

## Application of Derivatives

Question 1.

Find all the points of local maxima and local minima of the function  $f(x) = (x - 1)^3 (x + 1)^2$

(a) 1, -1, -1/5

(b) 1, -1

(c) 1, -1/5

(d) -1, -1/5

Answer:

(a) 1, -1, -1/5

Question 2.

Find the local minimum value of the function  $f(x) = \sin^4 x + \cos^4 x$ ,  $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$

(a)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

(b)  $\frac{1}{2}$

(c)  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

(d) 0

Answer:

(b)  $\frac{1}{2}$

Question 3.

Find the points of local maxima and local minima respectively for the function  $f(x) = \sin 2x - x$ , where

$-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

(a)  $\frac{-\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{6}$

(b)  $\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{-\pi}{3}$

(c)  $\frac{-\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{3}$

(d)  $\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{-\pi}{6}$

Answer:

(d)  $\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{-\pi}{6}$

Question 4.

If  $y = \frac{ax-b}{(x-1)(x-4)}$  has a turning point P(2, -1), then find the value of a and b respectively.

(a) 1, 2

(b) 2, 1

(c) 0, 1

(d) 1, 0

Answer:

(d) 1, 0

Question 5.

$\sin^p \theta \cos^q \theta$  attains a maximum, when  $\theta =$

(a)  $\tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{p}{q}}$

(b)  $\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{p}{q} \right)$

(c)  $\tan^{-1} q$

(d)  $\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{q}{p} \right)$

Answer:

(a)  $\tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{p}{q}}$

Question 6.

Find the maximum profit that a company can make, if the profit function is given by  $P(x) = 41 + 24x - 18x^2$ .

(a) 25

(b) 43

(c) 62

(d) 49

Answer:

(d) 49

Question 7.

If  $y = x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$ , then y

(a) has a local minimum

(b) has a local maximum

(c) neither has a local minimum nor local maximum

(d) None of these

Answer:

(c) neither has a local minimum nor local maximum

Question 8.

Find both the maximum and minimum values respectively of  $3x^4 - 8x^3 + 12x^2 - 48x + 1$  on the

interval  $[1, 4]$ .

- (a) -63, 257
- (b) 257, -40
- (c) 257, -63
- (d) 63, -257

Answer:

- (c) 257, -63

Question 9.

It is given that at  $x = 1$ , the function  $x^4 - 62x^2 + ax + 9$  attains its maximum value on the interval  $[0, 2]$ . Find the value of  $a$ .

- (a) 100
- (b) 120
- (c) 140
- (d) 160

Answer:

- (b) 120

Question 10.

The function  $f(x) = x^5 - 5x^4 + 5x^3 - 1$  has

- (a) one minima and two maxima
- (b) two minima and one maxima
- (c) two minima and two maxima
- (d) one minima and one maxima

Answer:

- (d) one minima and one maxima

Question 11.

Find the height of the cylinder of maximum volume that can be inscribed in a sphere of radius  $a$ .

- (a)  $\frac{2a}{3}$
- (b)  $\frac{2a}{\sqrt{3}}$
- (c)  $\frac{a}{3}$
- (d)  $\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$

Answer:

- (b)  $\frac{2a}{\sqrt{3}}$

Question 12.

Find the volume of the largest cylinder that can be inscribed in a sphere of radius  $r$  cm.

- (a)  $\frac{\pi r^3}{3\sqrt{3}}$
- (b)  $\frac{4\pi r^2 h}{3\sqrt{3}}$

(c)  $4\pi r^3$

(d)  $\frac{4\pi r^3}{3\sqrt{3}}$

Answer:

(d)  $\frac{4\pi r^3}{3\sqrt{3}}$

Question 13.

The area of a right-angled triangle of the given hypotenuse is maximum when the triangle is

(a) scalene

(b) equilateral

(c) isosceles

(d) None of these

Answer:

(c) isosceles

Question 14.

Find the area of the largest isosceles triangle having perimeter 18 metres.

(a)  $9\sqrt{3}$

(b)  $8\sqrt{3}$

(c)  $4\sqrt{3}$

(d)  $7\sqrt{3}$

Answer:

(a)  $9\sqrt{3}$

Question 15.

$2x^3 - 6x + 5$  is an increasing function, if

(a)  $0 < x < 1$

(b)  $-1 < x < 1$

(c)  $x < -1$  or  $x > 1$

(d)  $-1 < x < -\frac{1}{2}$

Answer:

(c)  $x < -1$  or  $x > 1$

Question 16.

If  $f(x) = \sin x - \cos x$ , then interval in which function is decreasing in  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ , is

(a)  $\left[\frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{3\pi}{4}\right]$

(b)  $\left[\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

(c)  $\left[\frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}\right]$

(d) None of these

Answer:

(d) None of these

Question 17.

The function which is neither decreasing nor increasing in  $\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$  is

(a) cosec x

(b) tan x

(c)  $x^2$

(d)  $|x - 1|$

Answer:

(a) cosec x

Question 18.

