

Module 1

Introduction to Calculus

I. Introduction to Calculus

Calculus is a branch of mathematics involving or leading to calculations dealing with continuously varying functions.

Calculus is a subject that falls into two parts:

- (i) **differential calculus** (or **differentiation**) and
- (ii) **integral calculus** (or **integration**).

Differentiation is used in calculations involving velocity and acceleration, rates of change and maximum and minimum values of curves.

A. Functional Notation

In an equation such as $y = 3x^2 + 2x - 5$, y is said to be a function of x and may be written as $y = f(x)$.

An equation written in the form $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x - 5$ is termed **functional notation**. The value of $f(x)$ when $x = 0$ is denoted by $f(0)$, and the value of $f(x)$ when $x = 2$ is denoted by $f(2)$ and so on. Thus when $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x - 5$, then

$$f(0) = 3(0)^2 + 2(0) - 5 = -5$$

and $f(2) = 3(2)^2 + 2(2) - 5 = 11$ and so on.

Problem 1. If $f(x) = 4x^2 - 3x + 2$ find: $f(0)$, $f(3)$, $f(-1)$ and $f(3) - f(-1)$

$$f(x) = 4x^2 - 3x + 2$$

$$f(0) = 4(0)^2 - 3(0) + 2 = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(3) &= 4(3)^2 - 3(3) + 2 \\ &= 36 - 9 + 2 = \mathbf{29} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(-1) &= 4(-1)^2 - 3(-1) + 2 \\ &= 4 + 3 + 2 = \mathbf{9} \end{aligned}$$

$$f(3) - f(-1) = 29 - 9 = \mathbf{20}$$

Problem 2. Given that $f(x) = 5x^2 + x - 7$ determine:

(i) $f(2) \div f(1)$ (iii) $f(3+a) - f(3)$

(ii) $f(3+a)$ (iv) $\frac{f(3+a) - f(3)}{a}$

$$f(x) = 5x^2 + x - 7$$

(i) $f(2) = 5(2)^2 + 2 - 7 = 15$

$$f(1) = 5(1)^2 + 1 - 7 = -1$$

$$f(2) \div f(1) = \frac{15}{-1} = \mathbf{-15}$$

(ii) $f(3+a) = 5(3+a)^2 + (3+a) - 7$
 $= 5(9 + 6a + a^2) + (3+a) - 7$
 $= 45 + 30a + 5a^2 + 3 + a - 7$
 $= \mathbf{41 + 31a + 5a^2}$

(iii) $f(3) = 5(3)^2 + 3 - 7 = 41$

$$\begin{aligned} f(3+a) - f(3) &= (41 + 31a + 5a^2) - (41) \\ &= \mathbf{31a + 5a^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$(iv) \frac{f(3+a) - f(3)}{a} = \frac{31a + 5a^2}{a} = 31 + 5a$$

Exercise 1. Functional Notation

B. The gradient of a curve

- (a) If a tangent is drawn at a point P on a curve, then the gradient of this tangent is said to be the **gradient of the curve** at P . In Fig. 1, the gradient of the curve at P is equal to the gradient of the tangent PQ .

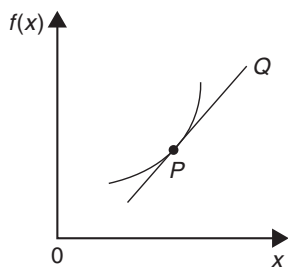


Figure 1

- (b) For the curve shown in Fig. 2, let the points A and B have co-ordinates (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) , respectively. In functional notation, $y_1 = f(x_1)$ and $y_2 = f(x_2)$ as shown.

The gradient of the chord AB

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{BC}{AC} = \frac{BD - CD}{ED} \\ &= \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{(x_2 - x_1)} \end{aligned}$$

