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SUCCESSIVE DIFFERENTIATION

8.1. Definitions and Notations.

We have seen that the derivative of a function of x , say $f(x)$, is in general a function of x . This new function (i.e., the derivative) may have a derivative, which is called the *second derivative* (or *second differential coefficient*) of $f(x)$, the original derivative being called the *first derivative* (or *first differential coefficient*). Similarly, the derivative of the second derivative is called the *third derivative*; and so on for the n -th derivative.

$$\text{Thus, if } y = x^3, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2$$

$$\text{Again, } \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} (3x^2) = 6x$$

Since $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)$ is denoted by $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$. Therefore, $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$ (i.e., the second derivative of y with respect to x) in this case is $6x$.

$$\text{Again, } \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} (6x) = 6$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right) \text{ is denoted by } \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3}.$$

$$\therefore \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} \text{ (i.e., the third derivative of } y \text{ with respect to } x \text{) is } 6 \text{ here.}$$

Similarly, the n -th derivative of y with respect to x is generally denoted by $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}$.

If $y = f(x)$, the successive derivatives are also denoted by

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} y_1, & y_2, & y_3, & \dots & y_n \\ \text{or, } y', & y'', & y''', & \dots & y^{(n)} \\ \text{or, } \dot{y}, & \ddot{y}, & \ddot{\ddot{y}}, & \dots & \ddot{\ddot{\ddot{y}}} \\ \text{or, } f'(x), & f''(x), & f'''(x), & \dots & f^{(n)}(x) \\ \text{or, } Df(x), & D^2f(x), & D^3f(x), & \dots & D^n f(x) \end{array}$$

D standing for the symbol $\frac{d}{dx}$.

8.2. The n -th derivatives* of some special functions.

(i) $y = x^n$, where n is a positive integer.

$$y_1 = nx^{n-1};$$

$$y_2 = n(n-1)x^{n-2};$$

$$y_3 = n(n-1)(n-2)x^{n-3} \text{ and proceeding in a similar manner,}$$

$$y_r = n(n-1)(n-2) \dots \{n-(r-1)\} x^{n-r} \quad (r < n)$$

$$y_n = n(n-1)(n-2) \dots 3.2.1 = n!,$$

$$\text{i.e., } D^n(x^n) = n!$$

Cor. Since $y_n = n!$, which is a constant, $y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, \dots$ etc. all zeroes in this case.

(ii) $y = (ax+b)^m$, where m is any number.

$$y_1 = ma(ax+b)^{m-1};$$

$$y_2 = m(m-1)a^2(ax+b)^{m-2};$$

$$y_3 = m(m-1)(m-2)a^3(ax+b)^{m-3}; \text{ and proceeding similarly,}$$

$$y_n = m(m-1)(m-2) \dots (m-n+1)a^n(ax+b)^{m-n},$$

$$D^n(ax+b)^m = m(m-1)(m-2) \dots (m-n+1)a^n(ax+b)^{m-n}.$$

If m be a positive integer greater than n ,

$$\text{Since } m(m-1)(m-2) \dots (m-n+1) = \frac{m!}{(m-n)!},$$

$$\therefore D^n(ax+b)^m = \frac{m!}{(m-n)!} a^n(ax+b)^{m-n},$$

m being a positive integer greater than n .

Note. If m be a positive integer less than n , $D_n(ax+b)^m = 0$

$$\text{When } m=n, \quad D_n(ax+b)^n = a^n.n!$$

$$(iii) \quad y = e^{ax}$$

$$\therefore y_1 = ae^{ax}; \quad y_2 = a^2e^{ax}; \quad y_3 = a^3e^{ax}; \dots y_n = a^ne^{ax}.$$

$$\therefore D^n(e^{ax}) = a^ne^{ax}.$$

$$\text{Cor. (i) } D^n(e^x) = e^x$$

$$\text{Cor. (ii) } y = a^x = e^{x \log_e a}, \therefore D^n(a^x) = (\log_e a)^n a^x.$$

* Strictly speaking, in these cases, the n -th derivatives are to be established generally by the method of Induction.

$$(iv) \quad y = \frac{1}{x+a}$$

$$\therefore y_1 = -1 \cdot (x+a)^{-2}$$

$$y_2 = (-1)(-2)(x+a)^{-3} = (-1)^2 \cdot 2! \cdot (x+a)^{-3}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } y_3 = (-1)^3 \cdot 3! \cdot (x+a)^{-4} \text{ etc.}$$

$$\therefore D^n \left(\frac{1}{x+a} \right) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(x+a)^{n+1}}.$$

$$\text{Cor. Proceeding as above, } D^n \left\{ \frac{1}{(ax+b)^m} \right\} = \frac{(-1)^n a^n (m+n-1)!}{(m-1)! (ax+b)^{m+n}}.$$

$$(v) \quad y = \log(x+a)$$

$$\therefore y_1 = \frac{1}{x+a} \quad \text{Hence, as in (iv) above}$$

$$D^n \{ \log(x+a) \} = \frac{(-1)^{n-1} (n-1)!}{(x+a)^n}.$$

$$\text{Cor. } D^n \{ \log(ax+b) \} = \frac{(-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! a^n}{(ax+b)^n}.$$

$$(vi) \quad y = \sin(ax+b)$$

$$y_1 = a \cos(ax+b) = a \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\pi + ax+b\right)$$

$$y_2 = a^2 \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}\pi + ax+b\right) = a^2 \sin\left(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\pi + ax+b\right)$$

$$y_3 = a^3 \cos\left(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\pi + ax+b\right) = a^3 \sin\left(3 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\pi + ax+b\right) \text{ etc}$$

$$\therefore D^n \{ \sin(ax+b) \} = a^n \sin\left(\frac{n}{2}\pi + ax+b\right)$$

$$\text{Similarly, } D^n \{ \cos(ax+b) \} = a^n \cos\left(\frac{n}{2}\pi + ax+b\right)$$

As particular cases when $b=0$,

$$D^n \{ \sin ax \} = a^n \sin\left(\frac{n}{2}\pi + ax\right);$$

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

8.3. The n -th derivatives of rational algebraic functions.

The n th derivative of a fraction whose numerator and denominator are both rational integral algebraic functions may be conveniently obtained by resolving the fraction into *partial fractions*. This is shown in Ex. 4, Art. 8.4. The rules for decomposing a fraction into partial fractions are given in the Appendix.

Even when the denominator of a given algebraic fraction cannot be broken up into *real* linear factors, the above method of decomposition can be used by resolving the denominator into *imaginary* linear factors. In this case, *DeMoivre's theorem* is conveniently applied to put the final result in the real form. This is illustrated in Ex. 5, Art. 8.4.

8.4. Illustrative Examples.

Ex. 1. If $y = \sin^3 x$, find y_n .

$$\sin 3x = 3 \sin x - 4 \sin^3 x.$$

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

$$\therefore y_n = \frac{1}{4} \left\{ 3 \sin \left(\frac{1}{2} n\pi + x \right) - 3^n \sin \left(\frac{1}{2} n\pi + 3x \right) \right\}$$

Ex. 2. If $y = \sin 3x \cdot \cos 2x$, find y_n .

