

Dr Oliver Mathematics

Applied Mathematics: Differentiation

The total number of marks available is 49.

You must write down all the stages in your working.

1. Differentiate, and simplify as appropriate,

(a) $f(x) = \exp(\tan \frac{1}{2}x)$, where $-\pi < x < \pi$, (3)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) = \exp(\tan \frac{1}{2}x) &\Rightarrow f'(x) = \exp(\tan \frac{1}{2}x) \cdot \sec^2 \frac{1}{2}x \cdot \frac{1}{2} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 \frac{1}{2}x \exp(\tan \frac{1}{2}x)}}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) $g(x) = (x^3 + 1) \ln(x^3 + 1)$, where $x > 0$. (3)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} u = x^3 + 1 &\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 3x^2 \\ v = \ln(x^3 + 1) &\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{3x^2}{x^3 + 1} \\ g(x) = (x^3 + 1) \ln(x^3 + 1) &\Rightarrow g'(x) = 3x^2 \cdot \ln(x^3 + 1) + (x^3 + 1) \cdot \frac{3x^2}{(x^3 + 1)} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{g'(x) = 3x^2 \ln(x^3 + 1) + 3x^2}}. \end{aligned}$$

2. Given that (5)

$$y = \ln(1 + \sin x),$$

where $0 < x < \pi$, show that

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-1}{1 + \sin x}.$$

Solution

$$y = \ln(1 + \sin x) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\cos x}{1 + \sin x}$$

$$u = \cos x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = -\sin x$$

$$v = 1 + \sin x \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = \cos x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{(1 + \sin x)(-\sin x) - \cos x(\cos x)}{(1 + \sin x)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-\sin x - \sin^2 x - \cos^2 x}{(1 + \sin x)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-\sin x - (\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x)}{(1 + \sin x)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-\sin x - 1}{(1 + \sin x)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-(1 + \sin x)}{(1 + \sin x)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-1}{1 + \sin x},$$

as required.

3. (a) Given

$$f(x) = x \tan 2x$$

(2)

for $-\frac{1}{4}\pi < x < \frac{1}{4}\pi$, obtain an expression for $f'(x)$.

Solution

$$u = x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 1$$

$$v = \tan 2x \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = 2 \sec^2 2x$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) = x \tan 2x &\Rightarrow f'(x) = (x)(2 \sec^2 2x) + (1)(\tan 2x) \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{f'(x) = 2x \sec^2 2x + \tan 2x.}}\end{aligned}$$

(b) Show that

$$f''(x) = 4 \sec^2 2x(1 + 2x \tan 2x).$$

(3)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}u = 2x &\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 2 \\ v = \sec^2 2x &\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = (2 \sec 2x)(\sec 2x \tan 2x)(2) = 4 \sec^2 2x \tan 2x\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= 2x \sec^2 2x + \tan 2x \\ \Rightarrow f''(x) &= (2x)(4 \sec^2 2x \tan 2x) + (2)(\sec^2 2x) + 2 \sec^2 2x \\ \Rightarrow f''(x) &= 8x \sec^2 2x \tan 2x + 4 \sec^2 2x \\ \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{f''(x) = 4 \sec^2 2x(1 + 2x \tan 2x),}}\end{aligned}$$

as required.

(c) Hence find the exact value of

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} \frac{1 + 2x \tan 2x}{\cos^2 2x} dx.$$

(4)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} \frac{1 + 2x \tan 2x}{\cos^2 2x} dx &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} \sec^2 2x(1 + 2x \tan 2x) dx \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} 4 \sec^2 2x(1 + 2x \tan 2x) dx \\
&= \frac{1}{4} [2x \sec^2 2x + \tan 2x]_{x=0}^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \left[\left(\frac{4}{3}\pi + \sqrt{3} \right) - (0 + 0) \right] \\
&= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{12} (4\pi + 3\sqrt{3})}}.
\end{aligned}$$

4. Differentiate the following, simplifying your answers as appropriate.

(a) $f(x) = e^{2x} \tan x, -\frac{1}{2}\pi < x < \frac{1}{2}\pi.$

(3)

Solution

$$u = e^{2x} \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 2e^{2x}$$

$$v = \tan x \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = \sec^2 x$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x) = e^{2x} \tan x &\Rightarrow f'(x) = (e^{2x})(\sec^2 x) + (2e^{2x})(\tan x) \\
&\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{f'(x) = e^{2x}(\sec^2 x + 2 \tan x)}}.
\end{aligned}$$

