

Methods in Calculus 7A

1 a i $y = e^{5x}$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 5e^{5x}$, $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 5^2 e^{5x} = 25e^{5x}$

$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = 5^3 e^{5x} = 125e^{5x}$$

ii $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} = 5^n e^{5x}$

b i $y = e^{-x}$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = -e^{-x}$, $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = (-1)^2 e^{-x} = e^{-x}$

$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = (-1)^3 e^{-x} = -e^{-x}$$

ii $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} = (-1)^n e^{-x}$

c i $y = x^m$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = mx^{m-1}$, $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = m(m-1)x^{m-2}$

$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = m(m-1)(m-2)x^{m-3}$$

ii

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} &= m(m-1)(m-2)\dots(m-(n-1))x^{n-m} \\ &= \frac{m!}{(m-n)!} x^{m-n} \quad (m \geq n)\end{aligned}$$

d i $y = xe^{-x}$, $u = x$, $v = e^{-x}$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 1, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = 0 = \frac{d^n u}{dx^n}, n > 2$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = -e^{-x}, \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = e^{-x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx} = -xe^{-x} + e^{-x} = (1-x)e^{-x}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{dy}{dx} - e^{-x} = xe^{-x} - 2e^{-x} = (x-2)e^{-x}$$

$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = -xe^{-x} + 3e^{-x} = (3-x)e^{-x}$$

ii $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} = (-1)^n (y - ne^{-x}) = (-1)^n (x - n)e^{-x}$

2 a $y = (2x^2 + x - 2)(4x^2 - 3x + 8)$

$$u = 2x^2 + x - 2, \frac{du}{dx} = 4x + 1, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = 4$$

$$v = 4x^2 - 3x + 8, \frac{dv}{dx} = 8x - 3, \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = 8$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= u \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \\ &= 8(2x^2 + x - 2) + 2(4x + 1)(8x - 3) + 4(4x^2 - 3x + 8) \\ &= 96x^2 - 12x + 10\end{aligned}$$

b $y = \ln x \sin x$

$$u = \ln x, \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$v = \sin x, \frac{dv}{dx} = \cos x, \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = -\sin x$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= u \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \\ &= -\ln x \sin x + \frac{2 \cos x}{x} - \frac{\sin x}{x^2}\end{aligned}$$

c

$$y = e^{3x} \cos 2x$$

$$u = e^{3x}, \frac{du}{dx} = 3e^{3x}, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = 9e^{3x}$$

$$v = \cos 2x, \frac{dv}{dx} = -2 \sin 2x, \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = -4 \cos 2x$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = u \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{d^2u}{dx^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= -4e^{3x} \cos 2x + 2(3e^{3x})(-2 \sin 2x) + 9e^{3x} \cos 2x \\ &= 5e^{3x} \cos 2x - 12e^{3x} \sin 2x\end{aligned}$$

2 d $y = x^3 \ln(2x+1)$

$$u = x^3, \frac{du}{dx} = 3x^2, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = 6x$$

$$v = \ln(2x+1), \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{2}{2x+1}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= u \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \\ &= 6x \ln(2x+1) + \frac{12x^2}{2x+1} - \frac{4x^3}{(2x+1)^2}\end{aligned}$$

e

$$y = (x^2 - x + 2)(x^3 - 1)$$

$$u = x^2 - x + 2, \frac{du}{dx} = 2x - 1, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = 2, \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} = 0$$

$$v = x^3 - 1, \frac{dv}{dx} = 3x^2, \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = 6x, \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} &= u \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} + 3 \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{dv}{dx} + 3 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + v \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} \\ &= 6(x^2 - x + 2) + 3(2x - 1)(6x) + 3(2)(3x^2) \\ &= 60x^2 - 24x + 12\end{aligned}$$

f $y = \sqrt{2x} \sinh 3x$

$$u = \sqrt{2x}, \frac{du}{dx} = (2x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = -(2x)^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$v = \sinh 3x, \frac{dv}{dx} = 3 \cosh 3x, \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = 9 \sinh 3x$$

$$\frac{d^3v}{dx^3} = 27 \cosh 3x, \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} = 3(2x)^{-\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = u \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} + 3 \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{dv}{dx} + 3 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + v \frac{d^3u}{dx^3}$$

