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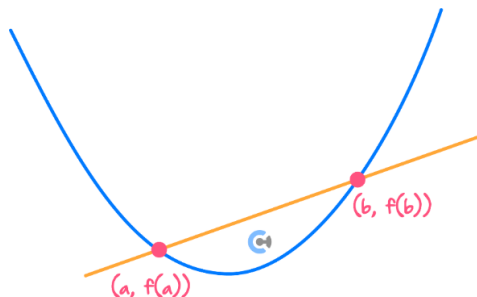
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## Section A: Recap

### Average Rate of Change



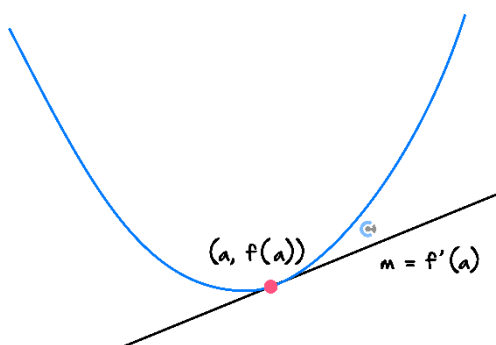
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- The average rate of change of a function  $f(x)$  over  $x \in [a, b]$  is given by:

$$\text{Average rate of change} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

- It is the gradient of the line joining the two points.

### Instantaneous Rate of Change



- Instantaneous rate of change is a gradient of a graph at a single point/moment.

$$\text{Instantaneous rate of change} = f'(x)$$

- Differentiation is the process of finding the derivative of a function.
- First principles derivative definition:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right)$$



### Alternative Notation for Derivative

$$f'(x) = \frac{dy}{dx}$$



### Derivatives of Functions

➤ The derivatives of many of the standard functions are in the summary table below:

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
$x^n$	$n \times x^{n-1}$
$\sin(x)$	$\cos(x)$
$\cos(x)$	$-\sin(x)$
$\tan(x)$	$\sec^2(x) = \frac{1}{\cos^2(x)}$
$e^x$	$e^x$
$\log_e(x)$	$\frac{1}{x}$



### The Product Rule

➤ The derivative of  $h(x) = f(x) \times g(x)$  is given by:

$$h'(x) = f'(x) \cdot g(x) + g'(x) \cdot f(x)$$

➤ Or, in another form:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(u \cdot v) = u'v + v'u$$

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### The Quotient Rule

- The derivative of a  $h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$  is given by:

$$h'(x) = \frac{f'(x) \cdot g(x) - f(x) \cdot g'(x)}{g(x)^2}$$

- Or, written in another form:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{u}{v} \right) = \frac{u'v - v'u}{v^2}$$

- 📌 Always differentiate the top function first.



### The Chain Rule

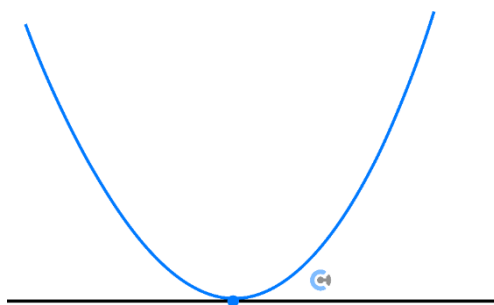
$$y = f(g(x))$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \underbrace{f'(g(x))}_{\text{Diff outside}} \times \underbrace{g'(x)}_{\text{Diff inside}}$$

- The process for finding derivatives of **composite functions**.



### Stationary Points



- The point where the gradient of the function is zero.

$$f'(x) = 0, \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$



## Calculator Commands: Finding Derivatives

### ➤ Mathematica

$$f' [x]$$

### ➤ TI

 Shift Minus

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x))$$

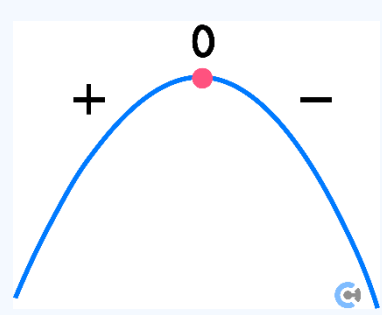
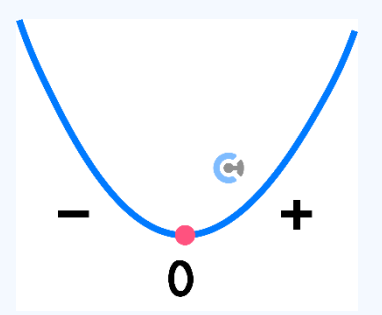
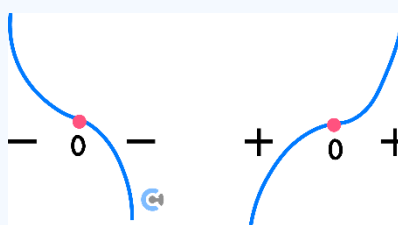
### ➤ Casio

 Math 2

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x))$$

## Types of Stationary Points



Local Maximum	Local Minimum	Stationary Point of Inflection
		

 Sign test

➤ We can identify the nature of a stationary point by using the sign table.

