

Differential calculusCurvature and Radius of curvature

Let P and Q be any two closed points on a plane curve. Let the arcual distances of P and Q measured from a fixed point A on the given curve be s and $s + \Delta s$, so that

$$\widehat{PQ} = \Delta s$$

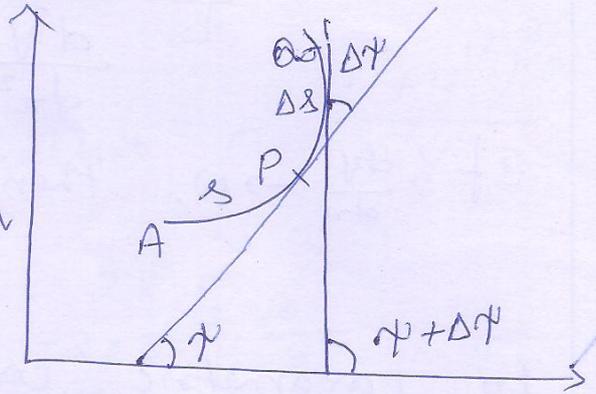
Let the tangents at P and Q to the curve make angles ψ and $\psi + \Delta\psi$ with a fixed line in the plane of the curve, say, the x axis. Then the angle between the tangents at

P and $Q = \Delta\psi$.

Hence $\frac{\Delta\psi}{\Delta s}$ is the average rate of bending of the curve for average rate of change of direction of the tangent to the curve in the arcual interval \widehat{PQ} or average curvature of the arc PQ .

Let $\lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta\psi}{\Delta s} = \frac{d\psi}{ds}$ is the curvature of the curve at the point P and is denoted by k (κ).

Radius of curvature of a curve at any point on it is defined as the reciprocal of the curvature of the curve at that point and denoted by ρ . Thus $\rho = \frac{1}{k} = \frac{ds}{d\psi}$.



Formula for Radius of curvature in cartesian co-ordinates

$$\rho = \frac{\left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right]^{3/2}}{\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}}$$

If $\frac{dy}{dx} \rightarrow \infty$, then $\rho = \frac{\left[1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2\right]^{3/2}}{\frac{d^2x}{dy^2}}$

In parametric coordinates

$$\rho = \frac{(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{3/2}}{\dot{x}\ddot{y} - \dot{y}\ddot{x}}$$

where $\dot{x} = \frac{dx}{dt}$ or $\frac{dx}{d\theta}$ & $\dot{y} = \frac{dy}{dt}$ or $\frac{dy}{d\theta}$.

WORKED EXAMPLES

1) Find the radius of curvature of the curve $x^4 + y^4 = 2$ at the point (1, 1)

solution Given $x^4 + y^4 = 2$

$$\Rightarrow y^4 = 2 - x^4$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$4y^3 \frac{dy}{dx} = -4x^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x^3}{y^3}$$

Once again diff. w.r. to x , we get

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-[y^3 \cdot 3x^2 - x^3 \cdot 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx}]}{(y^3)^2}$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{(1,1)} = \frac{-1}{1} = -1$$

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$$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{(1,1)} = - \left[\frac{1(3) - 3(-1)}{1} \right] = -6$$

The radius of curvature $\rho = \frac{(1+y''^2)^{3/2}}{y''}$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{(1,1)} &= \frac{[1+(-1)^2]^{3/2}}{-6} = \frac{2^{3/2}}{-2 \times 3} = \frac{2^{3/2-1}}{-3} \\ &= \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\rho| = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \quad [\because \text{radius is taken in +ve sign}]$$

2) Find the radius of curvature at $(a, 0)$ on the curve $xy^2 = a^3 - x^3$.

Solution : Given $xy^2 = a^3 - x^3$

Diff. w. r. to x , we get

$$x \cdot 2y \frac{dy}{dx} + 1 \cdot y^2 = -3x^2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{(y^2 + 3x^2)}{2xy}$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{(a,0)} = \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{-2xy}{(y^2 + 3x^2)}$$

$$\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)_{(a,0)} = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dy^2} = \frac{(-3x^2 - y^2) \left(2x + 2y \frac{dx}{dy} \right) - 2xy \left(-6x \frac{dx}{dy} - 2y \right)}{(-3x^2 - y^2)^2}$$

$$\left(\frac{d^2x}{dy^2} \right)_{(a,0)} = \frac{(-3a^2 - 0) (2a + 0) - 0}{(-3a^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-2/6 a^3}{+9/3 a^4} = -\frac{2}{3a}$$

∴ The radius of curvature

$$p = \left[1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2}$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dy^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\left(-\frac{2}{3a} \right)} = -\frac{3a}{2}$$

$$|p| = \frac{3a}{2}$$

3). Find the radius of curvature on $y = e^x$ at the point where the curve cuts the y axis.