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \sin 3x \cos 2x = \frac{1}{2} (\sin 5x + \sin x)$$

$$\therefore y_n = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ 5^n \sin \left(\frac{1}{2} n\pi + 5x \right) + \sin \left(\frac{1}{2} n\pi + x \right) \right\}.$$

Ex. 3. If $y = e^{ax} \sin bx$, find y_n .

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= e^{ax} \cdot a \sin bx + e^{ax} \cdot \cos bx \cdot b \\ &= e^{ax} (a \sin bx + b \cos bx). \end{aligned}$$

Let $a = r \cos \phi$, $b = r \sin \phi$, so that

$$r = (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad \phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a}$$

$$\therefore y_1 = r e^{ax} \sin (bx + \phi).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Similarly, } y_2 &= r e^{ax} \{ a \sin (bx + \phi) + b \cos (bx + \phi) \} \\ &= r^2 e^{ax} \sin (bx + 2\phi), \text{ as before.} \end{aligned}$$

In a similar way $y_3 = r^3 e^{ax} \sin (bx + 3\phi)$, etc. and generally
 $y_n = r^n e^{ax} \sin (bx + n\phi)$,

$$\text{i.e., } D^n (e^{ax} \sin bx) = (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{1}{2}n} e^{ax} \sin \left(bx + n \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a} \right),$$

Note. Similarly,

$$D^n (e^{ax} \cos bx) = (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{1}{2}n} e^{ax} \cos \left(bx + n \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a} \right),$$

Again, if $y = e^{ax} \sin (bx + c)$,

$$y_n = (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{ax} \sin \left(bx + c + n \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a} \right)$$

and if $y = e^{ax} \cos (bx + c)$,

$$y_n = (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{ax} \cos \left(bx + c + n \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a} \right).$$

Ex. 4. If $y_n = \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x^3 + x^2 - 6x}$, find y_n .

$$x^3 + x^2 - 6x = x(x^2 + x - 6) = x(x+3)(x-2)$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x^3 + x^2 - 6x} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+3} + \frac{C}{x-2}.$$

Multiplying both sides by $x(x+3)(x-2)$, we get

$$x^2 + x - 1 = A(x+3)(x-2) + Bx(x-2) + Cx(x+3).$$

Putting $x=0, -3, 2$ successively on both sides, we get

$$A = \frac{1}{6}, \quad B = \frac{1}{3}, \quad C = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{x+3} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{x-2}.$$

$$\therefore y_n = (-1)^n n! \left\{ \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{x^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{(x+3)^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{(x-2)^{n+1}} \right\}.$$

Ex. 5. If $y = \frac{1}{x^2 + a^2}$ find y_n .

$$y = \frac{1}{(x+ia)(x-ia)} = \frac{1}{2ia} \left(\frac{1}{x-ia} - \frac{1}{x+ia} \right)$$

$$\therefore y_n = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{2ia} \left\{ \frac{1}{(x-ia)^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{(x+ia)^{n+1}} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^n n!}{2ia} \left\{ (x-ia)^{-(n+1)} - (x+ia)^{-(n+1)} \right\}.$$

Put $x = r \cos \theta$, $a = r \sin \theta$

So that $r = (x^2 + a^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, $\theta = \tan^{-1} a/x$.

Now, $(x-ia)^{-(n+1)} = r^{-(n+1)} (\cos \theta - i \sin \theta)^{-(n+1)}$

$$= r^{-(n+1)} \{ \cos (n+1)\theta + i \sin (n+1)\theta \}$$

$$(x+ia)^{-(n+1)} = r^{-(n+1)} (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{-(n+1)}$$

$$= r^{-(n+1)} \{ \cos (n+1)\theta - i \sin (n+1)\theta \}$$

$$\therefore y_n = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{2ia} \cdot r^{-(n+1)} \cdot 2i \sin (n+1)\theta.$$

$$\text{Since } r = \frac{a}{\sin \theta}, r^{-(n+1)} = \frac{a^{-(n+1)}}{\sin^{-(n+1)} \theta} = \frac{\sin^{n+1} \theta}{a^{n+1}}$$

$$\therefore D^n \left(\frac{1}{x^2 + a^2} \right) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{a^{n+2}} \sin^{n+1} \theta \sin (n+1)\theta,$$

$$\text{where } \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{a}{x} = \cot^{-1} \frac{x}{a}.$$

Note. If $y = \frac{1}{(x+b)^2 + a^2}$, $y_n = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{a^{n+2}} \sin^{n+1} \theta \sin (n+1)\theta$,

where $\theta = \tan^{-1} \{a/(b+x)\} = \cot^{-1} \{(b+x)/a\}$.

Cor. If $y = \tan^{-1} x$, $y_1 = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ hence

$$D^n (\tan^{-1} x) = (-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \sin^n \theta \sin n\theta,$$

$$\text{where } \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{x} = \cot^{-1} x.$$

EXAMPLES - VIII (A)

1. Find y_n in the following cases :

- (i) $y = (a - bx)^m$. (ii) $y = 1/(ax + b)^m$.
 (iii) $y = 1/(a - x)$. (iv) $y = \log(ax + b)^n$.
 (v) $y = \log\{(a - x)/(a + x)\}$. (vi) $y = \sqrt{x}$.
 (vii) $y = 1/\sqrt{x}$. (viii) $y = (2 - 3x)^n$.
 (ix) $y = \log(ax + x^2)$. (x) $y = 10^{3-2x}$.
 (xi) $y = x/(a + bx)$. (xii) $y = (a - x)/(a + x)$.
 (xiii) $y = x^n/(x - 1)$. (xiv) $y = \sin^2 x$.
 (xv) $y = \cos 2x \cos x$. (xvi) $y = \cos^3 x$.
 (xvii) $y = \sin^2 x \cos^2 x$. (xviii) $y = \sin x \sin 2x \sin 3x$.
 (xix) $y = e^x \cos x$. (xx) $y = e^x \sin x \sin 2x$.
 (xxi) $y = e^{3x} \sin 4x$. (xxii) $y = e^x \sin^2 x$.

2. Find y_3 , if

- (i) $y = x^2 \log x$. (ii) $y = e^{\sin x}$.
 (iii) $y = e^{1/x}$. (iv) $y = \sin^{-1} x$.

3. Find the n -th derivatives of the following functions :

- (i) $\frac{1}{x^2 - a^2}$. (ii) $\frac{1}{x^2 + 16}$. [C.P.1993] (iii) $\tan^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$.
 (iv) $\frac{x}{x^2 + a^2}$. (v) $\frac{1}{x^4 - a^4}$. (vi) $\frac{1}{x^2 + x + 1}$.
 (vii) $\frac{1}{(x^2 + a^2)(x^2 + b^2)}$. (viii) $\frac{1}{4x^2 + 4x + 5}$.
 (ix) $\frac{x^4}{(x-1)(x-2)}$. (x) $\frac{x^2 + 1}{(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)}$. [C.P.1993]
 (xi) $\frac{x^2}{(x+1)^2(x+2)}$. (xii) $\frac{x^2}{(x-a)(x-b)}$.
 (xiii) $\tan^{-1} \frac{1+x}{1-x}$. (xiv) $\sin^{-1} \frac{2x}{1+x^2}$.
 (xv) $\tan^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2} - 1}{x}$. (xvi) $\cot^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$.

