

ANALYSIS

TUTORIAL 4: DIFFERENTIATION

- 1 Given that $y = x \sin x$, find $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$ and $\frac{d^4 y}{dx^4}$, simplifying your results as far as possible, and show that

$$\frac{d^6 y}{dx^6} = -x \sin x + 6 \cos x$$

Use induction to establish an expression for $\frac{d^{2n} y}{dx^{2n}}$, where n is a positive integer.

- 2 The polynomial $a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n$, of degree n , is denoted by $P_n(x)$.

Show that $-2xP_n(x) + \frac{d}{dx}[P_n(x)]$ is a polynomial of degree $(n+1)$.

$$\text{Let } f_n(x) = e^{x^2} \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(e^{-x^2}) \quad (A)$$

- (i) Show that $f_1(x)$ and $f_2(x)$ are polynomials of degree 1 and 2 respectively.
 - (ii) Differentiate (A) with respect to x to show that $\frac{d}{dx}[f_n(x)] = f_{n+1}(x) + 2x f_n(x)$.
 - (iii) Hence prove by induction that, for every positive integer n , $f_n(x)$ is a polynomial of degree n .
- 3 Let $f(x) = \frac{x^e}{e^x}$ ($x > 0$). Find the maximum value of $f(x)$ and hence prove that $e^\pi > \pi^e$.
- 4 Provide a proof for the Product Rule and Chain Rule by First Principles.
- 5 Show that $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\frac{d^2 x}{dy^2} \left/ \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right)^3 \right.$, stating precise conditions under which it holds.

6 Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) & \text{if } x \neq 0, \\ 0 & x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Show that f is continuous at $x = 0$ but f does not have a derivative at $x = 0$.
(This shows that a function may be continuous at a point but need not have a derivative at the point.)

7 Use Mathematical Induction to prove the Leibniz's rule for the n^{th} derivative of a product:

$$(fg)^{(n)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left((f)^{(n-k)}(x) \right) \left((g)^{(k)}(x) \right),$$

$$\text{where } (f)^{(n)}(x) = \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(f(x)) \text{ and } (fg)^{(n)}(x) = \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(f(x)g(x)).$$

8 By applying the Rolle's Theorem on the function $f(x) = e^{-x} - \sin x$, show that there is at least one real root of $e^x \cos x = -1$ between any two real roots of $e^x \sin x = 1$.

9 By using the Theorem of the Mean, show that

$$\left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{15} \right) < \sin^{-1}(0.6) < \left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{1}{8} \right).$$

10 (i) Given that $0 < a < b$, show that $\frac{b-a}{1+b^2} < \tan^{-1}(b) - \tan^{-1}(a) < \frac{b-a}{1+a^2}$.

(ii) Hence show that $\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{3}{25} < \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) < \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{1}{6}$.

11 Let f be a differentiable function on $(0, \infty)$ and suppose that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (f(x) + f'(x)) = L$.

By considering $f(x) = \frac{e^x f(x)}{e^x}$, show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f'(x) = 0$.

12 Show that $\frac{\ln(1+x)}{\sin^{-1}(x)} < 1$ if $0 < x < 1$.