

CBSE Test Paper 02
Chapter 6 Application of Derivatives

1. The curve $y = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx$ is inclined at 45° to the X – axis at (0, 0) but it touches X – axis at (1, 0) , then the values of a, b, c, are given by
 - a. $a = 1, b = -2, c = 1$
 - b. $a = 1, b = 1, c = -2$
 - c. $a = -2, b = 1, c = 1$
 - d. $a = -1, b = 2, c = 1$.
2. The function $f(x) = x^3 - 3x$ has a
 - a. local minima at $x = 1$
 - b. local maxima at $x = 1$
 - c. point of inflexion at 0
 - d. none of these
3. Minimum value of the function $f(x) = x^2 + x + 1$ is
 - a. none of these
 - b. 3
 - c. $\frac{3}{4}$
 - d. 1
4. The maximum value of $\frac{\log x}{x}$ in $0 < x < \infty$ is
 - a. 0
 - b. none of these
 - c. -e
 - d. $\frac{1}{e}$
5. If the radius of a sphere is measures as 7m with an error of 0.02m then find the approximate error in calculating its volume.
 - a. None of these

b. $1.96\pi \text{ m}^2$

c. $2.16\pi \text{ m}^2$

d. $3.92\pi \text{ m}^3$

6. Maximum slope of the curve $y = -x^3 + 3x^2 + 9x - 27$ is _____.

7. If x is real, the minimum value of $x^2 - 8x + 17$ is _____.

8. The function $f(x) = \frac{2x^2-1}{x^4}$, $x > 0$, decreases in the interval _____.

9. Find the maximum value of the function $f(x) = \cos x + \cos(\sqrt{2} x)$.

10. Find the interval in which the function $f(x) = \cot^{-1}x + x$ is increasing.

11. Show that the function given by $f(x) = e^{2x}$ is strictly increasing on \mathbb{R} .

12. The volume of a cube increases at a constant rate. Prove that the increase in its surface area varies inversely as the length of the side.

13. A balloon, which always remains spherical has a variable radius. Find the rate at which its volume is increasing with the radius when the latter is 10 cm.

14. Show that the tangents to the curve $y = 7x^3 + 11$ at the points where $x = 2$ and $x = -2$ are parallel.

15. Find point on the curve $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$ at which the tangents are

i. parallel to x -axis

ii. parallel to y -axis.

16. Find the value(s) of x for which $y = [x(x-2)]^2$ is an increasing function.

17. An isosceles triangle of vertical angle 2θ is inscribed in a circle of radius a . Show that the area of triangle is maximum when $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$.

18. A point on the hypotenuse of a right triangle is at distances a and b from the sides of the triangle. Show that the minimum length of the hypotenuse is $\left(a^{\frac{2}{3}} + b^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$.

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Solution

1. (a) $a = 1, b = -2, c = 1$

Explanation: $y = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3ax^2 + 2bx + c.$$

At $(0, 0)$, slope of tangent $= \tan 45^\circ = 1 \Rightarrow c = 1$. At $(1, 0)$, slope of tangent $= 0$.

$$\Rightarrow 3a + 2b + c = 0. \text{ From this, we get, } 3a + 2b = -1 \dots\dots (1)$$

Also, when $x = 1, y = 0$, therefore, $a + b + c = 0$. From this, we get, $a + b = -1 \dots\dots (2)$

From (1) and (2), we get,

$$a = 1, b = -2 \text{ and } c = 1$$

2. (a) local minima at $x = 1$

Explanation: Given, $f(x) = x^3 - 3x$

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

For point of inflexion we have $f'(x) = 0$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 3x^2 - 3 = 0 = 3(x - 1)(x + 1) \Rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

Hence, $f(x)$ has a point of inflexion at $x = 0$.

When, x is slightly less than 1, $f'(x) = (+)(-)(+)$ i.e, negative

When x is slightly greater than 1, $f'(x) = (+)(+)(+)$ i.e, positive

Hence, $f(x)$ changes its sign from negative to positive as x increases through 1 and hence $x = 1$ is a point of local minimum.

3. (c) $\frac{3}{4}$

Explanation: Given, $f(x) = x^2 + x + 1$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 2x + 1$$

For minimum value of $f(x)$ we have $f'(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Now, $f''(x) = 2 > 0$, hence the minimum of $f(x)$ exist at $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ and minimum value

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

4. (d) $\frac{1}{e}$

Explanation: Consider $f(x) = \frac{\log x}{x}$

$$\text{Then, } f'(x) = \frac{x \cdot \frac{1}{x} - \log x \cdot 1}{x^2} = \frac{1 - \log x}{x^2}$$

For maximum or minimum values of x we have $f'(x) = 0$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow (1 - \log x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log x = 1 \Rightarrow x = e.$$

$$\text{Now, } f(x) = \frac{x^2 \cdot \frac{-1}{x} - (1 - \log x) 2x}{x^4} = \left[\frac{-3 + 2 \log x}{x^3} \right]$$

$$f'(x) \text{ at } x = e = \frac{-3}{e^3} < 0$$

Therefore $f(x)$ is maximum at $x = e$ and the max. value = $\frac{\log e}{e} = \frac{1}{e}$