Solution : Given $y = e^x$

At y axis $x = 0$.

$$\therefore y = e^0 = 1$$

∴ (0, 1) is the pt of intersection of the curve $y = e^x$ cut the y axis.

∴ The radius of curvature for $y = e^x$ at (0, 1) is required.

$$y = e^x$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) = e^x$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{(0,1)} = 1$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = e^x$$

$$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{(0,1)} = 1$$

$$\rho = \frac{(1+y'^2)^{3/2}}{y''} = \frac{(1+1)^{3/2}}{1} = 2^{3/2}$$

$$\rho = 2\sqrt{2}$$

4) Find the radius of curvature at any point (x, y) on the curve $y = c \log \sec\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)$

Solution

$$y = c \log \sec\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \cancel{c} \frac{1}{\sec\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)} \sec\left(\frac{x}{c}\right) \tan\left(\frac{x}{c}\right) \cancel{1/c}$$

$$= \tan\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \sec^2\left(\frac{x}{c}\right) \left(\frac{1}{c}\right)$$

$$\rho = \frac{(1+y'^2)^{3/2}}{y''} = \frac{(1+\tan^2\left(\frac{x}{c}\right))^{3/2}}{\frac{1}{c} \sec^2\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)} = \frac{[\sec^2\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)]^{3/2}}{\frac{1}{c} \sec^2\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)}$$

$$= c \frac{\sec^3\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)}{\sec^2\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)} = c \sec\left(\frac{x}{c}\right), \quad \rho = c \sec\left(\frac{x}{c}\right)$$

5) Find the radius of curvature for $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 1$ at $(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$

solution

$$\text{Sol: } \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{y} = 1 - \sqrt{x}$$

$$\text{sq.}, y^{1/2} = 1 - x^{1/2}$$

Diff. w.r.to x ,

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-x^{-1/2}}{y^{-1/2}} = -\sqrt{\frac{y}{x}}$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{(1/4, 1/4)} = -1$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\left[\frac{\sqrt{x} \cdot \frac{1}{2} y^{-1/2} \frac{dy}{dx} - \sqrt{y} \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2}}{(\sqrt{x})^2} \right]$$

$$\left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{(1/4, 1/4)} = \left[\frac{+(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{4})^{-1/2}(-1) - (\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{4})^{-1/2}}{(\sqrt{1/4})^2} \right]$$

$$= \left[-\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1/2} - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1/2} \right] \bigg/ \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \left[\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{1-1/2} + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{1-1/2} \right] = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{1/2} + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{1/2}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{(\frac{1}{4})} = 4$$

∴ the radius of curvature is

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$$p = \frac{(1 + y'^2)^{3/2}}{y''}$$

$$= \frac{[1 + (-1)^2]^{3/2}}{4} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

6) If p is the radius of curvature at any point (x, y) on the curve $y = \frac{ax}{a+x}$ show that $\left(\frac{p}{a}\right)^{2/3} = \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2$

Solution : Given $y = \frac{ax}{a+x}$

Diff. w. x to x , we get

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

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = a^2[-2(a+x)^{-3}] = \frac{-2a^2}{(a+x)^3}$$

$$p = \frac{\left\{1 + \left[\frac{a^2}{(a+x)^2}\right]^2\right\}^{3/2}}{\left|\frac{-2a^2}{(a+x)^3}\right|} = \left[1 + \frac{a^4}{(a+x)^4}\right]^{3/2} \times \frac{(a+x)^3}{2a^2}$$

$$p = \frac{[(a+x)^4 + a^4]^{3/2}}{(a+x)^4} \times \frac{(a+x)^3}{2a^2} = \frac{[(a+x)^4 + a^4]^{3/2} (a+x)^3}{[(a+x)^4]^{3/2} \cdot 2a^2}$$

$$p = \left[\frac{[(a+x)^4 + a^4]^{3/2}}{(a+x)^6}\right] \left[\frac{(a+x)^3}{2a^2}\right]$$

$$P = + \frac{1}{2a^2(a+x)^3} [(a+x)^4 + a^4]^{3/2}$$

$$\times \frac{2}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2P}{a} = \frac{2}{a^3(a+x)^3} [(a+x)^4 + a^4]^{3/2}$$

