

Chapter 12 Differentiation

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1. The area of a sector of a circle of radius r cm is 36 cm^2 .
 - a. Show that the perimeter, P cm, of the sector is such that $P = 2r + \frac{72}{r}$.

- b. Hence, given that r can vary, find the stationary value of P and determine its nature.

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2. (a) Given that $y = x\sqrt{x^2 + 1}$, show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{ax^2+b}{(x^2+1)^p}$, where a , b and p are positive constants.

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(b) Explain why the graph of $y = x\sqrt{x^2 + 1}$ has no stationary points.

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3. It is given that $y = (x^2 + 1)(2x - 3)^{\frac{1}{2}}$.

(i) Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{Px^2 + Qx + 1}{(2x-3)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$, where P and Q are integers.

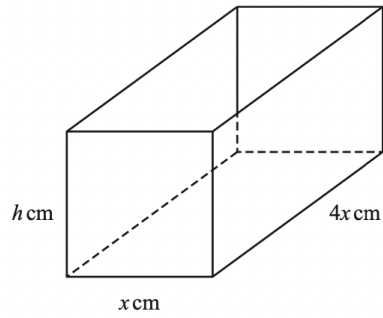
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(ii) Hence find the equation of the normal to the curve $y = (x^2 + 1)(2x - 3)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ at the point where $x = 2$, giving your answer in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a , b and c are integers.

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The diagram shows an open container in the shape of a cuboid of width $x \text{ cm}$, length $4x \text{ cm}$ and height $h \text{ cm}$. The volume of the container is 800 cm^3 .

a. Show that the external surface area, $S \text{ cm}^2$, of the open container is such that

$$S = 4x^2 + \frac{2000}{x}.$$

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b. Given that x can vary, find the stationary value of S and determine its nature.

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5. The normal to the curve $y = (x - 2)(3x + 1)^{\frac{2}{3}}$ at the point where $x = \frac{7}{3}$, meets the y -axis at the point P . Find the exact coordinates of the point P .

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6. A circle has diameter x which is increasing at a constant rate of 0.01 cm s^{-1} . Find the exact rate of change of the area of the circle when $x = 6 \text{ cm}$.

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7. A curve has equation $y = (3x - 5)^2 - 2x$.

a. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$.

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b. Find the exact value of the x-coordinate of each of the stationary points of the curve.

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c. Use the second derivative test to determine the nature of each of the stationary points.

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8. Find the equation of the normal to the curve $y = \sqrt{8x + 5}$ at the point where $x = \frac{1}{2}$ giving your answer in the form $ax + by + c = 0$, where a , b and c are integers.

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9. A solid circular cylinder has a base radius of r cm and a height of h cm. The cylinder has a volume of $1200\pi \text{ cm}^3$ and a total surface area of $S \text{ cm}^2$.

a. Show that $S = 2\pi r^2 + \frac{2400\pi}{r}$.

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b. Given that h and r can vary, find the stationary value of S and determine its nature.

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10. (i) Differentiate $y = (3x^2 - 1)^{\frac{-1}{3}}$ with respect to x .

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(ii) Find the approximate change in y as x increases from $\sqrt{3}$ to $\sqrt{3} + p$, where p is small.

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(iii) Find the equation of the normal to the curve $y = (3x^2 - 1)^{\frac{-1}{3}}$ at the point where $x = \sqrt{3}$.

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11. At the point where $x = 1$ on the curve $y = \frac{k}{(x+1)^2}$, the normal has a gradient of $\frac{1}{3}$.

a. Find the value of the constant k .

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b. Using your value of k , find the equation of the tangent to the curve at $x = 2$.

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