

Exercise 8

A Equation of a Curve in the form of $y = f(x)$

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Solution

Given $y = \sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{4}x^2$ (1)

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

When $x = 4$,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{2}(4)^{-\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{2}(4) \\ &= -\frac{7}{4}\end{aligned}$$

Substitute $x = 4$ into (1).

$$y = -2$$

Equation of the tangent at $(4, -2)$ is

$$\begin{aligned}y - (-2) &= -\frac{7}{4}(x - 4) \\ y &= -\frac{7}{4}x + 5\end{aligned}$$

The equation of the tangent at the point where $x = 4$ is $y = -\frac{7}{4}x + 5$.

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Solution

Given $y = 2x^2 + \ln x + 5$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 4x + \frac{1}{x}$$

At $x = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= 4 + 1 \\ &= 5\end{aligned}$$

Since the gradient tangent at $x = 1$ is 5, then the gradient of normal $= -\frac{1}{5}$.

Equation of normal at $(1, 7)$ is

$$\begin{aligned}y - 7 &= -\frac{1}{5}(x - 1) \\ y - 7 &= -\frac{1}{5}x + \frac{1}{5} \\ y &= -\frac{1}{5}x + \frac{36}{5}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a = -\frac{1}{5} \text{ and } b = \frac{36}{5}$$

Solution

(a) Given $y = \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{4x+1}\right)$ \triangleleft recall $\ln\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = \ln a - \ln b$

$$= \ln(\sqrt{x}) - \ln(4x+1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln x - \ln(4x+1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2x} - \frac{4}{4x+1} \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

When $x = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{2(1)} - \frac{4}{4(1)+1} \\ &= -\frac{3}{10} \end{aligned}$$

The gradient of the tangent to the curve at $x = 1$ is $-\frac{3}{10}$.

(b) Substitute $x = 1$ into $y = \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{4x+1}\right)$.

$$y = \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{1}}{4(1)+1}\right)$$

$$y = -\ln 5$$

Equation of the tangent at $(1, -\ln 5)$ is

$$y - (-\ln 5) = -\frac{3}{10}(x - 1)$$

$$y + \ln 5 = -\frac{3}{10}x + \frac{3}{10}$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{10}x + \frac{3}{10} - \ln 5 \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

\therefore the equation of the tangent at $P(1, -\ln 5)$ is $y = -\frac{3}{10}x + \frac{3}{10} - \ln 5$.

(c) Given that the tangent cuts the x -axis at Q , i.e. $y = 0$.

Substitute $y = 0$ into (2)

$$0 = -\frac{3}{10}x + \frac{3}{10} - \ln 5$$

$$\ln 5 - \frac{3}{10} = -\frac{3}{10}x$$

$$3 - 10 \ln 5 = 3x$$

$$\therefore x = 1 - \frac{10}{3} \ln 5$$

\therefore the coordinates of Q are $\left(1 - \frac{10}{3} \ln 5, 0\right)$.

(d) From (1): $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2x} - \frac{4}{4x+1}$
 $= \frac{-4x+1}{2x(4x+1)}$

Given that $x = k$ is the equation of a normal to the curve, then $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is undefined.

Let $x(-4x+1) = 0$

$x = \frac{1}{4}$ or $x = 0$ (Rejected since x is any real positive real number)

$\therefore k = \frac{1}{4}$

Solution

(a) Given $y = ex^{-x}$ (1)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{-x} - xe^{-x} \text{ (2)}$$

Substitute $x = 1$ into (1) and (2)

$$\therefore y = e^{-1} \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

Equation of tangent at $(1, e^{-1})$ is $y = e^{-1}$.

Substitute $x = -1$ into (1) and (2)

$$\therefore y = -e \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dx} = 2e$$

Equation of tangent at $(-1, -e)$ is

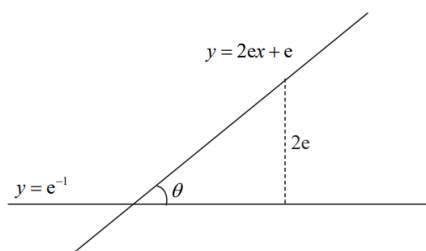
$$y - (-e) = 2e(x + 1)$$

$$y + e = 2ex + 2e$$

$$y = 2ex + e$$

Equation of tangent at $(-1, -e)$ is $y = 2ex + e$.

(b)



Let θ be the acute angle between the tangents.

$$\tan \theta = 2e$$

$$\theta = 79.6^\circ \text{ (1 dp)}$$

\therefore the required angle is 79.6° .

Exercise 8

B Tangent and Normal involving Implicit Equations

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Solution

Let $(x-1)^2 - (y+4)^2 = 16$ (1)

Differentiating (1) wrt x .

$$2(x-1) - 2(y+4)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$2(y+4)\frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x-1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x-1}{y+4}$$

At (3, 2), gradient of the tangent is $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3$.

Thus, gradient of the normal = $\frac{-1}{\frac{dy}{dx}} = -3$.

Equation of the tangent at (3, 2)

$$y - 2 = \frac{1}{3}(x - 3)$$

$$y - 2 = \frac{1}{3}x - 1$$

Equation of the tangent at (3, 2) is $y = \frac{1}{3}x + 1$.

Equation of the normal at (3, 2)

$$y - 2 = -3(x - 3)$$

$$y - 2 = -3x + 9$$

$$y = -3x + 11$$

Equation of the normal at (3, 2) is $y + 3x = 11$.

(a) Given $2x - y^2 = (x + y)^2$ (1)

Differentiating (1) implicitly with respect to x

$$2 - 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x + y) \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \text{ (2)}$$

When the tangent is parallel to the x -axis, i.e. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

$$2 - 2y(0) = 2(x + y)(1 + 0)$$

$$2 = 2(x + y)$$

$$y = 1 - x \text{ (3)}$$

Substituting (3) into (1).

$$2x - (1 - x)^2 = (x + 1 - x)^2$$

$$2x - (1 - 2x + x^2) = (1)^2$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(2)}}{2}$$

$$= 2 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

When $x = 2 - \sqrt{2}$, substituting into (2).

$$y = 1 - (2 - \sqrt{2})$$

$$= -1 + \sqrt{2}$$

When $x = 2 + \sqrt{2}$, substituting into (2).

$$y = 1 - (2 + \sqrt{2})$$

$$= -1 - \sqrt{2}$$

The equations of the tangents are $y = -1 + \sqrt{2}$ and $y = -1 - \sqrt{2}$.

(b) From (2) in (a):

$$2 - 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x + y) \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$2 - 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x + y) + 2(x + y) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$2 = 2(x + y) + 2(x + 2y) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1 - (x + y)}{x + 2y} \text{ (4)}$$

Substituting $x = 2$ and $y = -2$ into (4).

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

Tangent to C at $A(2, -2)$

$$y - (-2) = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 2)$$

$$y + 2 = -\frac{1}{2}x + 1$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x - 1 \text{ (5)}$$

Substituting $x = 0$ and $y = 0$ into (4).

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ is undefined.

\therefore gradient of the normal at the origin is 0.

Hence normal to C at the origin is $y = 0$ (6)

When the normal and the tangent intersect, solve (5) and (6) simultaneously.

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

$$x = -2$$

\therefore the coordinates of B are $(-2, 0)$.

Area of triangle OAB

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

$$= 2 \text{ units}^2$$

Solution

- (a) Let $(x + y)^2 = 4e^{xy}$ (1)

Differentiate (1) implicitly with respect to x .

$$2(x + y) \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = 4e^{xy} \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right)$$

$$2(x + y) + 2(x + y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 4xe^{xy} \frac{dy}{dx} + 4ye^{xy}$$

$$-2xe^{xy} \frac{dy}{dx} + (x + y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 2ye^{xy} - (x + y)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2ye^{xy} - y - x}{y + x - 2xe^{xy}}$$

- (b) Substitute $x = 0$ into (1)

$$(0 + y)^2 = 4e^{(0)y}$$

$$y = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad y = -2 \quad (\text{Rejected since the curve cuts the positive } y\text{-axis, i.e. } y > 0)$$

$$\therefore A(0, -2)$$

$$\text{Substitute } (0, 2) \text{ into } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2ye^{xy} - y - x}{y + x - 2xe^{xy}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{2(2) - 2}{2} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Gradient of tangent at $(0, 2)$ is 1.

Equation of the tangent at $(0, 2)$ is

$$y - 2 = 1(x - 0)$$

$$y = x + 2$$

Equation of the tangent to the curve at A is $y = x + 2$ (2)

- (c) Substitute (1) into (2).

$$(x + x + 2)^2 = 4e^{x(x+2)}$$

$$(2x + 2)^2 = 4e^{x(x+2)}$$

$$(x + 1)^2 = e^{x^2 + 2x}$$

Using G.C.,

$$x = -2 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 0 \quad (\text{reject since it is the } x\text{-coordinate of point } A)$$

Substitute $x = -2$ into (2).

$$\therefore y = 0$$

The coordinates of B are $(-2, 0)$.

Solution

(a) Given $\frac{x^2 - 4y^2}{x^2 + xy^2} = \frac{1}{2}$
 $2x^2 - 8y^2 = x^2 + xy^2 \dots\dots\dots (1)$

Differentiate (1) implicitly with respect to x .

$$4x - 16y \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x + \left(y^2 + x2y \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$2x - y^2 = \frac{dy}{dx} (2xy + 16y)$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - y^2}{2xy + 16y} \text{ (Shown) } \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

(b) Substitute $x = 1$ into (1).

$$2(1)^2 - 8y^2 = (1)^2 + (1)y^2$$

$$2 - 8y^2 = 1 + y^2$$

$$9y^2 = 1$$

$$y = \pm \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore P\left(1, -\frac{1}{3}\right) \text{ and } Q\left(1, \frac{1}{3}\right).$$

At $P\left(1, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$, substitute $x = 1$ and $y = -\frac{1}{3}$ into (2).

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{2 - \frac{1}{9}}{-\frac{2}{3} - \frac{16}{3}} \\ &= -\frac{17}{54} \end{aligned}$$

Equation of tangent at $P\left(1, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$:

$$y + \frac{1}{3} = -\frac{17}{54}(x - 1) \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

At $Q\left(1, \frac{1}{3}\right)$, Substitute $x=1$ and $y=\frac{1}{3}$ into (2).

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{2 - \frac{1}{9}}{\frac{2}{3} + \frac{16}{3}} \\ &= \frac{17}{54}\end{aligned}$$

Equation of tangent at $Q\left(1, \frac{1}{3}\right)$:

$$y - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{17}{54}(x - 1) \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

(1) + (2):

$$2y = 0$$

$$y = 0$$

Substitute $y = 0$ into (1): $\frac{1}{3} = -\frac{17}{54}(x - 1)$

$$x - 1 = -\frac{18}{17}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{17}$$

\therefore the exact coordinates of N are $\left(-\frac{1}{17}, 0\right)$.

Solution

(a) $x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 = -12$

Differentiate implicitly with respect to x :

$$2x - \left(2x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \right) + 4y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$2x - 2y = 2x \frac{dy}{dx} - 4y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$2x - 2y = \frac{dy}{dx} (2x - 4y)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - 2y}{2x - 4y}$$

$$= \frac{x - y}{x - 2y} \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

At $P(2, 4)$, substitute $x = 2$ and $y = 4$ into (1).

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{2 - 4}{2 - 8} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Gradient of tangent at $P(2, 4)$ is $\frac{1}{3}$.

$$\text{Equation of tangent at } P(2, 4) : y - 4 = \frac{1}{3}(x - 2)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{10}{3} \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Since gradient of tangent at $P(2, 4)$ is $\frac{1}{3}$. \therefore gradient of normal $= -3$

$$\text{Equation of normal at } P(2, 4) : y - 4 = -3(x - 2)$$

$$y = -3x + 10 \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

(b) When tangent meets y -axis at A , $x = 0$.

$$\text{Substitute } x = 0 \text{ into (2) : } y = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$\therefore A \left(0, \frac{10}{3} \right)$$

When normal meets x -axis at B , $y = 0$

$$\text{Substitute } y = 0 \text{ into (3) : } 3x = 10$$

$$x = \frac{10}{3}$$

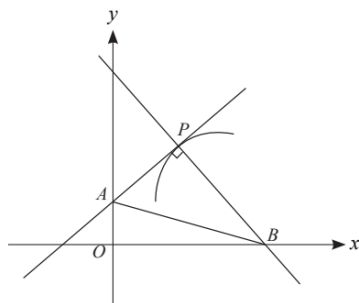
$$\therefore B \left(\frac{10}{3}, 0 \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Length of } AP &= \sqrt{(0-2)^2 + \left(\frac{10}{3}-4\right)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{40}{9}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Length of } BP &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{10}{3}-2\right)^2 + (0-4)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{160}{9}}\end{aligned}$$

Area of triangle APB

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{1}{2} \times AP \times BP \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{\frac{40}{9}} \times \sqrt{\frac{160}{9}} \\ &= \frac{40}{9} \text{ units}^2\end{aligned}$$



Exercise 8

B Tangent and Normal involving Parametric Equations

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Solution

(a) Given $x = a\theta - a \sin \theta$ (1)

and $y = a - a \cos \theta$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to θ

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = a - a \cos \theta$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to θ

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = a \sin \theta$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{d\theta} \times \frac{d\theta}{dx} \\ &= a \sin \theta \times \frac{1}{a - a \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{\sin \theta}{1 - \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}}{2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \quad \triangleleft \text{use double angle formula} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \text{ (Shown) (3)}$$

(b) Substitute $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ into (1), (2) and (3)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From (1)} \quad x &= a \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right) - a \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) a \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From (2)} \quad y &= a - a \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} a \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From (3)} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} &= \cot \frac{\pi}{6} \\ &= \sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

As the gradient at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ is $\sqrt{3}$, \therefore gradient of normal $= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

Equation of normal at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ is

$$y - \frac{1}{2}a = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left[x - \left(\frac{\pi}{3}a - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a \right) \right]$$
$$y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{\pi}{3}a - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a \right) + \frac{1}{2}a$$
$$y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{a\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

The equation of the normal to the curve at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ is $y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{a\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}$.

Solution

(a) Given $x = at^2$ (1)

and $y = 2at$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2at$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2a$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= 2a \times \frac{1}{2at} \\ &= \frac{1}{t}\end{aligned}$$

The gradient of tangent to the curve with parameter t is $\frac{1}{t}$.

\therefore the gradient of normal is $-t$.

