



Calculus 1 Tutorial Questions

1) Find the derivatives of:

- i. x^4 ii. $7x^3$ iii. x^{-1} iv. x^1

2) Find the derivative of:

- i. $f(x) = 5x^2 + 7x + 3$
ii. $g(x) = 2x^3 + 4x^2 + x + 5$
iii. $y = 8x + 4$

3) Find the slope of line $y = 8x + 4$ using differentiation

4) Product rule: $y = (4 + 3x^2)(6x + 4x^2)$ Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

5) Quotient rule: $y = \frac{(5+6x)}{2x^2}$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

6) Chain rule: $y = (2 + 3x)^4$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

7) Chain rule: $y = \cos(3x + 5)$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

8) Find the following limits:

- i. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x - 1} \right)$
ii. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2n^2 - 3n + 2}{6n^2 + 5n - 6} \right)$

9) Find the derivative of $f(x) = 5 - 2x$ by first principles.

10) 2014 Paper 1 Q4

(a) Differentiate the function $2x^2 - 3x - 6$ with respect to x from first principles.

(b) Let $f(x) = \frac{2x}{x+2}$, $x \neq -2$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Find the co-ordinates of the points at which the slope of the tangent to the curve $y = f(x)$ is $\frac{1}{4}$.

11) 2016 Paper 1 Q6

(a) Differentiate the function $(2x + 4)^2$ from first principles, with respect to x .

(b) (i) If $y = x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

(ii) find the slope of the tangent to the curve $y = x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$, when $x = \frac{4}{\pi}$. Give your answer correct to two decimal places.

12) 2017 Paper 1 Q3

(b) $f(x) = \ln(3x^2 + 2)$ and $g(x) = x+5$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Find the value of the derivative of $f(g(x))$ at $x = \frac{1}{4}$. Give your answer correct to 3 decimal places.

13) 2021 Paper 1 Q8

(a) $h(x) = 0.001x^3 - 0.12x^2 + px + 5$ in the domain $0 \leq x \leq 75$

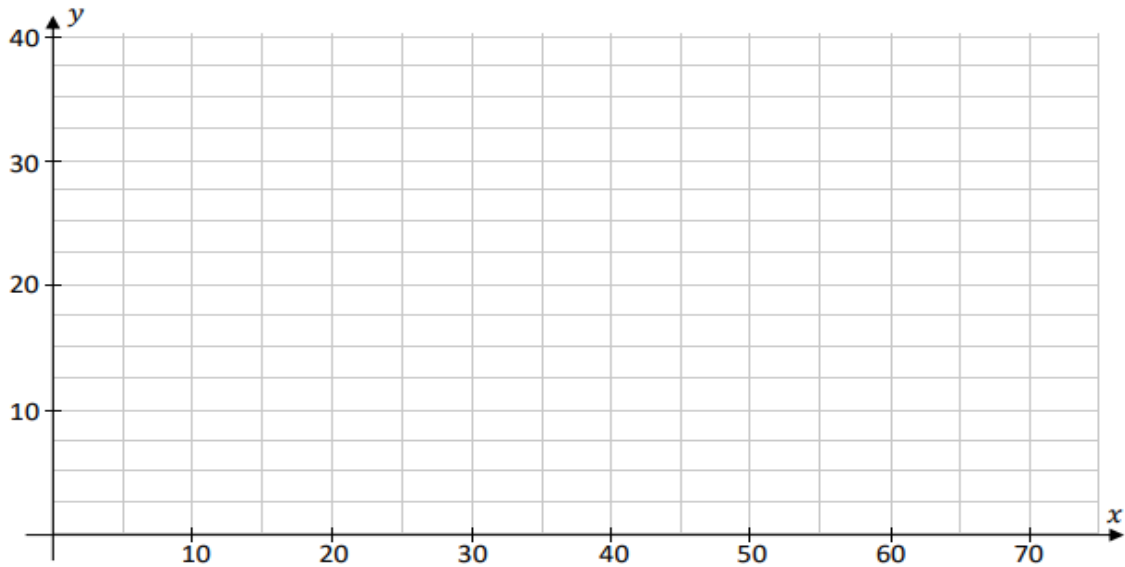
(i) Use $h(10) = 30$ to show that $p = 36$

(ii) Complete the table below and hence draw the graph of $h(x)$ in the domain $0 \leq x \leq 75$ on the grid below.



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x	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	75
$h(x)$		30			21		5		21.875



- (b) The function $h(x)$ can be used to model the height above level ground (in metres) of a section of the path followed by a rollercoaster track, where x is the horizontal distance from a fixed point.
- (i) Find $h'(x)$, the derivative of $h(x)$.
 - (ii) Show that this section of the track reaches its maximum height above level ground when $x = 20$.
 - (iii) Find using calculus, the height above ground in metres, at the instant the track passes through an inflection point.