4. If $y = x^{2n}$, where n is a positive integer, show that $y_n = 2^n \{1.3.5 \dots (2n-1)\} x^n$.
 5. If $u = \sin ax + \cos ax$, show that $u_n = a^n \{1 + (-1)^n \sin 2ax\}^{1/2}$. [B.P.1993]
 6. If $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 1$, show that $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{h^2 - ab}{(hx + by)^3}$.
 7. Find y_2 , if
 (i) $\sin x + \cos y = 1$.
 (ii) $y = \tan(x + y)$.
 (iii) $x^3 + y^3 - 3axy = 0$.
 8. (a) Find $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$ in the following cases :
 (i) If $x = a \cos \theta$, $y = b \sin \theta$.
 (ii) If $x = a(\theta + \sin \theta)$, $y = a(1 - \cos \theta)$. [C.P.1988]
 (b) If $x = \cos t$ and $y = \log t$, then prove that at $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$
 $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 0$. [J.E.E.1985]
 9. If $x = f(t)$, $y = \phi(t)$, then $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{x_1 y_2 - y_1 x_2}{x_1^3}$ [V.P.1998]

where suffixes denote differentiations with respect to t .10. If $x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta = a$ and $x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta = b$ then prove that

$$\frac{d^p x}{d\theta^p} \cdot \frac{d^q y}{d\theta^q} - \frac{d^q x}{d\theta^q} \cdot \frac{d^p y}{d\theta^p} \text{ is a constant.}$$

11. Show that $\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{1}{x^2 + 1} \right) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(x^2 + 1)^{n+1}} \times$

$$\left\{ (n+1)x^n - \binom{n+1}{3} x^{n-2} + \binom{n+1}{5} x^{n-4} - \dots \right\}$$

12. If $y = \sin mx$, show that

$$\begin{vmatrix} y & y_1 & y_2 \\ y_3 & y_4 & y_5 \\ y_6 & y_7 & y_8 \end{vmatrix} = 0,$$

where suffixes of y denote the order of differentiations of y with respect to x .

ANSWERS

1. (i) $(-1)^n m(m-1)(m-2)\dots(m-n+1)b^n(a-bx)^{m-n}$
 (ii) $\frac{(-1)^n m(m-1)(m-2)\dots(m-n+1)a^n}{(a+bx)^{m+n}}$
 (iii) $\frac{n!}{(a-x)^{n+1}}$ (iv) $\frac{(-1)^{n-1} p a^n (n-1)!}{(ax+b)^n}$
 (v) $(n-1)! \left\{ \frac{-1}{(a-x)^n} + \frac{(-1)^n}{(a+x)^n} \right\}$ (vi) $(-1)^{n-1} \cdot \frac{1.3.5\dots(2n-3)}{2^{n-1} x^2}$
 (vii) $(-1)^n \cdot \frac{1.3.5\dots(2n-1)}{2^n x^{\frac{n+1}{2}}}$ (viii) $(-1)^n \cdot 3^n \cdot n!$
 (ix) $(-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \left\{ \frac{1}{x^n} + \frac{1}{(a+x)^n} \right\}$ (x) $10^{3-2x} \cdot (-2)^n \cdot (\log_e 10)^n$
 (xi) $\frac{(-1)^{n+1} a b^{n-1} n!}{(a+bx)^{n+1}}$ (xii) $\frac{2a(-1)^n n!}{(a+x)^{n+1}}$
 (xiii) $\frac{(-1)^n n!}{(x-1)^{n+1}}$ (xiv) $-2^{n-1} \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}n\pi + 2x\right)$
 (xv) $\frac{1}{2} \left\{ 3^n \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}n\pi + 3x\right) + \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}n\pi + x\right) \right\}$
 (xvi) $\frac{1}{4} \left\{ 3 \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}n\pi + x\right) + 3^n \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}n\pi + 3x\right) \right\}$
 (xvii) $-2^{2n-2} \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}n\pi + 4x\right)$
 (xviii) $\frac{1}{4} \left\{ 4^n \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}n\pi + 4x\right) + 2^n \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}n\pi + 2x\right) - 6^n \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}n\pi + 6x\right) \right\}$

- (xix) $2^{\frac{1}{2}n} e^x \cos\left(x + \frac{1}{4}n\pi\right)$
- (xx) $\frac{1}{2} e^x \left\{ 2^{\frac{1}{2}n} \cos\left(x + \frac{1}{4}n\pi\right) - 10^{\frac{1}{2}n} \cos\left(3x + n \tan^{-1} 3\right) \right\}$
- (xxi) $5^n e^{3x} \sin\left(4x + n \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{3}\right)$
- (xxii) $\frac{1}{2} e^x \left\{ 1 - 5^{\frac{1}{2}n} \cos\left(2x + n \tan^{-1} 2\right) \right\}$
2. (i) $2/x$ (ii) $-e^{\sin x} \cos x \cdot \sin x \cdot (\sin x + 3)$
 (iii) $-\frac{(1+6x+6x^2)e^x}{x^6}$ (iv) $\frac{(1+2x^2)}{(1-x^2)^{5/2}}$
3. (i) $\frac{(-1)^n n!}{2a} \left\{ \frac{1}{(x-a)^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{(x+a)^{n+1}} \right\}$
 (ii) $\frac{(-1)^n n! \sin^{n+1} \theta \sin(n+1)\theta}{4^{n+2}}$, where $\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{4}{x}$
 (iii) $\frac{(-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \sin^n \theta \sin n\theta}{a^n}$, where $\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{a}{x}$
 (iv) $\frac{(-1)^n n!}{a^{n+1}} \sin^{n+1} \theta \cos(n+1)\theta$, where $\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{a}{x}$
 (v) $\frac{(-1)^n n!}{4a^3} \left\{ \frac{1}{(x-a)^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{(x+a)^{n+1}} \right\} - \frac{2}{a^{n+1}} \sin^{n+1} \theta \sin(n+1)\theta$
 where $x = a \cot \theta$
 (vi) $\frac{(-1)^n \cdot 2^{n+2} n!}{(\sqrt{3})^{n+2}} \sin^{n+1} \theta \sin(n+1)\theta$, where $\theta = \tan^{-1} \{\sqrt{3} \kappa(2x+1)\}$
 (vii) $\frac{(-1)^n n!}{a^2 - b^2} \left\{ \frac{\sin^{n+1} \theta \sin(n+1)\theta}{b^{n+2}} - \frac{\sin^{n+1} \phi \sin(n+1)\phi}{a^{n+2}} \right\}$
 (viii) $(-1)^n n! \cdot \frac{1}{4} \sin^{n+1} \theta \sin(n+1)\theta$, where $\cot \theta = x + \frac{1}{2}$
 (ix) $(-1)^n n! \left\{ \frac{16}{(x-2)^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{(x-1)^{n+1}} \right\}$ when $n > 2$

