

OCR Additional Maths Exam Questions - Differentiation

2 Find the equation of the normal to the curve $y = x^3 + 5x - 7$ at the point $(1, -1)$. [5]

5 The curve $y = x^3 - 3x^2 - 9x + 7$ has two turning points, one of which is where $x = 3$.

(i) Find the coordinates of the other turning point and determine whether it is a maximum or minimum point. [5]

(ii) Sketch the curve. [1]

12 Fig. 12 shows the shape AOB that is to be made from card.

B is the point $(5, 0)$ and OB is part of the curve with equation $y = 0.3x^2 - 1.5x$.

The line AB is the normal to the curve at B.

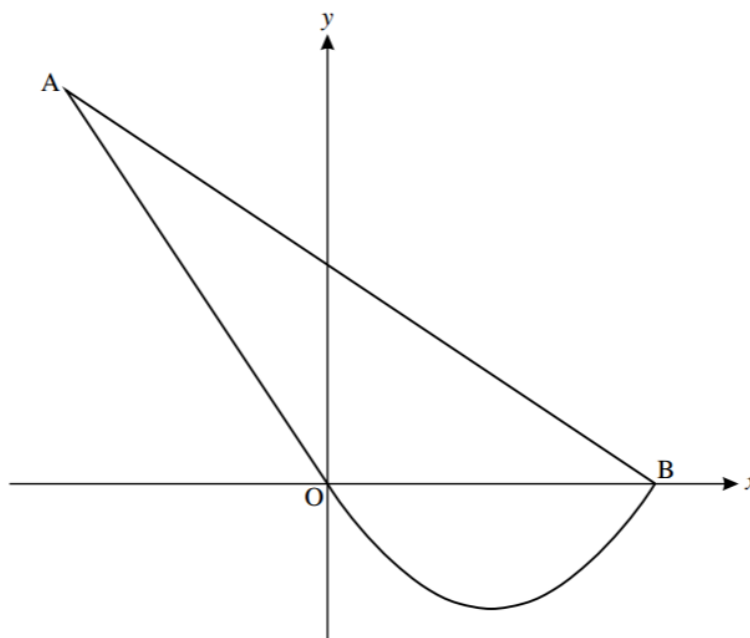


Fig. 12

(i) Find the equation of the line AB. [4]

The equation of the line AO is $2y + 3x = 0$.

(ii) Find the coordinates of the point A. [3]

(iii) Find the area of the shape AOB. [5]

- 2 The equation of a curve is $y = x^3 - x^2 - 2x - 3$.
Find the equation of the tangent to this curve at the point (3, 9). [5]

- 6 The equation of a curve is $y = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x$.
(i) Show that the curve has a stationary point where $x = 2$. [4]
(ii) Determine whether the stationary value where $x = 2$ is a maximum or minimum. [2]

- 13 (i) Find the coefficients a , b and c in the expansion

$$(2 + h)^3 = 8 + ah + bh^2 + ch^3. \quad [3]$$

- (ii) The graph of the equation $y = x^3$ passes through the points P and Q which have x -coordinates 2 and $2 + h$ respectively.

Show that the gradient of the chord PQ is $\frac{(2 + h)^3 - 8}{h}$. [3]

- (iii) Express $\frac{(2 + h)^3 - 8}{h}$ as a quadratic function of h . [2]

- (iv) As the value of h decreases, the point Q gets closer and closer to the point P on the curve. As h gets closer to 0 the chord PQ gets closer to being the tangent to the curve at P.

Deduce the value of the gradient of the tangent at P. [1]

- (v) Kareen uses the same method to deduce the value of the gradient of the tangent at the point (2, 16) on the curve $y = x^4$.

The first three lines of her working are given below and in the answer booklet.

Take P to be the point (2, 16)

Take Q to be the point (2 + h, (2 + h)⁴)

The gradient of the chord PQ is given by $\frac{(2+h)^4 - 16}{h} =$

Complete Kareen's working. [3]

- 5 (i) Use calculus to find the stationary points on the curve $y = x^3 - \frac{3}{2}x^2 - 6x + 3$. [5]
(ii) Sketch the curve on the axes provided showing the stationary points and the point where it cuts the y -axis. [2]

- 12 An object sinks through a thick liquid such that at time t seconds after being released on the surface the depth, s metres, is given by

$$s = 4t^2 - \frac{2t^3}{3} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 4.$$

