

Application of Derivatives

Question1

The function $f(x) = \tan x - x$

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Options:

A.

always increases

B.

always decreases

C.

never increases

D.

neither increases nor decreases

Answer: A

Solution:

The function given is $f(x) = \tan x - x$.

To determine whether this function is increasing, decreasing, or neither, we need to analyze its derivative:

$$f'(x) = \sec^2 x - 1 = \tan^2 x$$

Since $\tan^2 x$ is always greater than or equal to zero ($\tan^2 x \geq 0$), the derivative $f'(x)$ is non-negative across its domain. This implies that the function $f(x)$ is always increasing or at the very least, non-decreasing.

Thus, the function $f(x) = \tan x - x$ consistently increases.



Question2

The length of a rectangle is five times the breadth. If the minimum perimeter of the rectangle is 180 cm , then

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Options:

- A. Breadth \leq 15 cm
- B. Breadth \geq 15 cm
- C. Length \leq 15 cm
- D. Length = 15 cm

Answer: B

Solution:

Since, perimeter \geq 180
 $\Rightarrow 2(\text{length} + \text{breadth}) \geq 180$
 $\Rightarrow 5 \text{ breadth} + \text{breadth} \geq 90$
 $[\because \text{length} = 5 \text{ breadth}]$
 $\Rightarrow 6 \text{ breadth} \geq 90$
Hence, breadth \geq 15

Question3

The value of C in $(0, 2)$ satisfying the mean value theorem for the function $f(x) = x(x - 1)^2, x \in [0, 2]$ is equal to

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Options:

- A. $3/4$



B. $\frac{4}{3}$

C. $\frac{1}{3}$

D. $\frac{2}{3}$

Answer: B

Solution:

$$f(x) = x(x-1)^2; x \in [0, 2]$$

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}; f(2) = 2, f(0) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore f'(x) &= (x-1)^2 + 2x(x-1) \\ &= x^2 + 1 - 2x + 2x^2 - 2x \\ &= 3x^2 - 4x + 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } f'(c) = 3c^2 - 4c + 1$$

$$\text{Thus, } 3c^2 - 4c + 1 = \frac{f(2) - f(0)}{2 - 0} = \frac{2 - 0}{2 - 0} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow c(3c - 4) = 0$$

$$\text{Hence, } c = \frac{4}{3}$$

Question4

For the function $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 3$; $x = 2$ is

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Options:

A. A point of minimum

B. A point of inflexion

C. Not a critical point

D. A point of maximum

Answer: B



Solution:

$$\because f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 3x^2 - 12x + 12$$

$$\Rightarrow f''(x) = 6x - 12 = 6(x - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow f''(2) = 0$$

Hence, $x = 2$ is a point of inflexion.

Question5

The function x^x ; $x > 0$ is strictly increasing at

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Options:

A. $\forall x \in R$

B. $x < \frac{1}{e}$

C. $x > \frac{1}{e}$

D. $x < 0$

Answer: C

Solution:

Let $y = x^x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^x(1 + \log x)$$

For increasing function, $\frac{dy}{dx} > 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^x(1 + \log x) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \log x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_e x > \log_e \frac{1}{e}$$

Hence, $x > \frac{1}{e}$



Question6

The maximum volume of the right circular cone with slant height 6 units is

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Options:

- A. $4\sqrt{3}\pi$ cu units
- B. $16\sqrt{3}\pi$ cu units
- C. $3\sqrt{3}\pi$ cu units
- D. $6\sqrt{3}\pi$ cu units

Answer: B

Solution:

\therefore Slant height of the cone, $L = 6$ units.

