

**QUESTION:**

$\nabla^p(a_0 + a_1 t + \dots + a_n t^p) = p! a_n$  prove left hand side.. and note that  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n, 0, 1, \dots, n$  is in the

subscript of  $a$  and  $\wedge^p$  means power and  $*$  means multiply.

**SOLUTION:**

$$\nabla^p(a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + \dots + a_n t^p) = \nabla^p(a_0) + \nabla^p(a_1 t) + \dots + \nabla^p(a_n t^p) = a_n \nabla^p(t^p)$$

(since  $\nabla^p(a_0) = 0, \nabla^p(a_1 t) = 0, \dots, \nabla^p(a_{n-1} t^{p-1}) = 0$ . Hence

$$a_n \nabla^p(t^p) = a_n \cdot p \cdot \nabla^{p-1}(t^{p-1}) = a_n \cdot p \cdot (p-1) \nabla^{p-2}(t^{p-2}) = \dots = a_n \cdot p(p-1)(p-2)(p-3) \dots 1 = a_n p!$$