

Module 2

Successive Differentiation, Expansion Of Functions, Indeterminate Forms

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2.1	Successive differentiation: nth derivative of standard functions. Leibnitz's Theorem (without proof) and problems.
2.2	Taylor's Theorem (only statement) and Taylor's series, Maclaurin's series(only Statement) Expansion of e^x , $\sin x$, $\cos x$, $\tan x$
	#Self-learning topic: Expansion of $\sinh(x)$, $\cosh(x)$, $\tanh(x)$, $\log(1 + x)$, Indeterminate forms, L'Hospital Rule, problems involving series

- ❖ If $y = f(x)$ then
 - first derivative of $f(x)$ is denoted by $f'(x)$ or y_1
 - Second derivative of $f(x)$ is denoted by $f''(x)$ or y_2
 - Similarly nth derivative of $f(x)$ is denoted by $f^{(n)}(x)$ or y_n
- ❖ nth Derivative of $f(x)$ at $x = a$ is denoted by

$$f^{(n)}(a) = f^n(a) = \left[\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} \right] \text{ at } x = a$$

❖ If $y = x^m$ then

$$y_1 = mx^{m-1}$$

$$y_2 = m(m-1)x^{m-2}$$

$$y_3 = m(m-1)(m-2)x^{m-3}$$

$$y_n = m(m-1)(m-2) \dots (m-n)x^{m-n} \quad \text{where } n < m$$

$$= m(m-1)(m-2) \dots 3.2.1 x^{m-m} = m! \quad \text{if } n = m$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{where } n > m$$

❖ If $y = (ax + b)^m$ then

$$y_n = m(m-1)(m-2) \dots (m-n+1)a^n(ax+b)^{m-n}; \text{if } n < m$$

$$= m! a^n ; \text{if } m = n$$

$$= 0 ; \text{if } n > m$$

Remember

Sr. No	$y = f(x)$	y_n
1	$(ax+b)^m$	$= m(m-1)(m-2)\cdots(m-n+1)a^n (ax+b)^{m-n}$ if $n < m$
2	$(ax+b)^{-m}$	$= (-1)^n m(m+1)(m+2)\cdots(m+n-1)a^n (ax+b)^{-m-n}$ $= (-1)^n \cdot \frac{(m+n-1)!}{(m-1)!} \cdot \frac{a^n}{(ax+b)^{m+n}}$
3	x^m	$= m(m-1)(m-2)\cdots(m-n+1)x^{m-n}$ if $n < m$
4	$1/x^m$	$= (-1)^n \cdot \frac{(m+n-1)!}{(m-1)!} \cdot \frac{1}{(x)^{m+n}}$

Remember

Sr. No	$y = f(x)$	y_n
4	$\frac{1}{(ax+b)}$	$= \frac{(-1)^n \cdot n! a^n}{(ax+b)^{n+1}}$
5	$\log(ax+b)$	$= \frac{(-1)^{n-1} \cdot (n-1)! a^n}{(ax+b)^n}$
6	a^{mx}	$= m^n a^{mx} (\log a)^n$
7	e^{mx}	$= m^n e^{mx}$

Remember

Sr. No	$y = f(x)$	y_n
8	$\sin(ax+b)$	$= a^n \sin\left(ax+b + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$
9	$\cos(ax+b)$	$= a^n \cos\left(ax+b + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$
10	$e^{ax} \sin(bx+c)$	$= r^n e^{ax} \sin(bx+c+n\phi)$ where $r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ & $\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$
11	$e^{ax} \cos(bx+c)$	$= r^n e^{ax} \cos(bx+c+n\phi)$ where $r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ & $\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$

Remember

Sr. No	$y = f(x)$	y_n
12	$k^x \sin(bx+c)$	$= r^n k^x \sin(bx+c+n\phi)$ where $r = \sqrt{(\log k)^2 + b^2}$ & $\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{\log k}\right)$
13	$k^x \cos(bx+c)$	$= r^n k^x \cos(bx+c+n\phi)$ where $r = \sqrt{(\log k)^2 + b^2}$ & $\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{\log k}\right)$