Taking the power $2/3$, on both sides

$$\left(\frac{2P}{a}\right)^{2/3} = \frac{1}{[a^3(a+x)^3]^{2/3}} \left\{ [(a+x)^4 + a^4]^{3/2} \right\}^{2/3}$$

$$= \frac{(a+x)^4 + a^4}{a^2(a+x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(a+x)^4}{a^2(a+x)^2} + \frac{a^4}{a^2(a+x)^2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{a+x}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{a}{a+x}\right)^2$$

Given $y = \frac{ax}{a+x}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = \frac{a}{a+x} \quad \& \quad \frac{x}{y} = \frac{a+x}{a}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{2P}{a}\right)^{2/3} = \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2$$

Hence proved.

7) S.T. The measure of curvature of the curve $\sqrt{\frac{x}{a}} + \sqrt{\frac{y}{b}} = 1$ at any point (x, y) is $\frac{ab}{2(antby)^{3/2}}$

Solution

$$\text{Gm. } \sqrt{\frac{x}{a}} + \sqrt{\frac{y}{b}} = 1$$

Differentiate w.r. to x

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} y^{-1/2} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-\sqrt{by}}{\sqrt{ax}} = -\frac{\sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{a}} \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x}}$$

Diff. w. r to x,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-\sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{a}} \left[\frac{\sqrt{x} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) - \sqrt{y} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}}{(\sqrt{x})^2} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{\sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{a}} \frac{1}{x} \left[\frac{\sqrt{x}}{2\sqrt{y}} \left(-\frac{\sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{a}} \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x}} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{b}}{2\sqrt{a}} \frac{1}{x} \left[\frac{\sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{a}} + \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{b}}{2x\sqrt{a}} \left[\frac{\sqrt{bx} + \sqrt{ay}}{\sqrt{ax}} \right]$$

But $\frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{a}} + \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{b}} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{bx} + \sqrt{ay}}{\sqrt{ab}} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{bx} + \sqrt{ay} = \sqrt{ab}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\sqrt{b}}{2x\sqrt{a}} \left[\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{\sqrt{ax}} \right]$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{b}{2\sqrt{a} x^{3/2}}$$

∴ Radius of curvature

$$\rho = \frac{(1+y''^2)^{3/2}}{y''}$$

$$\rho = \left[1 + \left(\frac{-\sqrt{by}}{\sqrt{ax}} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2} \times \left(\frac{2\sqrt{a} x^{3/2}}{b} \right)$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{by}{ax} \right)^{3/2} \times \frac{2\sqrt{a} x^{3/2}}{b}$$

$$= \left(\frac{ax+by}{ax} \right)^{3/2} \times \frac{2\sqrt{a} x^{3/2}}{b}$$

$$\rho = \frac{(ax+by)^{3/2}}{(ax)^{3/2}} \times \frac{2\sqrt{a}x^{3/2}}{b}$$

$$\rho = \frac{2(ax+by)^{3/2}}{ab}$$

$$\therefore \text{Curvature } \kappa = \frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{ab}{2(ax+by)^{3/2}}$$

8) Prove that the radius of curvature at any point of a cycloid $x = a(\theta + \sin\theta)$, $y = a(1 - \cos\theta)$ is $4a \cos(\theta/2)$

Solution Given $x = a(\theta + \sin\theta)$
 $y = a(1 - \cos\theta)$

$$\dot{x} = a(1 + \cos\theta), \quad \dot{y} = a(\sin\theta)$$

$$\ddot{x} = a(-\sin\theta), \quad \ddot{y} = a \cos\theta$$

the radius of curvature at any point θ is

$$\rho = \frac{(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{3/2}}{\dot{x}\ddot{y} - \dot{y}\ddot{x}}$$

$$\rho = \frac{[a^2(1 + \cos\theta)^2 + a^2 \sin^2\theta]^{3/2}}{a(1 + \cos\theta) a \cos\theta - a \sin\theta (-a \sin\theta)}$$

