

Question 1(a)

For what value of m is the line $y = mx + c$ perpendicular to the tangent line of the graph of the function $y = \sqrt{x^2 + 16}$ at the point $(3, 5)$?

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 16}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(3) = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\therefore m = -\frac{1}{3/5} = -\frac{5}{3}$$

Question 1(b)

Find $f'(\sqrt{3})$ if $f(x) = \frac{x(1-x^2)^2}{(\sqrt{1+x^2})}$.

$$\ln f(x) = \ln x + \ln(1-x^2)^2 - \frac{1}{2}\ln(1+x^2)$$

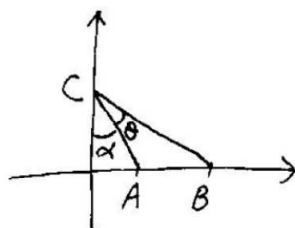
$$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{4x}{1-x^2} - \frac{x}{1+x^2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{(1-x^2)^2}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} - \frac{4x^2(1-x^2)}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} - \frac{x^2(1-x^2)^2}{(1+x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$f'(\sqrt{3}) = 2 + 12 - \frac{3}{2} = \frac{25}{2}$$

Question 2(a)

2 points A & B start at time $t = 0$ at the origin and move along the positive x-axis with B moving 3 times as fast as A. Let C denote the fixed point $(0, 1)$ on the y-axis. Let θ denote the value of the angle $\angle ACB$ at any time t later. What is the maximum value of $\tan \theta$?



Let A be at the point $(x, 0)$ at time t . So B is at $(3x, 0)$ at time t .

$$\frac{3x}{1} = \tan(\theta + \alpha) = \frac{\tan \theta + \tan \alpha}{1 - \tan \theta \tan \alpha} = \frac{\tan \theta + x}{1 - x \tan \theta}$$

$$3x - 3x^2 \tan \theta = x + \tan \theta$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{2x}{3x^2 + 1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan \theta) = \frac{2(3x^2 + 1) - 2x(6x)}{(3x^2 + 1)^2} = \frac{2(1 - \sqrt{3}x)(1 + \sqrt{3}x)}{(3x^2 + 1)^2}$$

$$x \geq 0, \quad x < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(\tan \theta) > 0, \quad x > \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx}(\tan \theta) < 0$$

$$\therefore \max \text{ of } \tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Question 2(b)

Find the value of

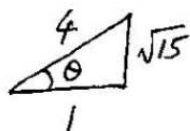
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{x^2 \int_3^x \sqrt{t^3 + 9} dt}{|3 - x|}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{x^2 \int_3^x \sqrt{t^3 + 9} dt}{|3 - x|} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{x^2 \int_3^x \sqrt{t^3 + 9} dt}{x - 3} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{2x \int_3^x \sqrt{t^3 + 9} dt + x^2 \sqrt{x^3 + 9}}{1} \\ &= 54 \end{aligned}$$

Question 3(a)

Let θ be the angle in the first quadrant such that $\sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{4}$. Find the value of

$$\int_0^\theta \frac{80 \sin^3 x}{\sqrt{\cos x}} dx$$



$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\theta \frac{80 \sin^3 x}{\sqrt{\cos x}} dx &= - \int_0^\theta \frac{80 \sin^2 x}{\sqrt{\cos x}} d(\cos x) \\ &= -80 \int_0^\theta \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos x}} - (\cos x)^{\frac{3}{2}} d(\cos x) \\ &= -80 \left[2\sqrt{\cos x} - \frac{2}{5} (\cos x)^{\frac{5}{2}} \right]_0^\theta \\ &= 49 \end{aligned}$$

Question 3(b)

Let $x > 1$. Find

$$\int \left(\frac{1}{\ln x} - \frac{1}{(\ln x)^2} \right) dx.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \left(\frac{1}{\ln x} - \frac{1}{(\ln x)^2} \right) dx &= \int \frac{1}{\ln x} dx - \int \frac{1}{(\ln x)^2} dx \\ &= \frac{x}{\ln x} + \int x \frac{1}{(\ln x)^2} \frac{1}{x} dx - \int \frac{1}{(\ln x)^2} dx \\ &= \frac{x}{\ln x} + c \end{aligned}$$

Question 4(a)

By using the Ratio Test, or otherwise, determine whether the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{6^n (n!)^2}{(2n)!}$$

is convergent or divergent. Show clearly all your steps.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6^{n+1}[(n+1)!]^2}{(2n+2)!} \frac{(2n)!}{6^n(n!)^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6(n+1)^2}{(2n+2)(2n+1)} = \frac{3}{2} > 1$$

\therefore the series is divergent.