$$(x) \quad (-1)^n n! \left\{ \frac{16}{(x-1)^{n+1}} - \frac{5}{(x-2)^{n+1}} + \frac{5}{(x-3)^{n+1}} \right\}.$$

$$(xi) \quad (-1)^n n! \left\{ \frac{n+1}{(x+1)^{n+2}} - \frac{3}{(x+1)^{n+1}} + \frac{4}{(x+2)^{n+1}} \right\}.$$

$$(xii) \quad \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(a-b)} \left\{ \frac{a^2}{(x-a)^{n+1}} - \frac{b^2}{(x+a)^{n+1}} \right\}.$$

$$(xiii) \quad (-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \sin^n \theta \sin n\theta, \text{ where } \cot \theta = x.$$

$$(xiv) \quad 2(-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \sin^n \theta \sin n\theta, \text{ where } \cot \theta = x.$$

$$(xv) \quad \frac{1}{2} (-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \sin^n \theta \sin n\theta, \text{ where } \cot \theta = x.$$

$$(xvi) \quad \frac{(-1)^n (n-1)! \sin^n \theta \sin n\theta}{a^n}, \text{ where } \theta = \cot^{-1} \frac{x}{a}.$$

$$7. \quad (i) \quad -\frac{\sin^2 x + \cos y}{\sin^3 y} \quad (ii) \quad -\frac{2(1+y^2)}{y^5} \quad (iii) \quad -\frac{2a^3 xy}{(y^2 - ax)^3}.$$

$$8. \quad (a) \quad (i) \quad -\frac{b}{a^2} \cos \sec^3 \theta \quad (ii) \quad \frac{1}{4a} \sec^4 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

8.5. Leibnitz's Theorem*. (n -th derivative of the product of two functions)

If u and v are two functions of x , each possessing derivatives upto n th order, then the n th derivative of their product, i.e.,

$$(uv)_n = u_n v + {}^n C_1 u_{n-1} v_1 + {}^n C_2 u_{n-2} v_2 + \dots + {}^n C_r u_{n-r} v_r + \dots + uv_n,$$

where the suffixes of u and v denote the order of differentiations of u and v with respect to x .

Let $y = uv$.

By actual differentiation, we have

$$y_1 = u_1 v + uv_1,$$

$$y_2 = u_2 v + 2u_1 v_1 + uv_2 = u_2 v + {}^2 C_1 u_1 v_1 + uv_2,$$

$$y_3 = u_3 v + 3u_2 v_1 + 3u_1 v_2 + uv_3,$$

$$= u_3 v + {}^3 C_1 u_2 v_1 + {}^3 C_2 u_1 v_2 + uv_3.$$

The theorem is thus seen to be true when $n = 2$ and 3 .

* Leibnitz (1646-1716) was a German mathematician, who invented Calculus in Germany, as Newton did in England.

Let us assume, therefore, that

$$y_n = u_n v + {}^n C_1 u_{n-1} v_1 + {}^n C_2 u_{n-2} v_2 + \dots + {}^n C_r u_{n-r} v_r + \dots + uv_n,$$

where n has any particular value.

$\therefore$ differentiating,

$$y_{n+1} = u_{n+1} v + ({}^n C_1 + 1) u_n v_1 + ({}^n C_2 + {}^n C_1) u_{n-1} v_2 + \dots + ({}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1}) u_{n-r+1} v_r + \dots + uv_{n+1},$$

$$\text{Since } {}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1} = {}^{n+1} C_r \text{ and } {}^n C_1 + 1 = {}^{n+1} C_1$$

$$\therefore y_{n+1} = u_{n+1} v + {}^{n+1} C_1 u_n v_1 + {}^{n+1} C_2 u_{n-1} v_2 + \dots + {}^{n+1} C_r u_{n-r+1} v_r + \dots + uv_{n+1}.$$

Thus, if the theorem holds for n differentiations, it also holds for $n+1$. But it is proved to hold for 2 and 3 differentiations; hence it holds for four, and so on, and thus the theorem is true for every positive integral value of n .

8.6. Important results of symbolic operation.

If $F(D)$ be any rational integral algebraic function of D or $\frac{d}{dx}$ (the symbolic operator), i.e., if

$$F(D) = A_n D^n + A_{n-1} D^{n-1} + \dots + A_1 D + A$$

$= \sum A_r D^r$, where A_r is independent of D , then

$$(i) \quad F(D) e^{ax} = F(a) e^{ax}.$$

$$(ii) \quad F(D) e^{ax} V = e^{ax} F(D+a) V, \quad V \text{ being a function of } x.$$

$$(iii) \quad F(D^2) \begin{cases} \sin(ax+b) \\ \cos(ax+b) \end{cases} = F(-a^2) \begin{cases} \sin(ax+b) \\ \cos(ax+b) \end{cases}$$

Proof:

$$(i) \quad \text{Since } D^r e^{ax} = a^r e^{ax},$$

$$\therefore F(D) e^{ax} = \sum A_r D^r e^{ax}$$

$$= \sum A_r a^r e^{ax}$$

$$= \left(\sum A_r D^r \right) e^{ax}$$

$$= F(a) e^{ax}$$

(ii) Let $y = e^{ax}V$. Since $D'e^{ax} = a'e^{ax}$,

$\therefore$ by Leibnitz's Theorem, we have

$$y_n = e^{ax} \left(a^n V + {}^n C_1 a^{n-1} DV + {}^n C_2 a^{n-2} D^2 V + \dots + D^n V \right)$$

which by analogy with the Binomial theorem may be written as

$$D^n (e^{ax} V) = e^{ax} (D+a)^n V,$$

$$F(D) e^{ax} V = \left(\sum A_r D^r \right) e^{ax} V$$

$$= \sum A_r D^r e^{ax} V$$

$$= e^{ax} \sum A_r (D+a)^r V$$

$$= e^{ax} F(D+a)V.$$

(iii) We have $D \sin(ax+b) = a \cos(ax+b)$, and so on

$$D^2 \sin(ax+b) = (-a^2) \sin(ax+b);$$

$$D^{2r} \sin(ax+b) = (-a^2)^r \sin(ax+b).$$

Hence, as in (i) and (ii), it follows that

$$F(D^2) \sin(ax+b) = F(-a^2) \sin(ax+b)$$

$$\text{Similarly, } F(D^2) \cos(ax+b) = F(-a^2) \cos(ax+b)$$

8.7 Illustrative Examples.

Ex. 1. If $y = e^{ax}x^3$, find y_n .

Let $u = e^{ax}$, $v = x^3$. Now, $u_n = a^n e^{ax}$.