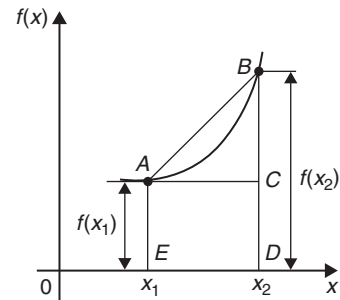


Figure 2

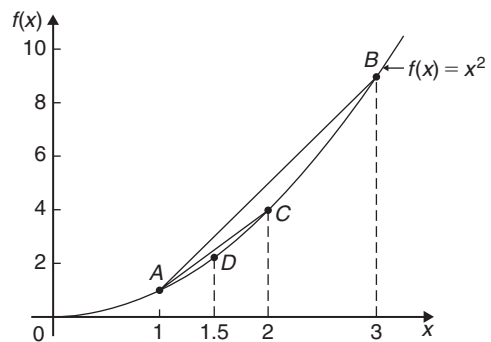


Figure 3

- (c) For the curve $f(x) = x^2$ shown in Fig. 3:
- the gradient of chord AB

$$= \frac{f(3) - f(1)}{3 - 1} = \frac{9 - 1}{2} = 4$$

- the gradient of chord AC

$$= \frac{f(2) - f(1)}{2 - 1} = \frac{4 - 1}{1} = 3$$

- the gradient of chord AD

$$= \frac{f(1.5) - f(1)}{1.5 - 1} = \frac{2.25 - 1}{0.5} = 2.5$$

- (iv) if E is the point on the curve $(1.1, f(1.1))$ then the gradient of chord AE

$$= \frac{f(1.1) - f(1)}{1.1 - 1}$$

$$= \frac{1.21 - 1}{0.1} = 2.1$$

- (v) if F is the point on the curve $(1.01, f(1.01))$ then the gradient of chord AF

$$= \frac{f(1.01) - f(1)}{1.01 - 1}$$

$$= \frac{1.0201 - 1}{0.01} = 2.01$$

Thus as point B moves closer and closer to point A the gradient of the chord approaches nearer and nearer to the value 2. This is called the **limiting value** of the gradient of the chord AB and when B coincides with A the chord becomes the tangent to the curve.

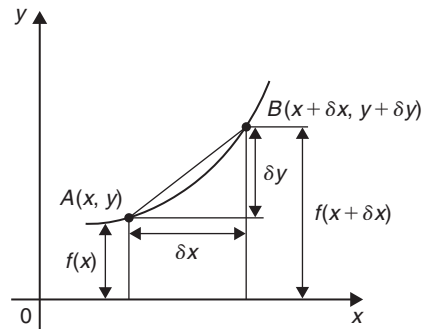


Figure 4

As δx approaches zero, $\frac{\delta y}{\delta x}$ approaches a limiting value and the gradient of the chord approaches the gradient of the tangent at A .

- (ii) When determining the gradient of a tangent to a curve there are two notations used. The gradient of the curve at A in Fig. 4 can either be written as:

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} \text{ or } \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x} \right\}$$

Exercise 2. Gradient of a Curve

In **Leibniz notation**, $\frac{dy}{dx} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x}$

In **functional notation**,

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x} \right\}$$

- (iii) $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is the same as $f'(x)$ and is called the **differential coefficient** or the **derivative**. The process of finding the differential coefficient is called **differentiation**.

Summarizing, the differential coefficient,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta y}{\delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x} \right\}$$

C, Differentiation from first principles

- (i) In Fig. 4, A and B are two points very close together on a curve, δx (delta x) and δy (delta y) representing small increments in the x and y directions, respectively.

$$\text{Gradient of chord } AB = \frac{\delta y}{\delta x}$$

However,
$$\delta y = f(x + \delta x) - f(x)$$

Hence
$$\frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x}$$

Problem 3. Differentiate from first principles $f(x) = x^2$ and determine the value of the gradient of the curve at $x = 2$

To 'differentiate from first principles' means 'to find $f'(x)$ ' by using the expression

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x} \right\}$$

$$f(x) = x^2$$

Substituting $(x + \delta x)$ for x gives

$$f(x + \delta x) = (x + \delta x)^2 = x^2 + 2x\delta x + \delta x^2, \text{ hence}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{(x^2 + 2x\delta x + \delta x^2) - (x^2)}{\delta x} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{2x\delta x + \delta x^2}{\delta x} \right\} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \{2x + \delta x\}$$

As $\delta x \rightarrow 0$, $[2x + \delta x] \rightarrow [2x + 0]$. Thus $f'(x) = 2x$, i.e. the differential coefficient of x^2 is $2x$. At $x = 2$, the gradient of the curve, $f'(x) = 2(2) = 4$

Problem 4. Find the differential coefficient of

$$y = 5x$$

By definition, $\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x)$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x} \right\}$$

The function being differentiated is $y = f(x) = 5x$. Substituting $(x + \delta x)$ for x gives:

$$f(x + \delta x) = 5(x + \delta x) = 5x + 5\delta x. \text{ Hence}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{(5x + 5\delta x) - (5x)}{\delta x} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{5\delta x}{\delta x} \right\} = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \{5\}$$

Since the term δx does not appear in $[5]$ the limiting value as $\delta x \rightarrow 0$ of $[5]$ is 5. Thus $\frac{dy}{dx} = 5$, i.e. the dif-

ferential coefficient of $5x$ is 5. The equation $y = 5x$ represents a straight line of gradient 5

The 'differential coefficient' (i.e. $\frac{dy}{dx}$ or $f'(x)$) means 'the gradient of the curve', and since the slope of the line $y = 5x$ is 5 this result can be obtained by inspection. Hence, in general, if $y = kx$ (where k is a constant), then the gradient of the line is k and $\frac{dy}{dx}$ or $f'(x) = k$.