Question 5(b)

Let

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + x + 1}.$$

Let $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ be the Maclaurin series representation for $f(x)$. Find the value of $c_{36} - c_{37} + c_{38}$.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + x + 1} = \frac{1-x}{1-x^3} = (1-x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^{3n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^{3n} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^{3n+1}$$

$$c_{36} = c_{3 \cdot 12} = 1, \quad c_{37} = c_{3 \cdot 12 + 1} = -1, \quad c_{38} = c_{3 \cdot 12 + 2} = 0$$

$$\therefore c_{36} - c_{37} + c_{38} = 2$$

Note: This solution will only be valid for $-1 < x < 1$.

Question 6(a)

Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } -1 < x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } 0 < x < 1. \end{cases}$$

Let $f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos n\pi x + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin n\pi x$ be the Fourier Series representation for $f(x)$. Find the value of $a_0 - \pi a_3 + \pi b_5$.

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 1 dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \cos 3\pi x dx = \int_0^1 \cos 3\pi x dx = \left[\frac{\sin 3\pi x}{3\pi} \right]_0^1 = 0$$

$$b_5 = \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \sin 5\pi x dx = \int_0^1 \sin 5\pi x dx = \left[-\frac{\cos 5\pi x}{5\pi} \right]_0^1 = \frac{2}{5\pi}$$

$$\therefore a_0 - \pi a_3 + \pi b_5 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{9}{10}$$

Question 6(b)

Let $f(x) = x(\pi - x)$ for $0 < x < \pi$. Let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin n\pi x$ be the Fourier Sine Series which represents $f(x)$. Find the value of the coefficient b_3 . Give your answer in terms of π .

$$\begin{aligned}
 b_3 &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x(\pi - x) \sin 3x \, dx \\
 &= 2 \int_0^{\pi} x \sin 3x \, dx - \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^2 \sin 3x \, dx \\
 &= 2 \int_0^{\pi} -\frac{1}{2} x \, d(\cos 3x) + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{1}{3} x^2 \, d(\cos 3x) \\
 &= \left[-\frac{2}{3} x \cos 3x \right]_0^{\pi} + \frac{2}{3} \int_0^{\pi} \cos 3x \, dx + \left[\frac{2}{3\pi} x^2 \cos 3x \right]_0^{\pi} - \frac{2}{3\pi} \int_0^{\pi} 2x \cos 3x \, dx \\
 &= \frac{2\pi}{3} + \left[\frac{2}{9} \sin 3x \right]_0^{\pi} - \frac{2\pi}{3} - \frac{2}{3\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{2}{3} x \, d(\sin 3x) \\
 &= \left[-\frac{4}{9\pi} x \sin 3x \right]_0^{\pi} + \frac{4}{9\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin 3x \, dx \\
 &= \left[-\frac{4}{27\pi} \cos 3x \right]_0^{\pi} \\
 &= \frac{8}{27\pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 7(a)

Find $f(x)$ which satisfies the differential equation

$$f'(x) + \frac{2}{x} f(x) = 8x, \quad x > 0$$

and the initial condition $f(1) = 3$.

$$uf' + u \left(\frac{2}{x} \right) f = \frac{d}{dx} (uf) = u'f + uf' = 8ux$$

$$u' = \frac{2u}{x} \Rightarrow \frac{du}{u} = \frac{2 \, dx}{x}$$

$$\ln u = 2 \ln x = \ln x^2 \Rightarrow u = x^2$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^2 f) = 8x^3 \Rightarrow x^2 f = 2x^4 + c$$

$$f(1) = 3 \Rightarrow 3 = 2 + c \Rightarrow c = 1$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{2x^4 + 1}{x^2} = 2x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$$

Question 7(b)

Solve the differential equation

$$y' = \frac{2y^4 + x^4}{xy^3}, \quad y(1) = 2.$$

$$\text{Let } y = ux$$

$$u'x + u = \frac{2u^4x^4 + x^4}{u^3x^4} = \frac{2u^4 + 1}{u^3} \Rightarrow u'x = \frac{u^4 + 1}{u^3}$$

$$\frac{u^3}{u^4 + 1} du = \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \ln(u^4 + 1) = \ln x + c_1 \Rightarrow u^4 + 1 = cx^4$$

$$y^4 + x^4 = cx^8$$

$$y(1) = 2 \Rightarrow 16 + 1 = c \Rightarrow c = 17$$

$$\therefore y^4 = 17x^8 - x^4$$

Question 8(a)