$$= 27\sqrt{2x} \cosh 3x + \frac{27}{\sqrt{2x}} \sinh 3x$$

$$-\frac{9}{2x\sqrt{2x}} \cosh 3x + \frac{3}{4x^2\sqrt{2x}} \sinh 3x$$

g $y = (x^2 - x) \cosh 2x$

$$u = x^2 - x, \frac{du}{dx} = 2x, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = 2$$

$$\frac{d^3u}{dx^3} = \frac{d^4u}{dx^4} = 0$$

$$v = \cosh 2x, \frac{dv}{dx} = 2 \sinh 2x, \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = 4 \cosh 2x$$

$$\frac{d^3v}{dx^3} = 8 \sinh 2x, \frac{d^4v}{dx^4} = 16 \cosh 2x$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} &= u \frac{d^4v}{dx^4} + 4 \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} \frac{dv}{dx} \\ &+ 6 \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} + v \frac{d^4u}{dx^4}\end{aligned}$$

$$= 16(x^2 - x) \cosh 2x + 4(2x - 1)(8 \sinh 2x)$$

$$+ 6(2)(4 \cosh 2x)$$

$$= 16(x^2 - x + 3) \cosh 2x + 32(2x - 1) \sinh 2x$$

h $y = \cos x \sinh x$

$$u = \cos x, \frac{du}{dx} = -\sin x, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = -\cos x$$

$$\frac{d^3u}{dx^3} = \sin x, \frac{d^4u}{dx^4} = \cos x$$

$$v = \sinh x, \frac{dv}{dx} = \cosh x, \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = \sinh x$$

$$\frac{d^3v}{dx^3} = \cosh x, \frac{d^4v}{dx^4} = \sinh x$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} &= u \frac{d^4v}{dx^4} + 4 \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} \frac{dv}{dx} \\ &+ 6 \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} + v \frac{d^4u}{dx^4}\end{aligned}$$

$$= \cos x \sinh x - 4 \sin x \cosh x - 6 \cos x \sinh x$$

$$+ 4 \sin x \cosh x + \cos x \sinh x$$

$$= -4 \cos x \sinh x$$

3 a $y = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\ln x}$

$$u = \sqrt{x}, \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{4}(x)^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$v = (\ln x)^{-1}, \frac{dv}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x}(\ln x)^{-2}$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{x^2}(\ln x)^{-2} + \frac{2}{x^2}(\ln x)^{-3}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = u \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{d^2u}{dx^2}$$

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

$$-2 \frac{1}{2x\sqrt{x}}(\ln x)^{-2} - \frac{1}{4x\sqrt{x}}(\ln x)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{8 - (\ln x)^2}{4x\sqrt{x}(\ln x)^3}$$

b $y = \frac{\ln x}{x+3}$

$$u = \frac{1}{x+3}, \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{-1}{(x+3)^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = \frac{2}{(x+3)^3}, \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} = \frac{-6}{(x+3)^4}$$

$$v = \ln x, \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}, \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{x^2}, \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} = \frac{2}{x^3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} &= u \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} + 3 \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{dv}{dx} + 3 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + v \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} \\ &= \frac{2}{x^3(x+3)} + \frac{3}{x^2(x+3)^2} + \frac{6}{x(x+3)^3} - \frac{6\ln x}{(x+3)^4} \\ &= \frac{2(x+3)^3 + 3x(x+3)^2 + 6x^2(x+3) - 6x^3 \ln x}{x^3(x+3)^4} \\ &= \frac{11x^3 - 6x^3 \ln x + 54x^2 + 81x + 54}{x^3(x+3)^4} \end{aligned}$$

c $y = \frac{e^x + 1}{e^x - 1}$

$$u = e^x + 1, \frac{du}{dx} = e^x$$

$$v = \frac{1}{e^x - 1}, \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{-e^x}{(e^x - 1)^2}$$

