

DIFFERENTIATION & APPLICATIONS (Q 6 & 7, PAPER 1)

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6 (a) Differentiate (i) $(1+3x)^2$ (ii) $3e^{4x+1}$.

(b) Find the value of the constant k if $y = kx^2$ is a solution of the equation

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 + y = 0,$$

where $x \in \mathbf{R}$ and $k \neq 0$.

(c) Given that $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+2}$, $x \in \mathbf{R}$ and $x \neq -2$,

find the equations of the asymptotes of the graph of $f(x)$.

Prove that the graph of $f(x)$ has no turning points or points of inflection.

Find the range of values of x for which $f'(x) \leq 1$, where $f'(x)$ is the derivative of $f(x)$.

SOLUTION

6 (a) (i)

$$y = (1+3x)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2(1+3x)^1(3)$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = 6(1+3x)$$

$$y = [f(x)]^n \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = n[f(x)]^{n-1} \times f'(x) \quad \dots \dots \quad 1$$

6 (a) (ii)

$$y = 3e^{4x+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3[e^{4x+1} \times 4]$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = 12e^{4x+1}$$

$$y = e^{f(x)} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{f(x)} \times f'(x) \quad \dots \dots \quad 7$$

Repeat the whole function \times Differentiation of the power.

6 (b)

$$y = kx^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2kx$$

$$y = x^n \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = nx^{n-1} \quad \dots \dots \quad 1$$

$$\therefore x \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 + y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(2kx) + \frac{1}{2}(4k^2x^2) + kx^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2kx^2 + 2k^2x^2 + kx^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3kx^2 + 2k^2x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow kx^2(3+2k) = 0$$

$$\therefore k = \emptyset, -\frac{3}{2}$$

6 (c)

FINDING THE VERTICAL ASYMPTOTE: Put the denominator equal to zero.

$x+2=0 \Rightarrow x=-2$ is the vertical asymptote.

FINDING THE HORIZONTAL ASYMPTOTE: Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y$.

$$f(x) = y = \frac{x}{x+2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{x+2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{\cancel{x}(1 + \frac{2}{x})} = 1$$

Therefore, $y = 1$ is the horizontal asymptote.

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{x}{x+2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{(x+2)1 - x(1)}{(x+2)^2} = \frac{x+2-x}{(x+2)^2} \\ \therefore \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{2}{(x+2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{(x+2)^2} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow 2 = 0$ [This is nonsense.]

Therefore, there are no turning points.

$$\begin{aligned} u &= x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 1 \\ v &= x+2 \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{v \frac{du}{dx} - u \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2} \quad \dots\dots \quad 4$$

To find the turning points set
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ and solve for x .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{(x+2)^2} = 2(x+2)^{-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2[-2(x+2)^{-3}(1)] = -\frac{4}{(x+2)^3}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{4}{(x+2)^3} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow -4 = 0$ [This is nonsense.]

Therefore, there are no points of inflection.

To find the point of inflection set $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$ and solve for x .

$$f'(x) \leq 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{(x+2)^2} \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \leq (x+2)^2$$

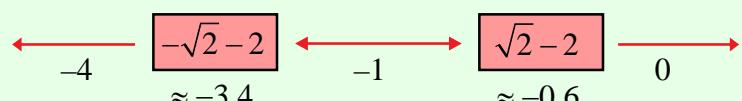
$$\Rightarrow (x+2)^2 \geq 2$$

Solve $(x+2)^2 = 2$.

$$\Rightarrow (x+2) = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

$$\therefore x = \sqrt{2} - 2, -\sqrt{2} - 2$$

$$(x+2)^2 \geq 2 \quad \dots\dots \text{Test Box}$$



$$(-4+2)^2 \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (-2)^2 \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \geq 2$$

Correct

$$(-1+2)^2 \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (1)^2 \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \geq 2$$

Wrong

$$(0+2)^2 \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (2)^2 \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \geq 2$$

Correct

Answer: $x \leq -2 - \sqrt{2}, x \geq -2 + \sqrt{2}$

7 (a) Let $\theta = 5t^3 - 2t^2$,

where t is in seconds and θ is in radians.

Find the rate of change of θ when $t = 2$ seconds.