Example:1

- ❖ If $y = \frac{1}{1+x+x^2+x^3}$ then find y_n
- ❖ Solution



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Example:2

- ❖ If $y = \frac{8x}{x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x + 8}$ then find y_n
- ❖ Solution

$$\text{If } v = \frac{1}{(x-2)^2}, \quad v_n = \frac{(-1)^n (n+1)! (1)^n}{(x-2)^{n+2}}$$

$$\text{If } w = \frac{1}{x+2}, \quad w_n = \frac{(-1)^n n! (1)^n}{(x+2)^n}$$

$$\therefore y_n = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(x-2)^{n+1}} + 4 \cdot \frac{(-1)^n (n+1)!}{(x-2)^{n+2}} - \frac{(-1)^n}{(x+2)^n}.$$

Example:3

❖ If $y = \frac{x}{(x+1)^4}$, find y_n .

❖ Solution: $y = \frac{x}{(x+1)^4} = \frac{(x+1)-1}{(x+1)^4}$

$$\therefore y_n = \frac{(-1)^n (n+2)!}{2!(x+1)^{n+3}} - \frac{(-1)^n (n+3)!}{3!(x+1)^{n+4}}$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^n (n+2)!}{6(x+1)^{n+3}} \left[3 - \frac{(n+3)}{(x+1)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^n (n+2)!}{6(x+1)^{n+4}} (3x - n)$$

Example:4

- ❖ If $y = x \log\left(\frac{x-1}{x+1}\right)$, prove that

$$y_n = (-1)^{n-2} (n-2)! \left[\frac{x-n}{(x-1)^n} - \frac{x+n}{(x+1)^n} \right].$$

- ❖ **Solution:** We have $y = x \log(x-1) - x \log(x+1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore y_1 &= \frac{x}{x-1} + \log(x-1) - \frac{x}{x+1} - \log(x+1) \\ &= \log(x-1) - \log(x+1) + \frac{x}{x-1} - \frac{x}{x+1} \\ \therefore y_1 &= \log(x-1) - \log(x+1) + \frac{(x-1)+1}{x-1} - \frac{(x+1)-1}{x+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore y_1 = \log(x-1) - \log(x+1) + 1 + \frac{1}{x-1} - 1 + \frac{1}{x+1}$$

Changing n to $n-1$, for the first two terms, we get

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-2}(n-2)!}{(x-1)^{n-1}} - \frac{(-1)^{n-2}(n-2)!}{(x+1)^{n-1}} + \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(x-1)^n} \\ + \frac{(-1)^n(n-1)!}{(x+1)^n}$$

$$= (-1)^{n-2}(n-2)! \left[\frac{1}{(x-1)^{n-1}} - \frac{1}{(x+1)^{n-1}} + \frac{(-1)(n-1)}{(x-1)^n} + \frac{(-1)(n-1)}{(x+1)^n} \right]$$

$$= (-1)^{n-2} (n-2)! \left[\frac{x-1}{(x-1)^n} - \frac{x+1}{(x+1)^n} + \frac{-n+1}{(x-1)^n} + \frac{-n+1}{(x+1)^n} \right]$$

$$\therefore y_n = (-1)^{n-2} (n-2)! \left[\frac{x-n}{(x-1)^n} - \frac{x+n}{(x+1)^n} \right]$$

Example:5

- ❖ Prove that the value of n^{th} differential coefficient of $x^3 / (x^2 - 1)$ for $x = 0$ is 0 if n is even and $-n!$ if n is odd and greater than 1.

❖ Solution $y = \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 1} = x + \frac{x}{x^2 - 1}$

$$\therefore y = x + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{1}{x+1} \right]$$

$$\therefore y_n = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{(-1)^n n!}{(x-1)^{n+1}} + \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(x+1)^{n+1}} \right]$$

Putting $x = 0$, $y_n(0) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{2} \left[\frac{1}{(-1)^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{(1)^{n+1}} \right]$

When n is even, $(n + 1)$ is odd,

$$\therefore y_n(0) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{2} [-1+1] = 0$$

When n is odd, $(n + 1)$ is even,

$$\therefore y_n(0) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{2} [1+1] = -n!$$