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

$$u = \frac{du}{dx} = -2e^x$$

$$v = \frac{1}{(e^x - 1)^2}, \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{-2e^x}{(e^x - 1)^3}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{4e^{2x}}{(e^x - 1)^3} - \frac{2e^x}{(e^x - 1)^2} = \frac{2e^x(e^x + 1)}{(e^x - 1)^3}$$

$$u = 2e^x(e^x + 1), \frac{du}{dx} = 4e^{2x} + 2e^x$$

$$v = \frac{1}{(e^x - 1)^3}, \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{-3e^x}{(e^x - 1)^4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} &= \frac{-6e^{2x}(e^x + 1)}{(e^x - 1)^4} + \frac{4e^{2x} + 2e^x}{(e^x - 1)^3} \\ &= \frac{-2e^x(e^{2x} + 4e^x + 1)}{(e^x - 1)^4} \end{aligned}$$

d $y = \frac{1}{4x^2} \sin x$

$$u = \frac{1}{4x^2}, \frac{du}{dx} = -\frac{1}{2x^3}, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = \frac{3}{2x^4}$$

$$\frac{d^3u}{dx^3} = -6x^{-5}, \frac{d^4u}{dx^4} = 30x^{-6}$$

$$v = \sin x, \frac{dv}{dx} = \cos x, \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} = -\sin x$$

$$\frac{d^3v}{dx^3} = -\cos x, \frac{d^4v}{dx^4} = \sin x$$

$$\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} = u \frac{d^4v}{dx^4} + 4 \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$+ 6 \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} + v \frac{d^4u}{dx^4}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{4x^2} - \frac{9}{x^4} + \frac{30}{x^6} \right) \sin x + \left(\frac{2}{x^3} - \frac{24}{x^5} \right) \cos x$$

4 $y = e^x \cos x$

$$u = e^x = \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{d^n u}{dx^n}$$

$$v = \cos x, \frac{dv}{dx} = -\sin x$$

$$\frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} = \frac{d^6 v}{dx^6} = -v$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{d^5 v}{dx^3} = -\frac{d^3 v}{dx^3}$$

$$\frac{d^6 y}{dx^6} + 8 \frac{dy}{dx} = e^x (\cos x - 6 \sin x - 15 \cos x$$

$$20 \sin x + 15 \cos x - 6 \sin x - \cos x)$$

$$+8e^x(\cos x - \sin x)$$

$$= 8e^x \cos x = 8y$$

$$\text{Hence } 8e^x \cos x - 8y = 0$$

5 $y = 2x^3 e^{2x}$

$$\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \frac{d^k u}{dx^k} \frac{d^{n-k} v}{dx^{n-k}}$$

$$u = 2x^3, \frac{du}{dx} = 6x^2, \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} = 12x, \frac{d^3 u}{dx^3} = 12$$

$$\frac{d^k u}{dx^k} = 0, k > 3$$

$$v = e^{2x}, \frac{d^{n-k} v}{dx^{n-k}} = 2^{n-k} e^{2x}$$

$$\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} = 2x^3 2^n e^{2x} + 6 \binom{n}{1} x^2 2^{n-1} e^{2x}$$

$$+ 12 \binom{n}{2} x 2^{n-2} e^{2x} + 12 \binom{n}{3} 2^{n-3} e^{2x}$$

$$= 2^{n-2} e^{2x} \left(8x^3 + 12nx^2 + 12 \binom{n}{2} x + 6 \binom{n}{3} \right)$$

$$= 2^{n-2} e^{2x} (8x^3 + 12nx^2 + 6n(n-1)x + n(n-1)(n-2))$$

6 a $y = \frac{1}{x}$

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

$$\text{Assume } \frac{d^k y}{dx^k} = (-1)^k \frac{k!}{x^{k+1}}$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{d^{k+1} y}{dx^{k+1}} = (-1)^k k! \frac{-(k+1)}{x^{k+2}}$$

$$= (-1)^{k+1} \frac{(k+1)!}{x^{k+2}}$$

So true for $n = k + 1$ if true for $n = k$,

true for $n = 1$ so true for \forall natural numbers n

b From part **a**,

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} (\ln x) = \frac{d^{n-1}}{dx^{n-1}} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)$$

