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Question 1: [3 Marks]

The population of a certain fish in the Ningaloo Reef grows continuously at a rate of 5% per year. The number of fish on 1st January, 2016 was estimated at 2500.

- a) Find an expression to model P , the number of fish, t years into the study.

$$P = P_0 e^{kt}$$
$$\therefore P = 2500 e^{0.05t} \quad \checkmark$$

- b) Find the population at 1st January, 2020. Give your answer in terms of e .

$$P = P_0 e^{kt} \quad \therefore t = 4 \text{ yrs}$$
$$= 2500 e^{0.05(4)}$$
$$\therefore P = 2500 e^{0.2} \quad \checkmark$$

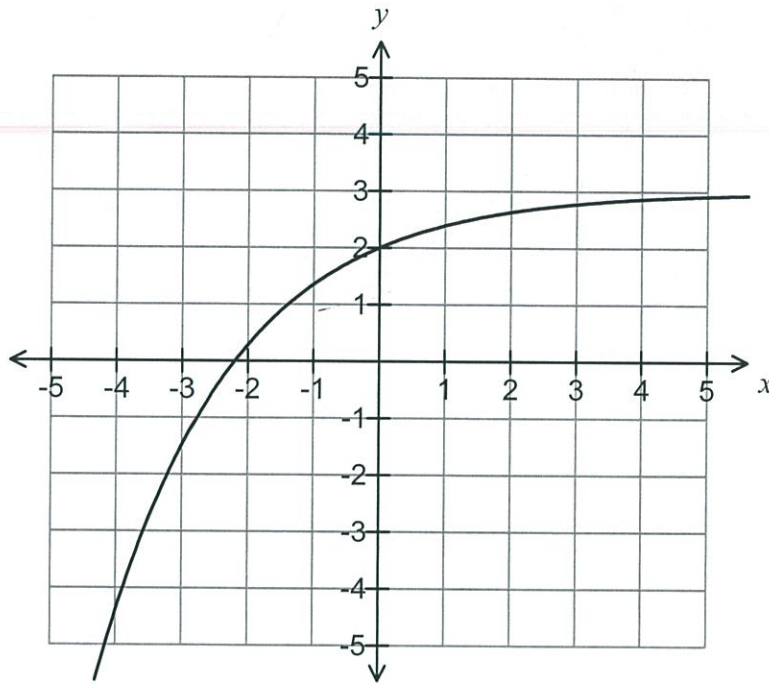
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- c) Give the calculator algorithm you would use to calculate the time, t , when the population will quadruple in size.

$$\text{Solve } (10\,000 = 2500 e^{0.05t}, t) \quad \checkmark$$

Question 2: [2,2 = 4 Marks]

The graph of $y = ae^{bx} + c$ is shown below. The graph passes through the point $(0, 2)$, and $y \rightarrow 3$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$.



- a) Is b positive or negative? Justify your answer.

Negative. ✓ The graph is reflected ✓ in the y-axis (and also in the x-axis). (2)

- b) Evaluate a and c .

$c = 3$. ✓
 $y = ae^{bx} + 3$
through $(0, 2)$

$2 = a \cdot e^{b \cdot 0} + 3$

$2 = a \cdot 1 + 3$

$-1 = a$

$\therefore a = -1$. ✓

(2)

Question 3: [3, 2 = 5 Marks]

Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if:

a) $y = \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2} - 6x^2}{2x}$

$$\therefore y = \frac{x^{\frac{2}{3}}}{2x} - \frac{6x^2}{2x} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{x^{-\frac{1}{3}}}{2} - 3x$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{4}{3}} \right) - 3$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{6\sqrt[3]{x^4}} - 3. \quad \checkmark$$

(3)

b) $y = 2ax^a - 4a^2$, where a is constant and $a > 0$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = 2a^2 x^{a-1}$$

(2)

* (-) if $-8a$ as well.

