

Implicit differentiation [47 marks]

1. [Maximum mark: 7]

EXN.2.AHL.TZ0.6

The curve C has equation $e^{2y} = x^3 + y$.

(a) Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2}{2e^{2y}-1}$.

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Markscheme

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attempts implicit differentiation on both sides of the equation **M1**

$$2e^{2y} \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 + \frac{dy}{dx} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$(2e^{2y} - 1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2}{2e^{2y}-1} \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

[3 marks]

(b) The tangent to C at the point P is parallel to the y -axis.

Find the x -coordinate of P.

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Markscheme

attempts to solve $2e^{2y} - 1 = 0$ for y **(M1)**

$$y = -0.346\dots \left(= \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

attempts to solve $e^{2y} = x^3 + y$ for x given their value of y **(M1)**

$$x = 0.946 \left(= \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \ln \frac{1}{2} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[4 marks]

2. [Maximum mark: 8]

21N.2.AHL.TZ0.8

Consider the curve C given by $y = x - xy \ln(xy)$ where $x > 0$, $y > 0$.

(a) Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) = 1$.

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Markscheme

METHOD 1

attempts to differentiate implicitly including at least one application of the product rule **(M1)**

$$u = xy, \quad v = \ln(xy), \quad \frac{du}{dx} = x \frac{dy}{dx} + y, \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) \frac{1}{xy}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \left[\frac{xy}{xy} \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) \ln(xy) \right] \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

Note: Award **(M1)A1** for implicitly differentiating $y = x(1 - y \ln(xy))$ and obtaining $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \left[\frac{xy}{xy} \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) + x \frac{dy}{dx} \ln(xy) + y \ln(xy) \right]$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \left[\left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) \ln(xy) \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) = 1 \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

METHOD 2

$$y = x - xy \ln x - xy \ln y$$

attempts to differentiate implicitly including at least one application of the product rule **(M1)**

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \left(\frac{xy}{x} + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) \ln x \right) - \left(\frac{xy}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) \ln y \right)$$

A1

or equivalent to the above, for example

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \left(x \ln x \frac{dy}{dx} + (1 + \ln x)y \right) - \left(y \ln y + x \left(\ln y \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - x \frac{dy}{dx} (\ln x + \ln y + 1) - y (\ln x + \ln y + 1) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

or equivalent to the above, for example

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - x \frac{dy}{dx} (\ln(xy) + 1) - y (\ln(xy) + 1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) = 1 \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

METHOD 3

attempt to differentiate implicitly including at least one application of the product rule **M1**

$$u = x \ln(xy), v = y, \frac{du}{dx} = \ln(xy) + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) \frac{x}{xy}, \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} \ln(xy) + y \ln(xy) + \frac{xy}{xy} \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) \right) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - x \frac{dy}{dx} (\ln(xy) + 1) - y (\ln(xy) + 1) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) = 1 \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

METHOD 4

lets $w = xy$ and attempts to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ where $y = x - w \ln w$ **M1**

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \left(\frac{dw}{dx} + \frac{dw}{dx} \ln w \right) \left(= 1 - \frac{dw}{dx} (1 + \ln w) \right) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\frac{dw}{dx} = x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) \ln(xy) \right) \left(= 1 - \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) \right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) = 1 \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

[3 marks]

(b) Hence find the equation of the tangent to C at the point where $x = 1$.

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Markscheme

METHOD 1

substitutes $x = 1$ into $y = x - xy \ln(xy)$ **(M1)**

$$y = 1 - y \ln y \Rightarrow y = 1 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

substitutes $x = 1$ and their non-zero value of y into

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) = 1 \quad \mathbf{(M1)}$$

$$2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \left(\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \right) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

equation of the tangent is $y = 1$ **A1**

METHOD 2

substitutes $x = 1$ into $\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) = 1$ **(M1)**

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(y)) = 1$$

EITHER

correctly substitutes $\ln y = \frac{1-y}{y}$ into $\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) = 1$
A1

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \left(1 + \frac{1}{y} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad (y = 1) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

OR

correctly substitutes $y + y \ln y = 1$ into

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) (1 + \ln(xy)) = 1 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (2 + \ln y) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad (y = 1) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

THEN

substitutes $x = 1$ into $y = x - xy \ln(xy)$ **(M1)**

$$y = 1 - y \ln y \Rightarrow y = 1$$

equation of the tangent is $y = 1$ **A1**

[5 marks]

3. [Maximum mark: 15]

20N.1.AHL.TZ0.H_11

Consider the curve C defined by $y^2 = \sin(xy)$, $y \neq 0$.

(a) Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y \cos(xy)}{2y - x \cos(xy)}$.

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Markscheme

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attempt at implicit differentiation **M1**

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos(xy) \left[x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right] \quad \mathbf{A1M1A1}$$

Note: Award **A1** for LHS, **M1** for attempt at chain rule, **A1** for RHS.

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} = x \frac{dy}{dx} \cos(xy) + y \cos(xy)$$

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} - x \frac{dy}{dx} \cos(xy) = y \cos(xy)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (2y - x \cos(xy)) = y \cos(xy) \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

Note: Award **M1** for collecting derivatives and factorising.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y \cos(xy)}{2y - x \cos(xy)} \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

[5 marks]

(b) Prove that, when $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$, $y = \pm 1$.