Practice Problems

❖ $\frac{x^4}{(x-1)(x-2)}$

$$\frac{x^2 + 4x + 1}{x^2 + 2x^2 - x - 2}$$

❖ $\frac{x^2}{(x-1)(2x+3)}$

❖ $\frac{x}{1-4x^2}$

❖ $\frac{1}{x^4 - a^4}$

❖ If $y = x \cot^{-1} x$, prove that

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^n (n-2)!}{2} \left[\frac{x-n}{(x-1)^n} - \frac{x+n}{(x+1)^n} \right].$$

Example:6

❖ If $y = \sin rx + \cos rx$ then prove that

$$y_n = r^n [1 + (-1)^n \sin 2rx]^{1/2}$$

❖ Solution $y_n = r^n \left[\sin\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + \cos\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \right]$

$$= r^n \left[\left\{ \sin\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + \cos\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \right\}^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$= r^n \left[\sin^2\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + \cos^2\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + 2 \sin\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \cos\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \right]^{1/2}$$

$$= r^n \left[1 + 2 \sin\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \cos\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= r^n \left[1 + 2 \sin\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \cdot \cos\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \right]^{1/2} \\
 &= r^n \left[1 + \sin 2\left(rx + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \right]^{1/2} \\
 &= r^n [1 + \sin(2rx + n\pi)]^{1/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

since $\sin(n\pi + \theta) = (-1)^n \sin \theta.$

$$= r^n [1 + (-1)^n \sin 2rx]^{1/2}$$

Example:7

❖ If $y = \sin^2 x \cos^3 x$ then find y_n

❖ Solution $y = \sin^2 x \cos^2 x \cdot \cos x = \frac{1}{4} (\sin 2x)^2 \cos x$

$$= \frac{1}{8} (1 - \cos 4x) \cos x$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} (\cos x - \cos 4x \cos x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \cos x - \frac{1}{16} [\cos 5x + \cos 3x]$$

$$y_n = \frac{1}{8} \cos\left(x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{16} \cdot 5^n \cos\left(5x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \\ - \frac{1}{16} \cdot 3^n \cos\left(3x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$$

Example:8

❖ If $y = 2^x \sin^2 x \cos^3 x$ then find y_n

❖ Solution: note that $2^x = e^{x \log 2} = e^{ax}$ where $a = \log 2$

$$\therefore \sin^2 x \cos^3 x = \frac{1}{8} \cos x - \frac{1}{16} (\cos 5x + \cos 3x)$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{1}{8} e^{ax} \cos x - \frac{1}{16} e^{ax} \cos 5x - \frac{1}{16} e^{ax} \cos 3x$$

Using formula (11), we get,

$$y_n = \frac{1}{8} r_1^n e^{ax} \cos(x + n\Phi_1) - \frac{1}{16} r_2^n e^{ax} \cos(5x + n\Phi_2)$$

$$- \frac{1}{16} r_3^n e^{ax} \cos(3x + n\Phi_3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} r_1^n 2^x \cos(x + n\Phi_1) - \frac{1}{16} r_2^n 2^x \cos(5x + n\Phi_2)$$

$$- \frac{1}{16} r_3^n 2^x \cos(3x + n\Phi_3)$$

$$\text{where, } r_1 = \sqrt{(\log 2)^2 + 1^2},$$

$$\Phi_1 = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\log 2}\right),$$

$$r_2 = \sqrt{(\log 2)^2 + 5^2}$$

$$\Phi_2 = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{\log 2}\right),$$

$$r_3 = \sqrt{(\log 2)^2 + 3^2},$$

$$\Phi_3 = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{\log 2}\right).$$

Practice Problems

- ❖ Find nth derivative of the following functions.
- ❖ $\sin 2x \sin 3x \cos 4x$
- ❖ $\sin^3 3x$
- ❖ $e^x \cos^2 x \cos x$
- ❖ $2^x \sin^2 x \cos x$
- ❖ $\cos^4 x$

- ❖ If $y = \cos h 2x$, prove that
 $y_n = 2^n \sin h 2x$ if n is odd and
 $y_n = 2^n \cos h 2x$ if n is even.