Problem 5. Find the derivative of $y = 8$

$y = f(x) = 8$. Since there are no x -values in the original equation, substituting $(x + \delta x)$ for x still gives

$f(x + \delta x) = 8$. Hence

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{8 - 8}{\delta x} \right\} = 0$$

Thus, when $y = 8$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

The equation $y = 8$ represents a straight horizontal line and the gradient of a horizontal line is zero, hence the result could have been determined by inspection. 'Finding the derivative' means 'finding the gradient', hence, in general, for any horizontal line if $y = k$ (where k is a constant) then $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

Problem 6. Differentiate from first principles

$$f(x) = 2x^3$$

Substituting $(x + \delta x)$ for x gives

$$f(x + \delta x) = 2(x + \delta x)^3$$

$$= 2(x + \delta x)(x^2 + 2x\delta x + \delta x^2)$$

$$= 2(x^3 + 3x^2\delta x + 3x\delta x^2 + \delta x^3)$$

$$= 2x^3 + 6x^2\delta x + 6x\delta x^2 + 2\delta x^3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) = \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{(2x^3 + 6x^2\delta x + 6x\delta x^2 + 2\delta x^3) - (2x^3)}{\delta x} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{6x^2\delta x + 6x\delta x^2 + 2\delta x^3}{\delta x} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \{6x^2 + 6x\delta x + 2\delta x^2\}$$

Hence $f'(x) = 6x^2$, i.e. the differential coefficient of $2x^3$ is $6x^2$.

Problem 7. Find the differential coefficient of $y = 4x^2 + 5x - 3$ and determine the gradient of the curve at $x = -3$

$$y = f(x) = 4x^2 + 5x - 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x + \delta x) &= 4(x + \delta x)^2 + 5(x + \delta x) - 3 \\ &= 4(x^2 + 2x\delta x + \delta x^2) + 5x + 5\delta x - 3 \\ &= 4x^2 + 8x\delta x + 4\delta x^2 + 5x + 5\delta x - 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) &= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{f(x + \delta x) - f(x)}{\delta x} \right\} \\ &= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{(4x^2 + 8x\delta x + 4\delta x^2 + 5x + 5\delta x - 3) - (4x^2 + 5x - 3)}{\delta x} \right\} \\ &= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{8x\delta x + 4\delta x^2 + 5\delta x}{\delta x} \right\} \\ &= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \{8x + 4\delta x + 5\} \\ \text{i.e. } \frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) &= 8x + 5 \end{aligned}$$

At $x = -3$, the gradient of the curve

$$= \frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) = 8(-3) + 5 = -19$$

Differentiation from first principles can be a lengthy process and it would not be convenient to go through this procedure every time we want to differentiate a function. In reality we do not have to, because a set of general rules have evolved from the above procedure, which we consider in the following section.

Exercise 3 Differentiation from first principles

D. Differentiation of $y = ax^n$ by the general rule

From differentiation by first principles, a general rule for differentiating ax^n emerges where a and n are any constants. This rule is:

$$\text{if } y = ax^n \text{ then } \frac{dy}{dx} = anx^{n-1}$$

$$\text{or, if } f(x) = ax^n \text{ then } f'(x) = anx^{n-1}$$

(Each of the results obtained in worked problems 3 to 7 may be deduced by using this general rule.)

When differentiating, results can be expressed in a number of ways.

