

# Successive Differentiation

**1. Contents:** - a. Introduction to successive differentiation in terms of finding  $n^{\text{th}}$  order derivatives of standard functions viz.

$$e^{ax}, \sin(ax+b), \cos(ax+b), (ax+b)^m, (ax+b)^{-m}, a^{ax+b}, e^{ax} \sin(bx+c), e^{ax} \cos(bx+c), \log(ax+b) \text{ etc.}$$

b. Leibniz's theorem (without proof) and problems based on it.

**2. Sample Problems:** based on Direct Differentiation of  $n^{\text{th}}$  order

1) Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  order derivative of  $\sin x \sin 3x$

**solu:** Let  $y = \sin x \sin 3x$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} 2 \sin x \sin 3x$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(x-3x) - \cos(x+3x)]$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(2x) - \cos(4x)]$$

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2} [2^n \cos(2x + n\frac{\pi}{2}) - 4^n \cos(4x + n\frac{\pi}{2})]$$

2) Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  order derivative of  $e^{5x} \cos x \cos 3x$

**solu:** Let  $y = e^{5x} \cos x \cos 3x$

$$y = e^{5x} \frac{1}{2} [\cos(x-3x) + \cos(x+3x)]$$

$$y = e^{5x} \frac{1}{2} [\cos(-2x) + \cos(4x)]$$

$$y = e^{5x} \frac{1}{2} [\cos(2x) + \cos(4x)]$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} [e^{5x} \cos(2x) + e^{5x} \cos(4x)]$$

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2} [(5^2 + 2^2)^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{5x} \cos(2x + n\frac{\pi}{2}) + (5^2 + 4^2)^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{5x} \cos(4x + n\frac{\pi}{2})]$$

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2} [(29)^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{5x} \cos(2x + n\frac{\pi}{2}) + (41)^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{5x} \cos(4x + n\frac{\pi}{2})]$$

3) If  $y = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$ , then prove that  $y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{a^n} \sin n\theta \sin^n \theta$

where  $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{a}{x}\right)$ .

**solu:** Given that  $y = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^2} \frac{1}{a}$$

$$y_1 = \frac{a^2}{a^2 + x^2} \frac{1}{a} \Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{a}{a^2 + x^2} \Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{a}{(x+ai)(x-ai)}$$

$$y_1 = \frac{2ai}{2i(x+ai)(x-ai)} \Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{(x+ai) - (x-ai)}{2i(x+ai)(x-ai)}$$

$$y_1 = \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \frac{1}{(x-ai)} - \frac{1}{(x+ai)} \right]$$

differantiate it  $(n-1)$  times with respect  $x$

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(1+n-1-1)!}{(1-1)!(x-ai)^{1+n-1}} 1^{n-1} - \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(1+n-1-1)!}{(1-1)!(x+ai)^{1+n-1}} 1^{n-1} \right]$$

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(x-ai)^n} - \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(x+ai)^n} \right]$$

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{2i} \left[ \frac{1}{(x-ai)^n} - \frac{1}{(x+ai)^n} \right]$$

put  $x = r \cos \theta$  and  $a = r \sin \theta$

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{2i} \left[ \frac{1}{(r \cos \theta - ir \sin \theta)^n} - \frac{1}{(r \cos \theta + ir \sin \theta)^n} \right]$$

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{2i} \left[ \frac{1}{r^n (\cos \theta - i \sin \theta)^n} - \frac{1}{r^n (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n} \right]$$

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{2ir^n} \left[ \frac{1}{(\cos \theta - i \sin \theta)^n} - \frac{1}{(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n} \right]$$

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{2ir^n} \left[ (e^{i\theta})^n - (e^{-i\theta})^n \right]$$