$\therefore$ by Leibnitz's Theorem,

$$y_n = a^n e^{ax} x^3 + n a^{n-1} e^{ax} \cdot 3x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} a^{n-2} e^{ax} \cdot 6x$$

$$+ \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!} a^{n-3} e^{ax} \cdot 6$$

$$= e^{ax} a^{n-3} \{ a^3 x^3 + 3na^2 x^2 + 3n(n-1)ax + n(n-1)(n-2) \}$$

Ex. 2. If $y = a \cos(\log x) + b \sin(\log x)$, show that $x^2 y_2 + xy_1 + y = 0$.
Differentiating,

$$y_1 = -a \sin(\log x) \cdot \frac{1}{x} + b \cos(\log x) \cdot \frac{1}{x};$$

$$\therefore xy_1 = -a \sin(\log x) + b \cos(\log x).$$

Differentiating again,

$$xy_2 + y_1 = -a \cos(\log x) \cdot \frac{1}{x} - b \sin(\log x) \cdot \frac{1}{x},$$

$$\therefore x^2 y_2 + xy_1 = -(a \cos \log x + b \sin \log x) = -y,$$

$$\therefore x^2 y_2 + xy_1 + y = 0.$$

Note. This is called the differential equation formed from the above equation.

Ex. 3. Differentiate n times the equation

$$(1+x^2)y_2 + (2x-1)y_1 = 0.$$

By Leibnitz's Theorem,

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \{y_2(1+x^2)\} = y_{n+2}(1+x^2) + n \cdot y_{n+1} \cdot 2x + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} y_n \cdot 2$$

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \{y_2(2x-1)\} = y_{n+1}(2x-1) + n \cdot y_n \cdot 2$$

adding,

$$(1+x^2)y_{n+2} + \{2(n+1)x-1\}y_{n+1} + n(n+1)y_n = 0.$$

Ex. 4. Find the value of y_n for $x=0$, when $y = e^{a \sin^{-1} x}$.

From the value of y , when $x=0$, $y=1$

$$\text{Here } y_1 = e^{a \sin^{-1} x} \cdot a \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad \dots \quad (1)$$

$$= ay \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}.$$

$$\therefore y_1^2 (1-x^2) = a^2 y^2.$$

Differentiating, $2y_1 y_2 (1-x^2) + y_1^2 (-2x) = 2a^2 y y_1$,

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_2 - xy_1 - a^2 y = 0. \quad \dots \quad (2)$$

Differentiating this n times by Leibnitz's Theorem as in Ex. 3, we

$$\text{easily get } \{(1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} - (n^2+a^2)y_n\} = 0.$$

$$\text{Putting } x=0, (y_{n+2})_0 = (n^2+a^2)(y_n)_0. \quad \dots \quad (3)$$

Replacing n by $n-2$, we get, similarly

$$(y_n)_0 = \{(n-2)^2 + a^2\} \{(y_{n-2})_0\} \\ = \{(n-2)^2 + a^2\} \{(n-4)^2 + a^2\} \{(y_{n-4})_0\}$$

Also from (1) and (2), $(y_1)_0 = a$, $(y_2)_0 = a^2$.

Thus $(y_n)_0 = \{(n-2)^2 + a^2\} \{(n-4)^2 + a^2\} \dots$

$$(4^2 + a^2)(2^2 + a^2)a^2, \text{ if } n \text{ is even} \\ \text{and} = \{(n-2)^2 + a^2\} \{(n-4)^2 + a^2\} \dots$$

$$(3^2 + a^2)(1^2 + a^2)a^2, \text{ if } n \text{ is odd.}$$

Note. The value of y_n for $x=0$ is shortly denoted by $(y_n)_0$.

8.12 Miscellaneous Worked Out Examples

Ex. 1. (i) If $F(x) = f(x)\phi(x)$ and $f'(x)\phi'(x) = k$, (k is a constant), then show that

$$\frac{F''}{F} = \frac{f''}{f} + \frac{\phi''}{\phi} + \frac{2k}{f\phi}, \quad (F(x) \neq 0)$$

(ii) If $x = \sin t$, $y = \sin kt$ where k is a constant, show that

$$(1-x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + k^2 y = 0.$$

Solution : (i) $\therefore F(x) = f(x)\phi(x)$,

$$F'(x) = f'(x)\phi(x) + f(x)\phi'(x)$$

Differentiating (1) w.r.t. x ,

$$F''(x) = f''(x)\phi(x) + f'(x)\phi'(x) + f'(x)\phi'(x) + f''(x)\phi''(x) \\ = f''(x)\phi(x) + f(x)\phi''(x) + 2k$$

$\therefore F(x) = f(x)\phi(x) \neq 0$, dividing the left-hand side by

$F(x)$ and the right-hand side by $f(x)\phi(x)$, we get

$$\frac{F''(x)}{F(x)} = \frac{f''(x)}{f(x)} + \frac{\phi''(x)}{\phi(x)} + \frac{2k}{f(x)\phi(x)}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{F''}{F} = \frac{f''}{f} + \frac{\phi''}{\phi} + \frac{2k}{f\phi}.$$

$$(ii) \therefore x = \sin t, \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = \cos t$$

$$\text{and } y = \sin kt, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = k \cos t$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{k \cos t}{\cos t}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{k \cos t}{\cos t} \right) \cdot \frac{dt}{dx}$$

$$= \frac{\cos t(-k^2 \sin t) - k \cos t(-\sin t)}{\cos^2 t} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos t}$$

$$= \frac{\{-k^2 \cos t \sin t + k \sin t \cdot \cos t\}}{(1 - \sin^2 t) \cos t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - x^2} \cdot \left\{ -k^2 \sin t + \sin t \left(\frac{k \cos t}{\cos t} \right) \right\}$$

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

$$\text{or, } (1 - x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + k^2 y = 0$$

Ex. 2. If $\frac{1}{y^m} + y^{\frac{1}{m}} = 2x$, prove that $(x^2 - 1)y_2 + xy_1 - m^2 y = 0$,

$$\text{where, } y_1 = \frac{dy}{dx}, \quad y_2 = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}.$$

Solution : $\therefore y^m + y^{\frac{1}{m}} = 2x$, $a^2 - 2ax + 1 = 0$, where $a = y^{\frac{1}{m}}$

$$\therefore a = \frac{2x \pm \sqrt{4x^2 - 4}}{2} = x \pm \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$$

$$\text{or, } y^{\frac{1}{m}} = x \pm \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$$

Taking logarithm of both the sides,

$$\frac{1}{m} \cdot \log y = \log(x \pm \sqrt{x^2 - 1})$$

Differentiating both the sides w. r. t. x ,

$$\frac{1}{m} \cdot \frac{1}{y} \cdot y_1 = \frac{1}{(x \pm \sqrt{x^2 - 1})} \times \left\{ 1 \pm \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} \right\} \quad \text{where } y_1 = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{y_1}{my} = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}$$

$$\text{or, } (x^2 - 1)y_1^2 = m^2 y^2$$

Differentiating again w.r.t. x ,

$$(x^2 - 1)2y_1 y_2 + 2x \cdot y_1^2 = m^2 \cdot 2y \cdot y_1, \quad \text{where } y_2 = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$$

$$\text{or, } (x^2 - 1)y_2 + xy_1 - m^2 y = 0, \quad 2y_1 \neq 0.$$

Ex. 3. (i) $f \quad x = a(\theta + \sin \theta), \quad y = a(1 - \cos \theta)$ verify that

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{4a} \cdot \sec^4 \frac{\theta}{2}.$$

