A9 Differentiation
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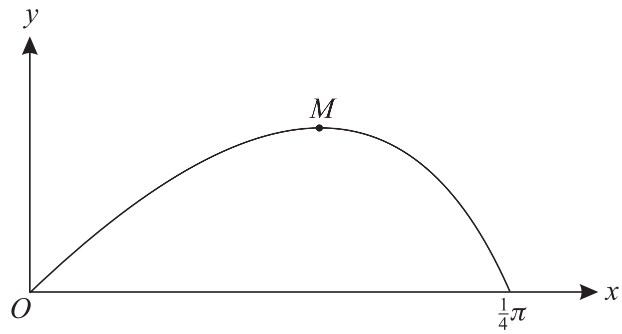

The diagram shows the curve $y = x\cos 2x$ for $0 \leqslant x \leqslant \frac{1}{4}\pi$. The point M is a maximum point.

(i) Show that the x-coordinate of M satisfies the equation $1 = 2x\tan 2x$. [3]

(ii) The equation in part **(i)** can be rearranged in the form $x = \dfrac{1}{2}\tan^{-1}\left(\dfrac{1}{2x}\right)$. Use the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2x_n}\right),$$

with initial value $x_1 = 0.4$, to calculate the x-coordinate of M correct to 2 decimal places. Give the result of each iteration to 4 decimal places. [3]

(iii) Use integration by parts to find the exact area of the region enclosed between the curve and the x-axis from 0 to $\frac{1}{4}\pi$. [5]

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2 The equation of a curve is $y = x\sin 2x$, where x is in radians. Find the equation of the tangent to the curve at the point where $x = \frac{1}{4}\pi$. [4]

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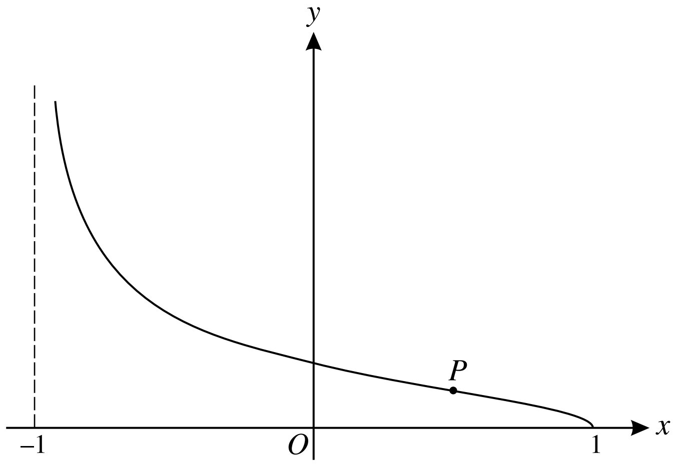
3 

The diagram shows the curve $y = \sqrt{\left(\dfrac{1-x}{1+x}\right)}$.

(i) By first differentiating $\dfrac{1-x}{1+x}$, obtain an expression for $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x. Hence show that the gradient of the normal to the curve at the point (x, y) is $(1+x)\sqrt{(1-x^2)}$. [5]

(ii) The gradient of the normal to the curve has its maximum value at the point P shown in the diagram. Find, by differentiation, the x-coordinate of P. [4]

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4 Find $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$ in each of the following cases:

(i) $y = \ln(1 + \sin 2x)$, [2]

(ii) $y = \dfrac{\tan x}{x}$. [2]

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5 The parametric equations of a curve are

$$x = \ln(\tan t), \quad y = \sin^2 t,$$

where $0 < t < \frac{1}{2}\pi$.

(i) Express $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of t. [4]

(ii) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve at the point where $x = 0$. [3]

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6 The equation of a curve is $y = \dfrac{e^{2x}}{1 + e^{2x}}$. Show that the gradient of the curve at the point for which $x = \ln 3$ is $\frac{9}{50}$. [4]

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7 The equation of a curve is $y = \dfrac{1+x}{1+2x}$ for $x > -\frac{1}{2}$. Show that the gradient of the curve is always negative. [3]

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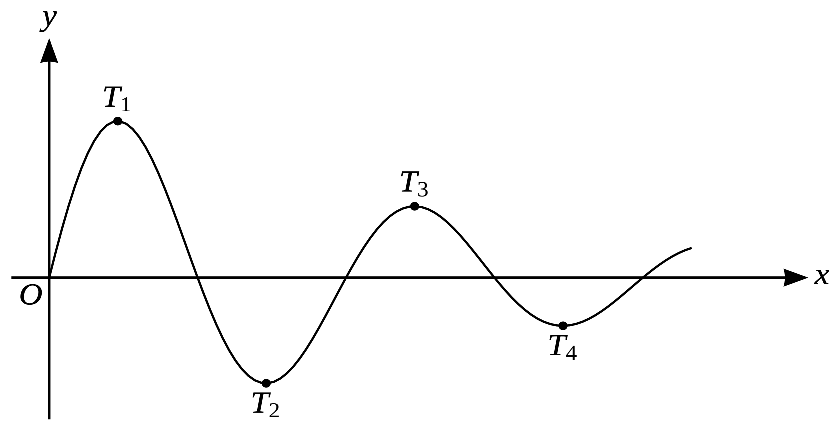

The diagram shows the curve $y = 10e^{-\frac{1}{2}x}\sin 4x$ for $x \geqslant 0$. The stationary points are labelled T_1, T_2, T_3, … as shown.

(i) Find the x-coordinates of T_1 and T_2, giving each x-coordinate correct to 3 decimal places. [6]

(ii) It is given that the x-coordinate of T_n is greater than 25. Find the least possible value of n. [4]

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9 The equation of a curve is $y = e^{-2x}\tan x$, for $0 \leqslant x < \frac{1}{2}\pi$.

(i) Obtain an expression for $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$ and show that it can be written in the form $e^{-2x}(a + b\tan x)^2$, where a and b are constants. [5]

(ii) Explain why the gradient of the curve is never negative. [1]

(iii) Find the value of x for which the gradient is least. [1]

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10 A curve has equation

$$y = \frac{2 - \tan x}{1 + \tan x}.$$

Find the equation of the tangent to the curve at the point for which $x = \frac{1}{4}\pi$, giving the answer in the form $y = mx + c$ where c is correct to 3 significant figures. [6]

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11 The equation of a curve is $y = \dfrac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x}$, for $-\pi < x < \pi$. Show that the gradient of the curve is positive for all x in the given interval. [4]

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12 A curve has equation $y = \frac{2}{3}\ln(1 + 3\cos^2 x)$ for $0 \leqslant x \leqslant \frac{1}{2}\pi$.

(i) Express $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of $\tan x$. [4]

(ii) Hence find the x-coordinate of the point on the curve where the gradient is -1. Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures. [2]

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13 Find the exact coordinates of the point on the curve $y = \dfrac{x}{1 + \ln x}$ at which the gradient of the tangent is equal to $\frac{1}{4}$. [7]

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14 The equation of a curve is $y = \dfrac{1 + e^{-x}}{1 - e^{-x}}$, for $x > 0$.

(i) Show that $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$ is always negative. [3]

(ii) The gradient of the curve is equal to -1 when $x = a$. Show that a satisfies the equation $e^{2a} - 4e^a + 1 = 0$. Hence find the exact value of a. [4]

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