

Solve the differential equation.¹

$$\frac{dH}{dR} = \frac{RH^2\sqrt{1+R^2}}{\ln(H)}$$

We separate H and R , and then integrate.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dH}{dR} &= \frac{RH^2\sqrt{1+R^2}}{\ln(H)} \\ \frac{\ln(H)dR}{H^2} \cdot \frac{dH}{dR} &= \frac{RH^2\sqrt{1+R^2}}{\ln(H)} \cdot \frac{\ln(H)dR}{H^2} \\ \frac{\ln(H)}{H^2} dH &= R\sqrt{1+R^2} dR \\ \int \frac{\ln(H)}{H^2} dH &= \int R\sqrt{1+R^2} dR \end{aligned}$$

For the right side, we let $u = 1 + R^2$, so $du = 2R dR$. We get

$$\begin{aligned} \int R\sqrt{1+R^2} dR &= \frac{1}{2} \int 2R\sqrt{1+R^2} dR \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \sqrt{u} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} + C \\ &= \frac{1}{3} (1+R^2)^{3/2} + C \end{aligned}$$

For the left side, following a couple of unsuccessful attempts at substitution, we try integration by parts. We let $u = \ln(H)$ so $dv = H^{-2} dH$. Then $du = \frac{1}{H} dH$ and $v = -H^{-1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{\ln(H)}{H^2} dH &= -\frac{\ln(H)}{H} - \int -\frac{1}{H} \cdot \frac{1}{H} dH \\ &= -\frac{\ln(H)}{H} - \int -H^{-2} dH \\ &= -\frac{\ln(H)}{H} - (H^{-1}) \\ &= -\frac{\ln(H)}{H} - \frac{1}{H} \end{aligned}$$

(We do not need a constant, because we already have one from the right side.)

Substituting back into our equation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{\ln(H)}{H^2} dH &= \int R\sqrt{1+R^2} dR \\ -\frac{\ln(H)}{H} - \frac{1}{H} &= \frac{1}{3} (1+R^2)^{3/2} + C \\ -\frac{1+\ln(H)}{H} &= \frac{1}{3} (1+R^2)^{3/2} + C \end{aligned}$$

We are unable to solve explicitly for H , so this gives H as an implicit function of R .

¹Stewart, *Calculus, Early Transcendentals*, p. 605, #8.