

APPLICATION OF DERIVATIVES

- 1) The slope of the tangent to the curve represented by $x = t^2 + 3t - 8$ and $y = 2t^2 - 2t - 5$ at the point $M(2, -1)$ is
 (a) $\frac{7}{6}$ (b) $\frac{2}{3}$ (c) $\frac{3}{2}$ (d) $\frac{6}{7}$ Ans: (d)
- 2) The function $f(x) = 2 \log(x-2) - x^2 + 4x + 1$ increases in the interval.
 (a) (1,2) (b) (2,3) (c) $(\frac{5}{2}, 3)$ (d) (2,4) Ans: (b) and (c)
- 3) The function $y = \tan^{-1}x - x$ decreases in the interval of
 (a) (1, ∞) (b) (-1, ∞) (c) $(-\infty, \infty)$ (d) (0, ∞) Ans: all
- 4) The value of a for which the function $f(x) = a \sin x + \frac{1}{3} \sin 3x$ has an extreme at $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$ is
 (a) 1 (b) -1 (c) 0 (d) 2 Ans: d
- 5) The co-ordinates of the point $p(x,y)$ in the first quadrant on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{y^2}{18} = 1$ so that the area of the triangle formed by the tangent at P and the co-ordinate axes is the smallest are given by
 (a) (2,3) (b) $(\sqrt{8}, 0)$ (c) $(\sqrt{18}, 0)$ (d) none of these Ans: (a)
- 6) The difference between the greatest and the least values of the function
 $f(x) = \cos x + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x - \frac{1}{3} \cos 3x$ is
 (a) $\frac{2}{3}$ (b) $\frac{8}{7}$ (c) $\frac{9}{4}$ (d) $\frac{3}{8}$ Ans: (c)
- 7) If $y = a \log|x| + bx^2 + x$ has its extreme values at $x = -1$ and $x = 2$ then
 (a) $a=2, b=-1$ (b) $a=2, b=-\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $a=-2, b=\frac{1}{2}$ (d) none of these Ans: (b)
- 8) If θ is the semivertical angle of a cone of maximum volume and given slant height, then $\tan \theta$ is given by
 (a) 2 (b) 1 (c) $\sqrt{2}$ (d) $\sqrt{3}$ Ans: (c)
- 9) If $f(x) = \frac{x}{\sin x}$ and $g(x) = \frac{x}{\tan x}$ where $0 < x \leq 1$ then in this interval
 (a) both $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are increasing
 (b) both $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are decreasing
 (c) $f(x)$ is an increasing function
 (d) $g(x)$ is an increasing function Ans: (c)
- 10) If $f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x^2 + 12x - 1 & : -1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 37 - x & : 2 < x \leq 3 \end{cases}$ then
 (a) $f(x)$ is increasing on $[-1, 2]$
 (b) $f(x)$ is continuous on $[-1, 3]$
 (c) $f'(2)$ doesn't exist
 (d) $f(x)$ has the maximum value at $x = 2$ Ans: (a),(b),(c),(d)
- 11) The function $\frac{\sin(x + \alpha)}{\sin(x + \beta)}$ has no maximum or minimum value if
 (a) $\beta - \alpha = k\pi$ (b) $\beta - \alpha \neq k\pi$ (c) $\beta - \alpha = 2k\pi$
 (d) None of these where K is an integer. Ans: (b)