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Markscheme

setting $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$y \cos(xy) = 0 \quad \mathbf{(M1)}$$

$$(y \neq 0) \Rightarrow \cos(xy) = 0 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(xy) \left(= \pm \sqrt{1 - \cos^2(xy)} = \pm \sqrt{1 - 0} \right) = \pm 1 \text{ OR}$$

$$xy = (2n + 1)\frac{\pi}{2} \ (n \in \mathbb{Z}) \text{ OR } xy = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots \text{ A1}$$

Note: If they offer values for xy , award **A1** for at least two correct values in two different 'quadrants' and no incorrect values.

$$y^2 (= \sin(xy)) > 0 \text{ R1}$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 1 \text{ A1}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm 1 \text{ AG}$$

[5 marks]

- (c) Hence find the coordinates of all points on C , for $0 < x < 4\pi$,
where $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

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Markscheme

$$y = \pm 1 \Rightarrow 1 = \sin(\pm x) \Rightarrow \sin x = \pm 1 \text{ OR}$$

$$y = \pm 1 \Rightarrow 0 = \cos(\pm x) \Rightarrow \cos x = 0 \text{ (M1)}$$

$$(\sin x = 1 \Rightarrow) \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, 1 \right), \left(\frac{5\pi}{2}, 1 \right) \text{ A1A1}$$

$$(\sin x = -1 \Rightarrow) \left(\frac{3\pi}{2}, -1 \right), \left(\frac{7\pi}{2}, -1 \right) \text{ A1A1}$$

Note: Allow 'coordinates' expressed as $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $y = 1$ for example.

Note: Each of the **A** marks may be awarded independently and are not dependent on **(M1)** being awarded.

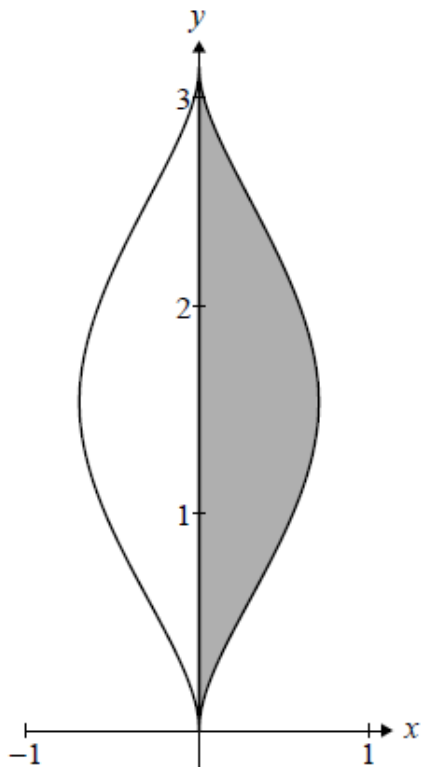
Note: Mark only the candidate's first two attempts for each case of $\sin x$.

[5 marks]

4. [Maximum mark: 8]

19N.2.AHL.TZ0.H_11

The following diagram shows part of the graph of $2x^2 = \sin^3 y$ for $0 \leq y \leq \pi$.



(a.i) Using implicit differentiation, find an expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

[4]

Markscheme

valid attempt to differentiate implicitly (M1)

$$4x = 3 \sin^2 y \cos y \frac{dy}{dx} \quad \mathbf{A1A1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4x}{3 \sin^2 y \cos y} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[4 marks]

(a.ii) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve at the point $\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$.

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Markscheme

$$\text{at } \left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right), \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4x}{3\sin^2 y \cos y} = \frac{1}{3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)} \quad (M1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{8}{3\sqrt{3}} (= -1.54) \quad A1$$

hence equation of tangent is

$$y - \frac{5\pi}{6} = -1.54 \left(x - \frac{1}{4}\right) \quad \text{OR} \quad y = -1.54x + 3.00 \quad (M1)A1$$

Note: Accept $y = -1.54x + 3$.

[4 marks]

5. [Maximum mark: 9]

19M.1.AHL.TZ1.H_7

Find the coordinates of the points on the curve $y^3 + 3xy^2 - x^3 = 27$ at

which $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

[9]

Markscheme

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attempt at implicit differentiation $M1$

$$3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y^2 + 6xy \frac{dy}{dx} - 3x^2 = 0 \quad A1A1$$

Note: Award $A1$ for the second & third terms, $A1$ for the first term, fourth term & RHS equal to zero.

substitution of $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad M1$

$$3y^2 - 3x^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm x \quad A1$$

substitute either variable into original equation $M1$

$$y = x \Rightarrow x^3 = 9 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt[3]{9} \quad (\text{or } y^3 = 9 \Rightarrow y = \sqrt[3]{9}) \quad A1$$

$$y = -x \Rightarrow x^3 = 27 \Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ (or } y^3 = -27 \Rightarrow y = -3) \quad A1$$

$$\left(\sqrt[3]{9}, \sqrt[3]{9}\right), (3, -3) \quad A1$$

[9 marks]