Equation of normal to the curve at any point with parameter t is

$$y - 2at = -t(x - at^2)$$

$$\therefore y + tx = 2at + at^3 \quad (\text{Shown}) \quad \text{..... (3)}$$

(a) Substitute $t = -1$ into (3).

$$y + x(-1) = 2a(-1) + a(-1)^3$$

$$y - x = -2a - a$$

$$\therefore y = x - 3a \quad \text{..... (4)}$$

Given that the normal cuts the curve again at R ,

substitute (1) and (2) into (4)

$$2at = at^2 - 3a$$

$$\therefore t^2 - 2t - 3 = 0$$

$$t = 3 \quad \text{or} \quad -1 \quad (\text{Rejected, since it is the gradient of normal})$$

Substitute $t = 3$ into (1) and (2):

$$x = 9a \quad \text{and} \quad y = 6a$$

\therefore the coordinates of R are $(9a, 6a)$

(b) When the line and curve intersect,
substitute (1) and (2) into $yp = x + a$.

$$(2at)p = at^2 + a$$

$$at^2 - 2pat + a = 0 \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

Given that line and curve intersect cut at 2 distinct points, discriminant of (5) > 0 .

$$\text{i.e. } (-2pa)^2 - 4a(a) > 0 \quad \triangleleft \text{ use } b^2 - 4ac > 0$$

$$4p^2a^2 - 4a^2 > 0$$

$$(p+1)(p-1) > 0$$

$$\therefore p > 1 \text{ or } p < -1$$

Solution

(a) Given $x = t + \frac{1}{t}$ (1)

and $y = t - \frac{1}{t}$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 1 - \frac{1}{t^2} = \frac{t^2 - 1}{t^2}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 1 + \frac{1}{t^2} = \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^2}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^2} \times \frac{t^2}{t^2 - 1} \\ &= \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^2 - 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^2 - 1} \text{ (3)}$$

Substitute $t = p$ into (1), (2) and (3)

From (1) $x = p + \frac{1}{p}$

From (2) $y = p - \frac{1}{p}$

\therefore the coordinates of point P are $\left(p + \frac{1}{p}, p - \frac{1}{p}\right)$.

From (3) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{p^2 + 1}{p^2 - 1}$

The gradient at $t = p$ is $\frac{p^2 + 1}{p^2 - 1}$.

Equation of the tangent at P is

$$y - \left(p - \frac{1}{p}\right) = \frac{p^2 + 1}{p^2 - 1} \left(x - \left(p + \frac{1}{p}\right)\right) \quad \triangleleft \text{use } y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y - \left(\frac{p^2 - 1}{p}\right) = \frac{p^2 + 1}{p^2 - 1} \left(x - \frac{p^2 + 1}{p}\right)$$

$$p^2 - 1 \left[y - \left(\frac{p^2 - 1}{p}\right) \right] = p^2 + 1 \left(x - \frac{p^2 + 1}{p} \right) \quad \triangleleft \text{multiply } (p^2 - 1) \text{ on both sides}$$

$$(p^2 - 1)y - (p^2 - 1)^2 \left(\frac{1}{p}\right) = (p^2 + 1)x - (p^2 + 1) \left(\frac{1}{p}\right)$$

$$(p^2 + 1)x - (p^2 - 1)y = (p^2 + 1)^2 \left(\frac{1}{p}\right) - (p^2 - 1)^2 \left(\frac{1}{p}\right) \quad \triangleleft \text{factor out } \frac{1}{p}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{p}\right) [(p^2 + 1)^2 - (p^2 - 1)^2]$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{p}\right) [p^4 + 2p^2 + 1 - p^4 + 2p^2 - 1]$$

$$= \frac{1}{p} (4p^2)$$

$$= 4p$$

The equation of the tangent at P is $(p^2 + 1)x - (p^2 - 1)y = 4p$ (4) (Shown)

(b) Let the line $y = x$ (5)

Given that the tangent at P meets the line $y = x$ at the point A , solve (4) and (5) simultaneously to find point A .

Substitute (5) into (4).

$$(p^2 + 1)x - (p^2 - 1)x = 4p$$

$$2x = 4p$$

$$x = 2p$$

Substitute $x = 2p$ into (4). $\therefore y = 2p$

Point $A(2p, 2p)$

Let the line $y = x$ (6)

Given that the tangent at P meets the line $y = -x$ at the point B , solve (4) and (6) simultaneously to find point B .

Substitute (6) into (4).

$$(p^2 + 1)x - (p^2 - 1)(-x) = 4p$$

$$2p^2x = 4p$$

$$x = \frac{2}{p}$$

Substitute $x = \frac{2}{p}$ into (6). $\therefore y = -\frac{2}{p}$

$$\text{Point } B \left(\frac{2}{p}, -\frac{2}{p} \right)$$

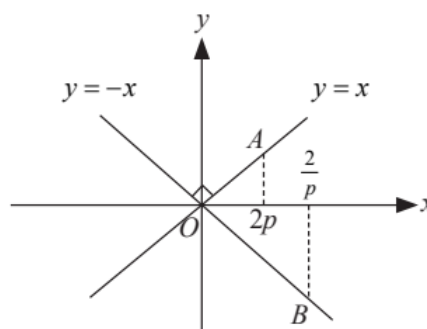
Area of $\triangle OAB$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2p & \frac{2}{p} & 0 \\ 0 & 2p & -\frac{2}{p} & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} |(0 - 4 + 0) - (0 + 4 + 0)|$$

$$= 4 \text{ units}^2 \text{ (independent of } p)$$

\therefore area of triangle OAB is independent of p . (Shown)



Alternative Method

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} |\overline{OA} \times \overline{OB}|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left| \begin{pmatrix} 2p \\ 2p \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{p} \\ -\frac{2}{p} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right|$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left| 2 \cancel{p} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \frac{2}{\cancel{p}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right| = 2 \left| \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right|$$

$$= 4 \text{ units}^2 \text{ (independent of } p)$$

$$(c) \quad x = t + \frac{1}{t} \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$y = t - \frac{1}{t} \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$(1) + (2) : x + y = 2t \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

$$(1) - (2) : x - y = \frac{2}{t} \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

$$(3) \times (4) : (x + y)(x - y) = 4$$

\therefore the cartesian equation is $x^2 - y^2 = 4$

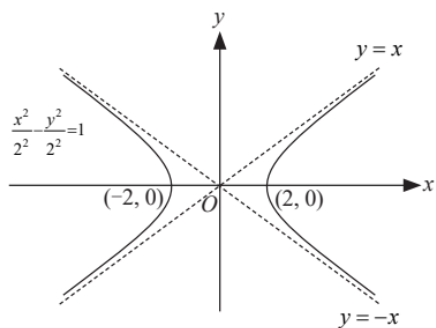
$$\text{From the cartesian equation : } \frac{x^2}{2^2} - \frac{y^2}{2^2} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The equation of asymptotes are } \frac{x^2}{2^2} - \frac{y^2}{2^2} &= 0 \\ \frac{y^2}{2^2} &= \frac{x^2}{2^2} \\ y &= \pm x \end{aligned}$$

To find x -intercept, let $y = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^2}{2^2} &= 1 \\ x &= \pm 2 \end{aligned}$$

The graph of curve C , $\frac{x^2}{2^2} - \frac{y^2}{2^2} = 1$



Solution

(a) Given $x = 2t + \frac{2}{t}$ (1)

and $y = t^2 + \frac{1}{t^2}$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2 - \frac{2}{t^2}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t - \frac{2}{t^3}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= \frac{2t^4 - 2}{t^3} \times \frac{t^2}{2t^2 - 2} \\ &= \frac{t^2 + 1}{t} \text{ (3)} \end{aligned}$$

Substitute x -coordinate of $P = -5$ into (1).

$$-5 = 2t + \frac{2}{t}$$

Using GC, $t = -2$.

Substitute $t = -2$ into (3): $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(-2)^2 + 1}{(-2)}$

$$= -\frac{5}{2}$$

The gradient of tangent to the curve at $P\left(-5, \frac{17}{4}\right)$ with $t = -2$ is $-\frac{5}{2}$.

\therefore the gradient of tangent to the curve at $P\left(-5, \frac{17}{4}\right)$ with $t = -2$ is $\frac{2}{5}$.

Equation of normal at $P\left(-5, \frac{17}{4}\right)$ with $t = -2$ is

$$\begin{aligned} y - \frac{17}{4} &= \frac{2}{5}(x - 5) \\ y &= \frac{2}{5}x + \frac{25}{4} \end{aligned}$$

The equation of the normal to the curve at the point $P\left(-5, \frac{17}{4}\right)$ is $y = \frac{2}{5}x + \frac{25}{4}$ (4)

(b) When the normal meets y -axis at Y , $x = 0$.

Substitute $x = 0$ into (4): $y = \frac{25}{4}$

$$\therefore Y\left(0, \frac{25}{4}\right)$$

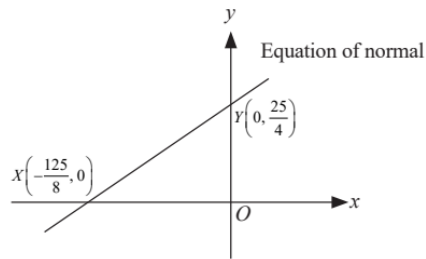
When the normal meets x -axis at X , $y = 0$

Substitute $y = 0$ into (3): $x = -\frac{125}{8}$

$$\therefore X\left(-\frac{125}{8}, 0\right)$$

Area of triangle OXY

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{25}{4} \right) \left(\frac{125}{8} \right) \\ &= \frac{3125}{64} \text{ units}^2 \end{aligned}$$



(c) Given that the normal at P cuts the curve, substitute (1) and (2) into (4).

$$t^2 + \frac{1}{t^2} = \frac{2}{5} \left(2t + \frac{2}{t} \right) + \frac{25}{4}$$

$$20t^4 - 16t^3 - 125t^2 - 16t + 20 = 0$$

Using G.C,

$$t = 2.96 \text{ or } -\frac{1}{2} \text{ (rejected } \because |t| > 1) \text{ or } 0.338 \text{ (rejected } \because |t| > 1) \text{ or } -2 \text{ (rejected, since it gives point } P)$$

$$\therefore t = 2.96$$

Solution

(a) Given $x = \frac{1}{1-t^3}$
 $= (1-t^3)^{-1}$ (1)

and $y = \frac{t}{1-t^3}$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= -(1-t^3)^{-2}(-3t^2) \\ &= \frac{3t^2}{(1-t^3)^2}\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{(1-t^3) - t(-3t^2)}{(1-t^3)^2} \\ &= \frac{1+2t^3}{(1-t^3)^2}\end{aligned}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

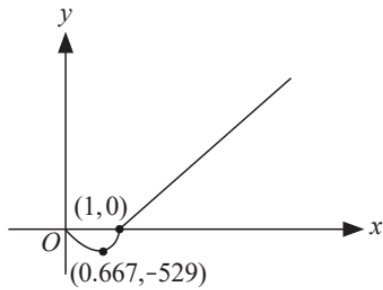
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= \frac{1+2t^3}{(1-t^3)^2} \times \frac{(1-t^3)^2}{3t^2} \\ &= \frac{1+2t^3}{3t^2} \text{ (3)}\end{aligned}$$

At stationary point of C , $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\therefore \frac{1+2t^3}{3t^2} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}t &= \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= -0.794 \text{ (3 s.f.)}\end{aligned}$$

(b) The graph of curve C



(c) When $t = -1$, substitute $t = -1$ into (1), (2) and (3).

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{2}, y = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{3}.$$

Gradient of normal = 3.

Equation of normal at $t = -1$ is

$$y - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 3\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$y + \frac{1}{2} = 3x - \frac{3}{2}$$

$$y = 3x - 2$$

\therefore the equation of the normal is $y = 3x - 2$. (Shown)

(d) Consider the line and the curve intersects.

Substitute (1) and (2) into (4).

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

$$t = 3 - 2(1-t^3) \quad \triangleleft \text{multiply } (1-t^3) \text{ both sides}$$

$$2t^3 - t + 1 = 0$$

$$(t+1)(2t^2 - 2t + 1) = 0$$

$$t = -1 \text{ (Rejected, since it is the gradient of normal)}$$

$$\text{or } 2t^2 - 2t + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Using discriminant} = (-2)^2 - 4(2)(1)$$

$$= -4 < 0 \Rightarrow \text{no real roots}$$

\therefore there are no real roots.

There is only 1 value of t satisfying the equation, i.e. there is only 1 point of intersection.

The normal does not intersect the curve again.

Solution

(a) Given $x = e^{t^2-k}$ (1)

and $y = t^3 - kt$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2te^{t^2-k}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 3t^2 - k$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= 3t^2 - k \times \frac{1}{2te^{t^2-k}} \\ &= \frac{3t^2 - k}{2te^{t^2-k}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3t^2 - k}{2te^{t^2-k}}$$

(b)(i) At $t = 1$, substitute into (1), (2) and (3)

From (1) $x = e^{1-k}$

From (2) $y = 1 - k$

From (3) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3-k}{2e^{1-k}}$ \triangleleft gradient of tangent

Equation of tangent at $t = 1$

$$y - (1 - k) = \frac{3-k}{2e^{1-k}}(x - e^{1-k}) \text{ (4)}$$

Given that this tangent intersects the y -axis at $y = -\frac{3}{2}$,

substitute the point $\left(0, -\frac{3}{2}\right)$ into (4).

$$-\frac{3}{2} - (1 - k) = \frac{3-k}{2e^{1-k}}(0 - e^{1-k})$$

$$-\frac{5}{2} + k = \frac{-3+k}{2}$$

$$-\frac{5}{2} + k = -\frac{3}{2} + \frac{k}{2}$$

$$k = 2 \text{ (Shown)}$$

(ii) When $t = 1$ and $k = 2$, substitute into (1), (2) and (3).

From (1) $x = e^{-1}$

From (2) $y = -1$

From (3) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3(1)^2 - 2}{2(1)e^{(1)^2 - 2}}$
 $= \frac{e}{2}$

Gradient of tangent is $\frac{e}{2}$. \therefore gradient of normal is $-\frac{2}{e}$.

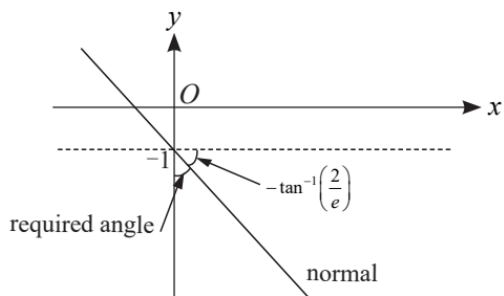
Equation of normal at $\left(-1, \frac{1}{e}\right)$ is

$$y - (-1) = -\frac{2}{e} \left(x - \left(\frac{1}{e} \right) \right)$$

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

(iii) Refer to the diagram.

The required angle $= \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{e} \right)$
 $= 0.936$



Solution

(a) Given $x = \frac{3}{t}$ (1)

and $y = 2t$ (2)

The line $y = 2x$ cuts C at the points A and B .

Substitute (1) into (2) into $y = 2x$

$$y = 2x$$

$$2t = 2\left(\frac{3}{t}\right)$$

$$t^2 = 3$$

$$t = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

When $t = \sqrt{3}$, substitute $t = \sqrt{3}$ into (1) and (2).

$$\therefore x = \sqrt{3}, y = 2\sqrt{3}$$

The point $A(\sqrt{3}, 2\sqrt{3})$

When $t = -\sqrt{3}$, substitute $t = -\sqrt{3}$ into (1) and (2).

$$x = -\sqrt{3}, y = -2\sqrt{3}$$

The point $B(-\sqrt{3}, -2\sqrt{3})$

Length of AB

$$= \sqrt{(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3})^2 + (2\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3})^2} \quad \triangleleft \text{distance formula} = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{15} \text{ units}$$

The exact length of AB is $2\sqrt{15}$ units

(b) Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{3}{t^2}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= 2 \times \left(-\frac{t^2}{3} \right) \\ &= -\frac{2}{3}t^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2}{3}t^2 \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

At the point $P\left(\frac{3}{p}, 2p\right)$, $t = 1$.