[C. P. 1988]

(ii) If $x = 2 \cos \theta - \cos 2\theta, \quad y = 2 \sin \theta + \sin 2\theta$ find $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$ at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

[C. P. 1990]

Solution : (i) $\because x = a(\theta + \sin \theta), \quad \frac{dx}{d\theta} = a(1 + \cos \theta)$

$$\text{and } y = a(1 - \cos \theta), \quad \frac{dy}{d\theta} = a \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{d\theta} \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx} = \frac{a \sin \theta}{a(1 + \cos \theta)} = \frac{2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}}{2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} = \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} &= \frac{dy}{dx} \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) = \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{a(1 + \cos \theta)} \\ &= \frac{1}{4a} \cdot \sec^4 \frac{\theta}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \because x = 2 \cos \theta - \cos 2\theta, \quad \frac{dx}{d\theta} = 2 \sin 2\theta - 2 \sin \theta$$

$$\text{and } \because y = 2 \sin \theta + \sin 2\theta, \quad \frac{dy}{d\theta} = 2 \cos \theta + 2 \cos 2\theta$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{d\theta} \times \frac{d\theta}{dx} = \frac{2(\cos 2\theta + \cos \theta)}{2(\sin 2\theta - \sin \theta)} = \frac{2 \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{\theta}{2}}{2 \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} \cdot \sin \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{dy}{dx} = \cot \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right) = \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx}$$

$$= \frac{-\operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{2 \cdot 2(\sin 2\theta - \sin \theta)}$$

$$\text{at } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{-\operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{\pi}{4}}{4 \left(\sin \pi - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \right)} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Ex. 4. (i) If $\sin x = \frac{2t}{1+t^2}, \quad \cot y = \frac{1-t^2}{2t}$, find the value of $\frac{d^2 x}{dy^2}$.

[C. P. 1987]

(ii) If $y = \frac{x}{x+1}$, show that $y_5(0) = 5!$ [C. P. 1991]

(iii) If $y = 2 \cos x (\sin x - \cos x)$, show that $(y_{10})_0 = 2^{10}$. [C. P. 1992, 2000, 2002]

Solution : (i) $\because \sin x = \frac{2t}{1+t^2},$

$$x = \sin^{-1} \frac{2t}{1+t^2} = 2 \tan^{-1}(t) \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\therefore \cot y = \frac{1-t^2}{2t}, \quad \tan y = \frac{2t}{1-t^2}$$

$$\text{or, } y = \tan^{-1} \frac{2t}{1-t^2} = 2 \tan^{-1}(t) \quad \dots (2)$$

From (1) and (2) $x = y$

$$\therefore \frac{dx}{dy} = 1 \text{ and } \frac{d^2x}{dy^2} = 0.$$

$$(ii) \quad y = \frac{x}{x+1} = \frac{x+1-1}{x+1} = 1 - (x+1)^{-1}$$

$$y_1 = (-1)(-1)(x+1)^{-2}$$

$$y_2 = (-1)(-1)(-2)(x+1)^{-3} = (-1)^3 2!(x+1)^{-3}$$

$$y_3 = (-1)^4 3!(x+1)^{-4}$$

Proceeding in this way, we have

$$y_5 = (-1)^6 5!(x+1)^{-6}$$

$$\therefore (y_5)_0 = (-1)^6 5!(1)^{-6} = 5!$$

$$(iii) \quad y = 2 \cos x (\sin x - \cos x)$$

$$= 2 \sin x \cos x - 2 \cos^2 x$$

$$= \sin 2x - (1 + \cos 2x)$$

$$= \sin 2x - \cos 2x - 1$$

$$y_{10} = 2^{10} \sin \left\{ 10 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} + 2x \right\} - 2^{10} \cos \left\{ 10 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} + 2x \right\}$$

[vide art. 5.2 (vi)]

If $y = \sin ax$, $y_n = a^n \cdot \sin \left(n \frac{\pi}{2} + x \right)$, and

if $y = \cos ax$, $y_n = a^n \cdot \cos \left(n \frac{\pi}{2} + x \right)$

$$\therefore (y_{10})_0 = 2^{10} \cdot \sin 5\pi - 2^{10} \cos 5\pi = 2^{10} \cdot 0 - 2^{10} \times (-1) = 2^{10}.$$

Ex. 5. If $y = \frac{\sin^{-1} x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$, $|x| < 1$, show that

$$(i) \quad (1-x^2)y_2 - 3xy_1 - y = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad (1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+3)xy_{n+1} - (n+1)^2 y_n = 0 \quad [C. P. 1993]$$

Solution : $\therefore y = \frac{\sin^{-1} x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

$$(1-x^2)y^2 = (\sin^{-1} x)^2$$

Differentiating w.r.t. x .

$$(1-x^2)2yy_1 - 2xy^2 = \frac{2\sin^{-1} x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = 2y$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_1 - xy^2 = 1 \quad (\because 2y \neq 0)$$

Differentiating again w.r.t. x ,

$$(1-x^2)y_2 - 2xy_1 - y - xy_1 = 0$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_2 - 3xy_1 - y = 0 \quad \dots (1)$$

Differentiating (1) n times by Leibnitz's theorem,

$$y_{n+2}(1-x^2) + n \cdot y_{n+1}(-2x) + \frac{n(n-1)}{1 \cdot 2} \cdot y_n \cdot (-2)$$

$$- 3 \{ y_{n+1} \cdot x + n \cdot y_n \cdot 1 \} - y_n = 0$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+3)xy_{n+1} - (n+1)^2 y_n = 0.$$

Ex. 6. If $y = \cos(10\cos^{-1} x)$, show that $(1-x^2)y_{12} = 21xy_{11}$

[C. P. 1983]

Solution : $y = \cos(10\cos^{-1} x)$

...

(1)

$$y_1 = -\sin(10\cos^{-1} x) \frac{(-10)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = \frac{10\sin(10\cos^{-1} x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$(1-x^2)y_1^2 = 100\sin^2(10\cos^{-1} x)$$

$$= 100 \{ 1 - \cos^2(10\cos^{-1} x) \}$$

$$= 100(1-y^2)$$

[from (1)]

Differentiating again w.r.t. x

$$(1-x^2)2y_1y_2 - 2x \cdot y_1^2 = -2 \cdot 100y \cdot y_1$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_2 = xy_1 - 100y \quad (\because 2y_1 \neq 0) \quad \dots (2)$$

Differentiating (2) 10 times with the help of Leibnitz's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} (1-x^2)y_{12} + 10 \cdot y_{11}(-2x) + \frac{10 \cdot 9}{1 \cdot 2} \cdot y_{10}(-2) \\ = xy_{11} + 10 \cdot y_{10} \cdot (1) - 100y_{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_{12} = 21 \cdot x \cdot y_{11}.$$

Ex. 7. (i) If $f(x) = x^n$, prove that

$$f(1) + \frac{f'(1)}{1!} + \frac{f''(1)}{2!} + \frac{f'''(1)}{3!} + \dots + \frac{f^n(1)}{n!} = 2^n$$

