

## 2017.3 Question 4

1. Notice that  $a = e^{\ln a}$  and hence  $a^x = e^{x \ln a}$ ,  $a^{\frac{x}{\ln a}} = e^x$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(y) &= \exp\left(\frac{1}{y} \int_0^y \ln f(x) \, dx\right) \\ &= a^{\frac{1}{y \ln a} \cdot \int_0^y \ln f(x) \, dx} \\ &= a^{\frac{1}{y} \cdot \int_0^y \frac{\ln f(x)}{\ln a} \, dx} \\ &= a^{\frac{1}{y} \cdot \int_0^y \log_a f(x) \, dx} \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

2. We have

$$\begin{aligned} H(y) &= \exp\left(\frac{1}{y} \int_0^y \ln f(x)g(x) \, dx\right) \\ &= \exp\left[\frac{1}{y} \int_0^y (\ln f(x) + \ln g(x)) \, dx\right] \\ &= \exp\left[\frac{1}{y} \left(\int_0^y \ln f(x) \, dx + \int_0^y \ln g(x) \, dx\right)\right] \\ &= \exp\left(\frac{1}{y} \int_0^y \ln f(x) \, dx\right) \cdot \exp\left(\frac{1}{y} \int_0^y \ln g(x) \, dx\right) \\ &= F(y) \cdot G(y). \end{aligned}$$

3. Let  $f(x) = b^x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} F(y) &= \exp\left(\frac{1}{y} \int_0^y \ln f(x) \, dx\right) \\ &= b^{\frac{1}{y} \int_0^y \log_b f(x) \, dx} \\ &= b^{\frac{1}{y} \int_0^y \log_b b^x \, dx} \\ &= b^{\frac{1}{y} \int_0^y x \, dx} \\ &= b^{\frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{y^2}{2}} \\ &= b^{\frac{y}{2}} \\ &= \sqrt{b^y}. \end{aligned}$$

4. Since  $F(y) = \sqrt{f(y)}$ , we notice that  $f(y) = F(y)^2 = \exp\left(\frac{2}{y} \int_0^y \ln f(x) \, dx\right)$ , and therefore  $\ln f(y) = \frac{2}{y} \int_0^y \ln f(x) \, dx$ .

We substitute  $g(y) = \ln f(y)$ , and therefore

$$yg(y) = 2 \int_0^y g(y) \, dx.$$

Therefore, differentiating both sides with respect to  $y$  gives us

$$yg'(y) + g(y) = 2g(y),$$

and therefore

$$-g(y) + yg'(y) = 0.$$

Multiplying  $y^{-2}$  on both sides gives us

$$-y^{-2}g(y) + y^{-1}g'(y) = 0,$$

and therefore

$$\frac{d}{dy} \frac{g(y)}{y} = 0,$$

and therefore

$$\frac{g(y)}{y} = C \implies g(y) = Cy.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(y) &= \exp g(y) \\ &= \exp(Cy) \\ &= b^y \end{aligned}$$

if we substitute  $b = \exp(C) > 0$ , and therefore  $f(x) = b^x$  as desired.