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{r^n} \left[ \frac{e^{in\theta} - e^{-in\theta}}{2i} \right] \Rightarrow y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{r^n} \sin n\theta$$

$$\text{since } a = r \sin \theta \Rightarrow \frac{1}{r} = \frac{\sin \theta}{a} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{r^n} = \frac{\sin^n \theta}{a^n}$$

$$\therefore y_n = (-1)^n (n)! \frac{\sin^n \theta}{a^n} \sin n\theta$$

**3. Sample Problems:** based on Leibniz's theorem

4) Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  derivative of  $x^2 \sin x$

**solu:** Let  $y = x^2 \sin x$

$$y_n = \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(x^2 \sin x)$$

then by leibnitz's theorem

$$y_n = {}^n C_0 \left(\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \sin x\right)(x^2) + {}^n C_1 \left(\frac{d^{n-1}}{dx^{n-1}} \sin x\right)\left(\frac{d}{dx} x^2\right) + {}^n C_2 \left(\frac{d^{n-2}}{dx^{n-2}} \sin x\right)\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} x^2\right)$$

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

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

5). If  $y = a \cos(\log x) + b \sin(\log x)$ , show that

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

**Solu:** Given that  $y = a \cos(\log x) + b \sin(\log x)$

differentiate it with respect to  $x$

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

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

differentiate it with respect to  $x$

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

$$x^2 y_2 + xy_1 = -\{a \cos(\log x) + b \sin(\log x)\}$$

$$x^2 y_2 + xy_1 = -y$$

differentiate it with respect to  $x$ ,  $n$  times using *L.T.*

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n}(x^2 y_2 + xy_1) = -y_n$$

$$\{ {}^n C_0 y_{n+2} x^2 + {}^n C_1 y_{n+1} (2x) + {}^n C_2 y_n (2) \} + \{ {}^n C_0 y_{n+1} x + {}^n C_1 y_n \} = -y_n$$

$$\{ {}^n C_0 y_{n+2} x^2 + {}^n C_1 y_{n+1} (2x) + {}^n C_2 y_n (2) \} + \{ {}^n C_0 y_{n+1} x + {}^n C_1 y_n \} = -y_n$$

$$y_{n+2} x^2 + 2nxy_{n+1} + n(n-1)y_n + y_{n+1} x + ny_n = -y_n$$

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

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

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

**I<sup>st</sup> Exercise: Direct Differentiation of n<sup>th</sup> order**

1. Find n<sup>th</sup> order derivatives of :

- (i)  $\cos x \cos 2x \cos 3x$       (ii)  $\sin^5 x \cos^3 x$   
 (iii)  $\cos^4 x$       (iv)  $e^{x \cos \alpha} \cos(x \sin \alpha)$   
 (v)  $e^x (\sin x + \cos x)$       (vi)  $\sin 2x \sin 3x \cos 4x$

**Ans.:** (i)  $2^{n-2} \cos\left(2x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + 4^{n-1} \cos\left(4x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{6^n}{4} \cos\left(6x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$   
 (ii)  $2^{3n-7} \sin\left(8x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - 3^n 2^{n-6} \sin\left(6x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - 2^{2n-6} \sin\left(4x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + 3 \cdot 2^{n-6} \sin\left(2x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$   
 (iii)  $2^{n-1} \cos\left(2x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + 2^{2n-3} \cos\left(4x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$   
 (iv)  $e^{x \cos \alpha} \cos(n\alpha + x \sin \alpha)$   
 (v)  $2^{\frac{n+1}{2}} e^x \sin\left(x + (n+1)\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$   
 (vi)  $\frac{1}{4} \left[ 5^n \cos\left(5x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + 3^n \cos\left(3x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - 9^n \cos\left(9x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) - \cos\left(x + \frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \right]$

2. If  $y = \sin px + \cos px$ , then prove that

$$y_n = p^n \left\{ 1 + (-1)^n \sin 2px \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}. \text{ Find } y_8(\pi) \text{ where } p = \frac{1}{4}$$

**Ans.:**  $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{31}{2}}$

3. If  $y = (x-1)^n$ , prove that  $y + \frac{y_1}{1!} + \frac{y_2}{2!} + \frac{y_3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{y_n}{n!} = x^n$ .