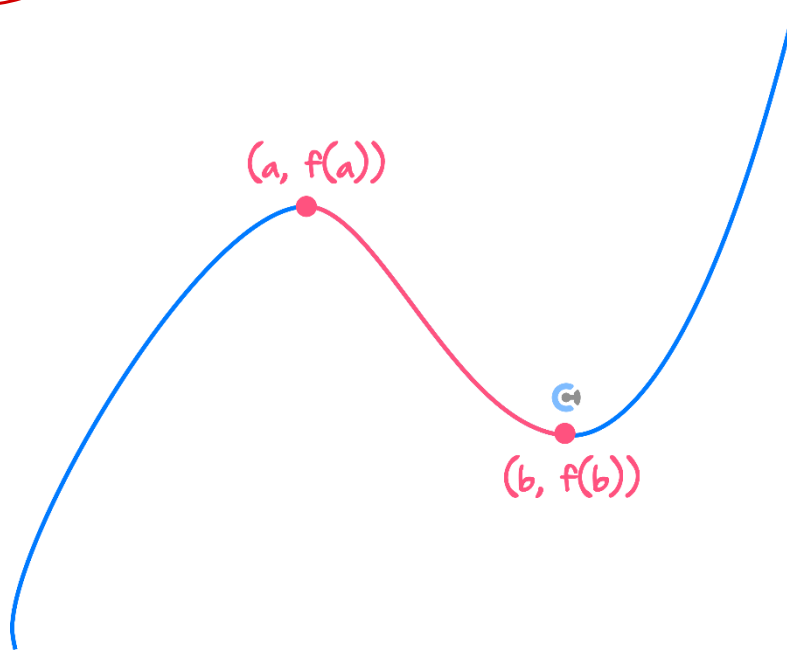
$x$	Less than $a$	$a$	Bigger than $a$
$f'(x)$	Negative	0	Positive
Shape	n - Decreasing curve	Stationary Point	u - Increasing curve

➤ Find the gradient of the neighbouring points.

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## Strictly Increasing and Strictly Decreasing Functions



Strictly Increasing:  $x \in (-\infty, a] \cup [b, \infty)$

Strictly Decreasing:  $x \in [a, b]$

*include  
start points*

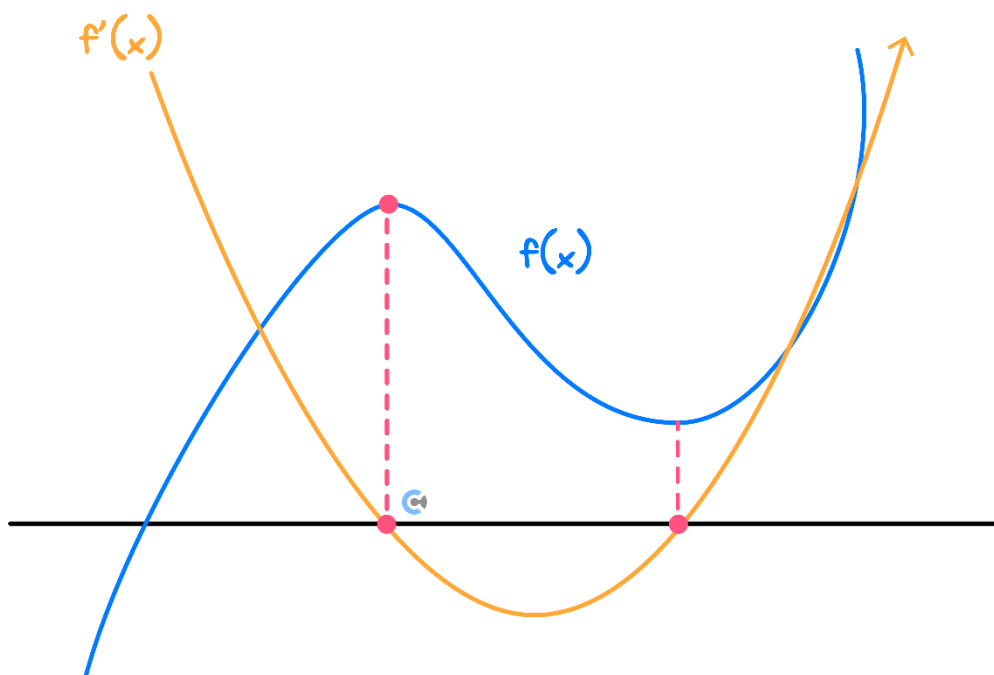
► Steps:

1. Find the turning points.
2. Consider the sign of the derivative between/outside the turning points.

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## Graphs of the Derivative Function



$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
Stationary Point	$x$ -intercepts
Increasing	Positive
Decreasing	Negative

***$y$  value of  $f'(x) = \text{Gradient of } f(x)$***

### ► Steps

1. Plot  $x$ -intercept at the same  $x$  value as the stationary point of the original.
2. Consider the trend of the original function and sketch the derivative.
  - Original is increasing → Derivative is above the  $x$ -axis.
  - Original is decreasing → Derivative is below the  $x$ -axis.

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## Section B: Warmup

### Question 1

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 9x + 3$ .

a. Find  $f(1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= 1^3 + 3(1)^2 - 9(1) + 3 \\ &= \boxed{-2} \end{aligned}$$

b. Find the average rate of change from  $x = 0$  to  $x = 2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Average Rate of Change} &= \frac{f(2) - f(0)}{2 - 0} = \frac{(8 + 12 - 18 + 3) - 3}{2} \\ &= \frac{5 - 3}{2} = \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

c.

i. Find  $f'(x)$ .