(b) The parametric equations of a curve are

$$x = \frac{1 + \sin t}{\cos t}, \quad y = \frac{1 + \cos t}{\sin t}, \quad 0 < t < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Find $\frac{dx}{dt}$ and $\frac{dy}{dt}$.

Find the slope of the tangent to the curve at the point where $t = \tan^{-1}(\frac{3}{4})$.

(c) Let $f(x) = x^3 - kx^2 + 8$, $k \in \mathbf{R}$ and $k > 0$.

Show that the coordinates of the local minimum point of $f(x)$ are $(\frac{2k}{3}, 8 - \frac{4k^3}{27})$.

Taking $x_1 = 3$ as the first approximation of one of the roots of $f(x) = 0$, the

Newton-Raphson method gives the second approximation as $x_2 = \frac{10}{3}$.

Find the value of k .

SOLUTION

7 (a)

$$\theta = 5t^3 - 2t^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\theta}{dt} = 15t^2 - 4t$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)_{t=2} = 15(2)^2 - 4(2) = 60 - 8 = 52 \text{ rads/s}$$

7 (b)

$$x = \frac{1 + \sin t}{\cos t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\cos t(\cos t) - (1 + \sin t)(-\sin t)}{(\cos t)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\cos^2 t + \sin t + \sin^2 t}{(\cos t)^2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1 + \sin t}{\cos^2 t}$$

$$y = \frac{1 + \cos t}{\sin t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{\sin t(-\sin t) - (1 + \cos t)\cos t}{(\sin t)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{-\sin^2 t - \cos t - \cos^2 t}{(\sin t)^2} = \frac{-(\sin^2 t + \cos t + \cos^2 t)}{\sin^2 t}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{-(\cos t + 1)}{\sin^2 t} = \frac{-1 - \cos t}{\sin^2 t}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{v \frac{du}{dx} - u \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2} \quad \dots \dots \quad 4$$

$$u = 1 + \sin t \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = \cos t$$

$$v = \cos t \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = -\sin t$$

$$y = \sin x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos x$$

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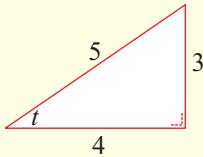
$$u = 1 + \cos t \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = -\sin t$$

$$v = \sin t \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = \cos t$$

$$t = \tan^{-1}(\frac{3}{4}) \Rightarrow \tan t = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore \cos t = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\therefore \sin t = \frac{3}{5}$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1 + \sin t}{\cos^2 t} = \frac{1 + \frac{3}{5}}{\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2} = \frac{\frac{8}{5}}{\frac{16}{25}} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{-1 - \cos t}{\sin^2 t} = \frac{-1 - \frac{4}{5}}{\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} = \frac{-\frac{9}{5}}{\frac{9}{25}} = -5$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{-5}{\frac{5}{2}} = -2$$

7 (c)

$$y = f(x) = x^3 - kx^2 + 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 2kx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 6x - 2k$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow 3x^2 - 2kx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(3x - 2k) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 0, \frac{2k}{3}$$

To find the turning points set

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \text{ and solve for } x.$$

$$y = f\left(\frac{2k}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{2k}{3}\right)^3 - k\left(\frac{2k}{3}\right)^2 + 8$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{8k^3}{27} - \frac{4k^3}{9} + 8 = \frac{8k^3 - 12k^3}{27} + 8$$

$$\therefore y = 8 - \frac{4k^3}{27}$$

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{2k}{3}, 8 - \frac{4k^3}{27}\right)$ is a turning point.

$$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x=\frac{2k}{3}} = 6\left(\frac{2k}{3}\right) - 2k = 4k - 2k = 2k > 0$$

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{2k}{3}, 8 - \frac{4k^3}{27}\right)$ is a local minimum.

Local Maximum: $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{TP} < 0$

Local Minimum: $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{TP} > 0$

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$$x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10}{3} = 3 - \frac{(3)^3 - k(3)^2 + 8}{3(3)^2 - 2k(3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10}{3} = 3 - \frac{27 - 9k + 8}{27 - 6k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{35 - 9k}{27 - 6k} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(35 - 9k) = 6k - 27$$

$$\Rightarrow 35 - 9k = 2k - 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 44 = 11k$$

$$\therefore k = 4$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \dots \text{..... } \textcolor{red}{16}$$