

Solving Differential Equations

If $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 - 6x$ then you can integrate

$$y = \int x^2 - 6x \, dx \quad \text{--- state what you intend to do}$$

to find $y = \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 6x + c$ and if you also

know that $x = -3$ when $y = 7$ then

substitute $7 = \frac{1}{3}(-3)^3 - 6(-3) + c$

$$7 = -9 + 18 + c$$

to find $c = -2$

so $y = \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 6x - 2$

A curve has equation $y = f(x)$.

$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} \quad \text{and} \quad f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = 3 \quad \left(\frac{1}{4}, 3\right)$$

$$y = \int \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} \, dx = \int 2x^{-1/2} \, dx = 4x^{1/2} + c$$

Substitute $3 = 4 \times \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{1/2} + c$
 $3 = 2 + c, \quad c = 1$

$$y = 4x^{1/2} + 1$$

$$\underline{y = 4\sqrt{x} + 1}$$

A curve has equation $y = g(x)$.

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6\cos 3x$ and the point $(\frac{\pi}{2}, 3)$ is on the curve

find an expression for $g(x)$.

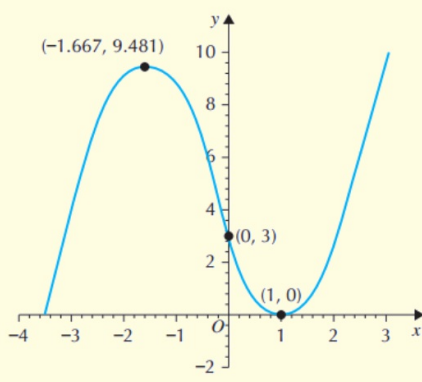
$$g(x) = y = \int 6\cos 3x \, dx = \frac{6}{3} \sin 3x = 2\sin 3x + C$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Substitute } 3 &= 2\sin\left(3 \times \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + C \\ &= 2 \times -1 + C \\ C &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{g(x) = 2\sin 3x + 5}$$

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Exercise 11G

- 1 $x^3 - x^2 + 4x + 25$
- 2 $4x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 24$
- 3 $3 - 2\cos 2x$
- 4 a $x^3 + 5x^2 - 2x - 24$
 - i $(-3)^3 + 5(-3)^2 - 2(-3) - 24 = 0$
 - ii $(x - 2)(x + 4)(x + 3)$
- c (2, 0)
(-4, 0)
(-3, 0)
- 5 a $4\left(\frac{x^2}{2} - x\right) + 7 = 2(x - 1)^2 + 5$
 - b By completing the square you can see that the minimum value is 5 so no roots.
- 6 a $x^3 + x^2 - 5x + 3$
 - b i $(-3)^3 + (-3)^2 - 5(-3) + 3 = 0$
 - ii $x = 1$
- c i ii (1, 0) minimum
(-1.667, 9.481) maximum
- d 
- 7 a $x^3 + 2x^2 - 4x - 8$
 - b i $(2)^3 + 2(2)^2 - 4(2) - 8 = 0$
 - ii $(x + 2)(x + 2)(x - 2)$
- c t.p. are at $x = -2$ and $x = \frac{2}{3}$.
Since $x = -2$ is both a root (-2, 0) and a turning point the x -axis must be a tangent at $x = -2$.
- 8 a $\frac{2}{3}$
 - b $y = mx + c$
 $f'(x) = \frac{2}{3}x - 4$
 - c $= \frac{1}{3}x^2 - 4x + 15$
- 9 a $-2x + 6$
 - b $-x^2 + 6x - 9$