- 12) If $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 + 1}$ for every real number then minimum value of f
- (a) does not exist (b) is not attained even though f is bounded
(c) is equal to 1 (d) is equal to -1 Ans: (d)
- 13) If the line $ax+by+c = 0$ is normal to the curve $xy = 1$ then
- (a) $a>0, b>0$ (b) $a>0, b<0$ (c) $a<0, b>0$ (d) $a<0, b<0$ Ans: (b),(c)
- 14) The tangent to the curve $x = a\sqrt{\cos 2\theta} \cos \theta$ $y = a\sqrt{\cos 2\theta} \sin \theta$ at the point corresponding to $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$ is
- (a) Parallel to the x-axis (b) Parallel to the y-axis
(c) Parallel to the line $y = x$ (d) none of these Ans: (a)
- 15) The minimum value of $f(x) = |3-x| + |2+x| + |5-x|$ is
- (a) 0 (b) 7 (c) 8 (d) 10 Ans: (b)
- 16) If $x = a(\theta - \sin \theta)$, $y = a(1 - \cos \theta)$ then $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ is
- (a) $\frac{1}{a}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $-\frac{1}{a}$ (d) $-\frac{1}{2a}$ Ans: (c)
- 17) If $y = \log \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ then $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is
- (a) 0 (b) $\cos x$ (c) $-\sec x$ (d) $\sec x$ Ans: (d)
- 18) 'C' on LMV for $f(x) = x^2 - 3x$ in $[0, 1]$ is
- (a) 0 (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $-\frac{1}{2}$ (d) does not exist Ans: (b)
- 19) The values of a and b for which the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} ax + 1 & x \leq 3 \\ bx + 3 & x > 3 \end{cases}$ is continuous at $x = 3$ are
- (a) $3a + 2b = 5$ (b) $3a = 2 + 3b$ (c) 3,2 (d) none of these Ans: (b)
- 20) The tangents to the curve $y = x^3 + 6$ at the points $(-1, 5)$ and $(1, 7)$ are
- (a) Perpendicular (b) parallel (c) coincident (d) none of these Ans: (b)
- 21) If $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ then the tangent is
- (a) Parallel to x-axis (b) parallel to y-axis (c) Perpendicular to x-axis
(d) perpendicular to y-axis Ans: (a)
- 22) If the slope of the tangent is zero at (x_1, y_1) then the equation of the tangent at (x_1, y_1) is
- (a) $y_1 = mx_1 + c$ (b) $y_1 = mx_1$ (c) $y - y_1$ (d) $y = 0$ Ans: (c)
- 23) The function $f(x) = -\frac{x}{2} + \sin x$ is always increasing in
- (a) $\left(\frac{-\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ (b) $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ (c) $\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ (d) $\left(\frac{-\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$ Ans: (d)
- 24) The least value of 'a' such that the function $f(x) = x^2 + ax + 1$ is strictly increasing on $(1, 2)$ is
- (a) -2 (b) 2 (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $-\frac{1}{2}$ Ans: (a)

25) The least value of $f(x) = \tan^{-1}(\sin x + \cos x)$ strictly increasing is

- (a) $\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ (b) $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ (c) 0 (d) none of these

Ans: (d)

4-6 Marks

26) Determine the points of maxima and minima of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{8} \log x - bx + cx^2 \quad \text{where } b \geq 0$$

$$\text{Ans: } f \text{ has maxima at } 2 = \frac{1}{4}(b - \sqrt{b^2 - 1}) \text{ and minima at } \beta = \frac{1}{4}(b + \sqrt{b^2 - 1})$$

27) Find the interval in which the following functions are increasing or decreasing

(a) $y = \log(x + \sqrt{1+x^2})$ (b) $y = \frac{10}{4x^3 - 9x^2 + 6x}$

$$\text{Ans: (a) increases on } (-\infty, \infty) \text{ (b) increases on } \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right) \text{ and decreases on } (-\infty, 0) \cup \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right) \cup (1, \infty)$$

28) Find the equation of normal to the curve $y = (1+x)^y + \sin^{-1}(\sin^2 x)$ at $x = 0$ Ans: $x+y=1$

29) If P_1 and P_2 are the lengths of the perpendiculars from origin on the tangent and normal to the curve $x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = a^{2/3}$ respectively Prove that $4P_1^2 + P_2^2 = a^2$

30) What angle is formed by the y-axis and the tangent to the parabola $y = x^2 + 4x - 17$ at

the point $P\left(\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{3}{4}\right)$?