Let the radius be r and height be h .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{and volume } (V) &= \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h \\ &= \frac{1}{3}\pi (L^2 - h^2)h \quad [\because L^2 = r^2 + h^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{3}\pi (36 - h^2)h\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{dV}{dh} = \frac{1}{3}\pi (36 - 3h^2) = 0 \Rightarrow h = 2\sqrt{3} \text{ units}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{d^2V}{dh^2} = -2\pi h < 0 \text{ at } h = 2\sqrt{3} \text{ units}$$

Hence, the maximum volume of the cone

$$\begin{aligned}V &= \frac{1}{3}\pi (36 - h^2)h \\ &= \frac{1}{3}\pi (36 - (2\sqrt{3})^2)2\sqrt{3} \\ &= 16\sqrt{3}\pi \text{ cu units}\end{aligned}$$

Question 7

If $f(x) = xe^{x(1-x)}$, then $f(x)$ is

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Options:

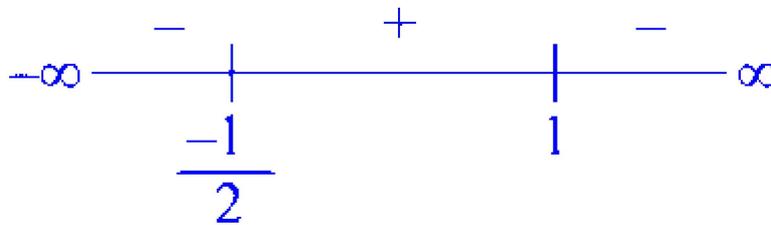
- A. increasing in R
- B. decreasing in R
- C. decreasing in $[-\frac{1}{2}, 1]$
- D. increasing in $[-\frac{1}{2}, 1]$

Answer: D

Solution:

Given,

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= xe^{x(1-x)} \\f'(x) &= e^{x(1-x)} + xe^{x(1-x)}(1-2x) \\&= e^{x(1-x)}(1+x(1-2x)) \\&= -e^{x(1-x)}(2x^2-x-1) \\&= -e^{x(1-x)}(2x^2-2x+x-1) \\&= -e^{x(1-x)}(x-1)(2x+1)\end{aligned}$$



So, $f(x)$ is increasing when $f'(x) \geq 0$ and decreasing when $f'(x) \leq 0$.

Hence, f is increasing in $[-\frac{1}{2}, 1]$.

Question8

If $u = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right)$ and $v = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right)$, then $\frac{du}{dv}$ is

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Options:

A. 2

B. $\frac{1-x^2}{1+x^2}$

C. 1

D. $\frac{1}{2}$

Answer: C

Solution:

$$\text{Here, } u = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right)$$

$$u = 2 \tan^{-1} x \left[\because 2 \tan^{-1} x = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2} \right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 2 \times \frac{1}{1+x^2} \quad \dots \text{ (i)}$$

$$\text{and } v = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right)$$

$$y = 2 \tan^{-1} x \left[\because 2 \tan^{-1} x = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x}{1-x^2} \right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{2}{1+x^2} \quad \dots \text{ (ii)}$$

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{du}{dv} = 1$$

Question9

The distance 's' in meters travelled by a particle in 't' seconds is given by $s = \frac{2t^3}{3} - 18t + \frac{5}{3}$. The acceleration when the particle comes to rest is :



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Options:

A. $10 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

B. $12 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

C. $18 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

D. $3 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

Answer: B

Solution:

To find the acceleration when the particle comes to rest, we first have to determine at what time ' t ' the particle comes to rest. A particle comes to rest when its velocity is zero. The velocity ' v ' of a particle is given by the derivative of the position function with respect to time, which in this case is

$$v(t) = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

Let us find the velocity function by differentiating the given position function:

$$v(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{2t^3}{3} - 18t + \frac{5}{3} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{2t^3}{3} \right) - \frac{d}{dt} (18t) + \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{5}{3} \right)$$

Applying the differentiation rules, we get:

$$v(t) = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 3t^2 - 18 = 2t^2 - 18$$

Now, we will set the velocity to zero to find the time ' t ' when the particle comes to rest:

$$0 = v(t) = 2t^2 - 18$$

Solving for ' t ' gives:

$$2t^2 = 18$$

$$t^2 = \frac{18}{2}$$

$$t^2 = 9$$

$$t = \pm 3$$

Since time cannot be negative, we consider ' $t = 3$ ' seconds.