Substitute $t = 1$ into (3).

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{2}{3}(1)^2 \\ &= -\frac{2}{3}\end{aligned}$$

Tangent at point $P\left(\frac{3}{p}, 2p\right)$ is

$$\begin{aligned}y - 2p &= -\frac{2}{3}p^2\left(x - \frac{3}{p}\right) \\ y &= -\frac{2}{3}p^2x + \frac{2p^2 \times 3}{3p} + 2p \\ y &= -\frac{2}{3}p^2x + 4p \dots\dots\dots (4)\end{aligned}$$

When the tangent meets the x -axis at D , i.e. $y = 0$.

Substitute $y = 0$ into (4).

At point D ,

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= -\frac{2}{3}p^2x + 4p \\ \frac{2}{3}p^2x &= 4p \\ x &= \frac{6}{p}\end{aligned}$$

The point $D\left(\frac{6}{p}, 0\right)$.

When the tangent meets the y -axis at E , i.e. $x = 0$.

Substitute $x = 0$ into (4).

At point E ,

$$\begin{aligned}y &= -\frac{2}{3}p^2(0) + 4p \\ y &= 4p\end{aligned}$$

The point $E(0, 4p)$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Midpoint of } DE &= \left(\frac{\frac{6}{p} + 0}{2}, \frac{4p + 0}{2} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{p}, 2p \right)\end{aligned}$$

\therefore the coordinates of F is $\left(\frac{3}{p}, 2p \right)$.

From the coordinates of F ,

$$\text{let } x = \frac{3}{p} \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

$$y = 2p$$

$$\frac{y}{2} = p \dots\dots\dots (6)$$

Substitute (6) into (5): $xy = 6$

The cartesian equation of the curve is $xy = 6$.

Solution

(a) Given $x = \cos^3 t$ (1)

and $y = \sin^3 t$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -3\cos^2 t \sin t$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 3\sin^2 t \cos t$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= 3\sin^2 t \cos t \times \frac{1}{-3\cos^2 t \sin t} \\ &= \frac{3\sin^2 t \cos t}{-3\cos^2 t \sin t} \\ &= -\tan t\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\tan t$$

As $t \rightarrow 0$, the tangent tends towards being parallel to the x - axis. (or tangent becomes horizontal line)

As $t \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$, the tangent tends towards being parallel to the y - axis. (or tangent becomes vertical line)

(b) To obtain the end-point of the curve,

Substitute $t = -\frac{\pi}{2}$ into (1) and (2). $x = 0$, $y = -1$.

Substitute $t = \pi$ into (1) and (2). $x = -1$, $y = 0$.

To find x -intercept, substitute $y = 0$ into (2). $\therefore t = 0, \pi$.

Substitute $t = 0$ into (1) and (2). $x = 1$, $y = 0$.

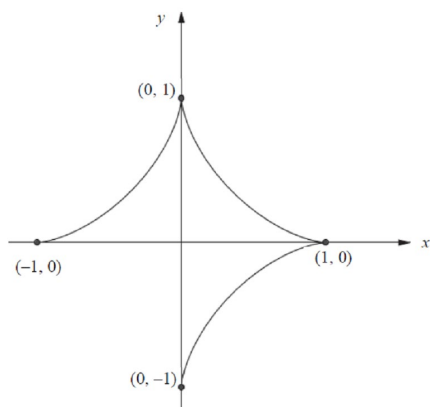
Substitute $t = \pi$ into (1) and (2). $x = -1$, $y = 0$.

To find y -intercept, substitute $x = 0$ into (1). $\therefore t = \frac{\pi}{2}, -\frac{\pi}{2}$.

Substitute $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$ into (1) and (2). $x = 0$, $y = 1$.

Substitute $t = -\frac{\pi}{2}$ into (1) and (2). $x = 0$, $y = -1$.

The curve for $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq t \leq \pi$



(c) Equation of tangent at the point P is

$$y - \sin^3 p = -\tan p(x - \cos^3 p) \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

The tangent at P meets the y -axis at R , i.e. when $x = 0$.

Substitute $x = 0$ into (3)

$$y = \sin^3 p + \tan p \cos^3 p$$

$$y = \sin^3 p + \sin p \cos^2 p$$

$$y = \sin p(\sin^2 p + \cos^2 p)$$

$$= \sin p$$

Coordinates of R is $(0, \sin p)$.

The tangent at P meets the x -axis at Q , i.e. when $y = 0$.

Substitute $y = 0$ into (3)

$$0 - \sin^3 p = -\tan p(x - \cos^3 p)$$

$$x = \frac{\sin^3 p}{\tan p} + \cos^3 p$$

$$x = \cos p \sin^2 p + \cos^3 p$$

$$x = \cos p(\sin^2 p + \cos^2 p)$$

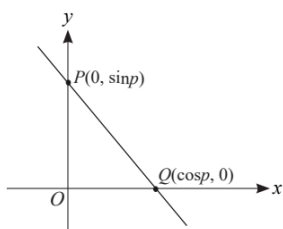
$$= \cos p$$

Coordinates of Q is $(\cos p, 0)$.

Area of triangle OQR

$$= \frac{1}{2}(\cos p)(\sin p) = \frac{1}{4} \sin 2p$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{1}{4}.$$



Solution

(a) Given $x = 2e^t$ (1)

and $y = t^3 - t$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2e^t$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 3t^2 - 1$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= 3t^2 - 1 \times \frac{1}{2e^t} \\ &= \frac{3t^2 - 1}{2e^t}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3t^2 - 1}{2e^t}. \therefore \text{gradient of normal} = -\frac{2e^t}{3t^2 - 1}$$

For normals to be parallel to y -axis, i.e. $3t^2 - 1 = 0$

$$t = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ or } \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Substitute $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ into (1). $\therefore x = 2e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}$

Substitute $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ into (1). $\therefore x = 2e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}$

$$\therefore \text{Equations of normals parallel to the } y\text{-axis are } x = 2e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}} \text{ and } x = 2e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}.$$

(b) To obtain the end-point of the curve,

Substitute $t = -1$ into (1) and (2). $x = 2e^{-1}$, $y = 0$.

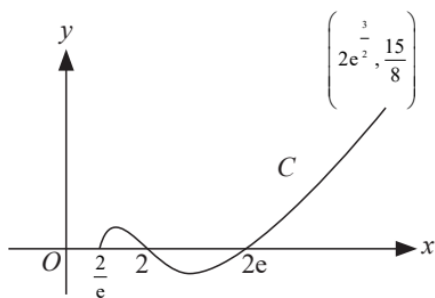
Substitute $t = \frac{3}{2}$ into (1) and (2). $x = 2e^{\frac{3}{2}}$, $y = \frac{15}{8}$.

To find x -intercept, substitute $y = 0$ into (2). $\therefore t = -1, 1$.

Substitute $t = -1$ into (1). $x = 2e^{-1}$, $y = 0$.

Substitute $t = 1$ into (1). $x = 2e^2$, $y = 0$.

The curve for C , where $-1 \leq t \leq \frac{3}{2}$



(c) At the point $(2e^a, a^3 - a)$, when $t = a$.

Substitute $t = a$ into $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3t^2 - 1}{2e^t}$.

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3a^2 - 1}{2e^a}$$

Equation of the tangent at $t = a$ is

$$y - (a^3 - a) = \frac{3a^2 - 1}{2e^a}(x - 2e^a) \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Given that the tangent cuts the y -axis at $y = 1$, i.e. at the coordinates $(0, 1)$

Substitute $x = 0$ and $y = 1$ into (3)

$$1 - (a^3 - a) = \frac{3a^2 - 1}{2e^a}(0 - 2e^a)$$

$$a(a^2 - 3a - 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore a = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad a = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad a = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} \quad (\text{rejected as } -1 \leq t \leq \frac{3}{2})$$

Exercise 8

D Stationary Points

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Solution

(a) Given $f(x) = e^x \cos x$, $0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ (1)

$$f'(x) = e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x$$

At the stationary point, $f'(x) = 0$.

$$\text{i.e. } e^x (\cos x - \sin x) = 0$$

$$\cos x - \sin x = 0 \quad (\text{since } e^x > 0 \text{ for all } x)$$

$$\sin x = \cos x$$

$$\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = 1$$

$$\tan x = 1$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \left(\text{since } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

Substitute $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= e^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} e^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

\therefore the stationary point of $f(x)$ is $\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} e^{\frac{\pi}{4}}\right)$.

Method 1 (Second Derivative Test)

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x) &= e^x \cos x - e^x \sin x - e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x \\ &= -2e^x \sin x \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{When } x = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= -2e^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &= -\sqrt{2} e^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

$$e^{\frac{\pi}{4}} > 0 \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= -\sqrt{2} e^{\frac{\pi}{4}} < 0$$

\therefore the stationary point $\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} e^{\frac{\pi}{4}}\right)$ is a maximum point.

Method 2 (First Derivative Test)

x	0.77	$\frac{1}{4}\pi (\approx 0.785)$	0.79
$f(x)$	$0.0470 > 0$	0	$-0.0143 < -$
Slope	/	—	\

As seen from the table above, stationary point $\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}e^{\frac{\pi}{4}}\right)$ is a maximum point.

Learning point:

To find nature of stationary point using either second derivative test or first derivative test.

(b) Given $x = 4t^2$ (1)

and $y = \frac{2t}{t^2 + a}$ (2)

Differentiating (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 8t$$

Differentiating (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{-2t^2 + 2a}{(t^2 + a)^2}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= \frac{-2t^2 + 2a}{(t^2 + a)^2} \times \frac{1}{8t} \\ &= \frac{a - t^2}{4t(t^2 + a)^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{a - t^2}{4t(t^2 + a)^2}$$

At the stationary point, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

$$\frac{a - t^2}{4t(t^2 + a)^2} = 0$$

$$a - t^2 = 0$$

$$t = \sqrt{a} \quad \text{or} \quad t = -\sqrt{a}$$

Substitute $t = \sqrt{a}$ into (1) and (2)

$$x = 4a \text{ and } y = \frac{\sqrt{a}}{a}$$

Substitute $t = -\sqrt{a}$ into (1) and (2)

$$x = 4a \text{ and } y = -\frac{\sqrt{a}}{a}$$

\therefore the stationary points are $\left(4a, \frac{\sqrt{a}}{a}\right)$ and $\left(4a, -\frac{\sqrt{a}}{a}\right)$.

Use First Derivative Test to determine the nature of the stationary points.

At stationary point $\left(4a, \frac{\sqrt{a}}{a}\right)$, where $t = \sqrt{a}$

t	$t = (\sqrt{a})^-$	$t = (\sqrt{a})$	$t = (\sqrt{a})^+$
x	$x = (4a)^-$	$x = (4a)$	$x = (4a)^+$
sign $\frac{dy}{dx}$	positive	zero	negative

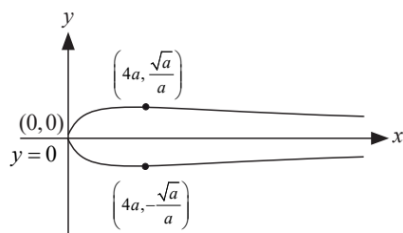
As seen from the table above, stationary point $\left(4a, \frac{\sqrt{a}}{a}\right)$ is a maximum.

t	$t = (-\sqrt{a})^-$	$t = (-\sqrt{a})$	$t = (-\sqrt{a})^+$
x	$x = (4a)^-$	$x = (4a)$	$x = (4a)^+$
sign $\frac{dy}{dx}$	negative	zero	positive

As seen from the table above, stationary point $\left(4a, -\frac{\sqrt{a}}{a}\right)$ is a minimum.

Learning point:

The graph of the parametric equations $x = 4t^2$, $y = \frac{2t}{t^2 + a}$ is shown below.



Solution

Given $\frac{x^2 - 4y^2}{x^2 + xy^2 + 100} = \frac{1}{2}$ (1)

$$2x^2 - 8y^2 = x^2 + xy^2 + 100$$

Differentiate implicitly with respect to x :

$$x^2 - 8y^2 = xy^2 + 100$$

$$2x - 16y \frac{dy}{dx} = 2xy \frac{dy}{dx} + y^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - y^2}{2xy + 16y}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - y^2}{2xy + 16y} \quad (\text{shown})$$

Let $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

$$\therefore \frac{2x - y^2}{2xy + 16y} = 0$$

$$2x = y^2 \quad \text{..... (2)}$$

Substitute (2) into (1)

$$\therefore \frac{x^2 - 8x}{x^2 + 2x^2 + 100} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2x^2 - 16x = 3x^2 + 100$$

$$x^2 + 16x + 100 = 0$$

$$(x + 8)^2 + 36 = 0$$

For all real values of x , $(x + 8)^2 \geq 0$

Since $(x + 8)^2 + 36 > 0$, \therefore there is no value of x .

Hence, there is no stationary point.

Alternative Method (Using discriminant)

Since $16^2 - 4(1)(100) = -144 < 0$, there is no real roots.

\therefore there is no stationary point when $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Solution

(a) Given $x - y = (x + y)^2$ (1)

Differentiate (1) implicitly with respect x :

$$1 - \frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x + y) \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$1 - \frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x + y) + 2(x + y) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$1 - 2(x + y) = 2(x + y) \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$1 - 2x - 2y = \frac{dy}{dx} (1 + 2x + 2y)$$

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

$$1 + \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + \frac{1 - 2x - 2y}{1 + 2x + 2y} \quad \triangleleft \text{add 1 on both sides}$$

$$= \frac{1 + 2x + 2y + 1 - 2x - 2y}{1 + 2x + 2y}$$

$$1 + \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{1 + 2x + 2y} \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

(b) From (a)

$$1 + \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{2x + 2y + 1}$$

Differentiate (2) implicitly with respect x :

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{(2x + 2y + 1)(0) - (2) \left(2 + 2 \frac{dy}{dx} \right)}{(2x + 2y + 1)^2} \quad \triangleleft \text{use quotient rule}$$

$$= - \frac{4 \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)}{(2x + 2y + 1)^2}$$

$$= - \frac{4}{(2x + 2y + 1)^2} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$= - \left(\frac{2}{2x + 2y + 1} \right)^2 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$= - \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$= - \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^3$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = - \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^3 \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

(c) At the turning point, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

Substitute $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ into (3)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= -(1+0)^3 \\ &= -1 < 0\end{aligned}$$

\therefore By 2nd derivative test, the turning point is a maximum.

Solution

(a) Given $y = 3x^4 + 6x^2 - 24x + k$ (1)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 12x^3 + 12x - 24$$

At stationary point, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

i.e. $12(x^3 + x - 2) = 0$

$\therefore 12(x-1)(x^2 + x + 2) = 0$

$x = 1$ or $(x^2 + x + 2) = 0$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{5}{4} > 0 \text{ for real values of } x$$

$(x^2 + x + 2)$ has no solution.

