

QB365 Question Bank Software Study Materials

Applications of Differential Calculus Important 2 Marks Questions With Answers (Book Back and Creative)

12th Standard

Maths

Total Marks : 40

2 Marks

20 x 2 = 40

- 1) A stone is dropped into a pond causing ripples in the form of concentric circles. The radius r of the outer ripple is increasing at a constant rate at 2 cm per second. When the radius is 5 cm find the rate of changing of the total area of the disturbed water?

Answer : Let r be the radius of the ripple and A be the area of the ripple.

Given $\frac{dr}{dt} = 2$ cm/sec and $r = 5$ cm ... (1)

We know $A = \pi r^2$

Differentiating with respect to 't' we get,

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \pi(2r) \cdot \frac{dr}{dt}$$

$$= \pi(2)(5)(2) \text{ [using (1)]}$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 20 \pi \text{ sq.cm/sec.}$$

- 2) Find the points of x the curve $y = x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 2$ at which the tangent is parallel to the line $y = x$

Answer : The slope of the line $y = x$ is 1. The tangent to the given curve will be parallel to the line, if the slope of the tangent to the curve at a point is also 1. Hence,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 6x + 1 = 1$$

$$\text{which gives } 3x^2 - 6x = 0$$

Hence, $x = 0$ and $x = 2$.

Therefore, at $(0, -2)$ and $(2, -4)$ the tangent is parallel to the line $y = x$.

- 3) Find the angle of intersection of the curve $y = \sin x$ with the positive x -axis.

Answer : The curve $y = \sin x$ intersects the positive x -axis. When $y = 0$ which gives, $x =$

$$x = n\pi, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Now, $\frac{dy}{dx} = \cos x$. The slope $x = n\pi$ are $\cos(n\pi) = (-1)^n$.

Hence, the required angle of intersection is $m_2 = 0$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{(-1)^n - 0}{1 + ((-1)^n(0))} = 1 \forall n$$

- 4) Find the absolute extrema of the following functions on the given closed interval.

$$f(x) = 6x^{\frac{3}{4}} - 3x^{\frac{1}{3}}; [-1, 1]$$

$$\text{Answer : } f'(x) = 6 \times \frac{4}{3} x^{\frac{4}{3}-1} - 3 \times \frac{1}{3} x^{\frac{1}{3}-1}$$

$$= 8x^{\frac{1}{3}} - x^{-\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x^{\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{1}{x^{\frac{2}{3}}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8x-1}{x^{\frac{2}{3}}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{8}$$

Thus, the critical number is $x = \frac{1}{8}$

Evaluating $f(x)$ at the end points = -1

$x = 1$ and at the critical number $x = \frac{1}{8}$

we get

$$f(-1) = 6(-1)^{\frac{4}{3}} - 3(-1)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= 6(1) - 3(-1) = 6 + 3 = 9$$

$$f(1) = 6(1)^{\frac{4}{3}} - 3(1)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 6 - 3 = 3$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) = 6\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^{\frac{4}{3}} - 3\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= 6 \left(\frac{2^{-3}}{3} \right)^{\frac{4}{3}} - 3 \left(\frac{2^{-3}}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{16} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{3-12}{8} = \frac{-9}{8}$$

From these values, the absolute maximum is 9 which occurs at $x = -1$ and the absolute minimum is $-\frac{9}{8}$ which occurs at $x = \frac{1}{8}$

- 5) Find the values in the interval (1, 2) of the mean value theorem satisfied by the function $f(x) = x - x^2$ for $1 \leq x \leq 2$

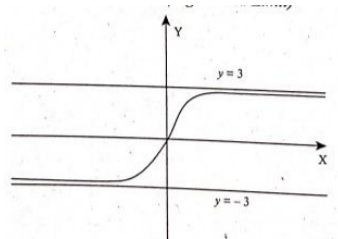
Answer : $f(1) = 0$ and $f(2) = -2$. Clearly $f(x)$ is defined and differentiable in $1 < x < 2$.

Therefore, by the Mean Value Theorem, there exists a $c \in (1, 2)$ such that by

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(2)-f(1)}{2-1} = 1 - 2c$$

$$\text{That is } 1 - 2c = -2 \Rightarrow c = \frac{3}{2}$$

- 6) Find the asymptotes of the following curves $f(x) = \frac{3x}{\sqrt{x^2+2}}$



Answer :

$$f(x) = \frac{3x}{\sqrt{x^2+2}}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x}{\sqrt{x^2+2}} = \lim_{\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow 0} \frac{3}{\sqrt{1+\frac{2}{x^2}}}$$

$$= \frac{3}{\sqrt{1+0}} = 3$$

$\therefore y = 3$ is the horizontal asymptote.

$$\text{Also } \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3x}{\sqrt{x^2+2}} = \lim_{\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{3}{\sqrt{1+\frac{2}{x^2}}} = -3$$

$\therefore y = -3$ is the horizontal asymptote

- 7) Compute the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} \right)$

Answer : If we put directly $x = a$ we observe that the given function is in an indeterminate form $\frac{0}{0}$.