(ii) If $f(x) = \tan x$ and n is a positive integer, prove with the help of Leibnitz's theorem that

$$f^n(0) - {}^nC_2 f^{n-2}(0) + {}^nC_4 f^{n-4}(0) - \dots = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad [\text{C. P. 1992}]$$

Solution : (i) $\therefore f(x) = x^n$

$$f'(x) = nx^{n-1}, \quad f''(x) = n(n-1)x^{n-2}$$

$$f^r(x) = n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (n-r+1)x^{n-r}, \dots, f^n(x) = n!$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f(1) + \frac{f'(1)}{1!} + \frac{f''(1)}{2!} + \frac{f'''(1)}{3!} + \dots + \frac{f^n(1)}{n!} \\ = 1 + \frac{n}{1!} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!} + \dots + \frac{n!}{n!} \\ = 1 + {}^nC_1 + {}^nC_2 + {}^nC_3 + \dots + {}^nC_n = (1+1)^n = 2^n \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \therefore f(x) = \tan x = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}$$

$$f(x) \cdot \cos x = \sin x \quad \dots \quad (1)$$

Applying Leibnitz's theorem to differentiate both the sides n times w.r.t. x , we get

$$\begin{aligned} f^n(x) \cos x + {}^nC_1 f^{n-1}(x)(-\sin x) + {}^nC_2 f^{n-2}(x)(-\cos x) \\ + {}^nC_3 f^{n-3}(x)(\sin x) + {}^nC_4 f^{n-4}(x)(\cos x) + \dots = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + x\right) \end{aligned}$$

Putting $x=0$ on both the sides,

$$f^n(0) - {}^nC_2 f^{n-2}(0) + {}^nC_4 f^{n-4}(0) + \dots = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$$

Ex. 8. If $y = \cos(m \sin^{-1} x)$, show that

$$(i) \quad (1-x^2)y_2 - xy_1 + m^2 y = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad (1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + (m^2 - n^2)y_n = 0$$

Also, find the value of y_n when $x=0$. [B. P. 1999]

Solution : Given, $y = \cos(m \sin^{-1} x)$... (1)

Differentiating w.r.t. x ,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y_1 = -m \sin(m \sin^{-1} x) \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_1^2 = m^2 \sin^2(m \sin^{-1} x) = m^2 \{1 - \cos^2(m \sin^{-1} x)\}$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_1^2 = m^2(1-y^2) \quad [\text{from (1)}] \quad \dots \quad (2)$$

Differentiating again w.r.t. x

$$(1-x^2)2y_1 \cdot y_2 + y_1^2(-2x) = -m^2 \cdot 2y \cdot y_1$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_2 - xy_1 + m^2 y = 0, \quad (\because 2y_1 \neq 0) \quad \dots \quad (3)$$

Differentiating (3) n times by Leibnitz's theorem, we get

$$(1-x^2)y_{n+2} + {}^nC_1 y_{n+1}(-2x) + {}^nC_2 y_n(-2) - y_{n+1} \cdot x - {}^nC_1 y_n(1) + m^2 y_n = 0$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_{n+2} - 2nxy_{n+1} - n(n-1)y_n - xy_{n+1} - ny_n + m^2 y_n = 0$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + (m^2 - n^2)y_n = 0 \quad \dots \quad (4)$$

Last part : From (1), (2), (3), we have $y=1$, $y_1=0$, $y_2=-m^2$, when $x=0$.

putting $n=1, 2, 3$ successively in (4), we get

$$y_3 = -m^2 y_1 = -m^2 \times 0 = 0$$

$$y_4 = (2^2 - m^2)y_2 = -m^2(2^2 - m^2)$$

$$y_5 = (3^2 - m^2)y_3 = 0$$

$$y_6 = (4^2 - m^2)y_4 = -m^2(2^2 - m^2)(4^2 - m^2)$$

Thus, $y_n = 0$, when n is odd and,

$$y_n = -m^2(2^2 - m^2)(4^2 - m^2) \dots \{(n-2)^2 - m^2\}, \text{ when } n \text{ is even.}$$

Ex. 9. If $y = e^{\cos^{-1} x}$, show that an equation connecting y_n , y_{n+1} and y_{n+2} is given by $(1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} - (n^2+1)y_n = 0$

[C. P. 1980, B. P. 1996]

Solution : $y = e^{\cos^{-1} x}$... (1)

$$\therefore y_1 = e^{\cos^{-1} x} \times \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = -\frac{y}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}, \text{ using (1)}$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_1^2 - y^2 = 0 \quad \dots (2)$$

Differentiating (2) again w.r.t. x ,

$$(1-x^2)2y_1y_2 + y_1^2(-2x) - 2y \cdot y_1 = 0 \quad \dots (3)$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_2 - xy_1 - y = 0$$

Differentiating (3) n times with the help of Leibnitz's theorem, we have,

$$(1-x^2)y_{n+2} + {}^nC_1y_{n+1}(-2x) + {}^nC_2y_n(-2) - xy'_{n+1} - {}^nC_1y_n(1) - y_n = 0$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} - (n^2+1)y_n = 0.$$

Ex. 10. If $x = \sin \theta$, $y = \sin p\theta$, then prove that

$$(i) \quad (1-x^2)y_2 - xy_1 + p^2y = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad (1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + (p^2 - n^2)y_n = 0$$

where y_n denotes the n th order derivative of y with respect to x .

[C. P. 2002]

Solution : Here, $x = \sin \theta$ and $y = \sin p\theta$

Proceeding exactly as in Ex. 1. (ii), we have

$$(1-x^2)y_2 - xy_1 + p^2y = 0 \quad \dots (1)$$

Differentiating (1) n times with the help of Leibnitz's theorem, we

get,

$$(1-x^2)y_{n+2} + n \cdot y_{n+1}(-2x) + \frac{n(n-1)}{1 \cdot 2} \cdot y_n(-2) - xy'_{n+1} - n \cdot 1 \cdot y_n + p^2y_n = 0$$

$$\text{or, } (1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy'_{n+1} + (p^2 - n^2)y_n = 0.$$

EXAMPLES - VIII (B)

1. Find y_n in the following cases :

- (i) $y = x^2 e^{ax}$. (ii) $y = x^3 \sin x$. (iii) $y = x^3 \log x$.
 - (iv) $y = x^2 \tan^{-1} x$. (v) $y = e^{ax} \cos bx$. (vi) $y = \log(ax + x^2)$.
 - (vii) $y = x^n(1-x)^n$. (viii) $y = x^n/(1+x)$.
2. If $y = A \sin mx + B \cos mx$, prove that $y_2 + m^2 y = 0$.
 3. If $y = A e^{mx} + B e^{-mx}$, prove that $y_2 - m^2 y = 0$.
 4. If $y = e^{ax} \sin bx$, show that $y_2 - 2ay_1 + (a^2 + b^2)y = 0$.
 5. If $y = \log \left(x + \sqrt{a^2 + x^2} \right)$, show that $(a^2 + x^2)y_2 + xy_1 = 0$.
 6. If $y = \log \left(x + \sqrt{1+x^2} \right)^m$, then prove that $(1+x^2)y_2 + xy_1 - m^2 y = 0$.

