

Exercise 14

Differentiate the function.

$$P(v) = \frac{\ln v}{1 - v}$$

Solution

Take the derivative of the function.

$$\begin{aligned} P'(v) &= \frac{d}{dv} \left(\frac{\ln v}{1 - v} \right) \\ &= \frac{\left[\frac{d}{dv}(\ln v) \right] (1 - v) - \left[\frac{d}{dv}(1 - v) \right] \ln v}{(1 - v)^2} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{1}{v} \right) (1 - v) - (-1) \ln v}{(1 - v)^2} \cdot \frac{v}{v} \\ &= \frac{1 - v + v \ln v}{v(1 - v)^2} \end{aligned}$$