Example:9

❖ If $y = \frac{x}{x^2 + a^2}$, prove that

$$y_n = (-1)^n \cdot n! a^{-n-1} \sin^{n+1} \theta \cos(n+1)\theta \quad \text{where } \theta = \tan^{-1}(a/x).$$

❖ Solution : $y = \frac{x}{x^2 + a^2} = \frac{x}{(x + ai)(x - ai)}$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{x + ai} + \frac{1}{x - ai} \right] \quad [\text{By partial fractions}]$$

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{(-1)^n n!}{(x + ai)^{n+1}} + \frac{(-1)^n \cdot n!}{(x - ai)^{n+1}} \right]$$

Let $x = r \cos \theta$, $a = r \sin \theta$, $r^2 = (x^2 + a^2)$ and $\theta = \tan^{-1}(a/x)$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{(x + ai)^{n+1}} = \frac{1}{r^{n+1} (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{n+1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos(n+1)\theta + i \sin(n+1)\theta}$$

By De Moivre's Theorem

$$\therefore \frac{1}{(x + ai)^{n+1}} = \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} \cdot [\cos(n+1)\theta - i \sin(n+1)\theta]$$

And,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{(x - ai)^{n+1}} &= \frac{1}{r^{n+1} (\cos \theta - i \sin \theta)^{n+1}} \\ &= \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos(n+1)\theta - i \sin(n+1)\theta} \\ &= \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} \cdot [\cos(n+1)\theta + i \sin(n+1)\theta] \end{aligned}$$

Adding the two results,

$$\frac{1}{(x - ai)^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{(x + ai)^{n+1}} = \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} \cdot 2 \cos(n+1)\theta$$

$$\therefore y_n = (-1)^n \cdot n! r^{-n-1} \cos(n+1)\theta$$

- ❖ If $y = \tan^{-1} x$ then find $y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(x^2+1)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \sin(n \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x})$

❖ **Solution:** Differentiating $y = \tan^{-1} x$, w.r.t. x , we get

$$y_1 = \frac{1}{x^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{(x+i)(x-i)} = \frac{1}{2i} \left[\frac{1}{(x-i)} - \frac{1}{(x+i)} \right]$$

Differentiating $(n - 1)$ times

Putting $r = r \cos \theta$, $1 = r \sin \theta$, $r = \sqrt{1+x^2}$ and $\theta = \tan^{-1}(1/x)$,

$$\frac{1}{(x - i)^n} = \frac{1}{r^n(\cos \theta - i \sin \theta)^n} = \frac{1}{r^n} (\cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta)$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \frac{1}{(x+i)^n} = \frac{1}{r^n(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)^n} = \frac{1}{r^n}(\cos n\theta - i\sin n\theta)$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{(x-i)^n} - \frac{1}{(x+i)^n} = \frac{2i}{r^n} \sin n\theta$$

from (1), we get,

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{2i} \cdot \frac{2i}{r^n} \sin n\theta \\ = (-1)^{n-1}(n-1)! \cdot \frac{1}{r^n} \sin n\theta \quad \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

Now, we put $r = \sqrt{1+x^2}$ and $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$ in (2)

$$\therefore y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(x^2+1)^{n/2}} \sin\left[n \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)\right]$$

(HW) If $y = \tan^{-1} x$ then Prove that

$$y_n = (-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \sin^n \theta \sin n\theta ; \text{ where } \theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)$$

Hint: In (2) put $r = \frac{1}{\sin\theta}$

Example:11

- ❖ If $y = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{x - x^{-1}}{x + x^{-1}} \right)$, prove that $y_n = 2 (-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \sin^n \theta \sin n\theta$
where $\theta = \tan^{-1} (1/x)$.

