

B.Sc. Sem-I
Mathematics Hons.

Paper — Mat C-2

Group-A (Differential Calculus)

Book:

Differential Calculus

— By Lalji Prasad.

Successive Differentiation.

Notation:

Given function $y = f(x)$

first derivative $\frac{dy}{dx}$ by y_1

second derivative $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ by y_2 .

third derivative $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}$ by y_3 .

nth derivative $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}$ by y_n .

nth differential Coefficients of some standard functions.

1) nth differential of x^m .

Let $y = x^m$.

Then $y_1 = \frac{dy}{dx} = mx^{m-1}$

$y_2 = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = m(m-1)x^{m-2}$

$y_3 = \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = m(m-1)(m-2)x^{m-3}$

Let us suppose that

$y_n = m(m-1)(m-2)(m-3)\dots(m-n+1)x^{m-n}$ ①

Differentiating again, we get

$y_{n+1} = m(m-1)(m-2)(m-3)\dots(m-n+1)(m-n)x^{m-n-1}$

which is of the same form as ① with n replaced by $(n+1)$.

Since eqⁿ ① is true for $n=1, 2, 3$
Therefore, by the method of induction
① is true $\forall n$.

2) nth differential coefficient of $\frac{1}{ax+b}$.

let $y = \frac{1}{ax+b} = (ax+b)^{-1}$

$\therefore y_1 = (-1)(ax+b)^{-2} a$

$y_2 = (-1)(-2)(ax+b)^{-3} a^2$

$y_3 = (-1)(-2)(-3)(ax+b)^{-4} a^3$

Let us suppose that

$y_n = (-1)(-2)(-3)\dots(-n)(ax+b)^{-(n+1)} a^n$ — (1)

$= (-1)^n a^n n! (ax+b)^{-(n+1)}$
 $\frac{(-1)^n a^n n!}{(ax+b)^{n+1}}$ — (2)

Differentiating (1) again w.r.t. x, we get

$y_{n+1} = (-1)(-2)(-3)\dots(-n)\{-n+1\}(ax+b)^{-(n+2)} a^{n+1}$
 $= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (n+1)! a^{n+1}}{(ax+b)^{n+2}}$

which is of the same form as (2) with n replaced by n+1.

Since (2) is true for n=1,2,3.
 \therefore By the method of induction (2) is true for all n.

4) Find the n th differential coefficient of e^{mx} , $\log(ax+b)$.

5) n th differential coefficient of $\sin(ax+b)$

let $y = \sin(ax+b)$

$$y_1 = a \cos(ax+b) = a \sin\left(ax+b + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$\because \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta\right) = \cos \theta$$

$$y_2 = a^2 \cos\left(ax+b + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$= a^2 \sin\left(ax+b + \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$= a^2 \sin\left(ax+b + 2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$y_3 = a^3 \cos\left(ax+b + 2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$= a^3 \sin\left(ax+b + 2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$= a^3 \sin\left(ax+b + 3 \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

let us suppose that

$$y_n = a^n \sin\left(ax+b + n \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Differentiating ① again w.r.t. x , we get

$$y_{n+1} = a^{n+1} \cos\left(ax+b + n\frac{\pi}{2}\right).$$

$$= a^{n+1} \sin\left(ax+b + n\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right).$$

$$= a^{n+1} \sin\left\{ax+b + (n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}\right\}$$

which is of the same form as ① with n replaced by $(n+1)$.

Since ① is true for $n=1,2,3,\dots$

\therefore by the method of induction it is true for all n .

Q). Find the n th differential coefficient of $\cos(ax+b)$, $e^{ax} \sin(bx+c)$.