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 + 6x - 9$$

ii. Find  $f'(-1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f'(-1) &= 3(-1)^2 + 6(-1) - 9 \\ &= 3 + -6 - 9 = \boxed{-12} \end{aligned}$$



- d. Determine the coordinates and nature of any stationary points.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 6x - 9 = 0$$

$$3(x^2 + 2x - 3) = 0$$

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

$$(x+3)(x-1) = 0$$

$$x = 1, -3$$

$$f(1) = -2$$

$$f(-3) = (-3)^3 + 3(-3)^2 - 9(-3) + 3$$

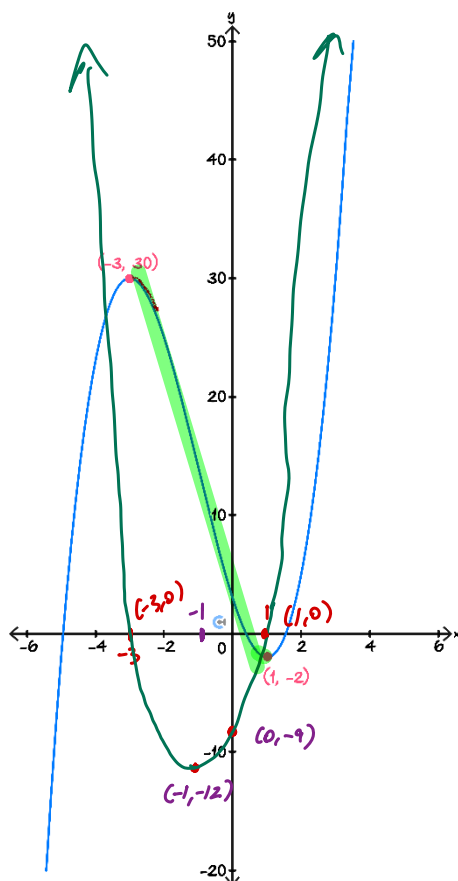
$$= -27 + 27 + 27 + 3 = \boxed{30}$$

$x$	-4	-3	0	1	2
$f'(x)$	$>0$	$=0$	$<0$	$=0$	$>0$
	/	-	\	-	/

$(-3, 30)$  local max

$(1, -2)$  local min.

- e. The graph of  $y = f(x)$  is sketched on the axes below. Sketch the graph of  $y = f'(x)$  on the same axes. Label all axial intercepts with coordinates.



f. Hence, state the values of  $x$  for which  $f(x)$  is strictly decreasing.

$$x \in [-3, 1]$$

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Section C: Exam 1 Questions (17 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: 17 Marks. 25 Minutes Writing.



Question 2 (3 marks)

- a. Let  $y = \frac{\tan(2x)}{x^3}$ . Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ . (1 mark)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x^3 (\tan(2x))' - (x^3)' \tan(2x)}{(x^3)^2} \\ &= \frac{x^3 \cdot 2 \cdot \sec^2(2x) - 3x^2 \tan(2x)}{x^6} = \frac{x^2 (2x \sec^2(2x) - 3 \tan(2x))}{x^6}\end{aligned}$$

- b. Let  $f(x) = x^3 \tan(e^x)$ . Evaluate  $f'(\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6}))$ . (2 marks)

Give form:  $(\log_e(a))^2 [\sqrt{b} + \dots]$

$$\begin{aligned}f'(x) &= (x^3)' \tan(e^x) + x^3 (\tan(e^x))' \\ &= 3x^2 \tan(e^x) + x^3 (e^x \cdot \sec^2(e^x)) \\ &= 3x^2 \tan(e^x) + x^3 e^x \sec^2(e^x) \\ &= x^2 [3 \tan(e^x) + x e^x \sec^2(e^x)]\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f'(\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6})) &= (\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6}))^2 [3 \tan(e^{\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6})}) + \log_e(\frac{\pi}{6}) e^{\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6})} \sec^2(e^{\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6})})] \\ &= (\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6}))^2 [3 \tan(\frac{\pi}{6}) + \log_e(\frac{\pi}{6}) \cdot \frac{\pi}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos^2(\frac{\pi}{6})}] \\ &= (\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6}))^2 [3 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} + \frac{\pi}{6} \log_e(\frac{\pi}{6}) \cdot \frac{4}{3}] \\ &= (\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6}))^2 [\sqrt{3} + \frac{2\pi}{9} \log_e(\frac{\pi}{6})]\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6})^2 & \quad (\log_e(\frac{\pi}{6}))^2 \\ 2 \log_e(\frac{\pi}{6}) & \\ a^{\log_a(b)} &= b\end{aligned}$$

Question 3 (3 marks)

$k=0: f(x) = x \cdot e^{0 \cdot x^2}$   
 $= x \cdot e^0 = \underline{x}$

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = xe^{kx^2}$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- a. Show that  $f'(x) = (2kx^2 + 1)e^{kx^2}$ . (1 mark)

$f'(x) = (x)'e^{kx^2} + x(e^{kx^2})'$  (Product Rule)  
 $= e^{kx^2} + x(2kx \cdot e^{kx^2})$   
 $= e^{kx^2} + 2kx^2 e^{kx^2}$   
 $= \underline{e^{kx^2}(2kx^2 + 1)}$

- b. Find the value(s) of  $k$  for which the graph of  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = f'(x)$  have exactly one point of intersection. (2 marks)

$f(x) = f'(x)$   
 $\frac{xe^{kx^2}}{e^{kx^2}} = \frac{e^{kx^2}(2kx^2 + 1)}{e^{kx^2}}$

$x = 2kx^2 + 1$

$\underline{2kx^2 - x + 1 = 0}$

$\Delta = 0$  (1 solution!)

$1 - 4(2k)(1) = 0$

$1 - 8k = 0$

$\underline{k = \frac{1}{8}}$

Make sure:  $k = \pm 1, 0$

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$\underline{k=0}$

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exponential part of  $f(x)$  disappears.