$$\text{Ans: } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} 9$$

31) A cone is circumscribed about a sphere of radius r . Show that the volume of the cone is maximum

when its semi vertical angle is $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$

32) Find the interval in which the function $f(x)$ is increasing or decreasing

$$f(x) = x^3 - 12x^2 + 36x + 17$$

Ans: Increasing in $x < 2$ or $x > 6$

Decreasing $2 < x < 6$

33) Find the equation of tangent to the curve $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = \sqrt{a}$ at the point (x_1, y_1) and show that the sum of intercepts on the axes is constant.

34) Find the point on the curve $y = x^3 - 11x + 5$ at which the tangent has equation $y = x - 11$

Ans: $(2, -9)$

35) Find the equation of all lines having slope -1 and that are tangents to the curve

$$y = \frac{1}{x-1}, \quad x \neq 1$$

$$\text{Ans: } x+y+1=0; \quad x+y-3=0$$

36) Prove that the curves $y^2 = 4ax$ and $xy = c^2$ cut at right angles if $c^4 = 32a^4$

37) Find the points on the curve $y = x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x$ at which the tangent to the curve is parallel to the line $y - 2x + 3 = 0$.

Ans: $(0, 0)$ $(2, 0)$

38) Show that the semi vertical angle of a right circular cone of maximum volume and given slant height is $\tan^{-1} \sqrt{2}$

39) Show that the semi vertical angle of a right circular cone of given total surface area and maximum

$$\text{volume is } \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{3}$$

- 40) Show that the right circular cone of least curved surface area and given volume is $\sqrt{2}$ times the radius of the base.
- 41) Show that the height of a cylinder of maximum volume that can be inscribed in a sphere of radius R is $\frac{2R}{\sqrt{3}}$
- 42) Find the absolute maximum and absolute minimum value of $f(x) = 2\cos x + x \quad x \in [0, \pi]$
- Ans: max at $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$ and min at $x = \frac{5\pi}{6}$
- 43) Show that the volume of greatest cylinder which can be inscribed in a cone of height h and semi vertical angle α is $\frac{4}{27}\pi h^3 \tan^2 \alpha$
- 44) A window is in the form of a rectangle above which there is a semicircle. If the perimeter of the window is 'P' cm. Show that the window will allow the maximum possible light only when the radius of the semi circle is $\frac{P}{\pi + 4}$ cm
- 45) Find the area of the greatest isoscles triangle that can be inscribed in a given ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ with its vertex coinciding with one extremity of the major axis.
- 46) A rectangular window is surmounted by an equilateral triangle. Given that the perimeter is 16 cm. Find the width of the window so that the maximum amount of light may enter.
- 47) Show that the volume of the greatest cylinder which can be inscribed in a cone of height h and semi vertical angle 30° is $\frac{4}{81}\pi h^3$
- 48) Show that the height of the right circular cylinder of maximum volume that can be inscribed in a given right circular cone of height h is $\frac{h}{3}$.
- 49) Of all the rectangles each of which has perimeter 40 metres find one which has maximum area. Find the area also.
- 50) Show that the rectangle of maximum area that can be inscribed in a circle of radius 'r' cms is a square of side $\sqrt{2} r$
- 51) Prove that the volume of the largest cone that can be inscribed in a sphere of radius R is $\frac{8}{27}$ of the volume of the sphere.
- 52) Show that the semi vertical angle of the cone of maximum volume and of given slant height is $\tan^{-1} \sqrt{2}$
- 53) Given the sum of the perimeters of a square and a circle show that the sum of their areas is least when the side of the square is equal to the diameter of a circle.
- 54) Find the maximum slope of the curve $f(x) = 2x + 3x^2 - x^3 - 27$
- 55) Show that the height of the cone of maximum volume that can be inscribed in a sphere of radius 12 cm is 16 cm.
- 56) A point on the hypotenuse of a right angled triangle is at distances a and b from the sides. Show that the length of the hypotenuse is at least $\left(a^{\frac{2}{3}} + b^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$