$$= \frac{[a^2(1 + \cos^2\theta + 2\cos\theta) + a^2 \sin^2\theta]^{3/2}}{a^2 \cos\theta + a^2 \cos^2\theta + a^2 \sin^2\theta}$$

$$= \frac{[a^2 + 2a^2 \cos\theta + a^2(\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta)]^{3/2}}{a^2 \cos\theta + a^2(\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta)}$$

$$= \frac{[a^2 + 2a^2 \cos\theta + a^2]^{3/2}}{a^2 \cos\theta + a^2}$$

$$\rho = \frac{(\sqrt{2a^2 + 2a^2 \cos \theta})^{3/2}}{a^2 + a^2 \cos \theta} = \frac{[\sqrt{2} a^2 (1 + \cos \theta)]^{3/2}}{a^2 (1 + \cos \theta)} \quad (6)$$

$$= 2^{3/2} a^3 (1 + \cos \theta)^{3/2 - 1} a^{-2}$$

$$= 2^{3/2} a \sqrt{1 + \cos \theta}$$

$$= 2^{3/2} a \sqrt{2 \cos^2(\theta/2)}$$

$$= 2^2 a \cos(\theta/2)$$

$$\rho = 4a \cos(\theta/2)$$

9) Find the radius of curvature at 't' for this curve $x = a(\cos t + t \sin t)$
 $y = a(-\sin t - t \cos t)$

Solution

$$x = a(\cos t + t \sin t)$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a(-\sin t + \sin t + t \cos t) = at \cos t$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} y &= a(\sin t - t \cos t) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= a(\cos t - \cos t + t \sin t) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= at \sin t \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx}$$

$$= at \sin t \times \frac{1}{at \cos t} = \tan t$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \frac{dt}{dx}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (\tan t) \frac{dt}{dx} = \sec^2 t \frac{1}{at \cos t} = \frac{\sec^3 t}{at}$$

$$\rho = \frac{\left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dn}\right)^2\right]^{3/2}}{\frac{d^2y}{dn^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\left[1 + (\tan t)^2\right]^{3/2}}{\frac{\sec^3 t}{dt}}$$

$$= \frac{dt}{\sec^3 t} (\sec^2 t)^{3/2}$$

$$= \frac{dt}{\sec^3 t} \sec^3 t$$

$$\rho = dt$$

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Leibnitz theorem

A rule for finding the n^{th} derivative of the product of two functions.

It is expressed as a series of $(n+1)$ terms involving successive differentials of separate functions and binomial co-efficients, as follows

$$D^n(uv) = (D^n u)v + n(D^{n-1}u)(Dv) + \frac{n(n-1)}{1 \cdot 2}(D^{n-2}u)(D^2v) + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3}(D^{n-3}u)(D^3v) + \dots + u(D^n v)$$

1) Find the 4th derivative of the function

$$y = e^x \sin x$$

Solution: Let $u = e^x$, $v = \sin x$

$$\begin{aligned} D^4(e^x \sin x) &= D^4(e^x) \sin x + 4D^3(e^x) D(\sin x) \\ &+ \frac{4 \cdot 3}{1 \cdot 2} D^2(e^x) D^2(\sin x) + \frac{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} D(e^x) D^3(\sin x) \\ &+ \frac{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} e^x D^4(\sin x) \end{aligned} \quad \rightarrow (1)$$

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

$$D^2(e^x) = e^x, \quad D^3(e^x) = e^x, \quad D^4(e^x) = e^x$$

$$D(\sin x) = \cos x, \quad D^2(\sin x) = D[D(\sin x)] = D(\cos x) = -\sin x$$

$$D^3(\sin x) = D[D^2(\sin x)] = D[-\sin x] = -\cos x$$

$$D^4(\sin x) = D[D^3(\sin x)] = D(-\cos x) = \sin x$$

∴ (1) becomes

$$D^4(e^x \sin x) = e^x \sin x + 4e^x (\cos x) \\ + 6e^x (-\sin x) + 4e^x (-\cos x) \\ + e^x (\sin x) \\ = e^x \sin x (2-6)$$