❖ **Solution :** Putting $x = \tan \alpha \therefore \alpha = \tan^{-1} x$.

$$y = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 + 1} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\tan^2 \alpha - 1}{\tan^2 \alpha + 1} \right)$$

$$\therefore y = \cos^{-1} \left[- \frac{(\cos^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha) / \cos^2 \alpha}{1 / \cos^2 \alpha} \right]$$

$$= \cos^{-1} [- (\cos^2 \alpha - \sin^2 \alpha)]$$

$$= \cos^{-1} [- (\cos 2\alpha)] = \cos^{-1} \cos(\pi + 2\alpha)$$

$$= \pi + 2\alpha = \pi + 2 \tan^{-1} x$$

$$\therefore y_1 = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 + 1} \quad (\text{Proceed as per previous example})$$

Leibnitz's Theorem

- ❖ If u and v are functions of x such that their n^{th} derivatives exist,
then the n^{th} derivative of their product is given by

$$(u v)_n = u_n v + n_{C_1} u_{n-1} v_1 + n_{C_2} u_{n-2} v_2 + \cdots + n_{C_r} u_{n-r} v_r + \cdots + u v_n$$

$$(u v)_n = u_n v + n_{C_1} u_{n-1} v_1 + n_{C_2} u_{n-2} v_2 + \cdots + n_{C_r} u_{n-r} v_r + \cdots + u v_n$$

where u_r and v_r represent r^{th} derivatives of u and v respectively.

Remark: The term which vanishes after differentiating finitely should be taken as v .

Example:12

- ❖ Find the n^{th} derivative of $x \log x$
- ❖ **Solution:** Let $u = \log x$ and $v = x$

$\therefore n^{th}$ derivative of $\log(ax + b)$ is given by $(-1)^{n-1} \frac{(n-1)! a^n}{(ax+b)^n}$

$$\text{Then } u_n = (-1)^{n-1} \frac{(n-1)!}{x^n} \text{ and } u_{n-1} = (-1)^{n-2} \frac{(n-2)!}{x^{n-1}}$$

Now, by Leibnitz's theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (u v)_n &= u_n v + n c_1 u_{n-1} v_1 + n c_2 u_{n-2} v_2 + \cdots + n c_r u_{n-r} v_r + \cdots + u v_n \\
 \Rightarrow (x \log x)_n &= (-1)^{n-1} \frac{(n-1)!}{x^n} x + n(-1)^{n-2} \frac{(n-2)!}{x^{n-1}} \cdot + 0 \\
 &= (-1)^{n-1} \frac{(n-1)!}{x^{n-1}} + n(-1)^{n-2} \frac{(n-2)!}{x^{n-1}} \\
 &= (-1)^{n-2} \frac{(n-2)!}{x^{n-1}} [-(n-1) + n] = (-1)^{n-2} \frac{(n-2)!}{x^{n-1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example:13

- ❖ If $y = a \cos(\log x) + b \sin(\log x)$, show that

$$x^2 y_{n+2} + (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + n(n+1)y_n = 0$$

- ❖ Solution: Here $y = a \cos(\log x) + b \sin(\log x)$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = -\frac{a}{x} \sin(\log x) + \frac{b}{x} \cos(\log x)$$

$$\Rightarrow xy_1 = -a \sin(\log x) + b \cos(\log x)$$

Differentiating both sides w.r.t. x , we get

$$xy_2 + y_1 = -\frac{a}{x} \cos(\log x) + \frac{-b}{x} \sin(\log x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 y_2 + xy_1 = -\{a \cos(\log x) + b \sin(\log x)\} = -y$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 y_2 + xy_1 + y = 0$$

Using Leibnitz's theorem, we get

$$(y_{n+2}x^2 + n_{C_1}y_{n+1}2x + n_{C_2}y_n \cdot 2) + (y_{n+1}x + n_{C_1}y_n \cdot 1) + y_n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{n+2}x^2 + y_{n+1}2nx + n(n-1)y_n + y_{n+1}x + ny_n + y_n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2y_{n+2} + (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2+1)y_n = 0$$

Example:14

❖ If $y = \log(x + \sqrt{1 + x^2})$, prove that

$$(1 + x^2)y_{n+2} + (2n + 1)xy_{n+1} + n^2y_n = 0$$

❖ Solution: $y = \log(x + \sqrt{1 + x^2})$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{1 + x^2}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1 + x^2}} 2x \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + x^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + x^2)y_1^2 = 1$$