Now we need to find the acceleration at $t=3$ seconds. Acceleration ' a ' is the derivative of the velocity function, i.e.,

$$a(t) = \frac{dv}{dt}$$



Let us differentiate the velocity function to find the acceleration function:

$$a(t) = \frac{d}{dt}(2t^2 - 18) = \frac{d}{dt}(2t^2) - \frac{d}{dt}(18)$$

Applying the differentiation rules, we get:

$$a(t) = 2 \cdot 2t - 0 = 4t$$

Finally, we find the acceleration when the particle comes to rest, i.e. at $t = 3$ seconds:

$$a(3) = 4 \cdot 3 = 12 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Therefore, the acceleration when the particle comes to rest is 12 m/s^2 , which corresponds to Option B.

Question10

A particle moves along the curve $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$. When the rate of change of abscissa is 4 times that of its ordinate, then the quadrant in which the particle lies is

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Options:

- A. II or IV
- B. III or IV
- C. II or III
- D. I or III

Answer: D

Solution:

Given, particles moves along the curve

$$\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x}{16} + \frac{2y}{4} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x}{16} \times \frac{4}{2y} = \frac{-x}{4y} \quad \dots (i)$$

According to the question, $x = 4y$

From Eq. (i), we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -1$$

When slope is negative, then the particle lies in Ist and IIIrd quadrant.

Question11

An enemy fighter jet is flying along the curve, given by $y = x^2 + 2$. A soldier is placed at $(3, 2)$ wants to shoot down the jet when it is nearest to him. Then, the nearest distance is

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Options:

A. $\sqrt{6}$ units

B. 2 units

C. $\sqrt{5}$ units

D. $\sqrt{3}$ units

Answer: C

Solution:

Let $P(x, y)$ be the position of the jet and the soldier is placed at $A(3, 2)$.

$$\Rightarrow AP = \sqrt{(x-3)^2 + (y-2)^2} \dots (i)$$

$$\text{As, } y = (x^2 + 2) \Rightarrow x^2 = y - 2 \dots (ii)$$

$$\Rightarrow (AP)^2 = (x-3)^2 + x^4 = z \quad (\text{say})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dz}{dx} = 2(x-3) + 4x^3 \text{ and } \frac{d^2z}{dx^2} = 2 + 12x^2$$

For local points of maxima and minima

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow 2(x - 3) + 4x^3 = 0$$

$$x = 1 \text{ and } \frac{d^2z}{dx^2}(\text{ at } x = 1) = 14 > 0$$

$\therefore z$ is minimum, where $x = 1, y = 1 + 2 = 3$

Also, minimum distance

$$= \sqrt{(1 - 3)^2 + (3 - 2)^2} = \sqrt{5} \text{ units}$$

Question12

A circular plate of radius 5 cm is heated. Due to expansion, its radius increase at the rate of 0.05 cm/s. The rate at which its area is increasing when the radius is 5.2 cm is

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Options:

A. $27.4 \pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$

B. $5.05 \pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$

C. $0.52 \pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$

D. $5.2 \pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$

Answer: C

Solution:

Let r be the radius of the circular disc and A be the area of the circular disc at any instant of time. we know that

$$A = \pi r^2$$
$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi r \frac{dr}{dt}$$

According to the question, the circular disc expands on heating with the rate of change of radius is 0.05 cm/s



$$\frac{dr}{dt} = 0.05 \text{ cm/s}$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2 \times \pi \times 5.2 \times 0.05$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dA}{dt} = 0.52 \pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$$

So, the rate at which its area is increasing, when radius is 5.2 cm is $0.52 \pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$.