Question 4 (6 marks)

Consider the functions  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = -x^2 + 5x - 4$  and  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = e^x$ .

a. State the rule of  $g(f(x))$ . (1 mark)

$$g(f(x)) = g(-x^2 + 5x - 4) = e^{-x^2 + 5x - 4}$$

b. Find the values of  $x$  for which  $g(f(x))$  is strictly decreasing. (2 marks)

graph is down + s.p

$$[g(f(x))]' = (-2x + 5) \cdot e^{-x^2 + 5x - 4}$$

$x$	0	$\frac{5}{2}$	3
$f(x)$	$> 0$	$= 0$	$< 0$
	/	-	\

$$[g(f(x))]' = 0, \quad x = \frac{5}{2}$$

$-2x + 5 = 0$

$x = \frac{5}{2}$  local max

$x \in [\frac{5}{2}, \infty)$

c. Find the coordinates of the stationary point of the graph of  $f(g(x))$  and state its nature. (3 marks)

$$f(g(x)) = f(e^x) = -(e^x)^2 + 5e^x - 4$$

$$= -e^{2x} + 5e^x - 4$$

2<sup>nd</sup> derivative!

$$[f(g(x))]' = -2e^{2x} + 5e^x$$

$$-2e^{2x} + 5e^x = 0$$

$$e^x(-2e^x + 5) = 0$$

$$-2e^x + 5 = 0$$

$$2e^x = 5$$

$$e^x = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$x = \log_e\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)$$

$$[f(g(x))]' = -2 \cdot 2e^{2x} + 5e^x$$

$$= -4e^{2x} + 5e^x$$

At  $x = \log_e\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)$ :

$$-4e^{2\log_e\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)} + 5e^{\log_e\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)}$$

$$-4e^{\log_e\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^2} + 5 \cdot \frac{5}{2}$$

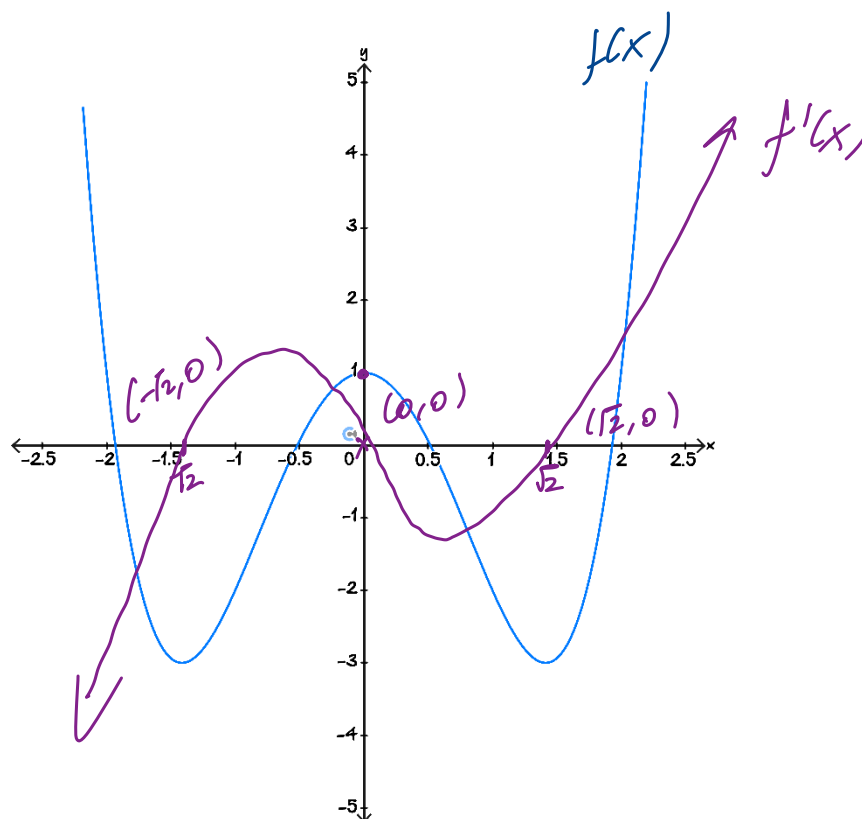
$$-4 \cdot \frac{25}{4} + \frac{25}{2} = -\frac{25}{2} < 0$$

local max

local max:  $\left(\log_e\left(\frac{5}{2}\right), \frac{9}{4}\right)$

**Question 5** (5 marks)

The graph of  $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^2 + 1$  is shown below.



- a. Sketch the graph of  $y = f'(x)$  on the axes above. Label all axes intercepts with coordinates. (3 marks)

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 - 8x$$

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$4x^3 - 8x = 0$$

$$4x(x^2 - 2) = 0$$

$$x = 0, \pm\sqrt{2}$$

- b. For both  $f(x)$  and  $f'(x)$  state whether they are an odd function, even function or neither. (1 mark)

$$f(x) = \text{even} \quad (\text{symmetrical about } y\text{-axis})$$

$$f'(x) = \text{odd}$$

- c. Let  $g$  be an even polynomial function of degree  $n \geq 2$ . Is it always true that  $g'$  is an odd function? (1 mark)

$$g(x) = x^{\text{even}} + x^{\text{even}} - 1$$

$$g'(x) = \text{even} \cdot x^{\text{even}-1} + \text{even} \cdot x^{\text{even}-1}$$

True!

even function when

diff'd have powers

become odd (subtract 1)

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## Section D: Tech Active Exam Skills



### Calculator Commands: Stationary Point

- ALWAYS sketch the graph first to get an idea of the nature of the stationary point.
- The turning points for a function  $f(x)$  can be found by solving  $f'(x) = 0$  and subbing the result into  $f$ .
- **Example:** Find the turning point for  $f(x) = e^{-x^2+2x}$ .
- **TI:**

Define  $f(x) = e^{-x^2+2 \cdot x}$  Done

solve  $\left( \frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) = 0, x \right)$   $x=1$

$f(1)$   $e$

- **Casio:**

define f(x) = e <sup>-x<sup>2</sup>+2x</sup>	done
solve( $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) = 0, x$ )	{x=1}
f(1)	e

- **Mathematica:**

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In[4]:= f[x_] := Exp[-x^2 + 2 x]
In[5]:= Solve[f'[x] == 0 && y == f[x], Reals]
Out[5]= {{x -> 1, y -> e}}
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## Section E: Exam 2 Questions (20 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: 20 Marks. 25 Minutes Writing.