5. (d) $3.92\pi m^3$

Explanation: Given, radius of the sphere is 7 m

Error in the measurement of radius = $\Delta r = 0.02$ m

We have volume of sphere = $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } dV &= \left(\frac{dV}{dr} \right) \Delta r = \frac{4}{3}\pi \cdot 3r^2 \Delta r = 4\pi r^2 \cdot \Delta r \\ &= 4\pi \times 49 \times 0.02 = 3.92\pi m^3 \end{aligned}$$

6. 12

7. 1

8. $(1, \infty)$

9. we have, $f(x) = \cos x + \cos(\sqrt{2}x)$

using the inequality $|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$

$$|f(x)| = |\cos x + \cos(\sqrt{2}x)| \leq |\cos x| + |\cos(\sqrt{2}x)| \leq 1 + 1 = 2, \forall x \in R$$

since $-1 \leq \cos x \leq 1 \Rightarrow |\cos x| \leq 1$ Which is true for any given angle.

Hence, maximum value of $f(x) = 2$

10. Since, $f(x) = \cot^{-1} x + x$

On differentiating w.r.t x , we get

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{1+x^2} + 1 = \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} \geq 0, \text{ since for -ve values of } x, \text{ the expression becomes positive since we have } x^2.$$

Also when $x = 0$, the value is 0. And the positive values of x gives values greater than zero. Since the derivative of $f(x)$ is non negative, $f(x)$ is increasing function for all $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$.

11. Given: $f(x) = e^{2x}$

$$\therefore f'(x) = e^{2x} \frac{d}{dx}(2x) = e^{2x}(2) = 2e^{2x} > 0 \text{ i.e., positive for all } x \in R$$

Therefore, $f(x)$ is strictly increasing on R .

12. Let the side of a cube be x unit.

$$\therefore \text{Volume of cube (V)} = x^3$$

On differentiating both side w.r.t. t , we get

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dV}{dt} &= 3x^2 \frac{dx}{dt} = k \text{ [constant]} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} &= \frac{k}{3x^2} \dots(i)\end{aligned}$$

Also, surface area of cube, $S = 6x^2$

On differentiating w.r.t. t , we get

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} &= 12x \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dS}{dt} &= 12x \cdot \frac{k}{3x^2} \text{ [using Eq. (i)]} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dS}{dt} &= \frac{12k}{3x} = 4 \left(\frac{k}{x} \right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dS}{dt} &\propto \frac{1}{x}\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the surface area of the cube varies inversely as the length of the side.

13. Since, $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi x^3$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{dV}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{4}{3}\pi x^3 \right) \\ &= \frac{4}{3}\pi \cdot 3x^2 = 4\pi x^2\end{aligned}$$

At $x = 10$ cm

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dx} = 4\pi(10)^2 = 400\pi$$

Therefore, the volume is increasing at the rate of $400\pi \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$.

14. Given: Equation of the curve $y = 7x^3 + 11$

$$\therefore \text{Slope of tangent at } (x, y) = \frac{dy}{dx} = 21x^2$$

$$\text{At the point } x = 2, \text{ Slope of the tangent} = 21(2)^2 = 21 \times 4 = 84$$

$$\text{At the point } x = -2, \text{ Slope of the tangent} = 21(-2)^2 = 21 \times 4 = 84$$

Since, the slopes of the two tangents are equal.

Therefore, tangents at $x = 2$ and $x = -2$ are parallel.

15. $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{25} = 1 \dots(i)$

Differentiate both sides w.r.t. to x

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2x}{4} + \frac{2y}{25} \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{-25}{4} \cdot \frac{x}{y}\end{aligned}$$

For tangent \parallel to x -axis the slope of tangent is zero

$$\frac{0}{1} = \frac{-25x}{4y}$$

$$x = 0$$

Put $x = 0$ in equation (1)

$$y = \pm 5$$

Points are $(0, 5)$ and $(0, -5)$

now the tangent is $||$ is to y - axis

$$y = 0$$

Put $y = 0$ in equation (1)

$$x = \pm 2$$

So points on the curve are $(2,0)$ and $(-2,0)$

16. Given function is $y = [x(x - 2)]^2 = [x^2 - 2x]^2$.

Therefore, on differentiating both sides w.r.t x , we get,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x^2 - 2x) \frac{d}{dx}(x^2 - 2x)$$

$$= 2(x^2 - 2x)(2x - 2)$$

$$= 4x(x - 2)(x - 1)$$

Therefore, on putting $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$, we get,

$$4x(x - 2)(x - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, 1 \text{ and } 2.$$

Now, we find interval in which $f(x)$ is strictly increasing or strictly decreasing.