The function  $f(x) = \tan^{-1}(\sin x + \cos x)$  is an increasing function in

(a)  $\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

(b)  $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

(c)  $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

(d) None of these

Answer:

(d) None of these

Question 19.

The function  $f(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 + (9 + 2k)x + 1$  is strictly increasing for all x, if

(a)  $k > \frac{3}{2}$

(b)  $k < \frac{3}{2}$

(c)  $k \geq \frac{3}{2}$

(d)  $k \leq \frac{3}{2}$

Answer:

(a)  $k > \frac{3}{2}$

Question 20.

The point on the curves  $y = (x - 3)^2$  where the tangent is parallel to the chord joining (3, 0) and (4, 1) is

(a)  $\left(-\frac{7}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$

(b)  $\left(\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$

(c)  $\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$

(d)  $\left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$

Answer:

(d)  $\left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$

Question 21.

The slope of the tangent to the curve  $x = a \sin t$ ,  $y = a\{\cot t + \log(\tan \frac{t}{2})\}$  at the point 't' is

(a)  $\tan t$

(b)  $\cot t$

(c)  $\tan \frac{t}{2}$

(d) None of these

Answer:

(a)  $\tan t$

Question 22.

The equation of the normal to the curves  $y = \sin x$  at  $(0, 0)$  is

(a)  $x = 0$

(b)  $x + y = 0$

(c)  $y = 0$

(d)  $x - y = 0$

Answer:

(b)  $x + y = 0$

Question 23.

The tangent to the parabola  $x^2 = 2y$  at the point  $(1, \frac{1}{2})$  makes with the x-axis an angle of

(a)  $0^\circ$

(b)  $45^\circ$

(c)  $30^\circ$

(d)  $60^\circ$

Answer:

(b)  $45^\circ$

Question 24.

The two curves  $x^3 - 3xy^2 + 5 = 0$  and  $3x^2y - y^3 - 7 = 0$

(a) cut at right angles

(b) touch each other

(c) cut at an angle  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

(d) cut at an angle  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

Answer:

(a) cut at right angles

Question 25.

The distance between the point (1, 1) and the tangent to the curve  $y = e^{2x} + x^2$  drawn at the point  $x = 0$

- (a)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$
- (b)  $\frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}}$
- (c)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$
- (d)  $\frac{-2}{\sqrt{5}}$

Answer:

- (c)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$

Question 26.

The tangent to the curve  $y = 2x^2 - x + 1$  is parallel to the line  $y = 3x + 9$  at the point

- (a) (2, 3)
- (b) (2, -1)
- (c) (2, 1)
- (d) (1, 2)

Answer:

- (d) (1, 2)

Question 27.

The tangent to the curve  $y = x^2 + 3x$  will pass through the point (0, -9) if it is drawn at the point

- (a) (0, 1)
- (b) (-3, 0)
- (c) (-4, 4)
- (d) (1, 4)

Answer:

- (b) (-3, 0)

Question 28.

Find a point on the curve  $y = (x - 2)^2$  at which the tangent is parallel to the chord joining the points (2, 0) and (4, 4).

- (a) (3, 1)
- (b) (4, 1)
- (c) (6, 1)
- (d) (5, 1)

Answer:

- (a) (3, 1)

Question 29.

Tangents to the curve  $x^2 + y^2 = 2$  at the points (1, 1) and (-1, 1) are

- (a) parallel
- (b) perpendicular
- (c) intersecting but not at right angles
- (d) none of these

Answer:

- (b) perpendicular

Question 30.

If there is an error of 2% in measuring the length of a simple pendulum, then percentage error in its period is

- (a) 1%
- (b) 2%
- (c) 3%
- (d) 4%

Answer:

- (a) 1%

Question 31.

If there is an error of  $a\%$  in measuring the edge of a cube, then percentage error in its surface area is

- (a)  $2a\%$
- (b)  $\frac{a}{2} \%$
- (c)  $3a\%$
- (d) None of these

Answer:

- (b)  $\frac{a}{2} \%$

Question 32.

If the radius of a sphere is measured as 9 cm with an error of 0.03 cm, then find the approximating error in calculating its volume.

- (a)  $2.46\pi \text{ cm}^3$
- (b)  $8.62\pi \text{ cm}^3$
- (c)  $9.72\pi \text{ cm}^3$
- (d)  $7.46\pi \text{ cm}^3$

Answer:

- (c)  $9.72\pi \text{ cm}^3$

Question 33.

Find the approximate value of  $f(3.02)$ , where  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 5x + 3$

- (a) 45.46
- (b) 45.76
- (c) 44.76



(d) 44.46

Answer:

(a) 45.46

Question 34.

$$f(x) = 3x^2 + 6x + 8, x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(a) 2

(b) 5

(c) -8

(d) does not exist

Answer:

(d) does not exist

Question 35.