Hence C has only one stationary point.

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 36x^2 + 12$$

When $x = 2$, $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$.

Thus the point when $x = 1$ is a minimum point.

(b) Given that the stationary point of curve C touches the x -axis, i.e. $y = 0$.

\therefore the stationary point is $(1, 0)$.

Substitute $x = 1$ and $y = 0$ into (1)

$$0 = 3(1)^4 + 6(1)^2 - 24(1) + k$$

$$0 = 3 + 6 - 24 + k$$

$$k = 15$$

$\therefore k = 15$

Solution

Given $y = ax^2 - 2bx + c$ (1) ($a > 0$)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2ax - 2b$$
 (2)

(a) For turning point, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

i.e. $2ax - 2b = 0$

So, $x = \frac{b}{a}$ (3)

Substitute (2) into (1)

$$y = a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2 - 2b\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) + c$$

$$y = c - \frac{b^2}{a}$$
 (4)

\therefore the stationary point is $\left(\frac{b}{a}, c - \frac{b^2}{a}\right)$.

Since $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2a > 0$,

$\therefore \left(\frac{b}{a}, c - \frac{b^2}{a}\right)$ is a minimum turning point.

(b) Given that $\left(\frac{b}{a}, c - \frac{b^2}{a}\right)$ lies on the line $y = x$,

Substitute the point $\left(\frac{b}{a}, c - \frac{b^2}{a}\right)$ into the line $y = x$.

$$\therefore \frac{b}{a} = c - \frac{b^2}{a}$$

$$c = \frac{1}{a}(b^2 + b)$$
 (5)

(c) From (5) $c = \frac{1}{a}(b^2 + b)$ \triangleleft complete the square

$$= \frac{1}{a}\left[\left(b + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4}\right]$$

For all real values of b , $\left(b + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2$ is positive.

$$\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{4} \geq 0$$

$\therefore c \geq -\frac{1}{4a}$ whatever the value of b . (Shown)

(d) Substitute the point $(0, 6)$ into (1).

$$6 = a(0)^2 - 2b(0) + c$$

$$c = 6$$

Given that $(2, 2)$ is a turning point, i.e. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ when $x = 2$.

Substitute $x = 2$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ into (2)

From (2)

$$0 = 2a(2) - 2b$$

$$\therefore b = 2a \text{ (6)}$$

Substitute $(2, 2)$, $c = 6$ and (6) into (4):

$$\text{From (4)} \quad 2 = 6 - \frac{(2a)^2}{a}$$

$$2 = 6 - 4a$$

$$a = 1$$

Substitute $a = 1$ into (6).

$$\therefore b = 2$$

$$\therefore a = 1, b = 2 \text{ and } c = 6.$$

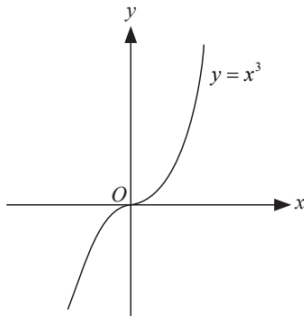
Exercise 8

Graphical Interpretation of a Function

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Solution

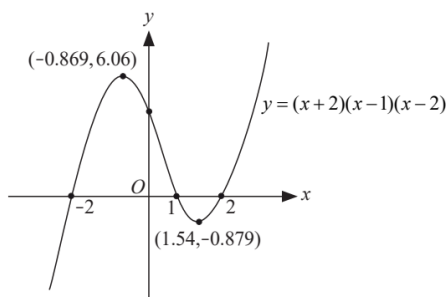
(a) The graph of $y = x^3$



From the graph, the stationary point is $(0, 0)$.

- (i) The curve is strictly increasing when $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$.
- (ii) No applicable
- (iii) The curve is concave upward when $x > 0$.
- (iv) The curve is concave downward when $x < 0$.

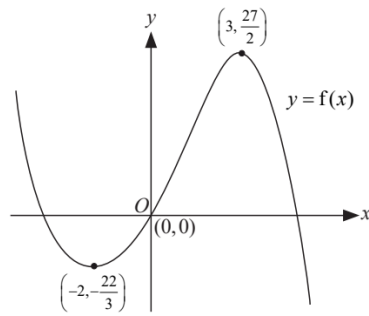
(b) The graph of $y = (x+2)(x-1)(x-2)$



From the graph, the stationary points are $(1.54, -0.879)$ and $(-0.879, 6.06)$.

- (i) The curve is strictly increasing when the range of x is $x < -0.869$ or $x > 1.54$.
- (ii) The curve is strictly decreasing when the range of x is $-0.869 < x < 1.54$.
- (iii) The curve is concave upward when $x > \frac{1}{3}$.
- (iv) The curve is concave downward when $x < \frac{1}{3}$.

(c) The graph of $f(x) = 6x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x^3$



From the graph, the stationary points are $\left(-2, -\frac{22}{3}\right)$ and $\left(3, \frac{27}{2}\right)$.

Given $f(x) = 6x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x^3$

$$f'(x) = 6 + x - x^2$$

$$f''(x) = 1 - 2x$$

(i) For f is strictly increasing, $f'(x) > 0$.

i.e. $6 + x - x^2 > 0$

$$x^2 - x - 6 < 0$$

$$(x+2)(x-3) < 0$$

$$\therefore -2 < x < 3$$

(ii) For f is strictly decreasing, $f'(x) < 0$.

i.e. $6 + x - x^2 < 0$

$$x^2 - x - 6 > 0$$

$$(x+2)(x-3) > 0$$

$$\therefore x < -2 \text{ or } x > 3$$

(iii) For f is concave upward, $f''(x) > 0$.

i.e. $1 - 2x > 0$

$$2x - 1 < 0$$

$$x < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore x < \frac{1}{2}$$

(iv) For f is concave downward, $f''(x) < 0$.

i.e. $1 - 2x < 0$

$$2x - 1 > 0$$

$$x > \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore x > \frac{1}{2}$$

Solution

(a) $f'(x) = x^2 - 2x + 3$
 $= (x-1)^2 + 2$

For all real values of x , $f'(x) > 0$.

\therefore there is no stationary point.

For $f(x)$ is increasing, the range of values of x is $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

For $f(x)$ is decreasing, there is no solution of x .

(b) $f'(x) = (x+1)(x-2)(x-3)$

For stationary point of $f(x)$, i.e. $f'(x) = 0$

$$\therefore (x+1)(x-2)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x = -1, 2, 3$$

The x -coordinates of the stationary points are 1, 2 and 3.

For $f(x)$ is increasing, $f'(x) \geq 0$

$$\text{i.e. } (x+1)(x-2)(x-3) \geq 0$$

$$x \geq 3 \quad \text{or} \quad -1 \leq x \leq 2$$

$$\therefore x \geq 3 \quad \text{or} \quad -1 \leq x \leq 2$$

For the function $f(x)$ is decreasing, $f'(x) \leq 0$.

$$\text{i.e. } (x+1)(x-2)(x-3) \leq 0$$

$$x \leq -1 \quad \text{or} \quad 2 \leq x \leq 3$$

$$\therefore x \leq -1 \quad \text{or} \quad 2 \leq x \leq 3$$

Solution

(a) Given $y + \ln y = e^x$ (1)

Differentiate (1) with respect to x

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{\frac{dy}{dx}}{y} = e^x \text{ (2)}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to x

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}y - \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2}{y^2} = e^x$$

$$y^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}y - \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = y^2 e^x$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(y^2 + y) = y^2 e^x + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 \text{ (3) (Shown)}$$

(b) From (3): $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}(y^2 + y) = y^2 e^x + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{y^2 e^x + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2}{y^2 + y}$$

From (1): $y + \ln y = e^x$

Since $\ln y$ is defined, so $y > 0$. Hence $y^2 > 0$.

$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 > 0$ since the order of derivative is even.

For all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $e^x > 0$

$$\therefore \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{y^2 e^x + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2}{y^2 + y} > 0$$

The curve is concave upwards for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Solution

- (a) Given that $f(x) = \frac{x+a}{x^2-1}$ (1)

Differentiate (1) with respect to x

$$f'(x) = \frac{(x^2-1) - (x+a)(2x)}{(x^2-1)^2} \quad \triangleleft \text{use quotient rule}$$

$$= \frac{-1-2ax-x^2}{(x^2-1)^2}$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = \frac{-1-2ax-x^2}{(x^2-1)^2}$$

- (b) For f is strictly decreasing, $f'(x) < 0$.

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{-1-2ax-x^2}{(x^2-1)^2} < 0$$

For $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \neq \pm 1$, $(x^2-1)^2 > 0$.

$$\therefore -1-2ax-x^2 < 0$$

$$x^2 + 2ax + 1 > 0$$

$$(x+a)^2 + 1 - a^2 > 0 \quad \triangleleft \text{completing the square}$$

For all real values of x , $(x+a)^2$ is always positive.

$$\text{Thus } 1 - a^2 > 0$$

$$a^2 - 1 < 0$$

$$(a-1)(a+1) < 0$$

$$\therefore -1 < a < 1 \quad (\text{Shown})$$

Alternative Method (Using discriminant)

$$(2a)^2 - 4(1)(1) < 0$$

$$4a^2 - 4 < 0$$

$$a^2 - 1 < 0$$

$$(a-1)(a+1) < 0$$

$$\therefore -1 < a < 1$$

Solution

$$y = \frac{3x^2 + 12x + \lambda}{2(x+2)} \quad \triangleleft \text{use long division}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2}(x+2) + \frac{\lambda-12}{2(x+2)}$$

Differentiate y with respect to x

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{\lambda-12}{2(x+2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{3(x+2)^2 - (\lambda-12)}{2(x+2)^2}$$

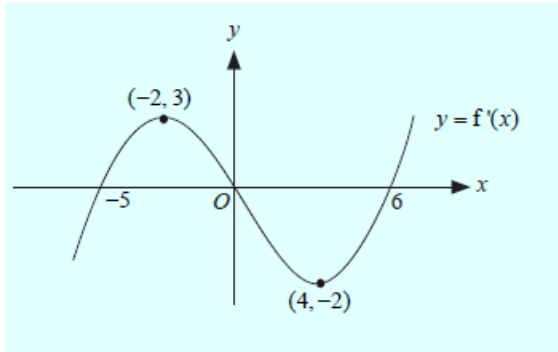
For the graph of C is strictly increasing, $\frac{dy}{dx} > 0$.

$$\text{i.e.} \quad \frac{3(x+2)^2 - (\lambda-12)}{2(x+2)^2} > 0$$

$(x+2)^2$ is always positive for all real values of x , $x \neq -2$

$$\text{Thus} \quad \begin{aligned} -(\lambda-12) &> 0 \\ \lambda &< 12 \end{aligned}$$

The range of values of λ is $\lambda < 12$.

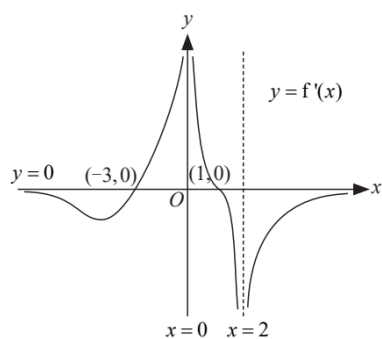


- (a) The x -coordinates of the stationary points are $x = -5, 0, 6$.
- (b) For $y = f(x)$ is decreasing, $f'(x) < 0$.
Refer to the diagram. It occurs when the graph $y = f'(x)$ lies below the x -axis.
 $\therefore x < -5$ or $0 < x < 6$
- (c) For the graph $y = f(x)$ is concave upwards, $f'(x)$ is increasing, i.e. $f''(x) > 0$.
Refer to the diagram. It occurs when the gradient of the graph $y = f'(x)$ is positive.
 $\therefore x < -2$ or $x > 4$

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Solution

The graph of $y = f'(x)$



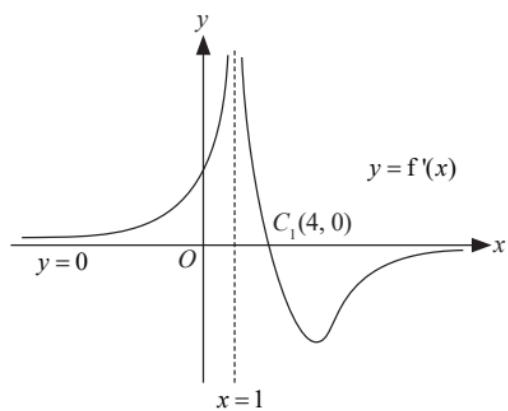
Learning point:

All (3) asymptotes must be labelled, and intersections with axes written in coordinate form as instructed by the question.

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Solution

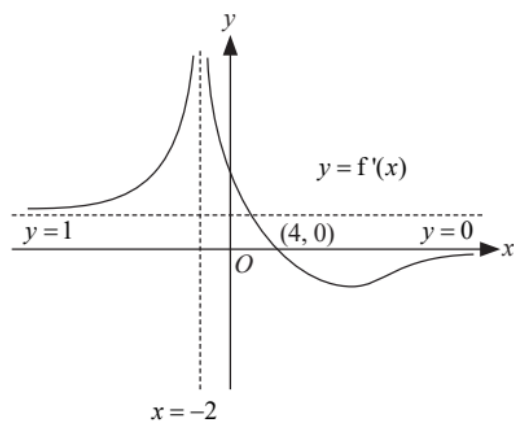
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Solution

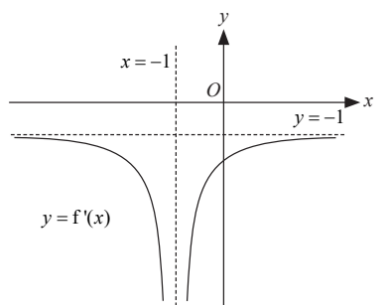
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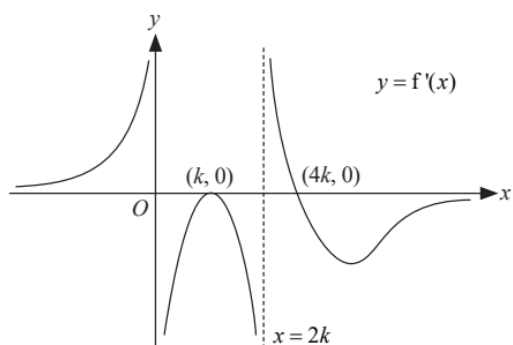
Solution

The graph of $y = f'(x)$



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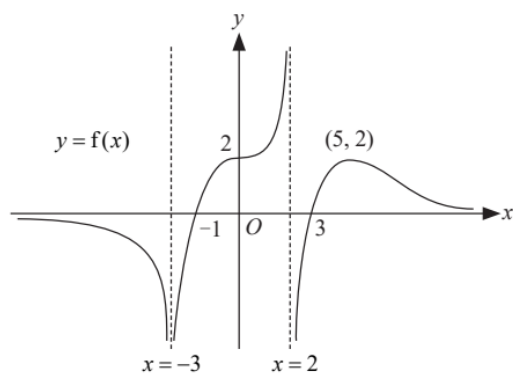
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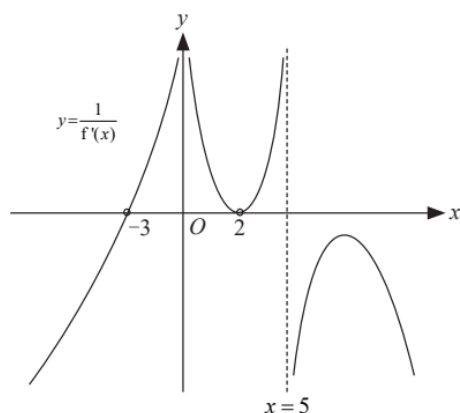
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Solution

(a) The graph of $y = f(x)$



(b) The graph of $y = \frac{1}{f'(x)}$



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Solution

- (a) The coordinates $(3, -3)$ is a maximum point.
The coordinates $(0, -1)$ is a minimum point.

