

1S Summer exam 2008 - Calculus Dr Paul May

1. Answer **all** parts (a) to (d). All parts carry equal marks.

Determine the following:

(a) dy/dx if $y = 16x^{36}$

(b) du/dg if $u = 1.7g^3 + (3 \times 10^6)g$

(c) $d\Omega/d\psi$ if $\Omega = 3\tan \psi$

(d) $d\star/d\ominus$ if $\star = 2 \exp(-3\ominus) - 5\ominus$

(4 marks)

2. Answer **all** parts (a) to (d). All parts carry equal marks.

Differentiate the following functions with respect to x , and simplify the result where appropriate:

(a) $y = \frac{1}{2x^3} - \sqrt[3]{x^2} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{x}}$

(b) $y = 12e^{-2x} \sin x$

(c) $y = \frac{2(3x^5 - x)}{(3x^3 - 2)}$

(d) $y = 5 \ln\left(\frac{1}{2x^2}\right)$

(8 marks)

3. Answer **all** parts (a) to (c).

Consider the quartic function: $y = (x - 1)(x + 1)(x - 3)(x + 3)$

(a) Multiply out the brackets in this equation.

(2 marks)

(b) Differentiate either version of this equation and hence find the co-ordinates of the stationary points.

(4 marks)

(c) Find the second differential of this equation, and hence find whether each of the stationary points is a local maximum, minima or point of inflection.

(3 marks)

(d) Sketch this function between $x = -4$ and $x = +4$.

(3 marks)

Answers

1)

a) $dy/dx = 576x^{35}$

b) $du/dg = 5.1g^2 + 3 \times 10^6$

c) $d\Omega/d\psi = 3 / \cos^2\psi$

d) $d\star/d\ominus = -6 \exp(-3\ominus) - 5$

2)

a) Rules for Indices: $y = \frac{1}{2}x^{-3} - x^{2/3} + 4x^{-1/2}$ $dy/dx = -(3/2)x^{-4} - (2/3)x^{-1/3} - 2x^{-3/2}$
 $= -\frac{3}{2x^4} - \frac{2}{3\sqrt[3]{x}} - \frac{2}{\sqrt[2]{x^3}}$

b) Product Rule: $12e^{-2x} (\cos x) + (\sin x) (-24e^{-2x}) = 12e^{-2x} (\cos x - 2\sin x)$

c) Quotient Rule:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(3x^3 - 2) \times 2(15x^3 - 1) - 2(3x^5 - x) \times (9x^2)}{(3x^3 - 2)^2} = \frac{(3x^3 - 2)(30x^3 - 2) - 18x^3(3x^4 - 1)}{(3x^3 - 2)^2}$$

d) Funct. of a Funct.: $dy/dx = 5 \times 2x^2 \times \left(\frac{-2}{2x^3}\right) = 10x^2 \times \left(\frac{-1}{x^3}\right) = -\frac{10}{x}$

Alternatively, by the Laws of Logs,

$$5 \ln\left(\frac{1}{2x^2}\right) \text{ is the same as } -5 \ln(2x^2), \text{ so } dy/dx = \frac{-5}{2x^2} \times 4x = -\frac{10}{x}$$

3) (a) $y = (x - 1)(x + 1)(x - 3)(x + 3) = x^4 - 10x^2 + 9$

(b) $dy/dx = 4x^3 - 20x$

At the tps, $dy/dx = 0$, so $4x^3 - 20x = 0$
 $x^3 - 5x = 0$
 $x(x^2 - 5) = 0$

Therefore, $x = 0$ or $(x^2 - 5) = 0$, i.e. $x = \pm\sqrt{5}$

When $x=0$, $y = +9$,

When $x=+\sqrt{5}$, $y = -16$,

When $x= -\sqrt{5}$, $y = -16$.

So there are **three** turning points, at: $(0, 9)$, $(\sqrt{5}, -16)$, $(-\sqrt{5}, -16)$

(c) $d^2y/dx^2 = 12x^2 - 20$

When $x=0$, $d^2y/dx^2 = -20$ (i.e. negative), so that the tp at $(0, 9)$ is a maximum.

When $x=+\sqrt{5}$, $d^2y/dx^2 = +40$ (i.e. positive), so that the tp at $(\sqrt{5}, -16)$ is a minimum.

When $x= -\sqrt{5}$, $d^2y/dx^2 = +40$ (i.e. positive), so that the tp at $(-\sqrt{5}, -16)$ is a minimum.

(d) Need to sketch graph, get correct shape, label axes properly, and label the turning points and places where it crosses the axes to get full marks.