- 57) Sand is pouring from a pipe at the rate of $12\text{cm}^3/\text{sec}$. The falling sand forms a cone on the ground in such a way that the height of the cone is always one-sixth of the radius of the base. How fast is the height of the sand cone in increasing when the height is 4 cm?

$$\text{Ans : } \frac{1}{48\pi} \text{ cm/sec.}$$

- 58) A man 160 cm tall walks away from a source of light situated at the top of the pole 6m high at the rate of 1.1 m/sec. How fast is the length of the shadow increasing when he is 1m away from the pole.

$$\text{Ans: } 0.4 \text{ cm/sec.}$$

- 59) An edge of a variable cube is increasing at the rate of 5 cm/sec. How fast is the volume of the cube is increasing when edge is 10cm long?

$$\text{Ans: } 1500 \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec.}$$

- 60) A balloon which always remains spherical is being inflated by pumping in gas at the rate of $900 \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$. Find the rate at which the radius of the balloon is increasing when the radius of the

balloon is 15 cm.

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{1}{\pi} \text{ cm/sec.}$$

- 61) The volume of a spherical balloon is increasing at the rate of $25 \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$. Find the rate of change of its surface area at the instant when the radius is 5 cm.

$$\text{Ans: } 10 \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec.}$$

- 62) The surface area of a spherical bubble is increasing at the rate of $2 \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$. Find the rate at which the volume of the bubble is increasing at the instant if its radius is 6 cm.

$$\text{Ans: } 80\pi \text{ cm}^2 / \text{sec.}$$

- 63) Gas is escaping from a spherical balloon at the rate of $900 \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$. How fast is the surface area, radius of the balloon shrinking when the radius of the balloon is 30cm?

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{dA}{dt} = 60\text{cm}^2 / \text{sec.} \quad \frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \text{ cm/sec.}$$

- 64) Water is passed into an inverted cone of base radius 5 cm and depth 10 cm at the rate of $\frac{3}{2} \text{ c.c./sec}$. Find the rate at which the level of water is rising when depth is 4 cm.

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{3}{8\pi} \text{ cm/sec.}$$

- 65) Show that the function $f(x) = e^{2x}$ is strictly increasing on R.

- 66) Show that $f(x) = 3x^5 + 40x^3 + 240x$ is always increasing on R.

- 67) Find the interval in which the function $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 + 4x^2 + 15$ is increasing or decreasing.

- 68) Find whether $f(x) = \cos\left(2x + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \frac{3\pi}{8} < x < \frac{5\pi}{8}$ is increasing or decreasing.

- 69) Find the interval in which the function $\frac{4 \cdot \sin x - 2x - x \cos x}{2 + \cos x}$ is increasing or decreasing.

$$\text{Ans: } \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{3\pi}{2}, 2\pi\right)$$

- 70) Find the interval in which $f(x) = 8 + 36x + 3x^2 - 2x^3$ is increasing or decreasing.

$$\text{Ans: Increasing : } 2 < x < 3 \text{ decreasing : } x > 3 \text{ or } x < -2$$

- 71) Find the interval on which the function $\frac{x}{\log x}$ is increasing or decreasing.

$$\text{Ans: Increasing in } (e, \infty)$$

$$\text{decreasing for } (0, 1) \cup (1, e)$$

72) Find the points on the curve $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$ at which the tangents are parallel to x-axis and parallel to y-axis. Ans: $(0, \pm 5), (\pm 2, 0)$

73) Find equation of tangents to the curve $x = a \cos^3 \theta, y = b \sin^3 \theta$ at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$

74) Find the equations of the normal lines to the curve $y = 4x^3 - 3x + 5$ which are parallel to the line $9y + x + 3 = 0$. Ans: $x + 9y - 55 = 0, x + 9y - 35 = 0$