Learning point:

Refer to the graph $y = f'(x)$.

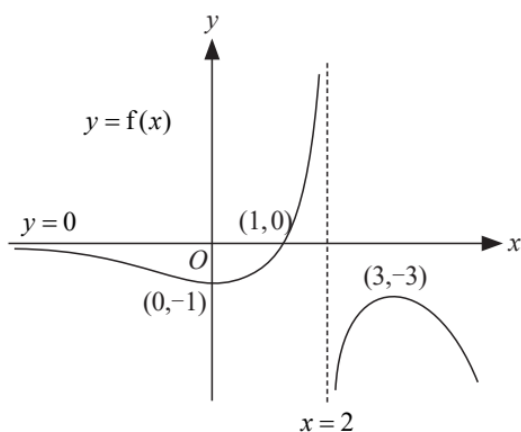
The curve passes through the point $(0, -1)$ from below x -axis to above x -axis. Therefore the point $(0, -1)$ is a minimum point.

The curve passes through the point $(3, -3)$ from above x -axis to below x -axis. Therefore the point $(3, -3)$ is a maximum point.

- (b)(i) The range of values of x where f is decreasing is $x \leq 0$ or $x \geq 3$.

- (b)(ii) The range of values of x where f is concave upwards is $-1 \leq x < 2$.

- (c) The graph of $f(x)$



Exercise 8

F Mixed Practice

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Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad y &= \frac{4x+9}{x+2} \\ &= \frac{4(x+2)+1}{x+2} \\ &= 4 + \frac{1}{x+2} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{1}{(x+2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{1}{(x+2)^2} > 0, \text{ for all real values of } x, x \neq -2.$$

Thus, gradient of C is negative for all points on C .

$$\text{(b)} \quad y = 4 + \frac{1}{x+2}$$

Equations of the asymptotes of C are $x = -2$ and $y = 4$.

$$\text{(c)} \quad y = 4 + \frac{1}{x+2} \xrightarrow{\text{Replace } x \text{ by } (x-2)} y = 4 + \frac{1}{(x-2)+2} = 4 + \frac{1}{x}$$

Translate the graph C 2 units in the positive x direction

$$y = 4 + \frac{1}{x} \xrightarrow{\text{Replace } y \text{ by } (y+4)} y + 4 = 4 + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{x}$$

Translate the resultant graph 4 units in the negative y direction

Solution

$$(a)(i) \quad y = 2x^{-1} - 3x^{-2}$$

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

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

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

For C is decreasing, $\frac{dy}{dx} < 0$.

$$\frac{-2x + 6}{x^3} < 0$$

$$\frac{2x - 6}{x^3} > 0$$

$$x < 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x > 3$$

\therefore the set of values of x is $\{x \in \mathbb{R}, x < 0 \text{ or } x > 3\}$

$$(a)(i) \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -2x^{-2} + 6x^{-3}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 4x^{-3} - 18x^{-4}$$

$$= \frac{4}{x^3} - \frac{18}{x^4}$$

$$= \frac{4x - 18}{x^4}$$

For C concave upwards, $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$.

$$\frac{4x - 18}{x^4} > 0$$

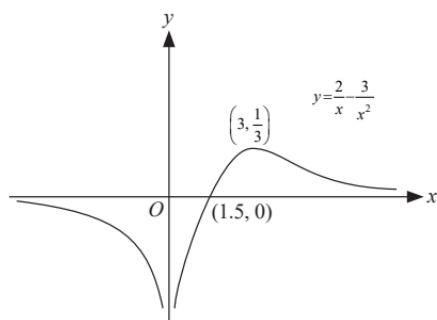
For all real values of x , $x \neq 0$, $x^4 > 0$

$$4x - 18 > 0$$

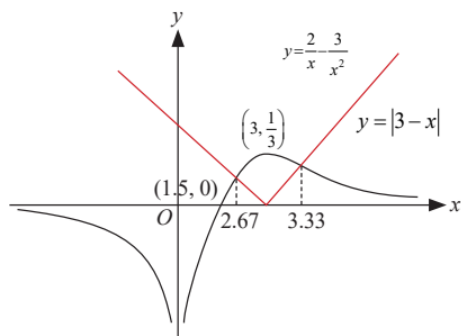
$$4x > 18$$

$$x > \frac{9}{2}$$

(b) The graph of C of equation $y = \frac{2}{x} - \frac{3}{x^2}$



(c) Add the graph $y = |3 - x|$



Use GC to find the points of intersection between $\frac{2x-3}{x^2}$ and $|3-x|$.

$\therefore x = 3.33$ and 2.67 .

For $\frac{2x-3}{x^2} < |3-x|$, the required inequalities are $x > 3.33$ or $x < 2.67, x \neq 0$

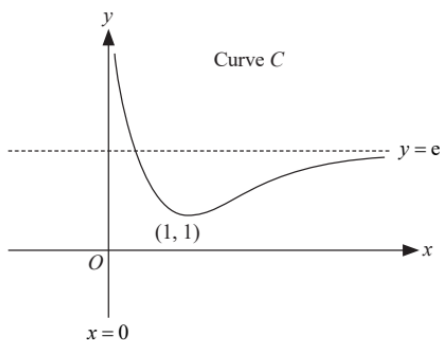
Learning point:

To solve $\frac{2x-3}{x^2} < |3-x|$ graphically. Refer to the diagram and look out the range of values of x such that line $y = |3-x|$ is above the graph $y = \frac{2x-3}{x^2}$.

Solution

(a) As $t \rightarrow -1$, $x \rightarrow \infty$, $y \rightarrow e^{(-1)^2} = e$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, $y \rightarrow \infty$, $x \rightarrow 0$



(b) Given $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t+1}}$
 $= (t+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ (1)

and $y = e^{t^2}$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{(t+1)^3}}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

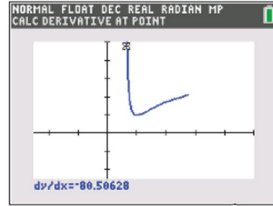
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2te^{t^2}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= (2te^{t^2}) \times \left(-2\sqrt{(t+1)^3} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -4te^{t^2} \sqrt{(t+1)^3} \quad (\text{Shown})$$

(c) Use GC, the gradient of tangent at $t = \frac{5}{4}$ is -80.50628



\therefore Gradient of normal at $t = \frac{5}{4}$

$$= -\frac{1}{\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{t=\frac{5}{4}}}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{(-80.50628)}$$

$$= 0.012421$$

Substitute $t = \frac{5}{4}$ into (1) and (2).

$$\text{From (1): } x = \left(\frac{5}{4} + 1 \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{From (2): } y = e^{\left(\frac{5}{4} \right)^2} = e^{\frac{25}{16}}$$

\therefore the point at $t = \frac{5}{4}$ is $\left(\frac{2}{3}, e^{\frac{25}{16}} \right)$.

Equation of the normal at $t = \frac{5}{4}$ (or at the point $\left(\frac{2}{3}, e^{\frac{25}{16}} \right)$)

$$y - e^{\frac{25}{16}} = 0.012421 \left(x - \frac{2}{3} \right) \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

The normal at $t = \frac{5}{4}$ meets the y -axis at the point P , i.e. $y = 0$.

Substitute $y = 0$ into (3)

$$y - e^{\frac{25}{16}} = 0.012421 \left(0 - \frac{2}{3} \right)$$

$$y = 4.76245$$

The coordinates P are $(0, 4.76245)$.

Given that the point Q on the curve C has a parameter q ,

i.e. $t = q$.

Substitute $t = q$ into (1) and (2).

$$\text{From (1): } x = (q + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

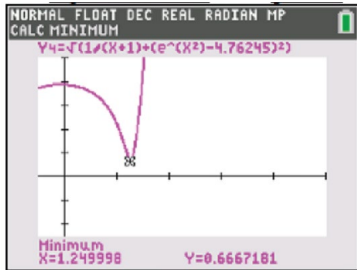
$$\text{From (2): } y = e^{(q)^2} = e^{q^2}$$

\therefore the coordinates Q are $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{q+1}}, e^{q^2} \right)$.

Method 1 (Using Graphical)

Length PQ

$$= \sqrt{\left(0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{q+1}}\right)^2 + (e^{q^2} - 4.76245)^2} \quad \text{< using distance formulae } = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$$



From the graph, minimum PQ occurs when $q = 1.25$.

\therefore the minimum $PQ = 0.667$ units.

Method 2

For PQ to be a minimum, gradient of the line $PQ = 0$.

$$\therefore \frac{e^{q^2} - 4.7625}{0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{q+1}}} = 0 \quad \text{< using gradient formulae } = \frac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2}$$

Using GC, $q = 1.25$

Thus Minimum PQ

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1.2493+1}}\right)^2 + \left(e^{\frac{25}{16}} - 4.76245\right)^2}$$

$$= 0.667$$

\therefore value of q is 1.25. The minimum length PQ is 0.667.

Solution

(a) Given $x = \sin t - \cos t$ (1)

and $y = \ln\left(\frac{t}{\pi}\right)$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \cos t + \sin t$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{1}{t}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= \frac{1}{t} \times \frac{1}{(\cos t + \sin t)} \\ &= \frac{1}{t(\cos t + \sin t)} \text{ (3)} \end{aligned}$$

The curve crosses the y -axis at the point P , i.e. $x = 0$.

Substitute $x = 0$ into (1).

From (1) $\sin t - \cos t = 0$

$$\sin t = \cos t$$

$$\tan t = 1$$

$$t = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Substitute $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$ into (3).

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{4} \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \right)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{4} \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \right)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

Gradient of tangent at $P = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi}$

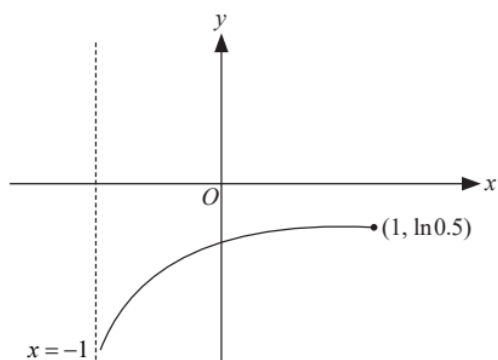
(b) As $t \rightarrow 0$, $y = \ln\left(\frac{t}{\pi}\right) \rightarrow -\infty$

$$x = \sin t - \cos t \rightarrow \sin 0 - \cos 0 = -1$$

$$\therefore x \rightarrow -1, y \rightarrow -\infty$$

The vertical asymptote is $x = -1$.

(c) The graph of curve C



(d) Refer to the graph in (c).

For the graph to be strictly increasing, the range of x is $-1 < x < 1$

Solution

(a)(i) Given $x = e^{3t}$ (1)

and $y = t^2$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 3e^{3t}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= 2t \times \frac{1}{3e^{3t}} \\ &= \frac{2t}{3e^{3t}} \text{ (3)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2t}{3e^{3t}}$$

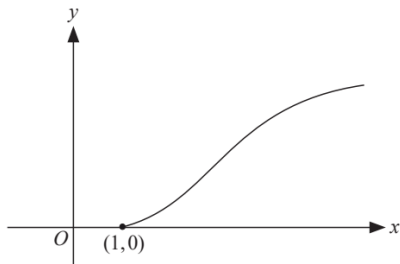
When $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$,

$$\therefore \frac{2t}{3e^{3t}} = 0$$

$$t = 0$$

$$\therefore t = 0$$

(a)(ii) The curve C



(b)(i) $x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 = k$ (1)

Differentiate (1) with respect to x .

$$2x - 2\left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y\right) + 4y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y - x}{2y - x}$$

(b)(ii) For tangents which are parallel to the line $y = x$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$.

$$\frac{y - x}{2y - x} = 1$$

$$y - x = 2y - x$$

$$y = 0$$

Substitute $y = 0$ into (1)

$$x^2 - 2x(0) + 2(0)^2 = k$$

$$x^2 = k$$

Given that there are 2 tangents parallel to the line $y = x$, \therefore the equation $x^2 = k$ is defined.

$$\therefore k > 0$$

(b)(iii) For tangents which are parallel to the y -axis, $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is undefined.

$$2y - x = 0$$

$$x = 2y$$

Substitute $x = 2y$ and $k = 4$ into (1)

$$2(y)^2 - 2(2y)y + 2y^2 = 4$$

$$y = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

Substitute $y = \pm\sqrt{2}$ into $x = 2y$

$$\therefore x = \pm 2\sqrt{2}$$

The coordinates are $(-2\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2})$ and $(2\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2})$.

Solution

- (a) Given $x^2 - xy + y^3 = 16$ (1)

Differentiate (1) with respect to x

$$2x - \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right) + 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$2x - x \frac{dy}{dx} - y + 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$(3y^2 - x) \frac{dy}{dx} - y + 2x = 0 \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

- (b) Differentiate (2) with respect to x

$$(3y^2 - x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} \left(6y \frac{dy}{dx} - 1 \right) - \frac{dy}{dx} + 2 = 0$$

$$(3y^2 - x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + (6y) \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 - \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{dy}{dx} + 2 = 0$$

$$(3y^2 - x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 6y \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2 = 0 \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

- (c) Given that C intersects the positive x -axis at the point N .