Find the general solution of the differential equation

$$y'' - 2y' + 10y = 0.$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 10 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 40}}{2} = 1 \pm 3i$$

$$\therefore y = e^x(c_1 \cos 3x + c_2 \sin 3x)$$

Question 8(b)

Solve the differential equation

$$y'' - y = e^x, \quad y(0) = 2, \quad y'(0) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\lambda^2 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 1$$

General solution,

$$y = c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-x}$$

Particular integral,

$$\begin{aligned} y &= A x e^x \\ y' &= A x e^x + A e^x \\ y'' &= A x e^x + 2A e^x \end{aligned}$$

$$y'' - y = e^x \Rightarrow 2A e^x = e^x \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= c_1 e^x + c_2 e^{-x} + \frac{1}{2} x e^x \\ y' &= c_1 e^x - c_2 e^{-x} + \frac{1}{2} x e^x + \frac{1}{2} e^x \end{aligned}$$

Using $y(0) = 2$, $y'(0) = \frac{1}{2}$,

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 + c_2 &= 2 \\ c_1 + c_2 + \frac{1}{2} &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$c_1 = c_2 = 1$$

$$\therefore y = e^x + e^{-x} + \frac{1}{2} x e^x$$

Question 9(a)

A tank initially holds 100l of a brine solution containing 20kg of salt. Starting from time $t = 0$, fresh water is continuously poured into the tank at the rate of 5l/min, while the well-stirred mixture leaves the tank continuously at the same rate. Find an expression for the amount (in kg) of salt in the tank at any time t .

Let Q kg be the amount of salt at time t .

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = -\frac{5}{100} Q = -\frac{Q}{20}$$

$$\frac{dQ}{Q} = -\frac{1}{20} dt \Rightarrow \ln Q = -\frac{1}{20} t + c \Rightarrow Q = c e^{-\frac{t}{20}}$$

At $t = 0$, we have $Q = 20$, $\Rightarrow c = 20$

$$\therefore Q = 20 e^{-\frac{t}{20}}$$

Question 9(b)

Find the inverse Laplace transform

$$L^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{s(s^2 + 4)} \right].$$

$$\frac{1}{s(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{Bs + C}{s^2 + 4}$$

$$1 = A(s^2 + 4) + Bs^2 + Cs = (A + B)s^2 + Cs + 4A \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{4}, \quad B = -\frac{1}{4}, \quad C = 0$$

$$\therefore L^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{s(s^2 + 4)} \right] = L^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{s}{s^2 + 4} \right] = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \cos 2t$$

Question 10(a)

Given that the Laplace transform of \sqrt{t} is $L(\sqrt{t}) = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\pi}s^{-\frac{3}{2}}$. Find the Laplace transform of the function $f(t) = t^{\frac{3}{2}}$.

$$\int_0^t \sqrt{u} du = \left[\frac{2}{3} u^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^t = \frac{2}{3} t^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$L \left[\int_0^t \sqrt{u} du \right] = \frac{L(\sqrt{t})}{s} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi} s^{-\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$L \left(\frac{2}{3} t^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi} s^{-\frac{5}{2}} \Rightarrow L \left(t^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) = \frac{3}{4} \sqrt{\pi} s^{-\frac{5}{2}}$$

Question 10(b)Find the functions $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ which satisfy

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -2x + y, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 2x - 3y$$

and the initial conditions $x(0) = 1, y(0) = 0$.Taking Laplace transform with $L(x) = X, L(y) = Y$, we have

$$\begin{cases} L \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right) = -2X + Y \\ L \left(\frac{dy}{dt} \right) = 2X - 3Y \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} sX - x(0) = -2X + Y \\ sY - y(0) = 2X - 3Y \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} (s+2)X - Y = 1 \\ -2X + (s+3)Y = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} X = \frac{s+3}{s^2+5s+4} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{s+1} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{s+4} \\ Y = \frac{2}{s^2+5s+4} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{s+1} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{s+4} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x = \frac{2}{3}e^{-t} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-4t} \\ y = \frac{2}{3}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{3}e^{-4t} \end{cases}$$

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