$$= (-1)^{n-1} \frac{(n-1)!}{x^n} \text{ if } n \geq 1$$

Hence by Leibnitz's theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^3 \ln x) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \frac{d^k}{dx^k} (x^3) \frac{d^k}{dx^k} (x^3) \frac{d^{n-k}}{dx^{n-k}} (\ln x) \\ &= (-1)^{n-1} \frac{(n-1)!}{x^{n-3}} + 3n(-1)^{n-2} \frac{(n-2)!}{x^{n-3}} \\ &\quad + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} 6(-1)^{n-3} \frac{(n-3)!}{x^{n-3}} \\ &\quad + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6} 6(-1)^{n-4} \frac{(n-4)!}{x^{n-3}} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^n (n-4)!}{x^{n-3}} (- (n-1)(n-2)(n-3) \\ &\quad + 3n(n-2)(n-3) - 3n(n-1)(n-3) \\ &\quad + n(n-1)(n-2)) \\ &= \frac{6(-1)^n (n-4)!}{x^{n-3}} \end{aligned}$$

7 $y = x^2 \sinh kx$

$$u = x^2, \frac{du}{dx} = 2x, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = 2, \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} = 0$$

$$v = \sinh kx$$

n even, $k > 2$

$$\frac{d^n v}{dx^n} = k^n \sinh kx, \frac{d^{n-1} v}{dx^{n-1}} = k^{n-1} \cosh kx$$

$$\frac{d^{n-2} v}{dx^{n-2}} = k^{n-2} \sinh kx$$

$$\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} = x^2 k^n \sinh kx + 2nxk^{n-1} \cosh kx$$

$$+ 2 \binom{n}{2} k^{n-2} \sinh kx$$

$$= k^{n-2} \sinh kx(x^2 k^2 + n(n-1)) + 2nxk^{n-1} \cosh kx$$

n odd, $k > 2$

$$\frac{d^n v}{dx^n} = k^n \cosh kx, \frac{d^{n-1} v}{dx^{n-1}} = k^{n-1} \sinh kx$$

$$\frac{d^{n-2} v}{dx^{n-2}} = k^{n-2} \cosh kx$$

$$\frac{d^n y}{dx^n} = x^2 k^n \cosh kx + 2nxk^{n-1} \sinh kx$$

$$+ 2 \binom{n}{2} k^{n-2} \cosh kx$$

$$= k^{n-2} \cosh kx(x^2 k^2 + n(n-1)) + 2nxk^{n-1} \sinh kx$$

$$\text{check } n = 1 : \frac{dy}{dx} = kx^2 \cosh kx + 2x \sinh kx$$

$$n = 2 : \frac{dy}{dx} = k^2 x^2 \sinh kx + 2 \sinh kx + 4x \cosh kx$$

also satisfy the required formulae.

Challenge

a $F(x) = f(x)g(x)$

$$F^{(n)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} f^{(k)}(x)g^{(n-k)}(x), n=1$$

$$F'(x) = \binom{1}{0} f^{(0)}(x)g^{(1)}(x) + \binom{1}{1} f^{(1)}(x)g^{(0)}(x)$$

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

Challenge

b $F^{(m)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} f^{(k)}(x)g^{(m-k)}(x)$

Assume true for $m = n$, then

$$\begin{aligned} F^{(n+1)}(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} f^{(k)}(x)g^{(n-k)}(x) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \frac{d}{dx} f^{(k)}(x)g^{(n-k)}(x) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} [f^{(k)}(x)g^{(n-k+1)}(x) + f^{(k+1)}(x)g^{(n-k)}(x)] \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} f^{(k)}(x)g^{(n-k+1)}(x) \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \binom{n}{k-1} f^{((k-1)+1)}(x)g^{(n-(k-1))}(x) \\ &= \binom{n}{0} f(x)g^{(n+1)}(x) + \binom{n}{n} f^{(n+1)}(x)g(x) \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1} \right] f^{(k)}(x)g^{(n-k+1)}(x) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \binom{n+1}{k} f^{(k)}(x)g^{(n+1-k)}(x) \end{aligned}$$

Using the problem-solving hint

True for $n = k + 1$ if true for $n = k$,

true for $n = 1$ (challenge a)

so true for \forall natural numbers n