75) Find the equation of tangent and normal to the curve $y^2 = \frac{x^3}{4-x}$ at $(2, -2)$
Ans: $2x + y - 2 = 0, x - 2y - 6 = 0$

76) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = a$ at the point $\left(\frac{a^2}{4}, \frac{a^2}{4}\right)$
Ans: $2x + 2y = a^2$

77) Find the angle between the parabolas $y^2 = 4ax$ and $x^2 = 4by$ at their point of intersection other than the origin.
Ans: $\theta = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{3a^{1/3} b^{1/3}}{2(a^{2/3} + b^{2/3})} \right]$

78) Using differentials find the appropriate value of $(82)^{1/4}$ Ans: 3.0092

79) If $y = x^4 - 10$ and if x changes from 2 to 1.97, what is the appropriate change in y ?
Ans: -0.96 , y changes from 6 to 5.04

80) Find the appropriate change in volume of a cube when side increases by 1%. Ans: 3%

81) Use differentials to evaluate $\left(\frac{17}{81}\right)^{1/4}$ approximately. Ans: 0.677

82) Using differentials evaluate $\tan 44^\circ$ approximately, $1^\circ = 0.07145^\circ$. Ans: 0.9651

83) Find the approximate value of x if $2x^4 - 160 = 0$ Ans: 2.991

84) Find the maximum and minimum values of 'f', if any of the function $f(x) = |x|, x \in \mathbb{R}$

85) Find the maximum and minimum value of $f(x) = |(\sin 4x + 5)|$ without using derivatives.

86) The curve $y = ax^3 + 6x^2 + bx + 5$ touches the x-axis at $P(-2, 0)$ and cuts the y-axis at a point Q where its gradient is 3. Find a, b, c.

$$\text{Ans: } a = -\frac{1}{2}, b = \frac{-3}{4}, c = 3$$

87) Find the local maxima and local minima if any of the function $f(x) = e^{5x}$

88) Find the maxima or minima if any of the function $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 2}$

$$\text{Ans: local max at } x = 0, \text{ value } \frac{1}{2}$$

89) Without using derivatives find the maximum or minimum value of $f(x) = -|x+5| + 3$

$$\text{Ans: max value } 3, \text{ no minimum value}$$

- 90) Without using derivatives find the maximum and minimum value of $f(x) = \sin 2x + 7$
 Ans: Max. value 8, min. value 6
- 91) Find whether $f(x) = e^x$ has maxima or minima. Ans: No maxima nor minima
- 92) At what point in the interval $[0, 2\pi]$ does the function $\sin 2x$ attain its maximum value?
- 93) Find the intervals in which $f(x) = \log \cos x$ is strictly decreasing and strictly increasing.
 Ans: decreasing $(0, \pi/2)$, increasing $(\pi/2, \pi)$
- 94) Find the interval in which $y = x^2 e^{-x}$ is increasing. Ans: (0, 2)
- 95) Find two positive numbers x and y such that their sum is 16 and sum of whose cubes is minimum.
 Ans: 8, 8
- 96) Find the local maximum and local minimum value of the function.
 $f(x) = \sin x + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x$ in $[0, \pi/2]$ Ans: local max. value $\frac{3}{4}$ at $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$
- 97) Two equal sides of an isosceles triangle with fixed base b are decreasing at the rate of 3cm/sec. How fast is the area decreasing when the two equal sides are equal to the base?
- 98) A poster is to contain 50cm^2 of matter with borders of 4 cm at top and bottom and of 2 cm on each side. Find the dimensions if the total area of the poster is minimum.
- 99) Find the sides of a rectangle of greatest area that can be inscribed in the ellipse $x^2 + 4y^2 = 16$
 Ans: $4\sqrt{2}, 2\sqrt{2}$
- 100) Find the maximum profit that a company can make if the profit function is given by
 $P(x) = 41 - 24x - 18x^2$ Ans: 49