### Question 6 (1 mark)

The average rate of change for the function with the rule  $f(x) = y = -4e^{-\frac{2x}{5}}$  from  $y = -3$  to  $y = -1$  is closest to:

- A. 1.02
- B. -1.02
- C. 1.37
- D. 0.73**

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 0.7... & x &= 3.46... \\ y &= -3 & y &= -1 \\ -4e^{-\frac{2x}{5}} &= -3 & -4e^{-\frac{2x}{5}} &= -1 \\ AROC &= \frac{f(3.46...) - f(0.7...)}{3.46... - 0.7...} \\ &= \frac{-1 - (-3)}{3.46... - 0.7...} \end{aligned}$$

### Question 7 (1 mark)

Let  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  be differentiable functions, with the following values given:

$$f(2) = 3, f'(4) = 5, g(2) = 4, g'(2) = 6.$$

Find the gradient of  $f(g(x))$  at  $x = 2$ .

- A. 20
- B. 15
- C. 30**
- D. 24

$$\begin{aligned} (f(g(x)))' &= \underbrace{g'(x)}_{\text{diff inside}} \underbrace{f'(g(x))}_{\text{diff outside}} = g'(2) f'(g(2)) \\ &= 6 \cdot f'(4) \\ &= 6 \cdot 5 = 30 \end{aligned}$$

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Question 8 (1 mark)

Given that  $f(1) = 2, f'(1) = 3, g(1) = 4, g'(1) = 5$ , find the gradient of  $f(x)g(x)$  at  $x = 1$ .

A. 13

B. 22

C. 18

D. 20

$$f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$$

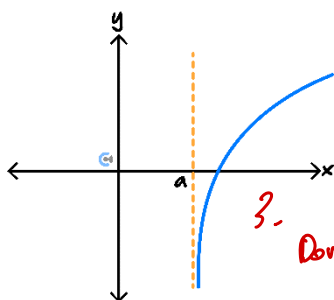
$$f'(1)g(1) + f(1)g'(1)$$

$$3 \times 4 + 2 \times 5 = \boxed{22}$$

Product Rule

Question 9 (1 mark)

The graph of the function  $f$  is shown below:



Graph of  $f'$

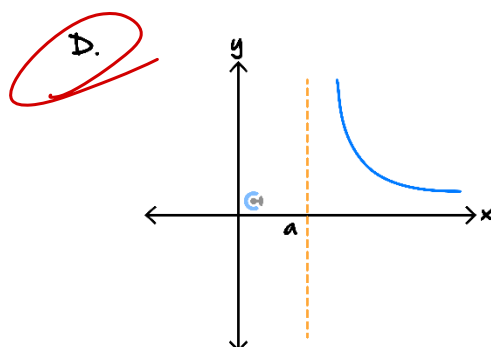
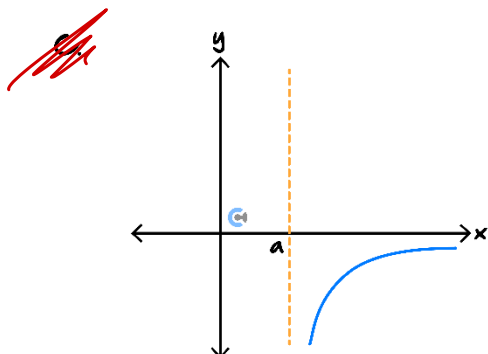
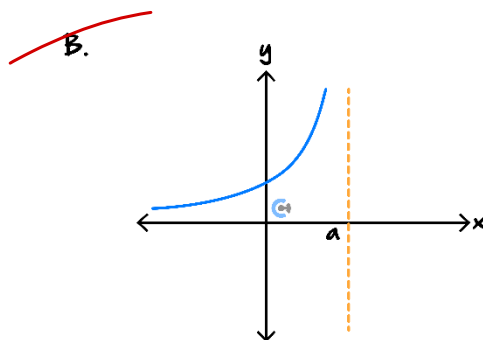
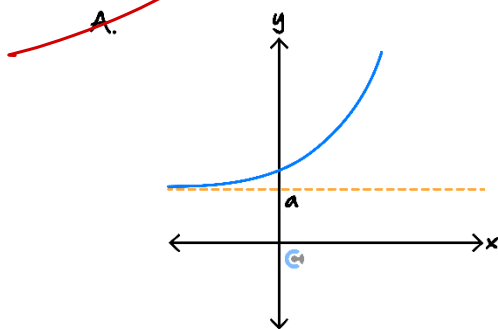
1. S.P.S

2. Positive/negative gradient

3. Dom  $f \in (a, \infty)$

Dom  $f' \in (a, \infty)$

The graph corresponding to  $f'$  is:



**Question 10** (1 mark)

Suppose  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are differentiable, and the following values are given:

$$f(3) = 5, f'(3) = 4, g(3) = 2, g'(3) = 1.$$

Find the gradient of  $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$  at  $x = 3$ .

A.  $\frac{2}{5}$

**B.  $\frac{3}{4}$**

C.  $\frac{1}{2}$

D.  $\frac{2}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{g(x)f'(x) - g'(x)f(x)}{[g(x)]^2} &= \frac{g(3)f'(3) - g'(3)f(3)}{[g(3)]^2} \\ &= \frac{2 \times 4 - 1 \times 5}{2^2} = \frac{8-5}{4} \\ &= \frac{3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 11** (1 mark)

Consider the graph of  $g$  with the rule  $g(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ , where  $a \neq 0$ , has a y-intercept at  $(0,10)$  and turning points when  $x = -3$  and  $x = 2$  and passes through  $(3,64)$ .