Question 4: [2, 2, 3, 3, 3 = 13 Marks]

Find the derivative of each of the following. Simplify all answers.

a) $y = (2x - 5)(x^2 - 3x + 4)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x^2 - 3x + 4) + (2x - 5)(2x - 3)$$

$$= 2x^2 - 6x + 8 + 4x^2 - 16x + 15$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \underline{6x^2 - 22x + 23}; \quad \checkmark \checkmark \quad (2)$$

b) $y = \frac{3x-2}{3x^2+1}$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3(3x^2+1) - (3x-2)(6x)}{(3x^2+1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{9x^2 + 3 - 18x^2 + 12x}{(3x^2+1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-9x^2 + 12x + 3}{\sqrt{(3x^2+1)^2}}$$

(2) ✓

c) $(\sqrt[4]{x^2+4})^3$

$$\therefore y = (x^2+4)^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{4} (x^2+4)^{-\frac{1}{4}} \cdot 2x$$

$$= \frac{6x}{4 \cdot (x^2+4)^{\frac{1}{4}}}$$

$$= \frac{3x}{2 \sqrt[4]{(x^2+4)}}$$

(3)

d) $y = \frac{3x^5}{e^{2x}}$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{15x^4 \cdot e^{2x} - 3x^5 \cdot e^{2x} \cdot 2}{(e^{2x})^2}$$

* correct use of quotient rule.

$$= \frac{e^{2x} (15x^4 - 6x^5)}{(e^{2x})^2}$$

(3)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{15x^4 - 6x^5}{e^{2x}}$$

e) $y = \frac{3}{\sqrt{1+e^{5x}}}$

$$y = 3 \cdot (1+e^{5x})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{3}{2} (1+e^{5x})^{-\frac{3}{2}} \cdot e^{5x} \cdot 5$$

$$= \frac{-15 e^{5x}}{2 \sqrt[2]{(1+e^{5x})^3}}$$

Question 5: [3,2 = 5 Marks]

Differentiate the following, without simplifying:

a) $y = \frac{x-1}{x^2+4}$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1(x^2+4) - (x-1)(2x)}{(x^2+4)^2} \quad (3)$$

b) $y = e^{2x-x^2}$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{2x-x^2} \cdot (2-2x) \quad (2)$$

(or)

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \cdot e^{2x-x^2} \cdot (1-x) \\ & = 2(1-x) \cdot e^{2x-x^2} \end{aligned}$$

Question 6: [4 Marks]

Show that $y = \frac{1+e^{3x-1}}{2e^{-x^2}}$ can be differentiated **without** using the product or quotient rule.

$$\therefore y = \frac{1}{2}e^{-x^2} + \frac{e^{3x-1}}{2e^{-x^2}}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{1}{2}e^{x^2} + \frac{1}{2}e^{x^2+3x-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot e^{x^2} \cdot 2x + \frac{1}{2} e^{x^2+3x-1} \cdot (2x+3) \\ &= x e^{x^2} + x e^{x^2+3x-1} + \frac{3}{2} e^{x^2+3x-1} \\ &= x e^{x^2} + \left(x + \frac{3}{2}\right) e^{x^2+3x-1} \end{aligned}$$

Question 7: [2, 4 = 6 Marks]

a) Simplify $y = \frac{4x+12}{x^2-9}$, stating any exclusions from the domain.

$$y = \frac{4(x+3)}{(x+3)(x-3)} = \frac{4(x-3)^{-1}}{\text{(OR)}} ; \quad x \neq \pm 3.$$
$$= \frac{4}{x-3}$$

Hence, make use of the chain rule with Leibnitz notation, to determine:

from (a)

b) $\frac{dz}{dy}$, if $z = \frac{1}{3x}$ and $y = \frac{4x+12}{x^2-9}$

$$\therefore z = \frac{1}{3}x^{-1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dz}{dx} = -\frac{1}{3x^2}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{4}{x-3} = 4(x-3)^{-1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -4(x-3)^{-2} \cdot 1.$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-4}{(x-3)^2}$$

$$\text{then } \frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{(x-3)^2}{-4}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dz}{dy} = \frac{dz}{dx} \times \frac{dx}{dy}$$
$$= -\frac{1}{3x^2} \times \frac{(x-3)^2}{-4}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dz}{dy} = \frac{(x-3)^2}{12x^2}$$

EXTRA WORK SPACE