Differentiating both sides w.r.t. x , we get

$$(1 + x^2)2y_1y_2 + 2xy_1^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 + x^2)y_2 + xy_1 = 0$$

Using Leibnitz's theorem

$$\begin{aligned}[y_{n+2}(1+x^2) + n c_1 y_{n+1} 2x + n c_2 y_n \cdot 2] + (y_{n+1} x + n c_1 y_n \cdot 1) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow y_{n+2}(1+x^2) + y_{n+1} 2nx + n(n-1)y_n + y_{n+1}x + ny_n &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (1+x^2)y_{n+2} + (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + n^2y_n &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Example:15

- ❖ If $y = \sin(m \sin^{-1}x)$, show that
 $(1 - x^2)y_{n+2} = (2n + 1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2 - m^2)y_n$. Also find $y_n(0)$

❖ **Solution:**

Here $y = \sin(m \sin^{-1}x)$...①

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{m}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \cos(m \sin^{-1}x) \quad \dots \textcircled{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - x^2)y_1^2 = m^2 \cos^2(m \sin^{-1}x)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - x^2)y_1^2 = m^2[1 - \sin^2(m \sin^{-1}x)]$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - x^2)y_1^2 = m^2(1 - y^2) \quad \dots \textcircled{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - x^2)y_1^2 + m^2y^2 = m^2$$

Differentiating w.r.t. x , we get

$$(1 - x^2)2y_1y_2 + y_1^2(-2x) + m^22yy_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - x^2)y_2 - xy_1 + m^2y = 0$$

Using Leibnitz's theorem, we get

$$[y_{n+2}(1 - x^2) + nC_1y_{n+1}(-2x) + nC_2y_n(-2)] - (y_{n+1}x + nC_1y_n1) + m^2y_n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{n+2}(1 - x^2) - y_{n+1}2nx - n(n - 1)y_n - (y_{n+1}x + ny_n) + m^2y_n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - x^2)y_{n+2} = (2n + 1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2 - m^2)y_n \quad \dots(4)$$

Putting $x = 0$ in ①, ② and ③

$$y(0) = 0, y_1(0) = m \text{ and } y_2(0) = 0$$

Putting $x = 0$ in ④, we get

$$y_{n+2}(0) = (n^2 - m^2)y_n(0)$$

Putting $n = 1, 2, 3 \dots$ in the above equation, we get

$$y_3(0) = (1^2 - m^2)y_1(0) = (1^2 - m^2)m \quad \because y_1(0) = m$$

$$y_4(0) = (2^2 - m^2)y_2(0) = 0 \quad \because y_2(0) = 0$$

$$y_5(0) = (3^2 - m^2)y_3(0) = m(1^2 - m^2)(3^2 - m^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow y_n(0) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ m(1^2 - m^2)(3^2 - m^2) \dots [(n-2)^2 - m^2], & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Practice Problems

1. Find y_n , if $y = x^3 \cos x$
2. Find y_n , if $y = x^2 e^x \cos x$
3. If $y^{\frac{1}{m}} + y^{\frac{-1}{m}} = 2x$, prove that $(x^2 - 1)y_{n+2} + (2n + 1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2 - m^2)y_n = 0$
4. If $y\sqrt{1+x^2} = \log(x + \sqrt{1+x^2})$, prove that

$$(1+x^2)y_{n+2} + (2n+3)xy_{n+1} + (n+1)^2y_n = 0$$
5. If $y = [x + \sqrt{1+x^2}]^m$, prove that $(x^2 + 1)y_{n+2} + (2n + 1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2 - m^2)y_n = 0$
6. If $y = (\sinh^{-1}x)^2$, show that

$$(1+x^2)y_{n+2} + (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + n^2y_n = 0$$
. Also find $y_n(0)$.
7. If $y = \cos(m \sin^{-1}x)$, show that

$$(1-x^2)y_{n+2} = (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2 - m^2)y_n$$
. Also find $y_n(0)$.
8. If $f(x) = \tan x$, prove that $f^n(0) - n_{c_2}f^{n-2}(0) + n_{c_4}f^{n-4}(0) - \dots = \sin \frac{n\pi}{2}$