Substitute $y = 0$ into (1)

$$x^2 - x(0) + (0)^3 = 16$$

$$x^2 = 16$$

$$x = 4 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -4 \quad (\text{rejected since } x > 0)$$

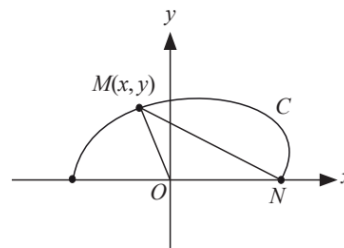
The coordinates N are $N(4, 0)$

Area of $\triangle OMN$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} (ON)(\text{perpendicular distance from } M \text{ to } x\text{-axis})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (4)(y)$$

$$= 2y \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (4)$$



- (d) Differentiate (3) with respect to x

$$\frac{dA}{dx} = 2 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

For stationary value of A , $\frac{dA}{dx} = 0$

$$\text{i.e. } 2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

From (1): $(3y^2 - x) \frac{dy}{dx} - y + 2x = 0$

$$(3y^2 - x) \frac{dy}{dx} = y - 2x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y - 2x}{3y^2 - x} \dots\dots\dots (6)$$

At stationary, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

From (6) $\frac{2(y - 2x)}{3y^2 - x} = 0$

$$2(y - 2x) = 0$$

$$y = 2x \dots\dots\dots (7)$$

Substitute (7) into (1)

$$x^2 - x(2x) + (2x)^3 = 16$$

$$8x^3 - x^2 - 16 = 0$$

From GC, $x = 1.302996$

\therefore the value of x for which A has a stationary value is 1.30

To find the nature of the stationary point, refer to (3)

$$2 + (3y^2 - x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 6y \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

At stationary, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

$$\therefore 2 + (3y^2 - x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 6y(0)^2 - 2(0) = 0$$

$$(3y^2 - x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -2$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{2}{3y^2 - x} \dots\dots\dots (8)$$

Substitute (7) into (8)

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{2}{3(2x)^2 - x}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{12x^2 - x}$$

When $x = 1.30$

$$= -\frac{2}{12x^2 - x}$$

$$= -0.105 < 0$$

$\therefore A$ is a maximum

Solution

- (a) (i) 1. Reflect graph about the x - axis
 2. Scale graph parallel to the y - axis by factor of $(6 + a)$
 3. Translate graph along / in the negative y - direction by 2 units

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \frac{2x+a}{3-x} \\
 &= -\frac{2x+a}{x-3} \quad \triangleleft \text{use long division} \\
 &= -2 - \frac{6+a}{x-3} \\
 &= -2 - (6+a)(x-3)^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= (6+a)(x-3)^{-2} \\
 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= -2(6+a)(x-3)^{-3} \\
 &= -\frac{2(6+a)}{(x-3)^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

For the graph is concave upwards, $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$.

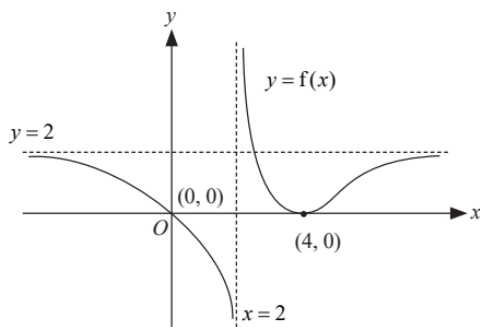
$$\text{i.e. } -\frac{2(6+a)}{(x-3)^3} > 0$$

Given $a < -6$, $\therefore 6+a < 0$

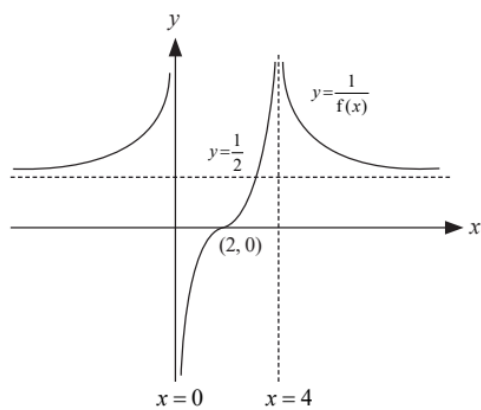
Hence, $(x-3)^3 > 0$
 $x > 3$

The range of values of x where the graph of $y = \frac{2x+a}{3-x}$ is concave upwards is $x > 3$.

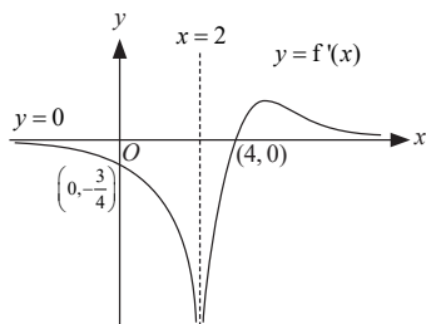
(b)(i) The graph of $y = f(x)$



(b)(ii) The graph of $y = \frac{1}{f(x)}$



(b)(iii) The graph of $y = f'(x)$



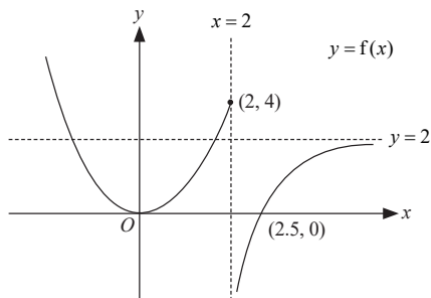
Solution

- (a) Scale parallel to x -axis by a factor of $\frac{1}{2}$.

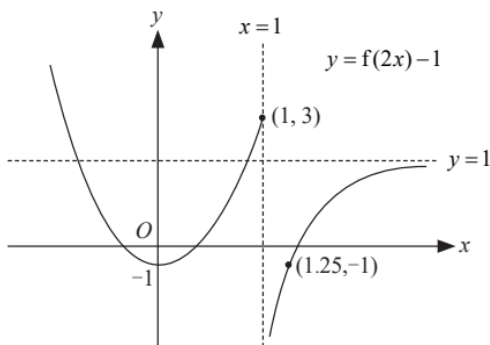
Translate 1 unit in the negative y -direction.

(OR in reverse sequence)

- (b) The graph of $y = f(x)$



The graph of $y = f(2x) - 1$



- (c) (Any of the following 2 reasons)

For the graph of $y = f'(x)$,

1. there should be a horizontal asymptote $y = 0$ instead of $y = 2$.
2. it should end at $(2, 4)$ for the segment for which $x \leq 2$ since $\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=2} = 2(2) = 4$.
3. the segment for which $x \leq 2$ should be a straight line (with equation $y = 2x$).

Exercise 8

G Higher Order Questions

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Solution

Given $y = \frac{\lg x}{x}$ \triangleleft use change base law

$$= \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{\ln x}{\ln 10} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\ln 10} \left(\frac{\ln x}{x} \right)$$

Differentiate both sides with respect to x

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\ln 10} \left[\frac{x \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) - \ln x}{x^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\ln 10} \left[\frac{1 - \ln x}{x^2} \right]$$

For stationary points, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

i.e. $\frac{1}{\ln 10} \left[\frac{1 - \ln x}{x^2} \right] = 0$

$$1 - \ln x = 0$$

$$x = e$$

Given that the stationary point of the curve is a maximum

\therefore the maximum point at $x = e$

Since $x = e$ gives the only maximum point,

$$y|_{x=e} > y|_{x=\pi}$$

$$\frac{\lg e}{e} > \frac{\lg \pi}{\pi}$$

$$\pi \lg e > e \lg \pi$$

$$\lg e^\pi > \lg \pi^e$$

$\therefore e^\pi > \pi^e$ (Deduced)

Solution

Given $x^2 + 3y^2 + 2xy = 3 - k$ (1)

Differentiate (1) with respect to x

$$2x + 6y \frac{dy}{dx} + 2x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 0 \text{ (2)}$$

For tangent parallel to x -axis, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

From (2): $2x + 0 + 0 + 2y = 0$ \hookleftarrow substitute $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ into (2)

$$\therefore y = -x \text{ (3)}$$

Putting (3) into (1)

$$x^2 + 3(-x)^2 + 2x(-x) = 3 - k$$

$$2x^2 = 3 - k$$

There is no real solution for x when $\frac{3-k}{2} < 0$.

Hence, $\frac{3-k}{2} < 0$

$$3 - k < 0$$

$$3 < k$$

$\therefore C$ does not have any stationary points if $k > 3$.

Solution

- (a) Given $kxe^y + ke^x = y^2 + k^2$

Differentiating with respect to x

$$ke^y + kxe^y \frac{dy}{dx} + ke^x = 2y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(2y - kxe^y) = ke^x + ke^y$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{ke^x + ke^y}{2y - kxe^y}$$

- (a) When the tangent to the curve to be parallel to the x - axis, gradient is 0.

i.e. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\therefore ke^x + ke^y = 0$$

For all real values of x, y , $e^x > 0$, $e^y > 0$

Hence, $ke^x + ke^y > 0$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} \neq 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

There is no point where the tangent is parallel to the x - axis.

Solution

(a) Given $x = \ln(\cos 2\theta)$ (1)

and $y = \ln(\sin 2\theta)$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to θ

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{d\theta} &= \frac{-2 \sin 2\theta}{\cos 2\theta} \\ &= -2 \tan 2\theta\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to θ

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{d\theta} &= \frac{2 \cos 2\theta}{\sin 2\theta} \\ &= \frac{2}{\tan 2\theta}\end{aligned}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{d\theta} \times \frac{d\theta}{dx} \\ &= \frac{2}{\tan 2\theta} \times \left(\frac{1}{-2 \tan 2\theta} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{\tan^2 2\theta} \text{ (3)}\end{aligned}$$

Given $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$0 < 2\theta < \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \triangleleft \text{multiply 2 all sides}$$

$$\therefore \tan 2\theta > 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{\tan^2 2\theta} < 0$$

Hence gradient of C is always negative for all points on C .

(b) When $\theta \rightarrow 0$, $\tan^2 2\theta \rightarrow 0$.

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{\tan^2 2\theta} \rightarrow -\infty.$$

Hence tangent is parallel to y -axis (or $x = 0$).

When $\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}$, $\tan^2 2\theta \rightarrow \infty$.

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{\tan^2 2\theta} \rightarrow 0.$$

Hence tangent is parallel to x -axis (or $y = 0$).

(c) Given $\theta = \frac{\pi}{8}$, substitute $\theta = \frac{\pi}{8}$ into (1), (2) and (3).

$$\begin{aligned}\text{From (1): } x &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &= -\ln\sqrt{2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}\ln 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{From (2): } y &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}\ln 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{From (3): } \frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{1}{\tan^2 \frac{\pi}{4}} \\ &= -1\end{aligned}$$

Equation of tangent at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{8}$

$$\begin{aligned}y - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\ln 2\right) &= -\left[x - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\ln 2\right)\right] \quad \triangleleft \text{ using } y - y_1 = m(x - x_1) \\ y + \frac{1}{2}\ln 2 &= -x - \frac{1}{2}\ln 2\end{aligned}$$

Hence $y + x + \ln 2 = 0$ (Shown) (3)

(c) Substitute (1) and (2) into (3)

$$\ln(\sin 2\theta) + \ln(\cos 2\theta) + \ln 2 = 0$$

$$\ln(2 \sin 2\theta \cos 2\theta) = 0$$

$$\ln(\sin 4\theta) = 0$$

$$\sin 4\theta = e^0$$

$$\therefore 4\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{8} \quad \text{where } 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Since there is only 1 value of θ , the tangent meets C only once at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{8}$.

\therefore the tangent will not meet C again.

Solution

(a) Given $x = 1 - \frac{t}{\sqrt{1-4t^2}}$ (1)

and $y = \sin^{-1} 2t$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= \frac{(1-4t^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} - t \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) (1-4t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (-8t)}{(1-4t^2)} \\ &= \frac{(1-4t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} [(1-4t^2) + 4t^2]}{(1-4t^2)} \\ &= (1-4t^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}}\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-4t^2}}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-4t^2}} \times \frac{1}{(1-4t^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}}} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-4t^2}} \times (1-4t^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \\ &= 2(1-4t^2) \quad \text{(Shown) (3)}\end{aligned}$$

Given $-\frac{1}{2} < t < \frac{1}{2}$,

$$\therefore t^2 < \frac{1}{4}$$

$$4t^2 < 1$$

i.e. $1-4t^2 > 0$

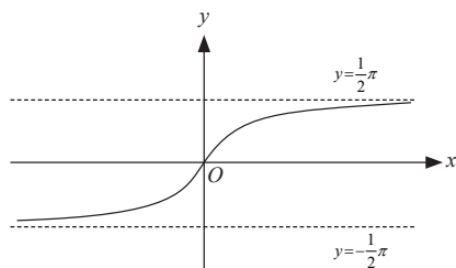
$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2(1-4t^2)$ is always positive, for $-\frac{1}{2} < t < \frac{1}{2}$

Thus gradient is positive for all points on the curve.

(b) As $x \rightarrow \pm\infty, t \rightarrow \pm\frac{1}{2}, \therefore y \rightarrow \pm\frac{\pi}{2}$

The curve approaches $y = \pm\frac{\pi}{2}$.

The curve C



(c) Given that at point A , the parameter $t = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$.

Substitute $t = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$ into (1), (2) and (3).

From (1):
$$x = \frac{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}}{\sqrt{1-4\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

From (2):
$$y = \sin^{-1} 2\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

From (3):
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2\left(1-4\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2\right) = 1$$

Equation of tangent l :

$$y - \frac{\pi}{4} = 2\left(1-4\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$y = x - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4} \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

(c) Substitute (1) and (2) into (3)

$$\sin^{-1} 2t = \frac{t}{\sqrt{1-4t^2}} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4}$$

From GC, $t = 0.35355$ or $t = -0.47564$

Now, $t = 0.35355$ corresponds to point A , therefore the tangent will cut curve C again. (Shown)

Substitute $t = -0.47564$ into (1) and (2)

$$\text{From (1) } x = \frac{-0.47564}{\sqrt{1-4(-0.47564)^2}} = -1.54278,$$

$$\text{From (2) } y = \sin^{-1} 2(-0.47564) = -1.25737$$

Coordinates of B are $(-1.54, -1.26)$.

Solution

(a) Given $x = \frac{k}{t}$, $y = t^2 + t$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $k > 0$

As $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$, $t \rightarrow 0$, $y \rightarrow 0$.

$\therefore y = 0$ is a horizontal asymptote.

As $x \rightarrow 0$, $t \rightarrow \pm\infty$, $y \rightarrow \infty$.

$\therefore x = 0$ is a vertical asymptote.

Learning point:

An asymptote is a line which the graph tends towards at the extreme ends. Thus to explain whether a line is an asymptote, we will need to check the extreme ends (i.e. $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ & $y \rightarrow \infty$.)

(b) Given $x = \frac{k}{t}$ (1)

and $y = t^2 + t$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{k}{t^2}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t + 1$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{2t+1}{-\frac{k}{t^2}} \\ &= -\frac{1}{k}t^2(2t+1) \end{aligned}$$

Given that there is one minimum point, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

i.e. $-\frac{1}{k}t^2(2t+1) = 0$

$$2t+1 = 0 \quad \text{where } t \neq 0$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{k}{-\frac{1}{2}} = -2t, y = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

Coordinates of minimum point at $t = -\frac{1}{2}$: $\left(-2k, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$

(c) When the graph C cuts x -axis, $y = 0$.