4. Find n<sup>th</sup> derivatives of :

(i)  $y = \frac{x^4}{(x-1)(x-2)}$       (ii)  $y = \frac{x^2 + 4x + 1}{x^3 + 2x^2 - x - 2}$       (iii)  $y = \frac{1}{1+x+x^2}$

**Ans.:** (i)  $(-1)^n n! \left[ \frac{16}{(x-2)^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{(x-1)^{n+1}} \right], n > 2$

(ii)  $(-1)^n n! \left[ \frac{1}{(x+1)^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{(x-1)^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{(x+2)^{n+1}} \right]$       (iii)  $\frac{(-1)^n n! 2^{n+2} \sin^{n+1} \theta \sin(n+1)\theta}{3^{\frac{n+2}{2}}}$

5. Find  $y_n$  where  $y = \frac{8x}{x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x + 8}$

6. Show that  $\frac{d^4}{dx^4} \left[ \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 1} \right]_{x=0} = 0$ .

7. If  $y = \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 1}$  then  $(y_n)_0 = \begin{cases} -(n!) & \text{if } n - \text{odd} \\ 0 & \text{if } n - \text{even.} \end{cases}$

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

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

where  $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{a}{x}\right)$ .

10. If  $y = \frac{1}{1+x+x^2}$  then prove that  $y_n = \frac{2(-1)^n n!}{\sqrt{3} r^{n+1}} \sin(n+1)\theta$

where  $\theta = \cot^{-1}\left(\frac{2x+1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$  and  $r = \sqrt{1+x+x^2}$

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

12. If  $y = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2}\right)$  find  $n^{\text{th}}$  differential coefficient, then convert it into polar form.

Ans:  $2(-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! (\sin \theta)^n \sin n\theta$ ,  $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$

13. Find  $y_n$  where (i)  $y = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2}\right)$  (ii)  $y = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{x-x^{-1}}{x+x^{-1}}\right)$

Ans: (i)  $2(-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! (\sin \theta)^n \sin n\theta$ ,  $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$

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

14. If  $y = \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2} - 1}{x} \right]$ , prove that  $y_n = \frac{1}{2} (-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \sin^n \theta \sin n\theta$ ,

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

15. If  $y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right)$ , prove that  $y_n = (-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \sin^n \theta \sin n\theta$ ,

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

16. If  $y = x \log(1+x)$ , then prove that  $y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-2} (n-2)! (x+n)}{(x+1)^n}$ .

17. If  $y = x \log \left[ \frac{(x-1)}{(x+1)} \right]$ , prove that

$$y_n = (-1)^n (n-2)! \left[ \frac{x-n}{(x-1)^n} - \frac{x+n}{(x+1)^n} \right] \text{ if } n \geq 2.$$

18. Show that  $y_n = \frac{(-1)^n (n-2)!}{2} \left[ \frac{x+n}{(x+1)^n} - \frac{x-n}{(x-1)^n} \right]$ ,  $n \geq 2$

if  $y = x \cot h^{-1} x$ .

19. If  $I_n = \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^n \log x)$ , prove that  $I_n = n I_{n-1} + (n-1)!$ .

Hence show that  $I_n = n! \left( \log x + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \right)$ .

20. Prove that  $\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left\{ x^{n-1} e^{\frac{1}{x}} \right\} = \frac{(-1)^n e^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x^{n+1}}$

## **II<sup>nd</sup> Exercise : Leibnitz's Theorem**

1. Find  $n^{\text{th}}$  derivative of

(i)  $x^3 \cos x$

(v)  $x^2 e^x \cos x$

(ii)  $e^x (2x+3)^3$

(vi)  $x^2 e^x$

(iii)  $x^2 e^{ax}$

(vii)  $2^x \sin^2 x \cos^3 x$

(iv)  $x^2 \tan^{-1} x$

(viii)  $e^{2x} \cos^2 x \sin x$

(ix)  $2^x \cos^9 x$ .