The rule of  $g(x)$  is:

**A.  $g(x) = -4x^3 - 6x^2 + 72x + 10$**

B.  $g(x) = -3x^3 - 9x^2 + 27x + 10$

C.  $g(x) = 3x^3 + 8x^2 + 10x + 10$

D.  $g(x) = 2x^3 + 12x^2 + 6x + 10$

$$\begin{aligned} g(3) &= 64 \\ g'(-3) &= 0 \\ g'(2) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Define  $g(x) = a \cdot x^3 + b \cdot x^2 + c \cdot x + d$

Define  $dg(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(g(x))$

new  $\rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 7$

solve  $\begin{cases} g(3) = 64 \\ dg(-3) = 0 \\ dg(2) = 0 \end{cases}$

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$$\begin{aligned} a &= -4, b = -6 \\ c &= 72 \end{aligned}$$

Question 12 (1 mark)

The graph of  $f(x) = ax^5 + bx^4 + x^3 - 3$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are real constants, will have three stationary points when:

A.  $a > -\frac{4b^2}{15}$

B.  $a \leq -\frac{4b^2}{15}$

C.  $a < \frac{4b^2}{15}$

D.  $a > \frac{4b^2}{15}$

$$f'(x) = 5ax^4 + 4bx^3 + 3x^2$$

$$5ax^4 + 4bx^3 + 3x^2 = 0$$

$$x^2(5ax^2 + 4bx + 3) = 0$$

3 sol<sup>n</sup>s

$$x^2 = 0$$

$$\boxed{x=0}$$
  
1 sol<sup>n</sup>

2 sol<sup>n</sup>s

$$\Delta > 0$$

$$(4b)^2 - 4(5a)(3) > 0$$

$$16b^2 - 60a > 0$$

$$60a < 16b^2$$

$$a < \frac{16b^2}{60}$$

$$\boxed{a < \frac{4b^2}{15}}$$

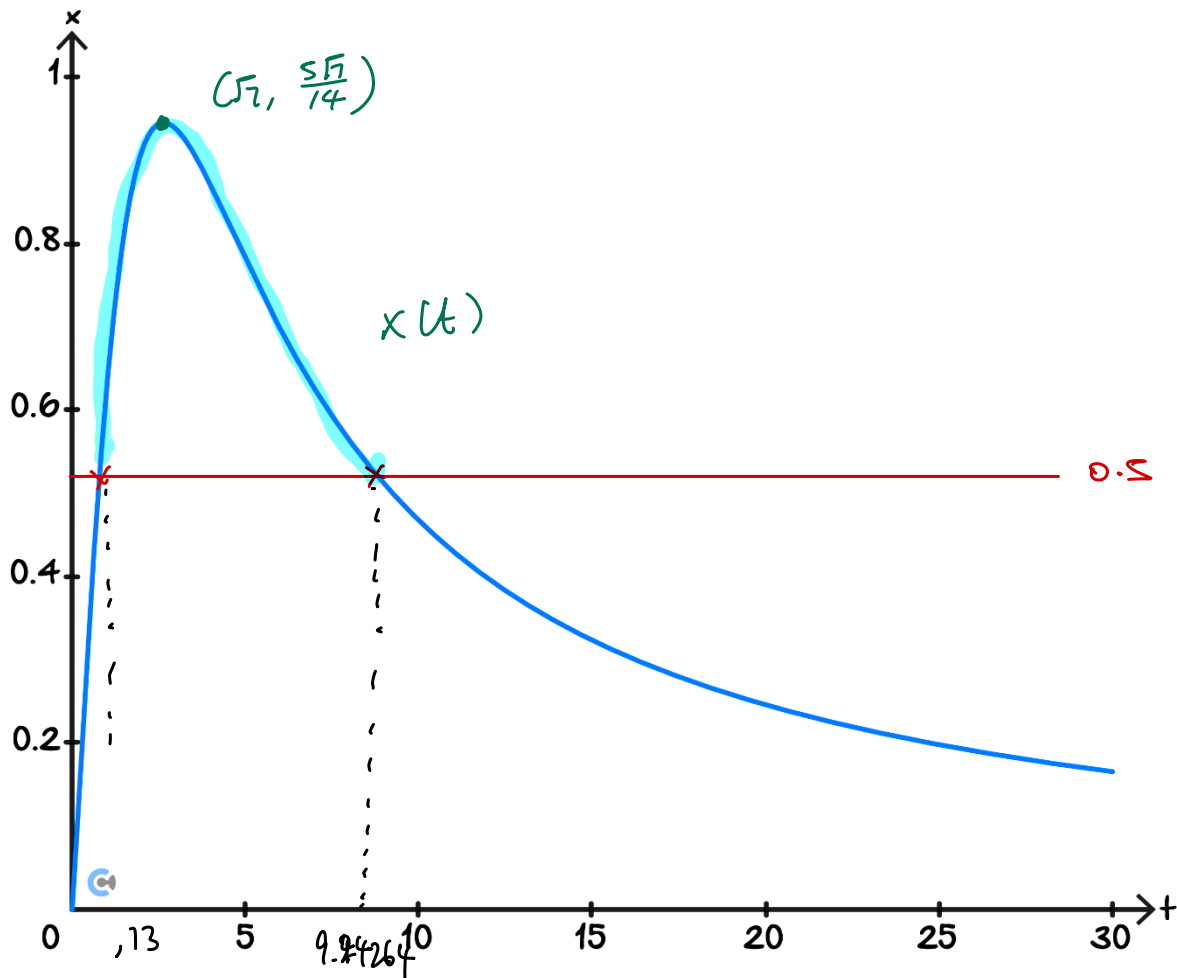
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**Question 13** (13 marks)

A tranquiliser is injected into a muscle from which it enters the bloodstream. The concentration,  $x$ ,  $mg/L$ , of the tranquiliser in the bloodstream, may be modelled by the function:

$$x(t) = \frac{5t}{7 + t^2}, t \geq 0$$

Where  $t$  is the number of hours after the injection is given. The graph of the equation is shown:



- a. The tranquiliser is effective when the concentration is at least  $0.5 \text{ mg/L}$ . Find, correct to two decimal places, the length of time in hours for which the tranquiliser is effective according to this model. (2 marks)

$$x(t) \geq 0.5$$

$$x(t) = 0.5$$

$$\text{time} = 9.24264 - 0.7573$$

$$t \approx 0.7573, 9.24264$$

$$\approx \underline{8.49 \text{ hrs.}}$$

b.

