

# Unit 3 Practice - Introduction to Differential Calculus

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IB Math Studies

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$$= \frac{48}{x} + 3x^2 - 58$$

1. Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{48}{x} + kx^2 - 58$ , where  $x > 0$  and  $k$  is constant.

The graph of the function passes through the point with coordinates (4,2).

$$2 = \frac{48}{4} + k(4)^2 - 58$$

$$2 = 12 + 16k - 58$$

$$16k = 48$$

$$k = 3$$

[2]

a. Find the value of  $k$ .

b. Using your value of  $k$ , find  $f'(x)$ .

so...  $f(x) = 48x^{-1} + 3x^2 - 58 \rightarrow f'(x) = -48x^{-2} + 6x = -\frac{48}{x^2} + 6x$  or

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P is the minimum point of the graph of  $f(x)$ .

c. Use your answer to part (b) to show that the minimum value of  $f(x)$  is 22.

Set  $f'(x) = 0$   
where tangent is flat

d. Write down the two values of  $x$  which satisfy  $f'(x) = 0$ .  
these are  $x$ -intercepts  $x \approx 0.961$   $x \approx 3.90$

e. Sketch the graph of  $y = f(x)$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 6$  and  $-30 \leq y \leq 60$ .

$$-\frac{48}{x^2} + 6x = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{multiply by } x^2$$

$$-48 + 6x^3 = 0$$

$$6x^3 = 48$$

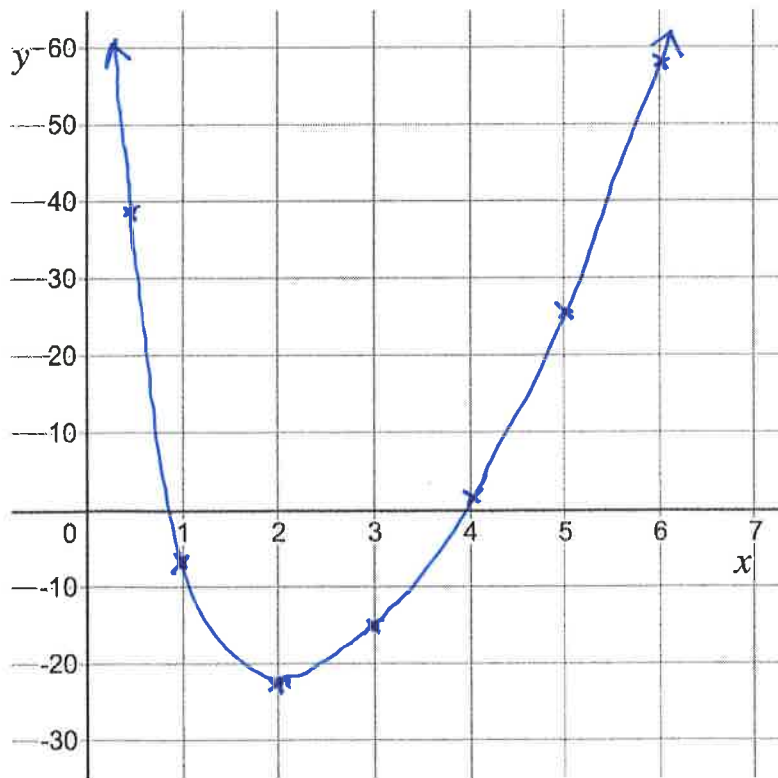
$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{48}{6}} = 2 \quad [2]$$

$$f(2) = \frac{48}{2} + 3(2)^2 - 58$$

$$= 22$$

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2. Consider the function  $g(x) = x^3 + kx^2 - 15x + 5$

a. Find  $g'(x)$ .  $= 3x^2 + 2kx - 15$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x^2 + 2kx - 15 &= 21 \\ 3(2)^2 + 2k(2) &= 36 \\ 12 + 4k &= 36 \\ 4k &= 24 \\ \underline{k} &= \underline{6} \end{aligned}$$

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The tangent to the graph of  $y = g(x)$  at  $x = 2$  is parallel to the line  $y = 21x + 7$ .

b. i. Show that  $k = 6$ .

ii. Find the equation of the tangent to the graph of  $y = g(x)$  at  $x = 2$ . Give your answer in the form  $y = mx + c$ .

so  $g(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 - 15x + 5 \rightarrow$  P.O.T  $(2, 7)$   
 $g'(x) = 3x^2 + 12x - 15$   
 $g'(2) = 21$

$$\begin{aligned} \boxed{y - 7 = 21(x - 2)} \\ \downarrow \\ y - 7 = 21x - 42 \\ \boxed{y = 21x - 35} \end{aligned}$$

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c. Use your answer to part (a) and the value of  $k$ , to find the  $x$ -coordinates of the stationary points of the graph of  $y = g(x)$ .