Interval	$f'(x) = 12x(x + 1)(x - 2)$	Sign of $f'(x)$
$(-\infty, 0)$	$(-)(-)(-)$	-ve
$(0, 1)$	$(+)(-)(-)$	+ve
$(1, 2)$	$(+)(-)(+)$	-ve
$(2, \infty)$	$(+)(+)(+)$	+ve

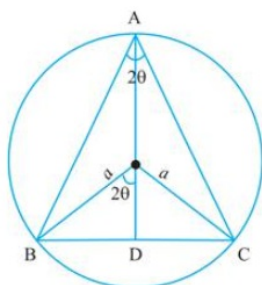
Therefore, y is strictly increasing in $(0, 1)$ and $(2, \infty)$.

Also, y is a polynomial function, so it is continuous at $x = 0, 1$ and 2 .

Hence, y is increasing in $[0, 1] \cup [2, \infty)$.

17. Let ABC be an isosceles triangle inscribed in the circle with radius a such that $AB = AC$.

$$AD = AO + OD = a + a \cos 2\theta \text{ and } BC = 2BD = 2a \sin 2\theta \text{ (see fig.)}$$



Therefore, area of the triangle ABC i.e. $\Delta = \frac{1}{2}BC \cdot AD$

$$= \frac{1}{2}2a \sin 2\theta \cdot (a + a \cos 2\theta)$$

$$= a^2 \sin 2\theta (1 + \cos 2\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = a^2 \sin 2\theta + \frac{1}{2}a^2 \sin 4\theta$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \frac{d\Delta}{d\theta} = 2a^2 \cos 2\theta + 2a^2 \cos 4\theta$$

$$= 2a^2 (\cos 2\theta + \cos 4\theta)$$

$$\frac{d\Delta}{d\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \cos 2\theta = -\cos 4\theta = \cos(\pi - 4\theta)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } 2\theta = \pi - 4\theta \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\frac{d^2\Delta}{d\theta^2} = 2a^2 (-2 \sin 2\theta - 4 \sin 4\theta) < 0 \left(\text{at } \theta = \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

Therefore, Area of triangle is maximum when $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$.

18. Let P be a point on the hypotenuse AC of right-angled ΔABC , Such that $PL \perp AB$ and $PL=a$ and $PM \perp BC$ and $PM=b$.

Let $\angle APL = \angle ACB = \theta$ [say]

Then, $AP = a \sec \theta$, $PC = b \operatorname{cosec} \theta$

Let l be the length of the hypotenuse, then

$$l = AP + PC$$

$$\Rightarrow l = a \sec \theta + b \operatorname{cosec} \theta, 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

On differentiating both sides w.r.t. θ , we get,

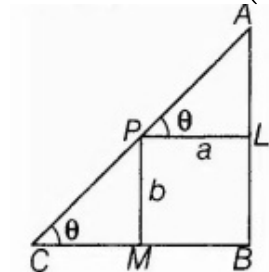
$$\frac{dl}{d\theta} = a \sec \theta \tan \theta - b \operatorname{cosec} \theta \cot \theta \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

For maxima or minima, put $\frac{dl}{d\theta} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a \sec \theta \tan \theta = b \operatorname{cosec} \theta \cot \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a \sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} = \frac{b \cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \left(\frac{b}{a} \right)^{1/3}$$



Again, on differentiating both sides of Eq.(i) w.r.t. θ we get

$$\frac{d^2l}{d\theta^2} = a (\sec \theta \times \sec^2 \theta + \tan \theta \times \sec \theta \tan \theta) - b [\operatorname{cosec} \theta (-\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta)$$

$$+ \cot \theta (-\operatorname{cosec} \theta \cot \theta)]$$

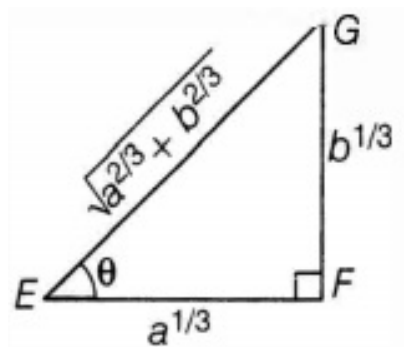
$$= a \sec \theta (\sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta) + b \operatorname{cosec} \theta (\operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta + \cot^2 \theta)$$

For $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$, all trigonometric ratios are positive

Also, $a > 0$ and $b > 0$

$\therefore \frac{d^2l}{d\theta^2}$ is positive.

Thus, l is least when $\tan \theta = \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$



\therefore Least value of,

$$l = a \sec \theta + b \operatorname{cosec} \theta$$

$$= a \frac{\sqrt{a^{2/3} + b^{2/3}}}{a^{1/3}} + b \frac{\sqrt{a^{2/3} + b^{2/3}}}{b^{1/3}}$$

$$= \sqrt{a^{2/3} + b^{2/3}} (a^{2/3} + b^{2/3}) = (a^{2/3} + b^{2/3})^{3/2}$$

$$\left[\therefore \text{in } \triangle EFG, \tan \theta = \frac{b^{1/3}}{a^{1/3}}, \sec \theta = \frac{\sqrt{a^{2/3} + b^{2/3}}}{a^{1/3}} \text{ and } \operatorname{cosec} \theta = \frac{\sqrt{a^{2/3} + b^{2/3}}}{b^{1/3}} \right]$$