For example:

- (i) if $y = 3x^2$ then $\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x$,
- (ii) if $f(x) = 3x^2$ then $f'(x) = 6x$,
- (iii) the differential coefficient of $3x^2$ is $6x$,
- (iv) the derivative of $3x^2$ is $6x$, and
- (v) $\frac{d}{dx}(3x^2) = 6x$

Problem 8. Using the general rule, differentiate the following with respect to x :

$$(a) y = 5x^7 \quad (b) y = 3\sqrt{x} \quad (c) y = \frac{4}{x^2}$$

(a) Comparing $y = 5x^7$ with $y = ax^n$ shows that $a = 5$ and $n = 7$. Using the general rule,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = anx^{n-1} = (5)(7)x^{7-1} = 35x^6$$

(b) $y = 3\sqrt{x} = 3x^{\frac{1}{2}}$. Hence $a = 3$ and $n = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = anx^{n-1} = (3)\frac{1}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}-1}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3}{2x^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

(c) $y = \frac{4}{x^2} = 4x^{-2}$. Hence $a = 4$ and $n = -2$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = anx^{n-1} = (4)(-2)x^{-2-1}$$

$$= -8x^{-3} = -\frac{8}{x^3}$$

Problem 9. Find the differential coefficient of

$$y = \frac{2}{5}x^3 - \frac{4}{x^3} + 4\sqrt{x^5} + 7$$

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i.e. $y = \frac{2}{5}x^3 - 4x^{-3} + 4x^{5/2} + 7$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)(3)x^{3-1} - (4)(-3)x^{-3-1} + (4)\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)x^{(5/2)-1} + 0$$

$$= \frac{6}{5}x^2 + 12x^{-4} + 10x^{3/2}$$

i.e. $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6}{5}x^2 + \frac{12}{x^4} + 10\sqrt{x^3}$

Problem 10. If $f(t) = 5t + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^3}}$ find $f'(t)$

$$f(t) = 5t + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^3}} = 5t + \frac{1}{t^{\frac{3}{2}}} = 5t^1 + t^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

Hence $f'(t) = (5)(1)t^{1-1} + \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)t^{-\frac{3}{2}-1}$

$$= 5t^0 - \frac{3}{2}t^{-\frac{5}{2}}$$

i.e. $f'(t) = 5 - \frac{3}{2t^{\frac{5}{2}}} = 5 - \frac{3}{2\sqrt{t^5}}$

Problem 11. Differentiate $y = \frac{(x+2)^2}{x}$ with respect to x

$$y = \frac{(x+2)^2}{x} = \frac{x^2 + 4x + 4}{x}$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{x} + \frac{4x}{x} + \frac{4}{x}$$

i.e. $y = x + 4 + 4x^{-1}$

Hence $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + 0 + (4)(-1)x^{-1-1}$

$$= 1 - 4x^{-2} = 1 - \frac{4}{x^2}$$

Exercise 4. Differentiation of $y=ax^n$ by the general rule

E. Differentiation of sine and cosine functions

Figure 5(a) shows a graph of $y = \sin \theta$. The gradient is continually changing as the curve moves from O to A to B to C to D . The gradient, given by $\frac{dy}{d\theta}$, may be plotted in a corresponding position below $y = \sin \theta$, as shown in Fig. 5(b).

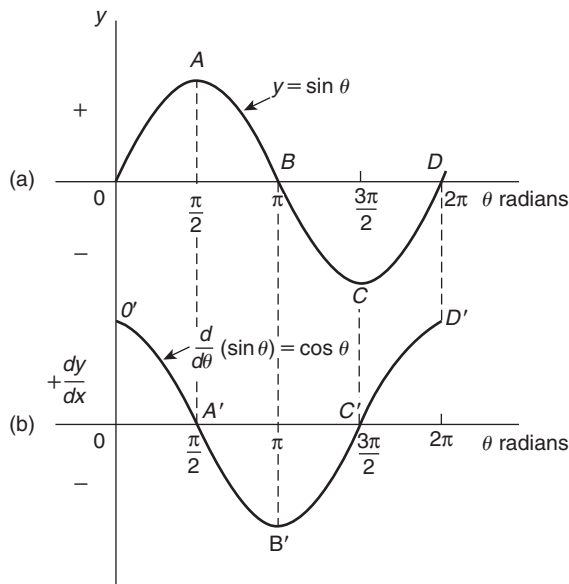


Figure 5

- (i) At 0 , the gradient is positive and is at its steepest. Hence O' is the maximum positive value.
- (ii) Between 0 and A the gradient is positive but is decreasing in value until at A the gradient is zero, shown as A' .