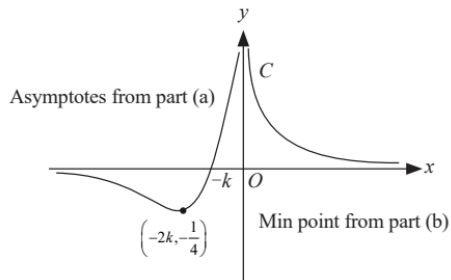
From (1), let $t(t+1) = 0$

$$t = -1 \quad (\because t \neq 0)$$

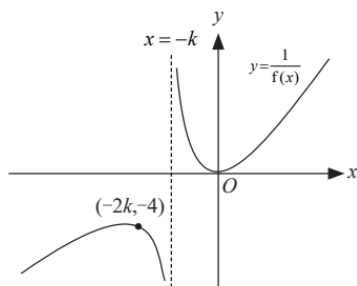
Substitute $t = -1$ into (2)

$$\therefore x = -k$$

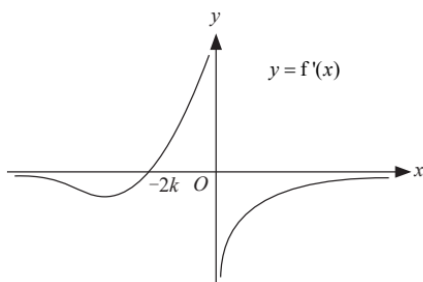
The coordinates are $(-k, 0)$



(d) The graph of $y = \frac{1}{f(x)}$



(e) The graph of $y = f'(x)$



Solution

(a) Given $x = 3 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta$ (1)

and $y = \cos^3 \theta$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to θ

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{d\theta} &= 3 \sin \theta (-2 \cos \theta \sin \theta) + 3 \cos^2 \theta \cos \theta \\ &= 3 \cos^3 \theta - 6 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to θ

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{d\theta} &= 3 \cos^2 \theta (-\sin \theta) \\ &= -3 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta\end{aligned}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = \frac{-3 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta}{3 \cos^3 \theta - 6 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{2 \sin^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta} \quad (\text{Shown})\end{aligned}$$

(b) Given that tangent to the curve is parallel to the line $y = 2x + 3$,

i.e. $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2$

$$\frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{2 \sin^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta} = 2$$

$$\sin \theta \cos \theta = 2(2 \sin^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta)$$

$$4 \sin^2 \theta - 2 \cos^2 \theta - \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0$$

Using GC, $\theta = 0.70, 2.61$

(c) Equation of normal at $(3 \sin a \cos^2 a, \cos^3 a)$ is

$$y - \cos^3 a = -\frac{2 \sin^2 a - \cos^2 a}{\sin a \cos a} (x - 3 \sin a \cos^2 a) \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Given that the normals to the curve C at A and B intersect at the origin, i.e. $x = 0$ and $y = 0$.

Substitute $x = 0$ and $y = 0$ into (3)

$$0 - \cos^3 \theta = -\frac{2 \sin^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} (0 - 3 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta)$$

$$-\cos^3 \theta = -\frac{2 \sin^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} (-3 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta)$$

$$\cos^2 \theta = 3 \cos^2 \theta - 6 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$6 \sin^2 \theta = 2 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} = \frac{2}{6}$$

$$\tan^2 \theta = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\tan \theta = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

Since $a < b$,

$$a = \frac{\pi}{6}, b = \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

Solution

(a) Given $y = (x - y)^2$

Differentiate both sides with respect to x

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2(x - y) \left(1 - \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

Differentiate both sides with respect to x

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 2 \left(1 - \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \left(1 - \frac{dy}{dx} \right) + 2(x - y) \left(-\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 2 \left(1 - \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\frac{dy}{dx}}{1 - \frac{dy}{dx}} \right) \left(-\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right)$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 2 \left(1 - \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^3$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 2 \left(1 - \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^3 \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

(b) If C has a stationary point of inflexion, then both $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 0$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

Subst $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = 0$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ into (1).

$$\text{LHS} = 0$$

$$\text{RHS} = 2(1 - 0)^3 = 2$$

Since $\text{LHS} \neq \text{RHS}$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, C cannot have any stationary points of inflexion.

Solution

(a) If the distance AB is the least, the line segment AB is perpendicular to l .

(b) Given $B(b, 2\sqrt{b})$ and $A(a, 2a+1)$

$$\text{Gradient of } BA = \frac{2\sqrt{b} - 2a - 1}{b - a}$$

From the equation of the line l , gradient of l is 2.

From (a), the line segment AB is perpendicular to l .

$$\therefore \frac{2\sqrt{b} - 2a - 1}{b - a} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$4\sqrt{b} - 4a - 2 = a - b \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

$$a = \frac{1}{5}(b + 4\sqrt{b} - 2) \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

(c) Length AB

$$= \sqrt{(2\sqrt{b} - 2a - 1)^2 + (b - a)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(2\sqrt{b} - 2a - 1)^2 + (4\sqrt{b} - 4a - 2)^2} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } b - a = 4\sqrt{b} - 4a - 2, \text{ refer to (1)}$$

$$= \sqrt{(2\sqrt{b} - 2a - 1)^2 + 2^2(\sqrt{b} - a - 1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{5(2\sqrt{b} - 2a - 1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{5\left(2\sqrt{b} - \frac{2}{5}(b + 4\sqrt{b} - 2) - 1\right)^2} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } a = \frac{1}{5}(b + 4\sqrt{b} - 2), \text{ refer to (2)}$$

$$\therefore (AB)^2 = 5\left(\frac{2}{5}\sqrt{b} - \frac{2}{5}b - \frac{1}{5}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{5}(2\sqrt{b} - 2b - 1)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{5}(2b - 2\sqrt{b} + 1)^2 \quad (\text{Deduced}), \text{ where } m = \frac{1}{5} \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Differentiate (3) both sides with respect to b

$$2AB \frac{dAB}{db} = \frac{2}{5}(2b - 2\sqrt{b} + 1) \left(2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} \right)$$

When $\frac{dAB}{db} = 0$,

$$\frac{2}{5}(2b - 2\sqrt{b} + 1) \left(2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} \right) = 0$$

Since $(-2)^2 - 4(2)(1) < 0$, $(2b - 2\sqrt{b} + 1) = 0$ has no real solution.

Consider $(2b - 2\sqrt{b} + 1) = 0$

$$2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} = 0$$

$$b = \frac{1}{4}$$

Substitute $b = \frac{1}{4}$ into $B(b, 2\sqrt{b})$

\therefore the coordinates of the point on C that is nearest to $l = \left(\frac{1}{4}, 1 \right)$.

(c) Alternative Method I

$$(AB)^2 = \frac{1}{5}(2b - 2\sqrt{b} + 1)^2$$

$$= \frac{4}{5} \left(b - \sqrt{b} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{4}{5} \left(\left(\sqrt{b} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{4}{5} \left(\left(\sqrt{b} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{4} \right)^2$$

Since $\left(\sqrt{b} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \geq 0$ for all real b , $(AB)^2$ is the least when $\sqrt{b} = \frac{1}{2}$, that is, $b = \frac{1}{4}$.

Hence the point on C nearest to l is $(b, 2\sqrt{b}) = \left(\frac{1}{4}, 1 \right)$

Alternative Method II

When $(AB)^2$ is the least, tangent to C at B is parallel to l , i.e. gradient of tangent to $C = 2$

$$y^2 = 4x$$

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 4$$

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

At $(b, 2\sqrt{b})$, substitute $y = 2\sqrt{b}$ into $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{y}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{2}{2\sqrt{b}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} \end{aligned}$$

Given gradient of tangent to $C = 2$

$$2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}}$$

$$b = \frac{1}{4}$$

\therefore the coordinates on C nearest to l is $\left(\frac{1}{4}, 1\right)$

Solution

(a) Given $x = \tan \theta$ (1)

and $y = \sec \theta$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to θ

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = \sec^2 \theta$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to θ

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = \sec \theta \tan \theta$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = \frac{\sec \theta \tan \theta}{\sec^2 \theta} \\ &= \frac{\tan \theta}{\sec \theta} \\ &= \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

\therefore the gradient function is $\sin \theta$

(b) Equation of tangent at $P(\tan \theta, \sec \theta)$ is

$$y - \sec \theta = \sin \theta (x - \tan \theta) \text{ (3)}$$

The tangent at $P(\tan \theta, \sec \theta)$ meets the x -axis at Q .

Substitute $y = 0$ into (3)

$$0 - \sec \theta = \sin \theta (x - \tan \theta).$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} - \frac{1}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{\sin^2 \theta - 1}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} \\ &= -\frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} \\ x &= -\cot \theta \end{aligned}$$

Tangent at P intersects x -axis at $Q(-\cos \theta, 0)$

$$\text{Gradient of normal at } P = -\frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

Equation of normal at $P(\tan \theta, \sec \theta)$ is

$$y - \sec \theta = -\frac{1}{\sin \theta} (x - \tan \theta)$$

The normal at $P(\tan \theta, \sec \theta)$ meets the x -axis at R

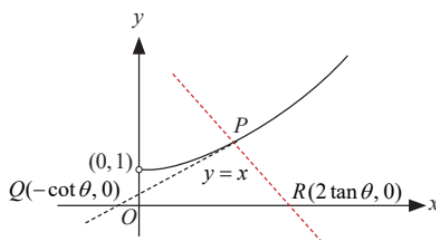
Substitute $y = 0$ into (3)

$$\begin{aligned} 0 - \sec \theta &= \frac{-1}{\sin \theta} (x - \tan \theta) \\ x &= \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \tan \theta \\ &= 2 \tan \theta \end{aligned}$$

Normal at P intersects x -axis at $R(2 \tan \theta, 0)$

Triangle PQR is a right-angled triangle in circle, so QR is a diameter.

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \pi \left(\frac{QR}{2} \right)^2 \\ &= \pi \left(\frac{2 \tan \theta - (-\cot \theta)}{2} \right)^2 \\ &= \pi \left(\tan \theta + \frac{1/\tan \theta}{2} \right)^2 \\ A &= \pi \left(\tan \theta + \frac{1}{2 \tan \theta} \right)^2 \quad (\text{Shown}) \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2 \\ = 2 \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2t^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{At minimum, } 2 \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2t^2} \right) = 0$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2t^2} \right) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right) = 0$$

$$2t^2 = 1 \quad t + \frac{1}{2t} > 0, \text{ for } t > 0. \therefore \text{ there is no solution}$$

$$t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \text{ where } t > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{From (c), } \frac{d}{dt} \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2 &= 2 \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2t^2} \right) \\
&= 2 \left(t - \frac{1}{4t^3} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate $2 \left(t + \frac{1}{4t^3} \right)$ with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2 &= 2 \left(1 + \frac{3}{4t^4} \right) > 0 \text{ for all } t > 0
\end{aligned}$$

Using 2nd derivative test

$$\text{When } t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \left. \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2 \right|_{t=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} = 2 \left(1 + \frac{3}{4 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^4} \right) = 8 > 0 \quad (\text{min})$$

Substitute $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ into $\left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2$.

$$\therefore \text{ the minimum value of } \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2 \text{ is } \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)^2 = 2$$

Using 1st derivative test

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{From (c), } \frac{d}{dt} \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2 &= 2 \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2t^2} \right) \\
&= 2 \left(\frac{2t^2 + 1}{2t} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2t^2} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

When $t = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^-$, then $2t^2 < 1$, so $\left(\frac{2t^2 - 1}{2t^2} \right) < 0$. Also, $\left(\frac{2t^2 + 1}{2t} \right) > 0$ for positive t .

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dt} \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2 < 0$$

When $t = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^+$ then $2t^2 > 1$, so $\left(\frac{2t^2 - 1}{2t^2} \right) > 0$. Also, $\left(\frac{2t^2 + 1}{2t} \right) > 0$ for positive t .

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dt} \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2 > 0$$

t	$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^-$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^+$
$\frac{d}{dt} \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2$	Negative	0	Positive
Tangent	\	—	/

$$\therefore \left(t + \frac{1}{2t}\right)^2 \text{ is a minimum when } t = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right).$$

$$\text{Substitute } t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ into } \left(t + \frac{1}{2t}\right)^2.$$

$$\therefore \text{ the minimum value of } \left(t + \frac{1}{2t}\right)^2 \text{ is } \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)^2 = 2$$

$$\text{Given } 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}, \tan \theta > 0$$

$$\text{So minimizing } A = \pi \left(\tan \theta + \frac{1}{2 \tan \theta} \right)^2 \text{ over } 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ is equivalent to minimizing } A = \pi \left(t + \frac{1}{2t} \right)^2 \text{ for } t > 0.$$

$$\text{When } t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

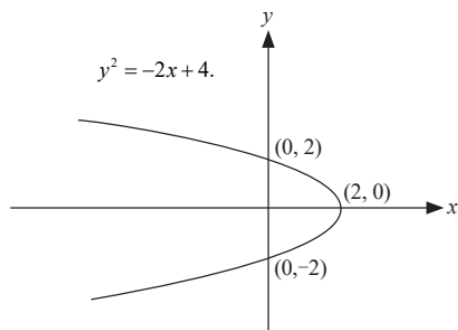
$$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore A &= \pi \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)} \right)^2 \\ &= 2\pi \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence the minimum value of } A = 2\pi \text{ when } \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}. \quad (\text{Deduced})$$

Solution

(a) The graph of mirror C



(b) Given $y^2 = -2x + 4$

Differentiate (1) with respect to x

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} = -2$$

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

At $P\left(-\frac{1}{2}k^2 + 2, k\right)$, the gradient of tangent at P , $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{k}$

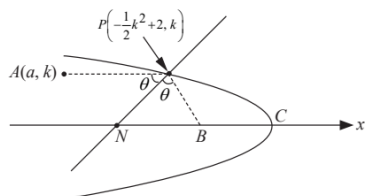
\therefore the gradient of normal to C at $P = k$

Equation of normal to C at P is

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

$$y = kx + \frac{1}{2}k^3 - k \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

(b) Let N be the x -intercept of the normal to C at P . The coordinates of $B = (b, 0)$



Let $\angle APN = \theta$

Given P bisects angle APB , $\therefore PN$ bisects angle APB .

$\therefore \angle NPB = \theta$

Then $\angle PNB = \theta$ ($AP \parallel x$ -axis, alternate angles)

Hence $BN = BP$ (isosceles triangle)

Substitute $y = 0$ into (1) to find the x -coordinate of N

$$0 = kx + \frac{1}{2}k^3 - k$$

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

$$\therefore x = 1 - \frac{1}{2}k^2$$

$$\text{The coordinates } N = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}k^2, 0\right)$$

Let the coordinates of $B = (b, 0)$.

Length BP

$$= \sqrt{\left(b - \left(-\frac{1}{2}k^2 + 2\right)\right)^2 + (0 - k)^2}$$

Length BN

$$= \sqrt{\left(b - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}k^2\right)\right)^2}$$

Refer to the diagram. $\triangle NBP$ is an isosceles triangle, so $BN = BP$.

$$\text{i.e. } \sqrt{\left(b - \left(-\frac{1}{2}k^2 + 2\right)\right)^2 + (0 - k)^2} = \sqrt{\left(b - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}k^2\right)\right)^2}$$

$$\left(b - \left(-\frac{1}{2}k^2 + 2\right)\right)^2 + k^2 = \left(b - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}k^2\right)\right)^2$$

$$\left(b - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}k^2\right)\right)^2 - \left(b - \left(-\frac{1}{2}k^2 + 2\right)\right)^2 = k^2 \quad \triangleleft \text{use } a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$$

$$\left(b - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}k^2\right) + b - \left(-\frac{1}{2}k^2 + 2\right)\right)\left(b - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}k^2\right) - b + \left(-\frac{1}{2}k^2 + 2\right)\right) = k^2$$

$$2b - 3 + k^2 = k^2$$

$$2b - 3 = 0$$

$$b = \frac{3}{2}$$

Hence, x -coordinate of B is $\frac{3}{2}$

The x -coordinate of B is independent of k .