Question13

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

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Options:

A. $(-\infty, \infty)$

B. $(\infty, -1)$

C. $(-1, \infty)$

D. $(-\infty, 0)$

Answer: C

Solution:

Given, $f(x) = \log(1 + x) - \frac{2x}{2+x}$

Differentiating the function w.r.t. x , we get

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{(1+x)}(0+1) - 2 \left[\frac{(2+x) \times 1 - x(0+1)}{(2+x)^2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{1+x} - 2 \left[\frac{2+x-x}{(2+x)^2} \right] = \frac{1}{1+x} - \frac{4}{(2+x)^2} \\ &= \frac{(2+x)^2 - 4(1+x)}{(1+x)(2+x)^2} = \frac{4+x^2+4x-4-4x}{(x+1)(x+2)^2} \\ &= \frac{x^2}{(x+1)(x+2)^2} = \left(\frac{x}{x+2} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{(x+1)} \end{aligned}$$

Sign of $f'(x)$ depends on the sign of $\frac{1}{(x+1)}$



$f'(x) > 0$ when $x > -1 \Rightarrow$ increasing

$f'(x) < 0$ when $x < -1 \Rightarrow$ decreasing

Hence, $f(x)$ is increasing on $(-1, \infty)$.

Question14

The coordinates of the point on the $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 6$ at which the tangent is equally inclined to the axes is

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Options:

A. (4, 4)

B. (1, 1)

C. (9, 9)

D. (6, 6)

Answer: C

Solution:

Given, $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 6$

$$\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 6$$

Differentiating w.r.t. x , we get

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x}}$$

Since, the tangent is equally inclined to the axes.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \pm 1 \Rightarrow -\frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x}} = \pm 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{y} = \pm\sqrt{x} \Rightarrow y = x$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 6 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x} = 6 \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{x} = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x} = 3 \Rightarrow x = 9$$
$$\therefore x = 9 \text{ and } y = 9$$

Question 15

The function $f(x) = 4 \sin^3 x - 6 \sin^2 x + 12 \sin x + 100$ is strictly

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Options:

A. decreasing in $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

B. decreasing in $\left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

C. increasing in $\left(\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$

D. decreasing in $\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi\right)$

Answer: D

Solution:

Given, $f(x) = 4 \sin^3 x - 6 \sin^2 x + 12 \sin x + 100$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 12 \sin^2 x \cdot \cos x - 12 \sin x \cos x + 12 \cos x \\ &= 12 \cos x [\sin^2 x - \sin x + 1] \\ &= 12 \cos x [\sin^2 x + (1 - \sin x)] \end{aligned}$$

We know, $1 - \sin x \geq 0$ and $\sin^2 x \geq 0$

$$\therefore \sin^2 x + 1 - \sin x > 0$$

Therefore, $f'(x) > 0$, when $\cos x > 0 \Rightarrow x \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

So, $f(x)$ is increasing when $x \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ and $f'(x) < 0$, when $\cos x < 0 \Rightarrow x \in \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$

So, $f(x)$ is decreasing when $x \in \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$

Hence, $f(x)$ is decreasing in $\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi\right)$.



Question16

The cost and revenue functions of a product are given by $c(x) = 20x + 4000$ and $R(x) = 60x + 2000$ respectively, where x is the number of items produced and sold. The value of x to earn profit is

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Options:

A. > 50

B. > 60

C. > 80

D. > 40

Answer: A

Solution:

Given, $C(x) = 20x + 4000$

$R(x) = 60x + 2000$

x = number of items produced and sold

To earn profit, $R(x) - C(x) > 0$

$$\Rightarrow 60x + 2000 - 20x - 4000 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 40x - 2000 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 40x > 2000$$

$$\Rightarrow x > 50$$

Question17

A particle starts from rest and its angular displacement (in radians) is given by $\theta = \frac{t^2}{20} + \frac{t}{5}$. If the angular velocity at the end of $t = 4$ is k , then the value of $5k$ is



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Options:

A. 0.6

B. 5

C. 5k

D. 3

Answer: D

Solution:

$$\theta = \frac{t^2}{20} + \frac{t}{5}$$

On differentiating θ w.r.t. t ,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\theta}{dt} &= \frac{t}{10} + \frac{1}{5} \\ \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt}\right)_{t=4} &= \frac{4}{10} + \frac{1}{5} \\ \Rightarrow k &= \frac{3}{5} \\ \therefore 5k &= 3\end{aligned}$$

Question18

The function $f(x) = x^2 - 2x$ is strictly decreasing in the interval

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Options:

A. $(-\infty, 1)$

B. $(1, \infty)$



C. R

D. $(-\infty, \infty)$

Answer: A

Solution:

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

$$\therefore f'(x) = 2x - 2$$

$f(x)$ is strictly decreasing, when $f'(x) < 0$

$$f'(x) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(x - 1) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x < 1$$

Hence, $f(x)$ is strictly decreasing in the interval $(-\infty, 1)$.