**Ans:**

$$(i) x^3 \cos \left( x + n \frac{\pi}{2} \right) + 3nx^2 \cos \left( x + \frac{1}{2} (n-1)\pi \right) + 3xn(n-1) \cos \left( x + \frac{1}{2} (n-2)\pi \right) \\ + n(n-1)(n-2) \cos \left( x + \frac{1}{2} (n-3)\pi \right).$$

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

(iii)  $e^{ax} \{a^n x^2 + 2nxa^{n-1} + n(n-1)a^{n-2}\}$

(iv)  $\frac{x^2(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{2i} \left[ \frac{1}{(x-i)^n} - \frac{1}{(x+i)^n} \right] + \frac{2nx(-1)^{n-2}(n-2)!}{2i} \left[ \frac{1}{(x-i)^{n-1}} - \frac{1}{(x+i)^{n-1}} \right]$   
 $+ \frac{n(n-1)(-1)^{n-3}(n-3)!}{2i} \left[ \frac{1}{(x-i)^{n-2}} - \frac{1}{(x+i)^{n-2}} \right]$

(v)  $e^x \left( 2^{\frac{n}{2}} \cos \left( x + \frac{n\pi}{4} \right) + 2nx 2^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \cos \left( x + \frac{(n-1)\pi}{4} \right) + n(n-1) 2^{\frac{n-2}{2}} \cos \left( x + \frac{(n-2)\pi}{4} \right) \right)$

(vi)  $e^x \{x^2 + 2nx + n(n-1)\}$

(vii)  $(\log 2)^n e^{x \log 2} \frac{1}{16} \left( 2 \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} + x \right) - 5 \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} + 5x \right) - 3 \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} + 3x \right) \right)$   
 $+ n (\log 2)^{n-1} e^{x \log 2} \frac{1}{16} \left( 2 \cos \left( \frac{2\pi}{2} + x \right) - 5^2 \cos \left( \frac{2\pi}{2} + 5x \right) - 3^2 \cos \left( \frac{2\pi}{2} + 3x \right) \right) + \dots$   
 $\dots + e^{x \log 2} \frac{1}{16} \left( 2 \cos \left( \frac{n\pi}{2} + x \right) - 5^n \cos \left( \frac{n\pi}{2} + 5x \right) - 3^n \cos \left( \frac{n\pi}{2} + 3x \right) \right)$

(viii)  $\frac{e^{2x}}{4} 2^n (\sin 3x + \sin x) + \frac{ne^{2x}}{4} 2^{n-1} \left( 3 \sin \left( 3x + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) + \sin \left( x + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right) + \dots$   
 $\dots + \frac{e^{2x}}{4} \left( 3^n \sin \left( 3x + \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) + \sin \left( x + \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) \right)$

2. If  $y = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{a+x}{a-x} \right)$ , then prove that

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

3. If  $x = \cosh \left( \frac{1}{m} \log y \right)$ , then

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

4. If  $y^m + y^{-m} = 2x$  show that  $(x^2 - 1) y_{n+2} + (2n+1)x y_{n+1} + (n^2 - m^2) y_n = 0$

5. If  $\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{y}{b} \right) = \log \left( \frac{x}{n} \right)^n$ , prove that

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

6. If  $y = \sec^{-1} x$ , prove that

$$x(x^2 - 1) y_{n+2} + \left[ (2+3n)x^2 - (n+1)y_{n+1} \right] + n(3n+1)x y_n + n^2(n-1)y_{n-1} = 0.$$

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7. If  $y = (x^2 - 1)^n$ , prove that  $(x^2 - 1) y_{n+2} + 2x y_{n+1} - n(n+1) y_n = 0$ .