Set  $g'(x) = 0$   $3x^2 + 12x - 15 = 0$   
 $x = -5$   $x = 1$

$(-5, \uparrow)$   $(1, \uparrow)$   
 $f(-5)$   $f(1)$

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d. i. Find  $g'(-1)$ .

$g'(-1) = -24$

ii. Hence justify that  $g$  is decreasing at  $x = -1$ .

Since the gradient is negative  $(-24)$ , the function must be decreasing.

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e. Find the  $y$ -coordinate of the local minimum.

at  $x = 1$

so  $f(1) = -3$

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the  $y$ -coordinate is  $-3$  at the local min.

3. Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{96}{x^2} + kx$ , where  $k$  is a constant and  $x \neq 0$ .

$96x^{-2} + kx = \frac{96}{x^2} + kx$

a. Write down  $f'(x)$ .  $= -\frac{192}{x^3} + k$  [2]

The graph of  $y = f(x)$  has a local minimum at point  $x = 4$ .  
*tangent flat*

$-\frac{192}{x^3} + k = 0$   
 $-192 + kx^3 = 0$   
 $kx^3 = 192$   
 $k = \frac{192}{(4)^3} = 3$  [2]

b. Show that  $k = 3$ .

c. Find  $f(2)$ .  $\rightarrow$  if  $f(x) = \frac{96}{x^2} + 3x$ , then  $f(2) = \frac{96}{2^2} + 3(2) = \underline{\underline{30}}$  [2]

d. Find  $f'(2)$ .  $\rightarrow$  if  $f'(x) = -\frac{192}{x^3} + 3$ , then  $f'(2) = -\frac{192}{2^3} + 3 = \underline{\underline{-21}}$  [2]

e. Find the equation of the normal to the graph of  $y = f(x)$  at the point where  $x = 2$ . Give your answer in the form  $ax + by + d = 0$  where  $a, b, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ . [3]

POT (2, 30)

gradient of tangent = -21

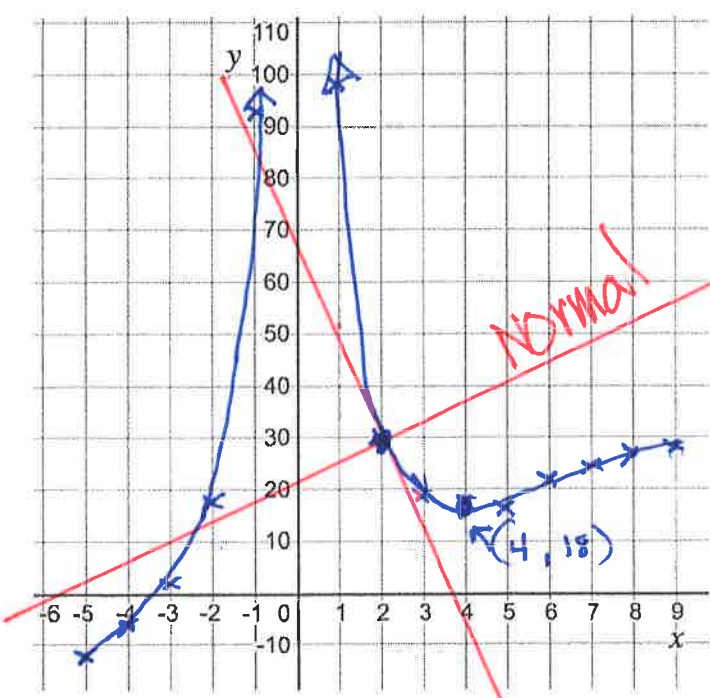
gradient of Normal =  $\frac{1}{21}$

Equation  $y - 30 = \frac{1}{21}(x - 2)$   
 $21y - 630 = x - 2$

remove fractions

$\rightarrow$  CONVERT  
 $-x + 21y - 628 = 0$

f. Sketch the graph of  $y = f(x)$ , for  $-5 \leq x \leq 10$  and  $-10 \leq y \leq 100$ .



$y - 30 = \frac{1}{21}(x - 2)$

$y - 30 = \frac{1}{21}x - \frac{2}{21}$

$y = \frac{1}{21}x + 29.904$

g. Write down the coordinates of the point where the graph of  $y = f(x)$  intersects the x-axis. [2]

$(-3.17, 0)$

h. State the values of  $x$  for which  $f(x)$  is decreasing. [2]

from  $0 < x < 4$