Question19

The maximum slope of the curve $y = -x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x - 27$ is

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Options:

A. 1

B. 23

C. 5

D. -23

Answer: C

Solution:

$$y = -x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x - 27$$

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

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

$$\text{Slope of the curve} = -3x^2 + 6x + 2$$

$$\text{Let } m = -3x^2 + 6x + 2$$

$$\therefore \frac{dm}{dx} = -6x + 6$$

Put $\frac{dm}{dx} = 0$ to find the critical points,

$$\Rightarrow -6x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1$$

$$\left(\frac{d^2m}{dx^2}\right)_{x=1} = -6 < 0$$

Slope is maximum at $x = 1$

The maximum slope,

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\max} &= -3(1)^2 + 6(1) + 2 \\ &= -3 + 6 + 2 = 5 \end{aligned}$$

Question20

If the curves $2x = y^2$ and $2xy = K$ intersect perpendicularly, then the value of K^2 is

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Options:

A. 4

B. $2\sqrt{2}$

C. 2

D. 8

Answer: D

Solution:

Given curves are

$$2x = y^2 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\text{and } 2xy = K \quad \dots (ii)$$



On solving both Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$x = \frac{K^{2/3}}{2} \text{ and } y = K^{1/3}$$

\therefore Intersecting point of both curves is $\left(\frac{K^{2/3}}{2}, K^{1/3}\right)$

Now differentiate Eq. (i) w.r.t. x , we get

$$2 = 2y \frac{dy}{dx}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{y}$$

\therefore Slope of tangent at $\left(\frac{K^{2/3}}{2}, K^{1/3}\right) = \frac{1}{K^{1/3}}$

And differentiate Eq. (ii) w.r.t. x , we get

$$2 \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-y}{x}$$

\therefore Slope of tangent at $\left(\frac{K^{2/3}}{2}, K^{1/3}\right)$

$$= \frac{-K^{1/3}}{K^{2/3}/2} = -2K^{-1/3}$$

Since, both curves intersect perpendicularly

$$\therefore \frac{1}{K^{1/3}} \times (-2K^{-1/3}) = -1$$
$$\Rightarrow -2K^{-2/3} = -1 \Rightarrow K^{2/3} = 2 \Rightarrow K^2 = 8$$

Question21

If the side of a cube is increased by 5%, then the surface area of a cube is increased by

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Options:

A. 10%

B. 60%

C. 6%

D. 20%

Answer: A

Solution:

We know that the surface area of cube is given by $S = 6x^2$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{dS}{dx} &= 12x \\ \Delta x &= 5\% \text{ of } x = 0.05x\end{aligned}$$

The surface area of a cube is increased by $= \frac{\Delta S}{S} \times 100\%$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{\left(\frac{dS}{dx}\right)\Delta x}{S} \times 100\% \\ &= \frac{12x \times (0.05x)}{6x^2} \times 100\% \\ &= 0.10 \times 100\% = 10\%\end{aligned}$$

Question22

The maximum value of $\frac{\log_e x}{x}$, if $x > 0$ is

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Options:

A. e

B. 1

C. $\frac{1}{e}$

D. $-\frac{1}{e}$

Answer: C

Solution:

$$\text{Let } y = \frac{\log_e x}{x}$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x \cdot \frac{1}{x} - \log_e x \cdot 1}{x^2} = \frac{1 - \log_e x}{x^2}$$

For maximum, put $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \log_e x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_e x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = e$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{x^2 \left(0 - \frac{1}{x}\right) - (1 - \log_e x)(2x)}{x^4} \\ &= \frac{-x - 2x(1 - \log_e x)}{x^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}\right)_{\text{at } x=e} < 0$$

$$\therefore y(e) = \frac{\log_e e}{e} = \frac{1}{e}$$

Question23

The interval in which the function $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x + 10$ is increasing in