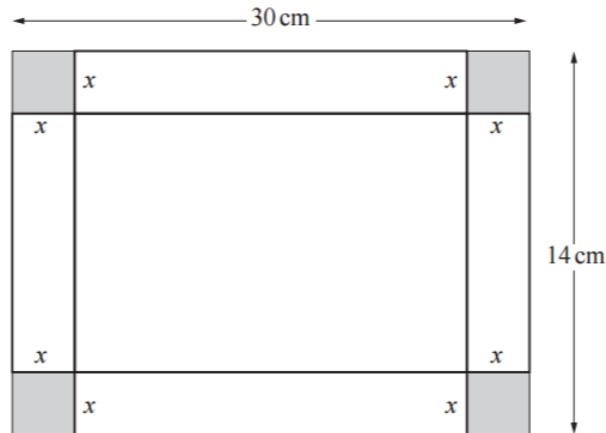
- (a) Find the formula for the velocity, v metres per second, t seconds after being released. Hence show that the object stops sinking when $t = 4$. [4]
- (b) Find
- (i) the acceleration of the object when it is released on the surface of the liquid, [4]
- (ii) the greatest depth of the object. [2]
- (c) On the grids provided sketch the velocity-time and acceleration-time graphs. [2]
- 14 A curve has equation $y = 4x^3 - 5x^2 + 1$ and passes through the point $A(1, 0)$.
- (i) Find the equation of the normal to the curve at A . [5]
- (ii) This normal also cuts the curve in two other points, B and C . Show that the x -coordinates of the three points where the normal cuts the curve are given by the equation $8x^3 - 10x^2 + x + 1 = 0$. [2]
- (iii) Show that the point $B\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$ satisfies the normal and the curve. [2]
- (iv) Find the coordinates of C . [3]

- 4 A train travels from station A to station B . It starts from rest at A and comes to rest again at B . The displacement of the train from A at time t seconds after starting from A is s metres where

$$s = 0.09t^2 - 0.0001t^3.$$

- (i) Find the velocity at time t seconds after leaving A and hence find the time taken to reach B . Give the units of your answer. [4]
- (ii) Find the distance between A and B . Give the units of your answer. [2]
- 10 (i) Find the coordinates of the point P on the curve $y = 2x^2 + x - 5$ where the gradient of the curve is 5. [3]
- (ii) Find the equation of the normal to the curve at the point P . [3]

- 11 Kala is making an open box out of a rectangular piece of card measuring 30 cm by 14 cm. She cuts squares of side x cm out of each corner and turns up the sides to form the box.



- (i) Find an expression in terms of x for the volume, $V\text{cm}^3$, of the box and show that this reduces to $V = 4x^3 - 88x^2 + 420x$. [4]
- (ii) Find the two values of x that give $\frac{dV}{dx} = 0$. [5]
- (iii) Explain why one of these values should be rejected and find the maximum volume of the box using the other value. [3]
- 3 Find the equation of the tangent to the curve $y = x^3 + 3x - 5$ at the point $(2, 9)$. [5]
- 5 A train accelerates from rest from a point O such that at t seconds the displacement, s metres from O, is given by the formula $s = \frac{3}{2}t^2 - 2t + 3$.
- (i) Show by calculus that the acceleration is constant. [3]
- (ii) Find the velocity after 5 seconds. [2]

- 11 Two curves, S_1 and S_2 have equations $y = x^2 - 4x + 7$ and $y = 6x - x^2 - 1$ respectively. The curves meet at A and at B.

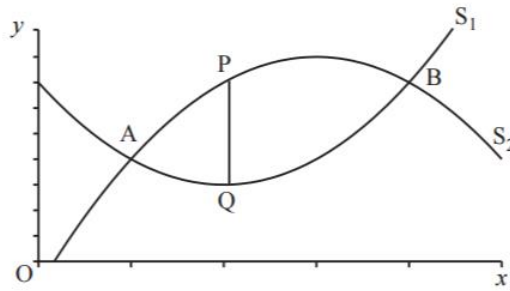
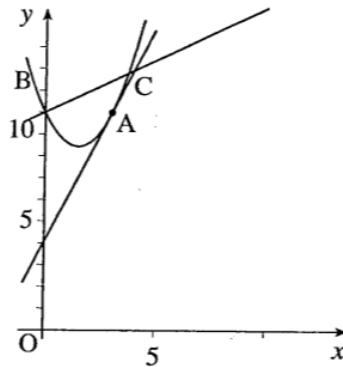


Fig. 11

- (i) Show that the coordinates of A and B are (1, 4) and (4, 7) respectively. [2]
- Points P and Q lie on S_2 and S_1 between A and B. P and Q have the same x coordinate so that PQ is parallel to the y-axis, as shown in Fig. 11.
- (ii) Find an expression, in its simplest form, for the length PQ as a function of x. [2]
- (iii) Use calculus to find the greatest length of PQ. [4]
- (iv) Find the area between the two curves. [4]
- 1 Use calculus to show that there is a maximum point at $x = 3$ on the curve $y = 9x^2 - 2x^3$ and find the coordinates of this point. [5]

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The curve shown has equation $y = \frac{2}{3}x^2 - 2x + 10$.