- i. Find the coordinates for the stationary point of  $x(t)$ . (2 marks)

$$x'(t) = 0$$

$$t = \sqrt{7}$$

$$x(\sqrt{7}) = \frac{5\sqrt{7}}{14}$$

$$\boxed{(\sqrt{7}, \frac{5\sqrt{7}}{14})}$$

- ii. State the nature of the stationary point from **part b.i.** (1 mark)

local max.

- iii. Hence, find the maximum concentration of tranquiliser in the bloodstream. Give your answer correct to three decimal places. (1 mark)

$$\frac{5\sqrt{7}}{14} \approx \boxed{10.945 \text{ mg/L}}$$

- c. For what times, is the concentration of tranquiliser in the bloodstream strictly decreasing? (1 mark)

$$t \in [\sqrt{7}, \infty)$$

- d. According to this model, the derivative of  $x$  with respect to  $t$  gives the measure of the rate of absorption of the tranquiliser in the bloodstream.

$$x'(t)$$

How many hours after the injection is the rate of absorption into the bloodstream  $0.3 \text{ mg/L/h}$ ?

Give your answer correct to two decimal places. (1 mark)

$$x'(t) = 0.3$$

$$t \approx 1.44$$

1.44 hours after injection

So that the tranquiliser concentration does not get too low, the exact same tranquiliser is re-applied when  $t = 8$ . From this point onwards the concentration of tranquiliser in the bloodstream is measured by a new function  $x_1(t)$ .

- e. State the domain for  $x_1(t)$ . (1 mark)

$$t \in [8, \infty)$$

- f.  $x_1(t)$  has the rule  $x_1(t) = \underbrace{x(t)}_{1^{\text{st}} \text{ dose}} + \underbrace{x(t-a)}_{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ dose}}$ . State the value of  $a$ . (1 mark)

$$a = 8$$

- g. Find the time it takes for the concentration of tranquiliser to double from its value at  $t = 8$ . Give your answer in hours correct to two decimal places. (2 marks)

$$x_1(t) = x(t) + x(t-8)$$

Equation:  $x_1(t) = 2x(8)$

solve for  $t$ :

$$t \approx 8.977...$$

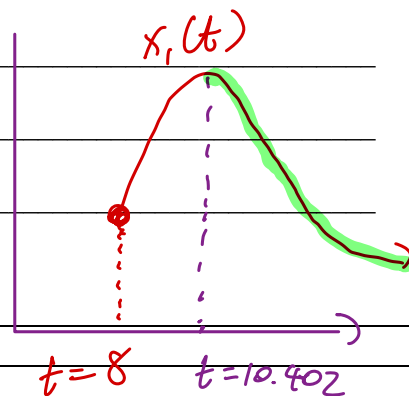
time taken: 0.977 hours.

- h. Determine the times,  $t > 8$ , when the concentration of tranquiliser in the bloodstream is strictly decreasing.  
(1 mark) [To 3 D.C.s.]

$$x'(t) = 0$$

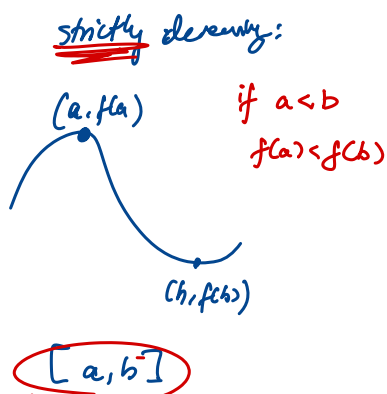
$$t \approx 10.402$$

$$t \in [10.402, \infty)$$



CAS doesn't give exact value.

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decreasing:

$f' < 0$

$(a, b)$



### Section F: Extension Exam 1 (13 Marks)

**INSTRUCTION: 13 Marks. 16 Minutes Writing.**



**Question 14 (3 marks)**

For the function  $f(x) = 3x^3 \tan(2x)$ ,  $f'(x) = \frac{ax^2}{\cos(2x)}(b \sin(2x) + cx \sec(2x))$ . Find the values of  $a, b$  and  $c$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 9x^2 \tan(2x) + 6x^3 \sec^2(2x) \\ &= \frac{9x^2 \sin(2x)}{\cos(2x)} + \frac{6x^3}{\cos^2(2x)} \\ &= \frac{3x^2}{\cos(2x)} (3 \sin(2x) + 2x \sec(2x)) \end{aligned}$$

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**Question 15** (7 marks)

Let  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = 5\sqrt{x} - x - 4$ .

- a. Find the coordinates of any stationary point of  $f$  and determine its nature. (3 marks)

$$f'(x) = \frac{5}{2\sqrt{x}} - 1 = 0 \implies 5 = 2\sqrt{x} \implies x = \frac{25}{4}.$$

$$\text{Then } f(25/4) = 5 \times 5/2 - 25/4 - 4 = 25/4 - 16/4 = \frac{9}{4}.$$

$$f'(x) > 0 \text{ if } x < 25/4 \text{ and } f'(x) < 0 \text{ if } x > 25/4$$

$$\text{Stationary point at } \left(\frac{25}{4}, \frac{9}{4}\right) \text{ and it is a local max.}$$

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be the coordinates of the  $x$ -intercepts of the graph  $y = f(x)$ . Let  $C$  be any point on the graph of  $y = f(x)$  that lies between the points  $A$  and  $B$ .

