

Derivatives involving exponential, logarithmic, and inverse trigonometric

1969

An equation for a tangent to the graph of  $y = \arcsin \frac{x}{2}$  at the origin is

AB 20

- (A)  $x - 2y = 0$       (B)  $x - y = 0$       (C)  $x = 0$       (D)  $y = 0$       (E)  $\pi x - 2y = 0$

1969

AB 22

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\ln e^{2x}) =$$

- (A)  $\frac{1}{e^{2x}}$       (B)  $\frac{2}{e^{2x}}$       (C)  $2x$       (D)  $1$       (E)  $2$

1969

If  $y = \tan u$ ,  $u = v - \frac{1}{v}$ , and  $v = \ln x$ , what is the value of  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  at  $x = e$ ?

AB 39

- (A) 0      (B)  $\frac{1}{e}$       (C) 1      (D)  $\frac{2}{e}$       (E)  $\sec^2 e$

1973  
AB 3

The slope of the line tangent to the graph of  $y = \ln(x^2)$  at  $x = e^2$  is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{e^2}$       (B)  $\frac{2}{e^2}$       (C)  $\frac{4}{e^2}$       (D)  $\frac{1}{e^4}$       (E)  $\frac{4}{e^4}$

1973 AB 18

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\arcsin 2x) =$$

(A)  $\frac{-1}{2\sqrt{1-4x^2}}$       (B)  $\frac{-2}{\sqrt{4x^2-1}}$       (C)  $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-4x^2}}$   
 (D)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{1-4x^2}}$       (E)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{4x^2-1}}$

1973 AB 36

If  $y = e^{nx}$ , then  $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} =$

(A)  $n^n e^{nx}$       (B)  $n!e^{nx}$       (C)  $n e^{nx}$       (D)  $n^n e^x$       (E)  $n!e^x$

1985  
AB 8

The slope of the line tangent to the graph of  $y = \ln\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$  at  $x = 4$  is

(A)  $\frac{1}{8}$       (B)  $\frac{1}{4}$       (C)  $\frac{1}{2}$       (D) 1      (E) 4

1985  
AB 10

If  $y = 10^{(x^2-1)}$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx} =$

(A)  $(\ln 10)10^{(x^2-1)}$

(B)  $(2x)10^{(x^2-1)}$

(C)  $(x^2-1)10^{(x^2-2)}$

(D)  $2x(\ln 10)10^{(x^2-1)}$

(E)  $x^2(\ln 10)10^{(x^2-1)}$

1985  
AB 20

If  $y = \arctan(\cos x)$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx} =$

(A)  $\frac{-\sin x}{1+\cos^2 x}$

(B)  $-(\text{arcsec}(\cos x))^2 \sin x$

(C)  $(\text{arcsec}(\cos x))^2$

(D)  $\frac{1}{(\arccos x)^2 + 1}$

(E)  $\frac{1}{1+\cos^2 x}$

1998  
AB 6

If  $y = \frac{\ln x}{x}$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx} =$

(A)  $\frac{1}{x}$

(B)  $\frac{1}{x^2}$

(C)  $\frac{\ln x - 1}{x^2}$

(D)  $\frac{1-\ln x}{x^2}$

(E)  $\frac{1+\ln x}{x^2}$

1988  
AB1

If  $y = x^2 e^x$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx} =$

(A)  $2xe^x$

(B)  $x(x+2e^x)$

(C)  $xe^x(x+2)$

(D)  $2x+e^x$

(E)  $2x+e$

1993  
AB16

The slope of the line normal to the graph of  $y = 2 \ln(\sec x)$  at  $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$  is

(A)  $-2$

(B)  $-\frac{1}{2}$

(C)  $\frac{1}{2}$

(D)  $2$

(E) nonexistent

1993  
AB25

$\frac{d}{dx}(2^x) =$

(A)  $2^{x-1}$

(B)  $(2^{x-1})x$

(C)  $(2^x)\ln 2$

(D)  $(2^{x-1})\ln 2$  (E)  $\frac{2x}{\ln 2}$

1993  
AB 31

If  $f(x) = e^{3\ln(x^2)}$ , then  $f'(x) =$

- (A)  $e^{3\ln(x^2)}$       (B)  $\frac{3}{x^2}e^{3\ln(x^2)}$       (C)  $6(\ln x)e^{3\ln(x^2)}$       (D)  $5x^4$       (E)  $6x^5$

1997  
AB 76

If  $f(x) = \frac{e^{2x}}{2x}$ , then  $f'(x) =$

- (A) 1  
(B)  $\frac{e^{2x}(1-2x)}{2x^2}$   
(C)  $e^{2x}$   
(D)  $\frac{e^{2x}(2x+1)}{x^2}$   
(E)  $\frac{e^{2x}(2x-1)}{2x^2}$

1997  
AB 80

Let  $f$  be the function given by  $f(x) = 2e^{4x^2}$ . For what value of  $x$  is the slope of the line tangent to the graph of  $f$  at  $(x, f(x))$  equal to 3?

- (A) 0.168      (B) 0.276      (C) 0.318      (D) 0.342      (E) 0.551

*1998*  
*AB 16*

If  $f(x) = \sin(e^{-x})$ , then  $f'(x) =$

- (A)  $-\cos(e^{-x})$
- (B)  $\cos(e^{-x}) + e^{-x}$
- (C)  $\cos(e^{-x}) - e^{-x}$
- (D)  $e^{-x} \cos(e^{-x})$
- (E)**  $-e^{-x} \cos(e^{-x})$

*1998*  
*AB 17*

Let  $f$  be the function given by  $f(x) = 3e^{2x}$  and let  $g$  be the function given by  $g(x) = 6x^3$ . At what value of  $x$  do the graphs of  $f$  and  $g$  have parallel tangent lines?

- (A)  $-0.701$
- (B)  $-0.567$
- (C)**  $-0.391$
- (D)  $-0.302$
- (E)  $-0.258$