

MULUNGUSHI UNIVERSITY (SSET) ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS (EGM 211) APPLICATION OF DIFFERENTIATION SHEET 1

- 1. An alternating current, i amperes, is given by $i = 10 \sin 2\pi f t$, where f is the frequency in hertz and t the time in seconds. Determine the rate of change of current when t = 20ms, given that f = 150Hz.
- 2. The luminous intensity, I candelas, of a lamp is given by $I = 6 \times 10^{-4} V^2$, where V is the voltage. Find (a) the rate of change of luminous intensity with voltage when V = 200 volts, and
 - (b) the voltage at which the light is increasing at a rate of 0.3 candelas per volt.
- 3. The voltage across the plates of a capacitor at any time t seconds is given by $v = V e^{-\frac{t}{CR}}$, where V, C and R are constants. Given V = 300 volts, $C = 0.12 \times 10^{-6} F$ and $R = 4 \times 10^{6}$.

find

- (a) the initial rate of change of voltage, and
- (b) the rate of change of voltage after 0.5 s.
- 4. The pressure p of the atmosphere at height h above ground level is given by $p = p_0 e^{-\frac{h}{c}}$, where p_0 is the pressure at ground level and c is a constant. Determine the rate of change of pressure with height when $p_0 = 1.013 \times 10^5$ pascals and $c = 6.05 \times 10^4$ at 1450 metres.
- 5. A missile fired from ground level rises x metres vertically upwards in t seconds and

$$x = 100t - \frac{25}{2}t^2$$
. Find

(a) the initial velocity of the missile,

- (b) the time when the height of the missile is a maximum,
- (c) the maximum height reached,
- (d) the velocity with which the missile strikes the ground.
- 6. The distance s metres travelled by a car in t seconds after the brakes are applied is given by $s = 25 t - 2.5t^2$. Find
 - (a) the speed of the car (in km/h) when the brakes are applied,
 - (b) the distance the car travels before it stops.
- 7. At any time t seconds the distance x metres of a particle moving in a straight line from a fixed point is given by x = 4t + ln(1-t). Determine (a) the initial velocity and acceleration (b) the velocity and acceleration after 1.5s. (c) The time when the velocity is zero.
- 8. The angular displacement θ of a rotating disc is given by $\theta = 6 \sin \frac{t}{4}$, where t is the time in seconds.

Determine,

- (a) the angular velocity of the disc when t is 1.5s,
- (b) the angular acceleration when t is 5.5 s, and
- (c) the first time when the angular velocity is zero.
- 9. $x = \frac{20}{3}t^3 \frac{23}{2}t^2 + 6t + 5$ represents the distance, x metres, moved by a body in t seconds. Determine
 - (a) the velocity and acceleration at the start,
 - (b) the velocity and acceleration when t = 3 s,
 - (c) the values of t when the body is at rest,
 - (d) the value of t when the acceleration is $37 m/s^2$ and
 - (e) the distance travelled in the third second.
- 10. Find the turning points and distinguish between them.

a.
$$y = x^2 - 6x$$

b.
$$y = 4x^3 + 3x^2 - 60x - 12$$
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d.
$$y = 2 x - e^x$$

- 11. Show that the curve $y = \frac{2}{3}(t-1)^3 + 2t(t-2)$ has a maximum value of $\frac{2}{3}$ and a minimum value of -2.
- 12. The speed, v, of a car $(in \, m/s)$ is related to time t s by the equation $v = 3 + 12t 3t^2$. Determine the maximum speed of the car in km/h.
- 13. Determine the maximum area of a rectangular piece of land that can be enclosed by 1200m of fencing.
- 14. A lidless box with square ends is to be made from a thin sheet of metal. Determine the least area of the metal for which the volume of the box is $3.5 m^3$.
- 15. A closed cylindrical container has a surface area of $400cm^2$. Determine the dimensions for maximum volume.
- 16. Calculate the height of a cylinder of maximum volume which can be cut from a cone of height 20cm and base radius 80cm.
- 17. The power developed in a resistor R by a battery of emf E and internal resistance r is given by
 - $P = \frac{E^2 R}{(R+r)^2}$. Differentiate P with respect to R and show that the power is a maximum when R = r.
- 18. Resistance to motion, F, of a moving vehicle, is given by $F = \frac{5}{x} + 100x$. Determine the minimum value of resistance.
- 19. An electrical voltage E is given by $E = (15sin50\pi t + 40cos50\pi t)$ volts, where t is the time in seconds. Determine the maximum value of voltage.