As the numerator and the denominator functions are polynomials they both are differentiable.

Hence by an application of the l'Hôpital Rule we get,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{n \times x^{n-1}}{1} \right)$$

$$= n \times a^{n-1}.$$

- 8) $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1 - \cos m\theta}{1 - \cos n\theta} \right) = 1$, then prove that, $m = \pm n$

Answer : As this is an indeterminate form $\left(\frac{0}{0} \right)$ using the l'Hôpital's Rule

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1 - \cos m\theta}{1 - \cos n\theta} \right) = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{m - \sin m\theta}{n - \sin n\theta} \right)$$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{m}{n} \left(\frac{\frac{\sin m\theta}{\theta}}{\frac{\sin n\theta}{\theta}} \right) = \frac{m^2}{n^2}$$

Therefore, $m^2 = n^2$

That is $m = \pm n$.

- 9) Evaluate: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2 + 17x + 29}{x^4} \right)$.

Answer : This is an indeterminate of the form $\left(\frac{\infty}{\infty} \right)$.

To evaluate this limit, we apply l'Hôpital Rule.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2 + 17x + 29}{x^4} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2x + 17}{4x^3} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{12x^2} \right) = 0$$

- 10) Prove that the function $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ is strictly increasing in the interval (2, 7) and strictly decreasing in the interval (-2, 0)

Answer : We have,

$$f'(x) = 2x > 0, \forall x \in (2, 7) \text{ and}$$

$$f'(x) = 2x > 0, \forall x \in (-2, 0)$$

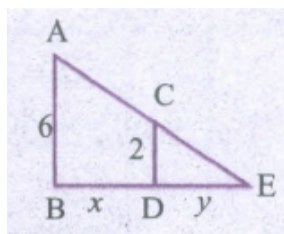
and hence the proof is completed.

- 11) A man 2 m high walks at a uniform speed of 5 km/hr away from a lamp post 6 m high. Find the rate at which the length of his shadow increases?

Answer : Let AB be the lamp post. Let the man CD be at distance x m from lamp post and y m be the length of his shadow at any time t .

Given $\frac{dx}{dt} = 5 \text{ km / hr} = 5000 \text{ m/hr}$

$\triangle ABE$ and CDE are similar



$$\therefore \frac{DE}{CD} = \frac{BE}{AB}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y}{2} = \frac{x+y}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6y = 2x+2y$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{x}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{2}(5000)$$

$$= 2500 \text{ m/hr} = 2.5 \text{ km/hr.}$$

- 12) Find the point on the parabola $y^2=18x$ at which the ordinate increases at twice the rate of the abscissa.

Answer : $(\frac{9}{8}, \frac{9}{2})$

- 13) Verify Rolle 's Theorem for $f(x) = |x - 1|$, $0 \leq x \leq 2$

Answer : Rolle's theorem is not valid.

- 14) Prove that the function $f(x)=2x^2+3x$ is strictly increasing on $[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$

Answer : $f(x)$ is strictly increasing $[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$

- 15) Determine the domain of concavity of the curve $y=2-x^2$

Answer : concave downward everywhere

- 16) show that the distance from the origin to the plane $3x + 6y + 2z + 7 = 0$ is 1

Answer : Distance from the origin $(0, 0, 0)$ to the plane is

$$= \left| \frac{3(0)-6(0)+2(0)+7}{\sqrt{9+36+4}} \right|$$

$$= \frac{7}{\sqrt{49}}$$

$$= \frac{7}{7} = 1$$

- 17) Find the local maxima and local minima (if any) for the function $\cos x$, $0 < x < \pi$

Answer : Let $f(x) = \cos x$, $0 < x < \pi$

$$f'(x) = -\sin x$$

For maximum or minimum, $f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \sin x = 0$ But $\sin x \neq 0$ for $0 < x < \pi$

$f(x)$ has neither local maxima nor local minima for $0 < x < \pi$

- 18) Find absolute maxima and absolute minima for the function $f(x) = x^3$, $x \in [-2, 2]$

Answer : $f(x) = x^3$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 3x^2 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \in [-2, 2]$$

$$\text{Now, } f(-2) = (-2)^3 = -8$$

$$f(0) = 0$$

$$f(2) = (2)^3 = 8$$

\therefore Absolute maximum is 8 at $x = 2$

Absolute minimum is - 8 at $x = - 2$

- 19) Evaluate: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \log x$

Answer : $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \log x$ [$0 \times \infty$ Indeterminate form]

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\log x}{\frac{1}{x}} \quad \left[\frac{\infty}{\infty} \text{ Indeterminate form} \right]$$

Applying L' Hopital's rule

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{\frac{-1}{x^2}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (-x) = 0$$

20) Evaluate: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sin \pi x}{2-x}$

Answer : $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sin \pi x}{2-x}$ ($\frac{0}{0}$ form)

Applying L' Hopital's rule

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\pi \cos \pi x}{-1}$$

$$= -\pi \cos 2\pi = -\pi$$