- b. Determine the coordinates of  $A$  and  $B$ . (2 marks)

We must determine the  $x$ -intercepts. Solve  $5\sqrt{x} - x - 4 = 0$ . Let  $a = \sqrt{x}$

$$-a^2 + 5a - 4 = 0$$

$$(4 - a)(a - 1) = 0$$

$a = 4$  or  $a = 1$ . Therefore coordinates of  $A$  and  $B$  are  $(1, 0)$  and  $(16, 0)$ .

c. Hence, determine the maximum possible area of the triangle  $ABC$ . (2 marks)

Triangle area is  $\frac{1}{2}$  base  $\times$  height. The base is  $16 - 1 = 15$ . The height is the  $y$ -value of  $c$ .

The triangle will be maximum when  $C$  is the local max so  $C = \left(\frac{25}{4}, \frac{9}{4}\right)$ .

So triangle area  $= \frac{15}{2} \times \frac{9}{4} = \frac{135}{8}$

### Question 16 (3 marks)

Let  $f: [0, 12\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = 2 \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) - \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

The rule for  $f'$  can be obtained from the rule of  $f$  under a transformation  $T$  given by:

$$T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, (x, y) \rightarrow \left(x + \frac{3\pi}{2}, ay + b\right)$$

Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

$$a = -1/3, b = -\pi/b$$

## Section G: Extension Exam 2 (12 Marks)

**INSTRUCTION: 12 Marks. 15 Minutes Writing.**



### Question 17 (1 mark)

Let  $f$  be a one-to-one differentiable function such that  $f(3) = 7$ ,  $f(7) = 8$ ,  $f'(3) = 2$  and  $f'(7) = 3$ . The function  $g$  is differentiable and  $g(x) = f^{-1}(x)$  for all  $x$ .  $g'(7)$  is equal to:

- A.  $\frac{1}{2}$
- B. 2
- C.  $\frac{1}{6}$
- D.  $\frac{1}{3}$

### Question 18 (1 mark)

Consider the function  $f(x) = xg(x)$ .

It is known that  $g(0) = -3$ ,  $g(2) = -2$  and  $g(3) = 3$ .

Also  $g'(0) = -2$ ,  $g'(2) = 1$  and  $g'(3) = 5$  and that  $f$  has only one stationary point.

Which of the following options lists the  $x$ -coordinate and nature of the stationary point of  $f$ ?

- A.  $x = 0$ , local minimum.
- B.  $x = 2$ , local maximum.
- C.  $x = 2$ , local minimum.
- D.  $x = 3$ , local minimum.

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**Question 19** (1 mark)

Let  $f$  be a differentiable function. The derivative of  $\log_e(f(x))$  with respect to  $x$  is:

A.  $\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)}$

B.  $\frac{f(x)}{(f(x))^2}$

C.  $\frac{f'(x)}{(f(x))^2}$

D.  $f'(x) \log_e(f(x))$

**Question 20** (1 mark)

Consider the differentiable function  $f$ . It is known that  $f'(1) = 2$ ,  $f'(2) = 4$  and  $f'(6) = 1$ .

The gradient of  $3f(2x + 1) + 4$  when  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  is:

A. 6

B. 24

C. 3

D. 5

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**Question 21** (8 marks)

A train is moving along a railway. The train driver sees a large rock ahead and immediately applies the brakes when the front of the train is at a point  $P$  that is  $5.5 \text{ km}$  away from the rock at the point  $R$ .

The train's initial speed is  $w \text{ km/h}$  and  $x \text{ km}$  after the train passes the point  $P$  the train speed is given by:

$$v = k \log_e \left( \frac{x+1}{6} \right)$$

Assume that  $w > 0$ .

- a. Find the value of  $k$  in terms of  $w$ . (1 mark)

$$v = w \text{ when } x = 0. \text{ Thus } w = k \log_e \left( \frac{1}{6} \right) \implies k = \frac{w}{\log_e(1/6)} = -\frac{w}{\log_e(6)}$$

- b. If  $v = \frac{50 \log_e(2)}{\log_e(6)}$  when  $x = 2$ , find the value of  $w$ . (2 marks)

$$\text{Solve } v(2) = \frac{50 \log_e(2)}{\log_e(6)} \implies k = -\frac{50}{\log_e(6)} \implies w = 50$$

- c. Show that the location where the train stops is independent of its initial speed  $w$ . (2 marks)

Train stops when  $v = 0 \implies -\frac{w}{\log_e(6)} \log_e \left( \frac{x+1}{6} \right) = 0$ . This expression is only zero when

$$\frac{x+1}{6} = 1 \implies x = 5$$

because  $-\frac{w}{\log_e(6)} < 0$ .

So train always stops when  $x = 5$  independent of  $w$ .

- d. Find a general formula for  $\frac{d^n v}{dx^n}$ , the  $n^{\text{th}}$  derivative of  $v$ , where  $n \geq 1$ . Leave your answer in terms of  $x$ ,  $n$  and  $k$ . (3 marks)

$$n = 1: \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{k}{x+1}$$

$$n = 2: \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} = -\frac{k}{(x+1)^2}$$

$$n = 3: \frac{d^3 v}{dx^3} = \frac{2k}{(x+1)^3}$$

$$n = 4: \frac{d^4 v}{dx^4} = -\frac{1 \times 2 \times 3}{(x+1)^4}$$

From this pattern deduce that

$$\frac{d^n v}{dx^n} = \frac{(-1)^{n-1} k (n-1)!}{(x+1)^n}$$

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