

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

**2006**

6 (a) Differentiate  $\sqrt{x}(x+2)$  with respect to  $x$

(b) The equation of a curve is  $y = 3x^4 - 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 8$ .

- (i) Show that the curve has a local maximum at the point (0, 8).
- (ii) Find the coordinates of the two local minimum points on the curve.
- (iii) Draw a sketch of the curve.

(c) Prove by induction that  $\frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ .

**SOLUTION**

**6 (a)**

$$y = \sqrt{x}(x+2) = x^{\frac{3}{2}} + 2x^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}} + x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

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

**6 (b)**

Turning Point  $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  ..... **11**

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

To find out if the turning point (TP) is a local maximum or local minimum:

Local Maximum:  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{\text{TP}} < 0$   
 Local Minimum:  $\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{\text{TP}} > 0$  ..... **12**

$$y = 3x^4 - 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 12x^3 - 6x^2 - 18x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 36x^2 - 12x - 18$$

**6 (b) (i)**

Turning points:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow 12x^3 - 6x^2 - 18x = 0 \Rightarrow x(2x^2 - x - 3) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x(2x-3)(x+1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -1, 0, \frac{3}{2}$$

At  $x = 0 \Rightarrow y = 3(0)^4 - 2(0)^3 - 9(0)^2 + 8 = 8$

Therefore, (0, 8) is a turning point.

You now need to see whether it is a local maximum or minimum.

$$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{x=0} = 36(0)^2 - 12(0) - 18 = -18 < 0$$

Therefore, (0, 8) is a local maximum point.

**6 (b) (ii)**

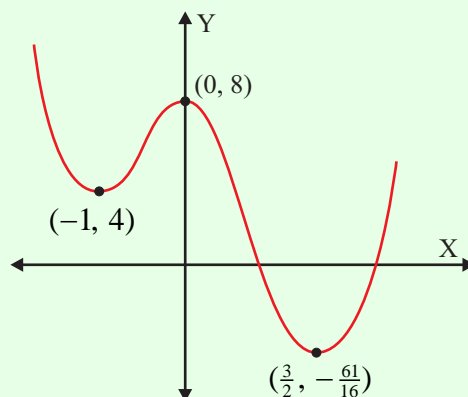
You have been told that the other two turning points are local minimums.

$$\text{At } x = -1 \Rightarrow 3(-1)^4 - 2(-1)^3 - 9(-1)^2 + 8 = 3 + 2 - 9 + 8 = 4$$

$$\text{At } x = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow 3\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4 - 2\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 - 9\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + 8 = \frac{243}{16} - \frac{27}{4} - \frac{81}{4} + 8 = -\frac{61}{16}$$

Therefore, (-1, 4) and  $(\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{61}{16})$  are the two local minimum points.

**6 (b) (iii)**



**6 (c)**

**STATEMENT:** If  $y = x^n$  prove  $\frac{dy}{dx} = nx^{n-1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbf{N}_0$ .

**PROOF**

**STEP 1.** For  $n = 1$ : Prove  $y = x^1 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= x \\ y + \Delta y &= x + \Delta x \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta y = \Delta x$$

$$\therefore \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = 1 \Rightarrow \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

**STEP 2.**  $n = k$ : Assume  $y = x^k \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = kx^{k-1}$

**STEP 3.**  $n = k + 1$ : Prove  $y = x^{k+1} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = (k+1)x^k$

**PROOF:**  $y = x^{k+1} = x^k \times x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = x^k \times 1 + x \times kx^{k-1}$  (Product Rule)

$$= x^k + kx^k = x^k(k+1)$$

7 (a) Taking  $x_1 = 2$  as the first approximation to the real root of the equation  $x^3 + x - 9 = 0$ , use the Newton-Raphson method to find  $x_2$ , the second approximation.

(b) The parametric equations of a curve are:

$$x = 3 \cos \theta - \cos^3 \theta$$

$$y = 3 \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta, \text{ where } 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

(i) Find  $\frac{dy}{d\theta}$  and  $\frac{dx}{d\theta}$ .

(ii) Hence show that  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-1}{\tan^3 \theta}$ .

(c) Given  $y = \ln\left(\frac{3+x}{\sqrt{9-x^2}}\right)$ , find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  and express it in the form  $\frac{a}{b-x^n}$ .

### SOLUTION

7 (a)

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \dots\dots \mathbf{16}$$

$$\text{For } n = 1: x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)}$$

$$\text{For } n = 2: x_3 = x_2 - \frac{f(x_2)}{f'(x_2)}$$

#### STEPS

1. Write down  $f(x)$ .
2. Do  $f'(x)$ .
3. Substitute starting value  $x_n$  into formula 16.
4. Repeat if asked.

$$f(x) = x^3 + x - 9 \Rightarrow f'(x) = 3x^2 + 1$$

$$x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)} = 2 - \frac{2^3 + 2 - 9}{3(2)^2 + 1} = 2 - \frac{1}{13} = \frac{25}{13}$$

7 (b) (i)

$$\text{PARAMETRICS: Do } \frac{dy}{dt} \text{ first, then do } \frac{dx}{dt}, \text{ and then divide } \frac{\left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)}{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$y = 3 \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{d\theta} = 3 \cos \theta - 3 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{d\theta} = 3 \cos \theta (1 - \sin^2 \theta) = 3 \cos \theta (\cos^2 \theta) = 3 \cos^3 \theta$$

$$x = 3 \cos \theta - \cos^3 \theta \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d\theta} = -3 \sin \theta + 3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d\theta} = -3 \sin \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta) = -3 \sin \theta (\sin^2 \theta) = -3 \sin^3 \theta$$

**7 (b) (ii)**

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = \frac{3\cos^3 \theta}{-3\sin^3 \theta} = -\frac{1}{\tan^3 \theta}$$

**7 (c)**

$$y = \ln f(x) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{f(x)} \times f'(x) \quad \dots\dots \quad \mathbf{8}$$

REMEMBER IT AS:

One over the function inside the log  $\times$  Differentiation of function

**STEPS**

1. Using log properties break up the log function.
2. Differentiate each log.
3. Tidy up the algebra at the end.

1.  $y = \ln\left(\frac{3+x}{\sqrt{9-x^2}}\right) = \ln(3+x) - \frac{1}{2}\ln(9-x^2)$  [Using log properties on page 36]

2.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{3+x} + \frac{2x}{2(9-x^2)} = \frac{1}{3+x} + \frac{x}{9-x^2}$

3.  $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{(3+x)} + \frac{x}{(3+x)(3-x)} = \frac{1(3-x) + x}{(3+x)(3-x)} = \frac{3}{9-x^2}$