStyle -> {Red, Blue, Magenta}]
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Here we see that the original function  $f_0$  (Red) is recovered by piecing together the LT of  $G_1$  (Blue) and  $G_2$  (Magenta). I have shifted the  $f_0$  upwards by a bit to see the differences. This shows the difficulty of solving the LT's of non-concave functions uniquely.