8. If  $y = x^2 e^x$  then show that

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2} n(n-1) y_2 - n(n-2) y_1 + \frac{1}{2} (n-1)(n-2) y_0$$

9. If  $y = \sin[\log(x^2 + 2x + 1)]$ , prove that

$$(x+1)^2 y_{n+2} + (2n+1)(x+1) y_{n+1} + (n^2 + 4) y_n = 0.$$

10. If  $y = \cot x$ , prove that

$$n c_1 y_{n-1}(0) - n c_3 y_{n-3}(0) + n c_5 y_{n-5}(0) - \dots = \cos \frac{n\pi}{2}.$$

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

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

12. If  $y = e^{m \sin^{-1} x}$ , prove that  $(1 - x^2) y_{n+2} - (2n+1)x y_{n+1} - (n^2 + m^2) y_n = 0$ .

13. If  $y = e^{m \cos^{-1} x}$ , show that  $(1 - x^2) y_{n+2} - (2n+1)x y_{n+1} - (n^2 + m^2) y_n = 0$   
and hence find  $y_n(0)$ .

$$\text{Ans: } (y_n)_0 = \begin{cases} m^2 (2^2 + m^2) (4^2 + m^2) \dots ((n-2)^2 + m^2) e^{\frac{m\pi}{2}}, & \text{for 'n' even} \\ -m (1^2 + m^2) (3^2 + m^2) \dots ((n-2)^2 + m^2) e^{\frac{m\pi}{2}}, & \text{for 'n' odd} \end{cases}$$

14. If  $y = \tan^{-1} x$ , then show that  $(x^2 + 1) y_{n+1} + 2n x y_n + n(n-1) y_{n-1} = 0$

$$\text{and } y_n(0) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ - even.} \\ (-1)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (n-1)! & \text{if } n \text{ - odd.} \end{cases}$$

15. If  $y = (\sin^{-1} x)^2 = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots$ , prove that

$$(n+1)(n+2) a_{n+2} = n^2 a_n.$$

16. If  $y = (x + \sqrt{1 + x^2})^m$ , prove that

$$(i) (y_{2n})_0 = [m^2 - (2n-2)^2] [m^2 - (2n-4)^2] \dots [m^2 - 2^2] m^2.$$

$$(ii) (y_{2n+1})_0 = [m^2 - (2n-1)^2] [m^2 - (2n-3)^2] \dots [m^2 - 1^2] m.$$

17. If  $y = \sinh^{-1} x$ , then prove that  $(1 + x^2) y_{n+2} + (2n+1)x y_{n+1} + n^2 y_n = 0$ .

18. If  $y = \log(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})$ , prove that  $y_{2n}(0) = 0$

$$\& y_{2n+1}(0) = (-1)^n [1^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^2 \dots (2n-1)^2].$$



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19. If  $y = (\sin^{-1} x)^2$  prove that  $(1-x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} - n^2y_n = 0$  and  $y_{2n+1}(0) = 0$  and  $y_{2n}(0) = 2^{2n-1} [(n-1)!]^2$ .

20. If  $y = \frac{\sin^{-1} x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ , prove that  $(1-x^2)y_{n+1} - (2n+1)xy_n - n^2y_{n-1} = 0$ .

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

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

(ii)  $(y_n)_0 = \begin{cases} \{(n-2)^2 - m^2\} \{(n-4)^2 - m^2\} \dots (1-m^2)m, & \text{for 'n' odd} \\ 0, & \text{for 'n' even.} \end{cases}$

22. If  $y = \left[ \log \left( x + \sqrt{1+x^2} \right) \right]^2$ , show that  $y_{n+2}(0) = -n^2 y_n(0)$ .

23. If  $y = x^2 e^{2x}$ , prove that  $y_n(0) = 2^{n-2} n(n-1)$ .

24. If  $y = \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}}$ , prove that  $y = (1-x^2)y_1$  and hence prove that

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

25. If  $y = x^n \log x$ , then prove that  $y_{n+1} = \frac{n!}{x}$ .

### Learning Resources :

- Higher Engineering Mathematics, Dr. B. S. Grewal, Khanna Publications.
- Advanced Engineering Mathematics, Erwin Kreyszing, Wiley Eastern Limited, 8<sup>th</sup> Ed.