



National Junior College
2016 – 2017 H2 Mathematics
Differentiation Techniques

Assignment Solutions

$$1(a) \quad \frac{d}{dx} \left[x \ln(\sin^2 x) \right]$$

$$= x \left(\frac{2 \cos 2x}{\sin 2x} \right) + \ln(\sin 2x) \quad [\text{M1}]$$

$$= 2x \cot 2x + \ln(\sin 2x). \quad [\text{A1}]$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{d}{dx} (x^2 e^{\tan kx})$$

$$= x^2 (k \cdot \sec^2 kx \cdot e^{\tan kx}) + (2x) e^{\tan kx} \quad [\text{M1}]$$

$$= x e^{\tan kx} (kx \sec^2 kx + 2). \quad [\text{A1}]$$

$$(c) \quad \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\sin^{-1} x}{1-x^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2x \sin^{-1} x}{(1-x^2)^2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \left(\frac{1}{1-x^2} \right) \quad [\text{M1}]$$

$$= \frac{2x \sin^{-1} x}{(1-x^2)^2} + \frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{(1-x^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{2x \sin^{-1} x + \sqrt{1-x^2}}{(1-x^2)^2}. \quad [\text{A1}]$$

$$2(a) \quad x^y = \cos x.$$

Taking “ln” on both sides, we get:

$$y \ln x = \ln(\cos x). \quad [\text{M1}]$$

Differentiate implicitly wrt x , we get:

$$\frac{y}{x} + \frac{dy}{dx} \ln x = \frac{-\sin x}{\cos x} \quad [\text{M1}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \ln x = -\tan x - \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{\tan x}{\ln x} - \frac{\ln(\cos x)}{x(\ln x)^2}. \quad [\text{A1}]$$

$$2(b) \quad x^{y+1} = e^{x+y}.$$

Taking “ln” on both sides, we get

$$(y+1) \ln x = x+y. \quad [\text{M1}]$$

Differentiate implicitly wrt x , we get

$$\ln x \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y+1}{x} = 1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \quad [\text{M1}]$$

$$(\ln x - 1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \frac{y+1}{x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x-y-1}{x(\ln x-1)}. \quad [\text{A1}]$$

$$3. \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = 2 - \frac{2}{2t} = \frac{2t-1}{t},$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t - \frac{2}{t} = \frac{2}{t}(t^2-1). \quad [\text{M1}]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\left[\frac{dy}{dt} \right]}{\left[\frac{dx}{dt} \right]} = \frac{\frac{2}{t}(t^2-1)}{\frac{2t-1}{t}} \quad [\text{A1}]$$

$$= \frac{2(t^2-1)}{2t-1}.$$

Given that $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2$,

$$\frac{2(t^2-1)}{2t-1} = 2 \quad [\text{M1}]$$

$$t^2 - 1 = 2t - 1$$

$$t^2 - 2t = 0$$

$$t(t-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 0 \text{ or } t = 2$$

Since $t > 0$, $t = 2$. [A1]