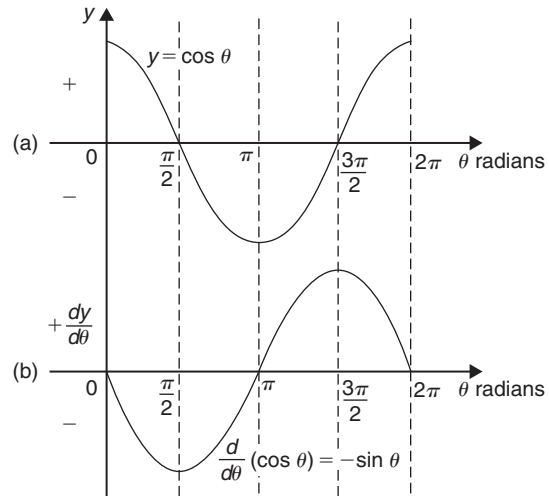


Figure 6

- (iii) Between A and B the gradient is negative but is increasing in value until at B the gradient is at its steepest. Hence B' is a maximum negative value.
- (iv) If the gradient of $y = \sin \theta$ is further investigated between B and C and C and D then the resulting graph of $\frac{dy}{d\theta}$ is seen to be a cosine wave.

Hence the rate of change of $\sin \theta$ is $\cos \theta$, i.e.

if $y = \sin \theta$ then $\frac{dy}{d\theta} = \cos \theta$

It may also be shown that:

if $y = \sin a\theta$, $\frac{dy}{d\theta} = a \cos a\theta$
(where a is a constant)

and if $y = \sin(a\theta + \alpha)$, $\frac{dy}{d\theta} = a \cos(a\theta + \alpha)$
(where a and α are constants).

If a similar exercise is followed for $y = \cos \theta$ then the graphs of Fig. 6 result, showing $\frac{dy}{d\theta}$ to be a graph of $\sin \theta$, but displaced by π radians. If each point on the curve $y = \sin \theta$ (as shown in Fig. 5(a)) were to be made negative, (i.e. $+\frac{\pi}{2}$ is made $-\frac{\pi}{2}$, $-\frac{3\pi}{2}$ is made $+\frac{3\pi}{2}$, and so on) then the graph shown in Fig. 6(b) would result. This latter graph therefore represents the curve of $-\sin \theta$.

Thus, if $y = \cos \theta$, $\frac{dy}{d\theta} = -\sin \theta$

It may also be shown that:

if $y = \cos a\theta$, $\frac{dy}{d\theta} = -a \sin a\theta$
(where a is a constant)

and if $y = \cos(a\theta + \alpha)$, $\frac{dy}{d\theta} = -a \sin(a\theta + \alpha)$
(where a and α are constants).

Problem 12. Differentiate the following with respect to the variable: (a) $y = 2 \sin 5\theta$

(b) $f(t) = 3 \cos 2t$

(a) $y = 2 \sin 5\theta$

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = (2)(5) \cos 5\theta = \mathbf{10 \cos 5\theta}$$

(b) $f(t) = 3 \cos 2t$

$$f'(t) = (3)(-2) \sin 2t = \mathbf{-6 \sin 2t}$$

Problem 13. Find the differential coefficient of $y = 7 \sin 2x - 3 \cos 4x$

$$y = 7 \sin 2x - 3 \cos 4x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (7)(2) \cos 2x - (3)(-4) \sin 4x$$

$$= \mathbf{14 \cos 2x + 12 \sin 4x}$$

Problem 14. Differentiate the following with respect to the variable:

(a) $f(\theta) = 5 \sin(100\pi\theta - 0.40)$

(b) $f(t) = 2 \cos(5t + 0.20)$

(a) If $f(\theta) = 5 \sin(100\pi\theta - 0.40)$

$$f'(\theta) = 5[100\pi \cos(100\pi\theta - 0.40)]$$

$$= \mathbf{500\pi \cos(100\pi\theta - 0.40)}$$

(b) If $f(t) = 2 \cos(5t + 0.20)$

$$f'(t) = 2[-5 \sin(5t + 0.20)]$$

$$= \mathbf{-10 \sin(5t + 0.20)}$$

Problem 15. An alternating voltage is given by: $v = 100 \sin 200t$ volts, where t is the time in seconds. Calculate the rate of change of voltage when (a) $t = 0.005$ s and (b) $t = 0.01$ s

$v = 100 \sin 200t$ volts. The rate of change of v is given by $\frac{dv}{dt}$.

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = (100)(200) \cos 200t = 20\,000 \cos 200t$$

(a) When $t = 0.005$ s,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 20\,000 \cos(200)(0.005) = 20\,000 \cos 1$$

$\cos 1$ means 'the cosine of 1 radian' (make sure your calculator is on radians — not degrees).