7. If $y = \tan^{-1} x$, then prove that

- (i) $(1+x^2)y_1 = 1$, and
 - (ii) $(1+x^2)y_{n+1} + 2nxy_n + n(n-1)y_{n-1} = 0$.
- Find also the value of $(y_n)_0$.

8. If $y = \sin^{-1} x$, then show that

- (i) $(1-x^2)y_2 - xy_1 = 0$,
 - (ii) $(1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} - n^2y_n = 0$.
- Find also the value of $(y_n)_0$. [C. P. 1997]

9. If $y = (\sin^{-1} x)^2$, then show that

- (i) $(1-x^2)y_2 - xy_1 - 2 = 0$,
 - (ii) $(1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} - n^2y_n = 0$.
- [C. P. 1988, 95, 96]

10. If $\log y = \tan^{-1} x$, then prove that

- (i) $(1+x^2)y_2 + (2x-1)y_1 = 0$,
- (ii) $(1+x^2)y_{n+2} + (2nx+2x-1)y_{n+1} + n(n+1)y_n = 0$.

11. If $y = a \cos(\log x) + b \sin(\log x)$, then prove that.

$$x^2 y_{n+2} + (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2+1)y_n = 0.$$

[C.P.89,96, B.P.90,97, V.P.99]

12. If $y = (x^2 - 1)^n$, then show that

$$(x^2 - 1)y_{n+2} + 2xy_{n+1} - n(n+1)y_n = 0.$$

13. If $y = e^{a \sin^{-1} x}$, then prove that

$$(1 - x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} - (n^2 + a^2)y_n = 0.$$

[C.P.1985, 94, 98]

14. If $y = \sin(m \sin^{-1} x)$, then show that

$$(i) (1 - x^2)y_2 - xy_1 + m^2 y = 0, \quad [C.P.1990, 2002]$$

$$(ii) (1 - x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + (m^2 - n^2)y_n = 0.$$

15. If $y = (ax^2 + bx + c)/(1 - x)$, show that $(1 - x)y_3 = 3y_2$.

16. If $y = e^{-x} \cos x$, prove that $y_4 + 4y = 0$. [B.P.1998, 2001]

17. If $y = x^{n-1} \log x$, show that $y_n = \frac{(n-1)!}{x}$.

[C.P.1985, 2000, B.P.1991]

18. Show that $D^r(e^{ax} x^n) = a^{r-n} x^{n-r} D^n(e^{ax} x^r)$

19. If u, v, w be functions of x and if suffixes denote differentiations with respect to x , prove that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & v_1 & w_1 \\ u_2 & v_2 & w_2 \\ u_3 & v_3 & w_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & v_1 & w_1 \\ u_2 & v_2 & w_2 \\ u_4 & v_4 & w_4 \end{vmatrix}.$$

20. By forming in two different ways the n th derivatives of x^{2n} , show that

$$1 + \frac{n^2}{1^2} + \frac{n^2(n-1)^2}{1^2 2^2} + \frac{n^2(n-1)^2(n-2)^2}{1^2 2^2 3^2} + \dots = \frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2}$$

[Equate the n th derivative of the product $x'' \cdot x'' \cdot x''$ to that of x^{2n} .]

21. Prove that $\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right) = \left\{ P \sin \left(x + \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) + Q \cos \left(x + \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) \right\} / x^{n+1}$

where $P = x^n - n(n-1)x^{n-2} + n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)x^{n-4} - \dots$

and $Q = nx^{n-1} - n(n-1)(n-2)x^{n-3} + \dots$

22. Prove that

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\cos x}{x} \right) = \left\{ P \cos \left(x + \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) - Q \sin \left(x + \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) \right\} / x^{n+1}$$

where P and Q have the same values as in Ex. 21.

23. Prove that

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^n \sin x) = n! (P \sin x + Q \cos x),$$

where $P = 1 - \left(\frac{n}{2} \right) \frac{x^2}{2!} + \left(\frac{n}{4} \right) \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots$

and $Q = \left(\frac{n}{1} \right) x - \left(\frac{n}{3} \right) \frac{x^3}{3!} + \left(\frac{n}{5} \right) \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots$

24. Show that

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\frac{\log x}{x} \right) = (-1)^n \frac{n!}{x^{n+1}} \left(\log x - 1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} - \dots - \frac{1}{n} \right)$$

25. Show that

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} (e^{-x} x^{n+a}) = n! e^{-x} x^a \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n+a}{r} \frac{(-x)^{n-r}}{(n-r)!}, \quad a > -1.$$

26. If $f(x) = \tan x$, prove that

$$f^n(0) - {}^n c_2 f^{n-2}(0) + {}^n c_4 f^{n-4}(0) - \dots = \sin \frac{1}{2} n\pi$$

27. Show that the n th differential coefficient of $\frac{1}{1+x+x^2+x^3}$ is

$$\frac{1}{2} (-1)^n n! \sin^{n+1} \theta \{ \sin(n+1)\theta - \cos(n+1)\theta + (\sin\theta + \cos\theta)^{n-1} \}.$$

where $\theta = \cot^{-1} x$.

ANSWERS

1. (i) $e^{ax} a^{n-2} \left\{ a^2 x^2 + 2nax + n(n-1) \right\}$
- (ii) $x^3 \sin \left(\frac{1}{2} n\pi + x \right) + 3nx^2 \sin \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (n-1)\pi + x \right\} + 3n(n-1)x$
 $\times \sin \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (n-2)\pi + x \right\} + n(n-1)(n-2) \sin \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (n-3)\pi + x \right\}.$
- (iii) $(-1)^n \cdot 6(n-4)! \cdot \frac{1}{x^{n-3}}.$
- (iv) $(-1)^n (n-3)! \sin^{n-2} \theta \left\{ (n-1)(n-2) \sin n \theta \cos^2 \theta \right.$
 $\left. - 2n(n-2) \sin(n-1) \theta \cos \theta + n(n-1) \sin(n-2) \theta \right\}$ where $\cot \theta = x.$
- (v) $e^{ax} \left\{ a^n \cos bx + {}^n c_1 a^{n-1} b \cos \left(bx + \frac{1}{2} \pi \right) \right.$
 $\left. + {}^n c_2 a^{n-2} b^2 \cos \left(bx + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \pi \right) + \dots + b^n \cos \left(bx + n \cdot \frac{1}{2} \pi \right) \right\}$
- (vi) $(-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \left[\frac{1}{x^n} + \frac{1}{(x+a)^n} \right].$
- (vii) $n! \left\{ (1-x)^n - {}^n c_1 \right\}^2 (1-x)^{n-1} \cdot x + \left({}^n c_2 \right)^2 (1-x)^{n-2} \cdot x^2 - \dots \}$
 (viii) $n! / (1+x)^{n+1}.$
7. 0, or $(-1)^{\frac{1}{2}(n-1)} (n-1)!$ according as n is even or odd.
8. 0, or $\{1.3.5 \dots (n-2)\}^2$ according as n is even or odd.