(b) $g(x) = \frac{\cos 2x}{x^3}.$

(4)

Solution

$$u = \cos 2x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = -2 \sin 2x$$

$$v = x^3 \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = 3x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(x) = \frac{\cos 2x}{x^3} &\Rightarrow g'(x) = \frac{(x^3)(-2 \sin 2x) - (\cos 2x)(3x^2)}{(x^3)^2} \\
 &\Rightarrow g'(x) = \frac{x^2(-3 \cos 2x - 2x \sin 2x)}{x^6} \\
 &\Rightarrow g'(x) = \underline{\underline{\frac{-3 \cos 2x - 2x \sin 2x}{x^4}}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

5. Differentiate the following, simplifying where possible.

(a) $f(x) = \frac{1 + \sin x}{1 + 2 \sin x}, 0 \leq x \leq \pi,$ (3)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
 u = 1 + \sin x &\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = \cos x \\
 v = 1 + 2 \sin x &\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = 2 \cos x \\
 f(x) = \frac{1 + \sin x}{1 + 2 \sin x} &\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{(1 + 2 \sin x)(\cos x) - (1 + \sin x)(2 \cos x)}{(1 + 2 \sin x)^2} \\
 &\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{\cos x[(1 + 2 \sin x) - (2 + 2 \sin x)]}{(1 + 2 \sin x)^2} \\
 &\Rightarrow f'(x) = \underline{\underline{\frac{-\cos x}{(1 + 2 \sin x)^2}}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) $g(x) = \ln(1 + e^{2x}).$ (2)

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(x) = \ln(1 + e^{2x}) &\Rightarrow g'(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{2x}} \cdot e^{2x} \cdot 2 \\
 &\Rightarrow g'(x) = \underline{\underline{\frac{2e^{2x}}{1 + e^{2x}}}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

6. Given the curve

$$y = \frac{x}{x^2 + 4},$$

(3)

calculate the gradient when $x = 2$.

Solution

$$u = x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 1$$

$$v = x^2 + 4 \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = 2x$$

$$y = \frac{x}{x^2 + 4} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x^2 + 4)(1) - (x)(2x)}{(x^2 + 4)^2}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4 - x^2}{(x^2 + 4)^2}.$$

Finally,

$$x = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4 - 2^2}{(4^2 + 4)^2} = \underline{0}.$$

7. Given that

$$y = \sin(e^{5x}),$$

(2)

find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

Solution

$$y = \sin(e^{5x}) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos(e^{5x}) \cdot 5e^{5x}$$
$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{dy}{dx} = 5e^{5x} \cos(e^{5x})}}.$$

8. Find the gradient of the tangent to the curve

$$y = 2x\sqrt{x-1}$$

(4)

at the point where $x = 10$.

Solution

$$u = 2x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 2$$

$$v = (x - 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(x - 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

Now,

$$y = 2x\sqrt{x - 1} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = (2x) \left[\frac{1}{2}(x - 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right] + (2) \left[(x - 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]$$

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

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

and

$$x = 10 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \underline{\underline{\frac{28}{3}}}.$$

9. Given that

$$y = e^{5x} \tan 2x,$$

(3)

find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

Solution

$$u = e^{5x} \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 5e^{5x}$$

$$v = \tan 2x \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = 2 \sec^2 2x$$

$$y = e^{5x} \tan 2x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = (e^{5x})(2 \sec^2 2x) + (5e^{5x})(\tan 2x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{5x}(2 \sec^2 2x + 5 \tan 2x)}}.$$

10. A curve is defined by

$$y = \frac{\sin x}{2 - \cos x} \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq \pi.$$

(5)

Find the exact values of the coordinates of the stationary point of this curve.

Solution

$$u = \sin x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = \cos x$$

$$v = 2 - \cos x \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = \sin x$$

$$y = \frac{\sin x}{2 - \cos x} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(2 - \cos x)(\cos x) - (\sin x)(\sin x)}{(2 - \cos x)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2 \cos x - \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x}{(2 - \cos x)^2}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2 \cos x - 1}{(2 - \cos x)^2}$$

and

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2 \cos x - 1}{(2 - \cos x)^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3}\pi \text{ (only)}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3};$$

hence, the exact values of the coordinate are $(\frac{1}{3}\pi, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3})$.