- (i) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve at A (3, 10). [4]
- (ii) Show that the equation of the normal to the curve at B (0, 10) is $2y - x = 20$. [3]
- (iii) Find the coordinates of the point C where these two lines intersect. [3]
- (iv) Calculate the length BC. [2]

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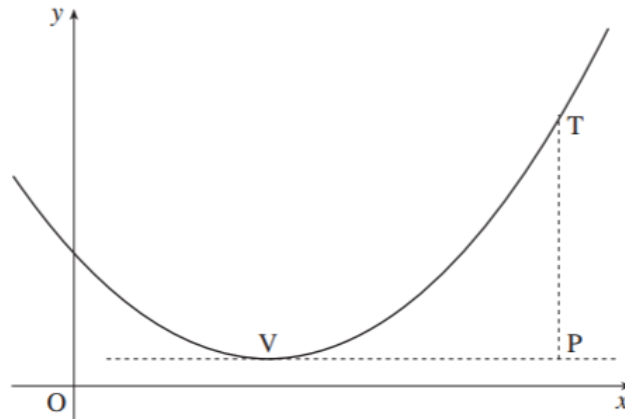


Fig. 14

Fig. 14 shows the quadratic curve $y = x^2 - 4x + 5$.

$V(2, 1)$ is the minimum point of the curve.

$T(5, 10)$ is a point on the curve.

The line VP is the tangent to the curve at V and TP is perpendicular to this line.

- (i) Write down the coordinates of P . [1]
 - (ii) Find the coordinates of M , the midpoint of VP . [2]
 - (iii) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve at T . [4]
 - (iv) Show that the tangent to the curve at T passes through the point M . [2]
 - (v) Use the result in part (iv) to suggest a way of drawing a tangent to a point on a quadratic curve without involving calculus. [3]
- 6 Find the equation of the tangent to the curve $y = x^3 - 3x + 4$ at the point $(2, 6)$. [4]
- 7 Use calculus to find the x -coordinate of the minimum point on the curve
- $$y = x^3 - 2x^2 - 15x + 30.$$
- Show your working clearly, giving the reasons for your answer. [7]

- 5 (i) Use calculus to find the stationary points on the curve $y = x^3 - 3x + 1$, identifying which is a maximum and which is a minimum. [6]
- (ii) Sketch the curve. [1]
- 6 A speedboat accelerates from rest so that t seconds after starting its velocity, in m s^{-1} , is given by the formula $v = 0.36t^2 - 0.024t^3$.
- (i) Find the acceleration at time t . [3]
- (ii) Find the distance travelled in the first 10 seconds. [4]
- 11 The side of a fairground slide is in the shaded shape as shown in Fig. 11. Units are metres.

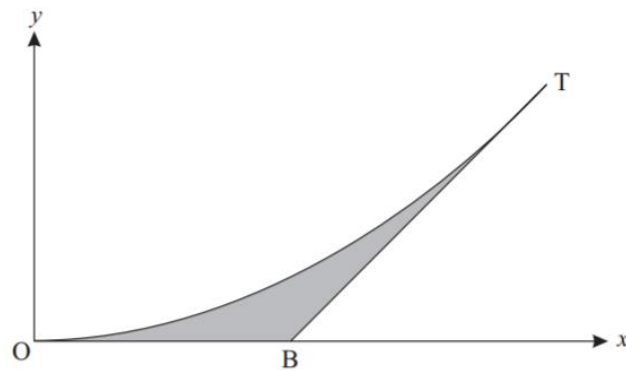


Fig. 11

The curve has equation $y = \lambda x^2$.

T has coordinates (4, 2). The line BT is a tangent to the curve at T. It meets the x -axis at the point B.

- (i) Find the value of λ . [1]
- (ii) Find the equation of the tangent BT and hence find the coordinates of the point B. [6]
- (iii) Find the area of the shaded portion of the graph. [5]