



# Calculus 1 Tutorial Questions

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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  $p = 3.6$

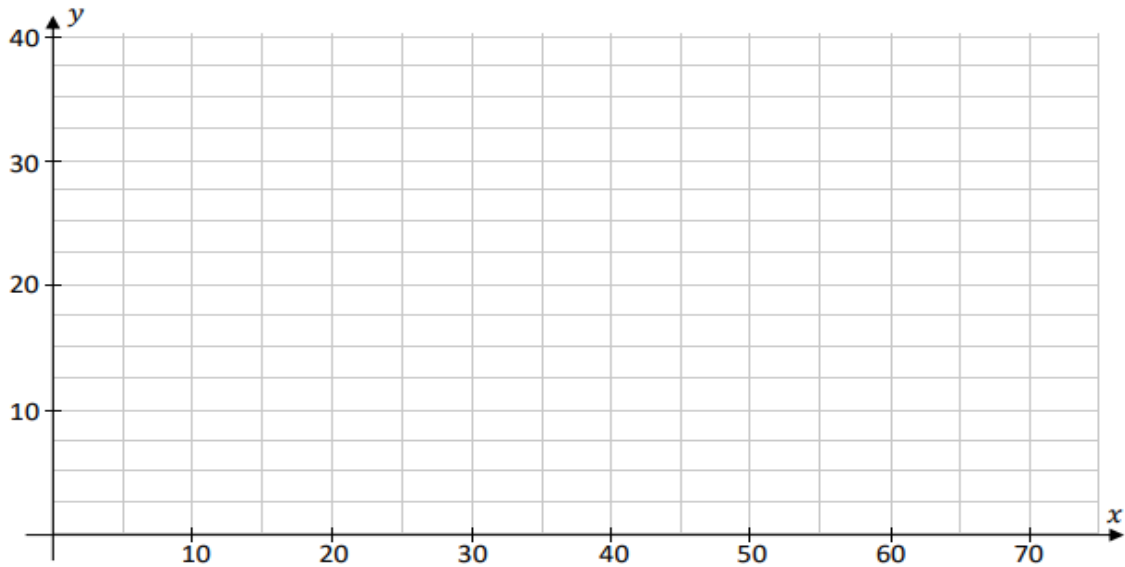
(ii) Complete the table below and hence draw the graph of  $h(x)$  in the domain  $0 \leq x \leq 75$  on the grid below.



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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.