

6.5 Answers

A-Level Pure Mathematics : Year 1 Differentiation II

6.5.1 Solution to Example 6.3

$$f(x) = \frac{x^5}{5} - 2x^3 + 13x$$

$$f'(x) = x^4 - 6x^2 + 13$$

This is a quadratic as can be made clear by letting $z = x^2$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(z) &= [z^2 - 6z] + 13 \\ &= [(z - 3)^2 - 9] + 13 \\ &= (z - 3)^2 + 4 \end{aligned}$$

As the square has least value 0 and, even then 4 is added on 4
this expression is always positive

$\therefore f(x)$ is a strictly increasing function $\square$

[3 marks]

6.5.2 Solutions to Exercise 6.4

Answer 1

$$g(x) = x^4 + 32x + 50$$

$$g'(x) = 4x^3 + 32$$

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= 0 \quad \text{when} \quad 4x^3 + 32 = 0 \\ x^3 &= -8 \\ x &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(-2) &= 16 - 64 + 50 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$g''(x) = 12x^2$$

$$g''(-2) = 48 \text{ As this is positive, } (-2, 2) \text{ is a MINimum}$$

[3 marks]

Answer 2

$$y = 4x^5 + 8\sqrt{x} \quad x \geq 0$$

$$= 4x^5 + 8x^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 20x^4 + 4x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= 20x^4 + \frac{4}{\sqrt{x}}$$

[3 marks]

Answer 3

$$y = \frac{8}{x} - x + 3x^2 \quad x > 0$$

$$= 8x^{-1} - x + 3x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{When } x = 2 \quad y &= 4 - 2 + 12 \\ &= 14 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -8x^{-2} - 1 + 6x$$

$$= -\frac{8}{x^2} - 1 + 6x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{When } x = 2, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} &= -2 - 1 + 12 \\ &= 9 \quad \text{at } (2, 14) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Tangent: } y = mx + c$$

$$14 = 9 \times 2 + c$$

$$c = -4$$

The equation of the tangent is $y = 9x - 4$

[4 marks]

Answer 4

$$(i) \quad (x + h)^2 = x^2 + 2xh + h^2$$

[1 mark]

$$\begin{aligned} (ii) \quad f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5(x+h)^2 - 5x^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) - 5x^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{5x^2 + 10xh + 5h^2 - 5x^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{10xh + 5h^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(10x + 5h)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 10x + 5h \\ &= 10x \end{aligned}$$

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[4 marks]

Answer 5

- (i) The 80 m of fencing has to run along two sides of length y and one side of length x .

In other words, $80 = 2y + x \Leftrightarrow x = 80 - 2y$

The area enclosed is;

$$\begin{aligned} A &= yx \\ &= y (80 - 2y) \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

[2 marks]

- (ii)

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 80y - 2y^2 \\ \frac{dA}{dy} &= 80 - 4y \end{aligned}$$

For a turning point $\frac{dA}{dy} = 0$

$$\therefore 80 - 4y = 0$$

$$4y = 80$$

$$y = 20$$

The enclosure has dimensions 20 m by 40 m and area 800 m²

[3 marks]

Answer 6

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{2x^3 + 5x}{x^3} \\ &= \frac{2x^3}{x^3} + \frac{5x}{x^3} \\ &= 2 + 5x^{-2} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= -10x^{-3} \\ &= -\frac{10}{x^3} \end{aligned}$$

[3 marks]

Answer 7

$$y = 4x + 3x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 2x^2 \quad x > 0$$

(i) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 4 + \frac{9}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 4x$

[3 marks]

(ii) When $x = 4$,

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 4 \times 4 + 3 \times 4^{\frac{3}{2}} - 2 \times 4^2 \\ &= 16 + 24 - 32 \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (4, 8)$ is on the curve C $\square$

[2 marks]

(iii) When $x = 4$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 4 + \frac{9}{2}\sqrt{4} - 4 \times 4$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 4 + 9 - 16 \\ &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $m_N = \frac{1}{3}$

Normal: $y = mx + c$

$$8 = \frac{1}{3} \times 4 + c$$

$$\begin{aligned} c &= \frac{24 - 4}{3} \\ &= \frac{20}{3} \end{aligned}$$

The equation of the normal is thus $y = \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{20}{3}$

That is $3y = x + 20$ $\square$

[3 marks]

(iv) The normal will cut the x-axis when $y = 0$, when $x = -20$
 Required, is the distance, d , between $(-20, 0)$ and $(4, 8)$

$$\begin{aligned} d &= \sqrt{(\Delta y)^2 + (\Delta x)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{8^2 + 24^2} \\ &= 8\sqrt{10} \end{aligned}$$

[3 marks]