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Options:

A. $[1, 3]$

B. $(-\infty, 1) \cup (3, \infty)$

C. $(-\infty, -1] \cup [3, \infty)$

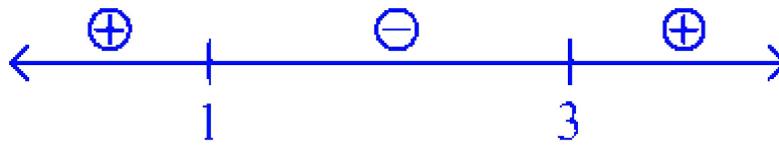
D. $(-\infty, 1] \cup [3, \infty)$

Answer: D

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have, } f(x) &= x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x + 10 \\ \Rightarrow f'(x) &= 3x^2 - 12x + 9 = 3(x^2 - 4x + 3) \\ &= 3(x-1)(x-3) \end{aligned}$$





Here, $f'(x) \geq 0$ if $x \in (-\infty, 1) \cup (3, \infty)$

Question24

The sides of an equilateral triangle are increasing at the rate of 4 cm/sec. The rate at which its area is increasing, when the side is 14 cm

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Options:

- A. $42 \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$
- B. $10\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$
- C. $14 \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$
- D. $14\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$

Answer: A

Solution:

We have, $\frac{dx}{dt} = 4 \text{ cm/sec}$

Area of equilateral triangle, $A = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}x^2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}(2x)\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x(4) \Rightarrow \frac{dA}{dt} = 2\sqrt{3}x$$

$$\text{when } x = 14 \text{ cm, then } \frac{dA}{dt} = 2\sqrt{3}(14) = 28\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$$

Any option is not matching

Question25

Approximate change in the volume V of a cube of side x metres caused by increasing the side by 3% is

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Options:

A. $0.09x^3 \text{ m}^3$

B. $0.03x^3 \text{ m}^3$

C. $0.06x^3 \text{ m}^3$

D. $0.04x^3 \text{ m}^3$

Answer: A

Solution:

The explanation calculates the approximate change in the volume of a cube when its side length is increased by 3%.

Volume of a Cube: The volume V of a cube with side length x is given by the formula:

$$V = x^3$$

Derivative of the Volume: The rate of change of the volume with respect to the side length x is:

$$\frac{dV}{dx} = 3x^2$$

Change in Side Length: Since the side length is increased by 3%, the change in x is:

$$dx = 3\% \text{ of } x = 0.03x$$

Approximate Change in Volume: The approximate change in the volume, dV , is calculated using the derivative:

$$dV = \left(\frac{dV}{dx}\right) \cdot dx = 3x^2 \cdot 0.03x$$

This simplifies to:

$$dV = 0.09x^3 \text{ m}^3$$

Therefore, the approximate change in the volume of the cube is $0.09x^3 \text{ m}^3$.

Question26



The maximum value of $\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^x$ is

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Options:

A. e

B. e^e

C. $e^{1/e}$

D. $\left(\frac{1}{e}\right)^{1/e}$

Answer: C

Solution:

To find the maximum value of the function $f(x) = \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^x$, we start by rewriting it in a form that is easier to differentiate:

$$f(x) = x^{-x} = e^{-x \log x}$$

Next, we differentiate $f(x)$ with respect to x :

$$f'(x) = e^{-x \log x}(-1 - \log x)$$

Simplifying the expression, we have:

$$f'(x) = -x^{-x}(1 + \log x)$$

To find the critical points for potential maxima or minima, we set $f'(x) = 0$:

$$-x^{-x}(1 + \log x) = 0$$

This implies:

$$1 + \log x = 0$$

Solving for x , we get:

$$\log x = -1 \Rightarrow x = e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e}$$

The function $f(x)$ attains a maximum value at this point. Substituting back to find the maximum value:

$$f\left(\frac{1}{e}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{1/e}\right)^{1/e} = e^{1/e}$$

Thus, the maximum value of $\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^x$ is $e^{1/e}$.