Hence $\frac{dv}{dt} = \mathbf{10\,806 \text{ volts per second}}$

(b) When $t = 0.01$ s,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 20\,000 \cos(200)(0.01) = 20\,000 \cos 2.$$

Hence $\frac{dv}{dt} = \mathbf{-8323 \text{ volts per second}}$

Exercise 5. Differentiation of sine and cosine functions

F. Differentiation of e^{ax} and $\ln ax$

A graph of $y = e^x$ is shown in Fig. 7(a). The gradient of the curve at any point is given by $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and is continually changing. By drawing tangents to the curve at many points on the curve and measuring the gradient of the

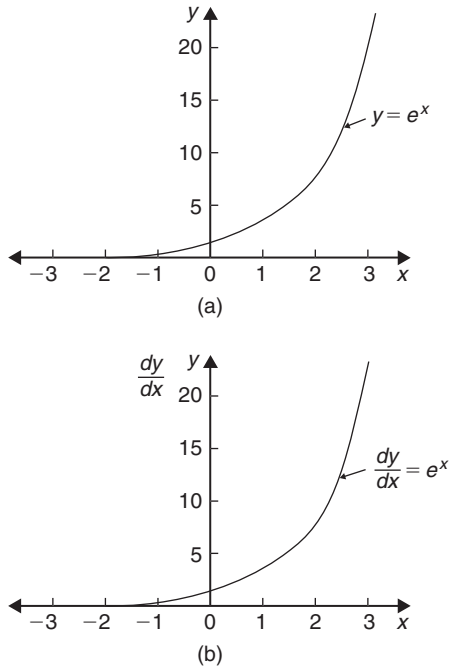


Figure 7

tangents, values of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for corresponding values of x may be obtained. These values are shown graphically in Fig. 7(b). The graph of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ against x is identical to the original graph of $y = e^x$. It follows that:

$$\text{if } y = e^x, \text{ then } \frac{dy}{dx} = e^x$$

It may also be shown that

$$\text{if } y = e^{ax}, \text{ then } \frac{dy}{dx} = ae^{ax}$$

Therefore if $y = 2e^{6x}$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = (2)(6e^{6x}) = 12e^{6x}$

A graph of $y = \ln x$ is shown in Fig. 8(a). The gradient of the curve at any point is given by $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and is continually changing. By drawing tangents to the curve at many points on the curve and measuring the gradient of the tangents, values of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for corresponding values of x may be obtained. These values are shown graphically in Fig. 8(b). The graph of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ against x is the graph

$$\text{of } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

It follows that: **if $y = \ln x$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$**

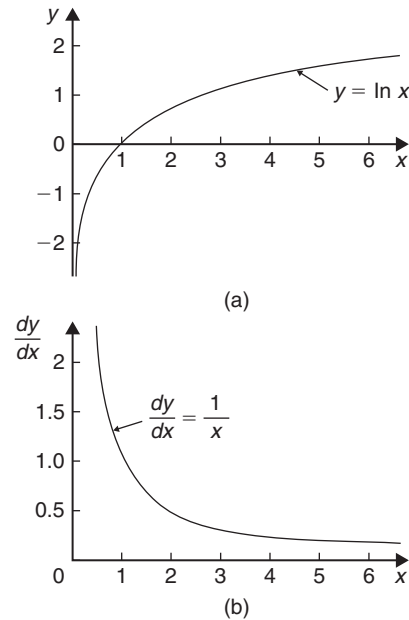


Figure 8

It may also be shown that

$$\text{if } y = \ln ax, \text{ then } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

(Note that in the latter expression 'a' does not appear in the $\frac{dy}{dx}$ term).

Thus if $y = \ln 4x$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$

Problem 16. Differentiate the following with respect to the variable: (a) $y = 3e^{2x}$

(b) $f(t) = \frac{4}{3e^{5t}}$.

(a) If $y = 3e^{2x}$ then $\frac{dy}{dx} = (3)(2e^{2x}) = 6e^{2x}$

(b) If $f(t) = \frac{4}{3e^{5t}} = \frac{4}{3}e^{-5t}$, then

$$f'(t) = \frac{4}{3}(-5e^{-5t}) = -\frac{20}{3}e^{-5t} = -\frac{20}{3e^{5t}}$$

Problem 17. Differentiate $y = 5 \ln 3x$.

If $y = 5 \ln 3x$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = (5) \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) = \frac{5}{x}$

Exercise 6. Differentiation of e^{ax} and $\ln ax$