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H2 Mathematics (9758)
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C6A: Differentiation Techniques (Additional Practice)

1 Differentiate each of the following with respect to x :

(a) $(x-1)^2 e^{2x}$

(b) $\frac{\cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{\sqrt{x}}$

(c) $\frac{1}{1 + \sin x}$

(d) $\left(\ln\left(\frac{2}{x}\right)\right) \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{x})$

(e) $\ln \sqrt{\frac{1+x^2}{1-x^2}}$

(f) $e^{x \ln x}$

(g) $e^{\tan^{-1} \sqrt{3}x}$

(h) $x^2 \sec^3 2x$

(i) $\cot x \operatorname{cosec} 2x$

(j) $\sin^{-1}(\tan x)$

(k) $x^2 \cos^{-1}(e^x)$

(l) $x^{\sin x}$

2 Find $\frac{d}{dx} \left(x\sqrt{9-x^2} + 9 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{3} \right) \right)$, leaving your answer in the form $a\sqrt{b-x^2}$, where the values of a and b are to be found.

3 For each of the following, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y .

(a) $x^3 + 2y^3 + 3xy = 0$

(b) $x + \tan(xy) = 0$

(c) $\cos(xy) - \ln(x+y) = 0$

- 4 It is given that $x^2y - \tan^{-1}y = \frac{3}{4}\pi$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y . [4]

Hence, find the exact value of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ when $y = 1$, given that $x > 0$. [3]

- 5 (a) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if

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

(ii) $y = \ln\left(\frac{x^2 + x + 1}{1 + \cos x}\right)$

- (b) Given that $ye^y = (x - 5y)^3$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y .

- 6 A curve C has equation $\frac{x^2 - 4y^2}{x^2 + xy^2 + 100} = \frac{1}{2}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \neq -8$.

Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - y^2}{2xy + 16y}$. [2]

- 7 If $\sin y = 2 \sin x$, show that $\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 1 + 3\sec^2 y$.

- 8 (a) Given that $y = \tan^{-1}\sqrt{x}$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$. [2]

- (b) Given that $\sqrt[x]{y} = \sqrt[y]{x}$, where $x > 0$, $y > 0$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$. [4]

- 9 Given the curve with equation $x^2 - 4xy + 3y^2 + 1 = 0$, find the gradient of the curve at the point where the y coordinate is 1.

- 10 (a) Find an expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of t for $x = t^2 - \frac{8}{t^2}$, $y = \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{8}{t^2}$, where $t \neq 0$.

- (b) A curve C has parametric equations

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

Express $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in the form $a \tan bt$, where a and b are constants to be determined. [2]

- (c) The parametric equations of a curve C are $x = \sin^{-1}(1 - t)$, $y = e^{\sqrt{2t - t^2}}$.

Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of t . [4]