$$D^4(e^x \sin x) = -4e^x \sin x$$

2) Find the third derivative of the function $y = e^{2x} \ln x$

solution

Given $y = e^{2x} \ln x$

Let $u = e^{2x}$, $v = \ln x$, $n = 3$

$$D^3(uv) = (D^3u)v + 3(D^2u)(Dv) + \frac{3 \cdot 2}{1 \cdot 2} (Du)(D^2v) \\ + \frac{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} u D^3(v)$$

$$D^3(uv) = (D^3u)v + 3(D^2u)(Dv) + 3(Du)(D^2v) + u D^3(v) \rightarrow (1)$$

$u = e^{2x}$	$v = \ln x$
$Du = 2e^{2x}$	$Dv = \frac{1}{x}$
$D^2u = 4e^{2x}$	$D^2v = -\frac{1}{x^2}$
$D^3u = 8e^{2x}$	$D^3v = \frac{2}{x^3}$

∴ (1) becomes

$$D^3(e^{2x} \ln x) = 8e^{2x} \ln x + 3(4e^{2x})\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \\ + 3(2e^{2x})\left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right) + e^{2x}\left(\frac{2}{x^3}\right)$$

$$D^3(e^{2x} \ln x) = e^{2x} \left[8 \ln x + \frac{12}{x} - \frac{6}{x^2} + \frac{2}{x^3} \right] //$$

Find the n th order derivative of the function $y = x^2 \cos x$ (8)

Solution

Assume that $u = \cos x$, $v = x^2$

$$D^n(uv) = (D^n u)v + n(D^{n-1}u)(Dv) + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}(D^{n-2}u)(D^2v) + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!}(D^{n-3}u)(D^3v) + \dots + u(D^n v) \rightarrow (1)$$

$$v = x^2$$

$$Dv = 2x$$

$$D^2v = 2$$

\therefore (1) becomes

$$D^n(\cos x x^2) = (D^n \cos x) x^2 + n(D^{n-1} \cos x)(2x) + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} D^{n-2}(\cos x)(2) \rightarrow (2)$$

$$D(\cos x) = -\sin x = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + x\right) = \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$D^2(\cos x) = -\cos x = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{2} + x\right) = \cos\left(x + \frac{2\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$D^3(\cos x) = \sin x = \cos\left(x + \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$$

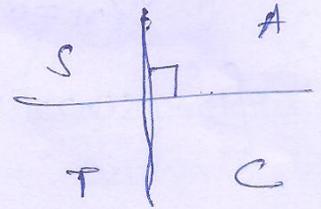
$$D^{n-2}(\cos x) = \cos\left(x + \frac{(n-2)\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$D^{n-1}(\cos x) = \cos\left(x + \frac{(n-1)\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$D^n(\cos x) = \cos\left(x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore D^n(\cos x x^2) = \cos\left(x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) x^2 + n \cos\left(x + \frac{(n-1)\pi}{2}\right)(2x) + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \cos\left(x + \frac{(n-2)\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$D^n(\cos x x^2) = \cos\left(x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) x^2 + 2x n \cos\left(x + \frac{(n-1)\pi}{2}\right) + n(n-1) \cos\left(x + \frac{(n-2)\pi}{2}\right)$$



4) Find the 5th derivative of the function $y = x^2 \sin 2x$ at $x=0$

Solution

Let $u = \sin 2x$, $v = x^2$

$$D^5 (\sin 2x x^2) = D^5 (uv) = (D^5 u)(v) + 5(D^4 u)(Dv) + 10(D^3 u)(D^2 v) + 10(D^2 u)(D^3 v) + 5(Du)(D^4 v) + u D^5 (v)$$

$$Du = \cos 2x (2) = 2 \cos 2x \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} v = x^2 \\ Dv = 2x \end{array} \right.$$

$$D^2 u = -4 \sin 2x$$

$$D^3 u = -8 \cos 2x$$

$$D^4 u = 16 \sin 2x$$

$$D^5 u = 32 \cos 2x$$

$$(Du)_{x=0} = 2$$

$$(D^2 u)_{x=0} = -4$$

$$(D^3 u)_{x=0} = -8$$

$$(D^4 u)_{x=0} = 16$$

$$D^2 v = 2$$

$$D^3 v = 0$$

$$(v)_{x=0} = 0$$

$$(Dv)_{x=0} = 0$$

$$(D^2 v)_{x=0} = 2$$

$$\left[D^5 (\sin 2x x^2) \right]_{x=0} = 10(-8)(2) = -160 //$$

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