Question27

$f(x) = x^x$ has stationary point at

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Options:

A. $x = e$

B. $x = \frac{1}{e}$

C. $x = 1$

D. $x = \sqrt{e}$

Answer: B

Solution:

To find the stationary point of the function $f(x) = x^x$, we begin by expressing it in terms of the exponential function:

$$f(x) = x^x = e^{x \log x}$$

Next, we calculate the derivative of $f(x)$:

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(e^{x \log x}) = e^{x \log x} \cdot (1 + \log x)$$

For a stationary point, the derivative $f'(x)$ must be equal to zero:

$$e^{x \log x} \cdot (1 + \log x) = 0$$

Since $e^{x \log x}$ is always positive and can never be zero, this implies:

$$1 + \log x = 0$$

Solving for x , we find:

$$\log x = -1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = \frac{1}{e}$$

Therefore, the function $f(x) = x^x$ has a stationary point at $x = \frac{1}{e}$.

Question28

The function $f(x) = x^2 + 2x - 5$ is strictly increasing in the interval



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Options:

A. $(-\infty, -1)$

B. $[-1, \infty)$

C. $(-\infty, -1]$

D. $(-1, \infty)$

Answer: B

Solution:

To determine where the function $f(x) = x^2 + 2x - 5$ is strictly increasing, we first calculate the derivative of the function:

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + 2x - 5) = 2x + 2 = 2(x + 1)$$

A function is increasing where its derivative is greater than or equal to zero. Thus, we analyze the inequality:

$$f'(x) \geq 0 \Rightarrow 2(x + 1) \geq 0$$

Simplifying this inequality, we find:

$$x + 1 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \geq -1$$

Therefore, the function $f(x) = x^2 + 2x - 5$ is strictly increasing on the interval $[-1, \infty)$.

Question29

The point on the curve $y^2 = x$ where the tangent makes an angle of $\pi/4$ with X -axis is

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Options:

A. $(4, 2)$

B. $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4})$

C. $(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2})$



D. (1, 1)

Answer: C

Solution:

We have, $y^2 = x$... (i)

$$\therefore 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2y}$$

$$\therefore \text{Slope of tangent} = \frac{1}{2y} \quad \dots (ii)$$

Now, tangent makes an angle of $\pi/4$ with X -axis

$$\therefore \text{Slope of tangent} = \tan \frac{\pi}{4} = 1 \quad \dots (iii)$$

From Eqs. (ii) and (iii), we get

$$\frac{1}{2y} = 1 \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}$$

Putting, $y = \frac{1}{2}$ in Eq. (i), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 &= x \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Required point is $\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

Question30

The rate of change of volume of a sphere with respect to its surface area when the radius is 4 cm is

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Options:

A. $4 \text{ cm}^3/\text{cm}^2$

B. $6 \text{ cm}^3/\text{cm}^2$

C. $2 \text{ cm}^3/\text{cm}^2$

D. $8 \text{ cm}^3/\text{cm}^2$



Answer: C

Solution:

Let the radius of the sphere be a

$$\therefore \text{Volume, } V = \frac{4}{3}\pi a^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dV}{da} = \frac{4}{3}\pi (3a^2) = 4\pi a^2$$

Again, surface area, $s = 4\pi a^2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ds}{da} = 4\pi(2a) = 8\pi a$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{dV}{ds} &= \frac{(dV/da)}{(ds/da)} \\ &= \frac{4\pi a^2}{8\pi a} = \frac{a}{2} && [\because a = 4 \text{ cm}] \\ &= \frac{4}{2} \\ &= 2 \text{ cm}^3/\text{cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Question31

The value of c in mean value theorem for the function $f(x) = x^2$ in $[2, 4]$ is

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Options:

A. 3

B. $7/2$

C. 4

D. 2

Answer: A

Solution:

For mean value theorem

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = x^2$$

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

$$\therefore 2c = \frac{f(4)-f(2)}{4-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c = \frac{4^2-2^2}{4-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c = 4 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 3$$