The radius of a cylinder is increasing at the rate of 3 m/s and its height is decreasing at the rate of 4 m/s. The rate of change of volume when the radius is 4 m and height is 6 m, is

(a)  $80\pi$  cu m/s

(b)  $144\pi$  cu m/s

(c) 80 cu m/s

(d) 64 cu m/s

Answer:

(a)  $80\pi$  cu m/s

Question 36.

The sides of an equilateral triangle are increasing at the rate of 2 cm/s. The rate at which the area increases, when the side is 10 cm, is

(a)  $\sqrt{3}$  cm<sup>2</sup>/s

(b) 10 cm<sup>2</sup>/s

(c)  $10\sqrt{3}$  cm<sup>2</sup>/s

(d)  $\frac{10}{\sqrt{3}}$  cm<sup>2</sup>/s

Answer:

(c)  $10\sqrt{3}$  cm<sup>2</sup>/s

Question 37.

A particle is moving along the curve  $x = at^2 + bt + c$ . If  $ac = b^2$ , then particle would be moving with uniform

(a) rotation

(b) velocity

(c) acceleration

(d) retardation

Answer:

(c) acceleration

Question 38.

The distance 's' metres covered by a body in t seconds, is given by  $s = 3t^2 - 8t + 5$ . The body will stop after

(a) 1 s

(b)  $\frac{3}{4}$  s

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

(d) 4 s

Answer:

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

Question 39.

The position of a point in time 't' is given by  $x = a + bt - ct^2$ ,  $y = at + bt^2$ . Its acceleration at time 't' is

(a)  $b - c$

(b)  $b + c$

(c)  $2b - 2c$

(d)  $2\sqrt{b^2 + c^2}$

Answer:

(d)  $2\sqrt{b^2 + c^2}$

Question 40.

The function  $f(x) = \log(1 + x) - \frac{2x}{2+x}$  is increasing on

(a)  $(-1, \infty)$

(b)  $(-\infty, 0)$

(c)  $(-\infty, \infty)$

(d) None of these

Answer:

(a)  $(-1, \infty)$

Question 41.

$f(x) = \left(\frac{e^{2x}-1}{e^{2x}+1}\right)$  is

(a) an increasing function

(b) a decreasing function

(c) an even function

(d) None of these

Answer:

(a) an increasing function

Question 42.

The function  $f(x) = \cot^{-1} x + x$  increases in the interval

- (a)  $(1, \infty)$
- (b)  $(-1, \infty)$
- (c)  $(0, \infty)$
- (d)  $(-\infty, \infty)$

Answer:

- (d)  $(-\infty, \infty)$

Question 43.

The function  $f(x) = \frac{x}{\log x}$  increases on the interval

- (a)  $(0, \infty)$
- (b)  $(0, e)$
- (c)  $(e, \infty)$
- (d) none of these

Answer:

- (c)  $(e, \infty)$

Question 44.

The length of the longest interval, in which the function  $3 \sin x - 4 \sin^3 x$  is increasing, is

- (a)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- (b)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- (c)  $\frac{3\pi}{2}$
- (d)  $\pi$

Answer:

- (a)  $\frac{\pi}{3}$

Question 45.

The coordinates of the point on the parabola  $y^2 = 8x$  which is at minimum distance from the circle  $x^2 + (y + 6)^2 = 1$  are

- (a)  $(2, -4)$
- (b)  $(18, -12)$
- (c)  $(2, 4)$
- (d) none of these

Answer:

- (a)  $(2, -4)$

Question 46.

The distance of that point on  $y = x^4 + 3x^2 + 2x$  which is nearest to the line  $y = 2x - 1$  is

- (a)  $\frac{3}{\sqrt{5}}$

- (b)  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$
- (c)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$
- (d)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$

Answer:

- (d)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$

Question 47.

The function  $f(x) = x + \frac{4}{x}$  has

- (a) a local maxima at  $x = 2$  and local minima at  $x = -2$
- (b) local minima at  $x = 2$ , and local maxima at  $x = -2$
- (c) absolute maxima at  $x = 2$  and absolute minima at  $x = -2$
- (d) absolute minima at  $x = 2$  and absolute maxima at  $x = -2$

Answer:

- (b) local minima at  $x = 2$ , and local maxima at  $x = -2$

Question 48.

The combined resistance  $R$  of two resistors  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  ( $R_1, R_2 > 0$ ) is given by  $\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$ . If  $R_1 + R_2 = C$  (a constant), then maximum resistance  $R$  is obtained if

- (a)  $R_1 > R_2$
- (b)  $R_1 < R_2$
- (c)  $R_1 = R_2$
- (d) None of these

Answer:

- (c)  $R_1 = R_2$

Question 49.

Find the height of a cylinder, which is open at the top, having a given surface area, greatest volume and of radius  $r$ .

- (a)  $r$
- (b)  $2r$
- (c)  $\frac{r}{2}$
- (d)  $\frac{3\pi r}{2}$

Answer:

- (a)  $r$