Solution

(a)(i) Given $f(x) = x^2 e^{x^2}$ (1)

Differentiate (1) with respect to x

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

For the function to be increasing, $f'(x) \geq 0$

$$\therefore 2xe^{x^2} (x^2 + 1) \geq 0$$

Since $x^2 + 1 > 0$ and $e^{x^2} > 0$, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\therefore x \geq 0$$

The range of values of x for which y is increasing is $x \geq 0$.

(a)(ii) When $x = 1$, substitute $x = 1$ into (1) and (2).

$$\text{From (1): } f(1) = e$$

$$\text{From (2): } f'(1) = 4e$$

Equation of tangent at $(1, 4e)$ is

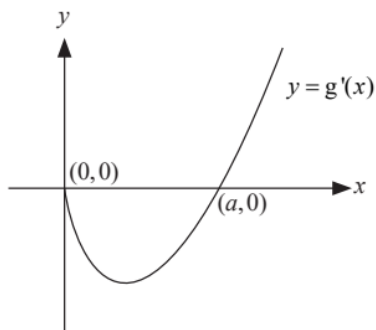
$$y - e = 4e(x - 1)$$

$$y - e = 4ex - 4e$$

$$\text{i.e. } y = 4ex - 3e$$

The equation of the tangent to the curve, at $x = 1$ is $y = 4ex - 3e$.

(b) The graph of $y = g'(x)$.



Solution

(a) Point F lies on the circumference of the circle,

\therefore the coordinates of point F are $(\cos t, \sin t)$

$$\angle AOF = \pi - t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Arc length } AF &= (1)(\pi - t) \quad \triangleleft \text{arc length} = r\theta \\ &= (1)(\pi - t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Length } FB &= AB - AF \\ &= \pi - (\pi - t) \\ &= t \end{aligned}$$

$\angle NFO = \pi - t$ (int. angle, FN is parallel to x -axis)

$$\angle BFN = \angle BNO - \angle NFO$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} - (\pi - t)$$

$$= t - \frac{\pi}{2}$$

\therefore angle that FB makes with the horizontal $= t - \frac{\pi}{2}$.

x -coordinate of B

$$= \cos t + t \cos \left(t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \quad \triangleleft \cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta$$

$$= \cos t + t \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - t \right) \quad \triangleleft \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) = \sin \theta$$

$$= \cos t + t \sin t$$

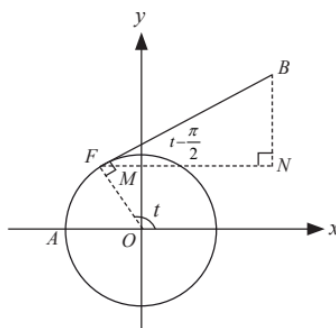
y -coordinate of B

$$= \sin t + t \sin \left(t - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

$$= \sin t - t \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - t \right)$$

$$= \sin t - t \cos t$$

\therefore the parametric equations of the curve C are $x = \cos t + t \sin t$, $y = \sin t - t \cos t$, for $0 \leq t \leq \pi$.



(b) Given $x = \cos t + t \sin t$ (1)

Differentiate x with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= -\sin t + \sin t + t \cos t \\ &= t \cos t\end{aligned}$$

For maximum x , $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$

$$\therefore t \cos t = 0$$

$$t = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \cos t = 0$$

$$t = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

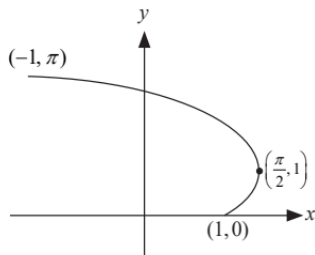
$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \cos t - t \sin t$$

When $t = 0$, $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 1 > 0$.

When $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\frac{\pi}{2} < 0$.

Thus x is maximum when $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(c) The graph of curve C



(d) Given $y = \sin t - t \cos t$ (2)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dt} &= \cos t - (\cos t - t \sin t) \\ &= t \sin t\end{aligned}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{t \sin t}{t \cos t} \\ &= \tan t\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \tan t \text{ (3)}$$

Given that Point P on C has parameter p , i.e. $t = p$.

Substitute $t = p$ into (1), (2) and (3).

From (1): $x = \cos p + p \sin p$

From (2): $y = \sin p - p \cos p$

\therefore the coordinates of point $P = (\cos p + p \sin p, \sin p - p \cos p)$

From (3): $\frac{dy}{dx} = \tan p$

\therefore the gradient of normal at $P = -\frac{1}{\tan p}$

Equation of normal at P is

$$y - (\sin p - p \cos p) = (-\cot p)(x - (\cos p + p \sin p)) \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

Given that the normal at P cuts the y -axis at the point $Q(0, k)$, substitute $x = 0$ and $y = k$ into (4)

$$\begin{aligned} k &= \cot p \cos p + p \cos p + \sin p - p \cos p \\ &= \cot p \cos p + \sin p \\ &= \frac{\cos^2 p}{\sin p} + \sin p \\ &= \frac{\cos^2 p + \sin^2 p}{\sin p} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sin p} \end{aligned}$$

Given $0 < p < \pi$

$\sin 0 < p < \sin \pi$ \triangleleft introduce sine function all sides

$$0 < \sin p \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sin p} \geq 1$$

i.e. $k \geq 1$ (Shown)

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Solution

$$\text{Given } \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} + \frac{y^2}{1+y^2} = x^3 y^5$$

Differentiate both sides with respect to x

$$\frac{2x(1+x^2) - x^2(2x)}{(1+x^2)^2} + \frac{2y \frac{dy}{dx}(1+y^2) - y^2 \left(2y \frac{dy}{dx} \right)}{(1+y^2)^2} = 3x^2 y^5 + 5x^3 y^4 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Substitute the point $x = 1$ and $y = 1$ into (2)

$$\frac{4-2}{2^2} + \frac{4 \frac{dy}{dx} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx}}{2^2} = 3 + 5 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{dy}{dx} = 3 + 5 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$-\frac{5}{2} = \frac{9}{2} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{5}{9}$$

Gradient of the tangent at $(1, 1)$ is $-\frac{5}{9}$

Equation of tangent at $(1, 1)$ is

$$y - 1 = -\frac{5}{9}(x - 1)$$

$$9y - 9 = -5x + 5$$

$$5x + 9y = 14$$

Solution

(a) $y = \frac{(\ln x)^2}{x}$ (1)

Differentiate (1) with respect to x

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x \cdot (2 \ln x) \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) - (\ln x)^2 (1)}{x^2} \quad \triangleleft \text{apply quotient rule} \\ &= \frac{(\ln x)(2 - \ln x)}{x^2}\end{aligned}$$

At the turning point, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{(\ln x)(2 - \ln x)}{x^2} &= 0 \\ (\ln x)(2 - \ln x) &= 0 \\ \ln x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 2 - \ln x &= 0 \\ x = e^0 \quad \text{or} \quad \ln x = 2 \\ x = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x &= e^2\end{aligned}$$

Substitute $x = 1$ into (1).

$$\therefore y = \frac{(\ln 1)^2}{1} = 0$$

The coordinates are (1, 0).

Use First Derivative Test

\therefore the point (1, 0) is a minimum point.

x	1^-	1	1^+
$\frac{dy}{dx}$	—	0	+
Slope	\	—	/

Substitute $x = e^2$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore y &= \frac{(\ln e^2)^2}{e^2} \\ &= \frac{(2 \ln e)^2}{e^2} \\ &= \frac{4}{e^2}\end{aligned}$$

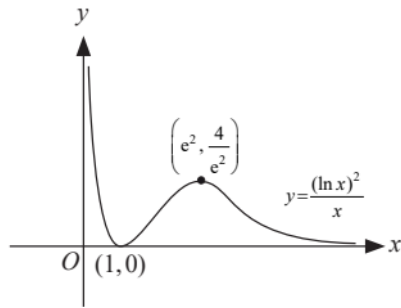
The coordinates are $\left(e^2, \frac{4}{e^2} \right)$

Use First Derivative Test

\therefore the point $\left(e^2, \frac{4}{e^2} \right)$ is a maximum point.

x	$(e^2)^-$	e^2	$(e^2)^+$
$\frac{dy}{dx}$	+	0	—
Slope	/	—	\

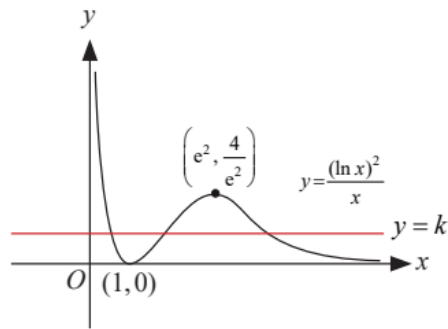
(b)



(c) Given $(\ln x)^2 = kx$

$$\frac{(\ln x)^2}{x} = k$$

The horizontal line $y = k$ will cut the graph of $y = \frac{(\ln x)^2}{x}$ at three distinct points provided $0 < k < \frac{4}{e^2}$.



Hence set of values of k such that the equation $(\ln x)^2 = kx$ has three distinct real roots is $\left\{k \in \mathbb{R} : 0 < k < \frac{4}{e^2}\right\}$.

Solution

Given $y = 3x^2 - k^2 \ln\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)$ (1)

Differentiate both sides with respect to x

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= 6x - k^2 \left(\frac{4}{x}\right) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \\ &= 6x - \frac{k^2}{x}\end{aligned}$$

At stationary point, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

i.e. $6x - \frac{k^2}{x} = 0$

$$6x = \frac{k^2}{x}$$

$$x^2 = \frac{k^2}{6}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{k}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Since $k > 0$ and $x > 0$

$$x = \frac{k}{\sqrt{6}}$$

Substitute $x = \frac{k}{\sqrt{6}}$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned}y &= 3\left(\frac{k}{\sqrt{6}}\right)^2 - k^2 \ln\left(\frac{\frac{k}{\sqrt{6}}}{4}\right) \\ &= \frac{k^2}{2} - k^2 \ln\left(\frac{k}{4\sqrt{6}}\right) \\ &= k^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} - \ln \frac{\sqrt{6}k}{24}\right)\end{aligned}$$

The stationary point is $\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}k}{6}, k^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} - \ln \sqrt{6}k + \ln 24\right)\right)$

Use Second Derivative Test

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) &= \frac{d}{dx}\left(6x - \frac{k^2}{x}\right) \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= 6 + \frac{k^2}{x^2}\end{aligned}$$

Since $k > 0$ and $x > 0$, $\therefore \frac{k^2}{x^2} > 0$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 6 + \frac{k^2}{x^2} > 0$$

Hence the stationary point $\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}k}{6}, k^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} - \ln \sqrt{6}k + \ln 24 \right) \right)$ is a minimum point.

Solution

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

$[(x+1)(x-2)]^2$ is always positive, for all real values of x .

$-2x^2 - 4$ is always negative, for all real values of x .

$\therefore \frac{-2x^2 - 4}{[(x+1)(x-2)]^2} < 0$ is always negative.

Thus, $f'(x) < 0$ for all values of x . (Proved)

Solution

(a) Given $x^2 - xy + y^2 - a = 0$ (1)

Differentiate (1) with respect to x

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

$$(2y - x) \frac{dy}{dx} = y - 2x \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

(b) Given that $x = 2\sqrt{3}$ is a tangent to the curve C , which means that the tangent is parallel to y -axis.

i.e. $\frac{dy}{dx} \rightarrow \infty$

From (2): $(2y - x) \frac{dy}{dx} = y - 2x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y - 2x}{2y - x}$$

For $\frac{dy}{dx} \rightarrow \infty$, let $2y - x = 0$

$$2y = x$$

When $x = 2\sqrt{3}$, $2y = 2\sqrt{3}$

$\therefore y = \sqrt{3}$

Substitute $x = 2\sqrt{3}$ and $y = \sqrt{3}$ into (1)

$$(2\sqrt{3})^2 - (2\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{3}) + (\sqrt{3})^2 - a = 0$$

$$4(3) - 2\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3}) + 3 - a = 0$$

Hence $a = 9$

(c) At stationary points, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

From (2): $(2y - x)(0) = y - 2x$

$$0 = y - 2x$$

$$y = 2x \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Substitute (3) into (1)

$$x^2 - 2x^2 + 4x^2 - 9 = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 9 = 0$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

Substitute $x = \sqrt{3}$ into (3): $y = 2\sqrt{3}$

Substitute $x = -\sqrt{3}$ into (3): $y = -2\sqrt{3}$

The exact coordinates of the stationary points are $(\sqrt{3}, 2\sqrt{3})$ and $(-\sqrt{3}, -2\sqrt{3})$

(d) Differentiate (3) with respect to x

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

$$\left(2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 1 \right) \frac{dy}{dx} + (2y - x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{dy}{dx} - 2$$

At stationary points, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

$$(2(0) - 1)(0) + (2y - x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0 - 2$$

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

$$\therefore \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-2}{(2y - x)} \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

At $(\sqrt{3}, 2\sqrt{3})$, substitute $x = \sqrt{3}$ and $y = 2\sqrt{3}$ into (4)

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-2}{(2y - x)} < 0.$$

The turning point $(\sqrt{3}, 2\sqrt{3})$ is a maximum point.

At $(-\sqrt{3}, -2\sqrt{3})$, substitute $x = -\sqrt{3}$ and $y = -2\sqrt{3}$ into (4)

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-2}{(2y - x)} > 0$$

The turning point $(-\sqrt{3}, -2\sqrt{3})$ is a minimum point.

Solution

(a) Let $x^2 - 3xy + 2y^2 = 6$ (1)

Differentiate (1) with respect to x

$$2x - 3x \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y + 4y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$(3x - 4y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x - 3y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - 3y}{3x - 4y} \text{ (2)}$$

Substitute the point (2,3) into (2)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2(2) - 3(3)}{3(2) - 4(3)}$$

$$= \frac{5}{6}$$

Equation of tangent at (2,3)

$$y - 3 = \frac{5}{6}(x - 2)$$

$$6y - 18 = 5x - 10$$

$$6y = 5x + 8$$

The equation of the tangent to the curve at (2,3) is $6y = 5x + 8$

(b) For tangent parallel to the x -axis, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

From (2) $\frac{2x - 3y}{3x - 4y} = 0$

$$2x - 3y = 0$$

$$y = \frac{2}{3}x$$

Substitute $y = \frac{2}{3}x$ into (1).

$$x^2 - 3x\left(\frac{2}{3}x\right) + 2\left(\frac{2}{3}x\right)^2 = 6$$

$$-9x^2 + 8x^2 = 54$$

$$x^2 = -54$$

Since $x^2 \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}$. There is no point on the curve at which the tangent is parallel to the x -axis. (Shown)

(c) Let $y = a$, where a is a constant (3)

Substitute (3) into (1) gives

$$x^2 - 3xa + 2a^2 = 6$$

$$\therefore x^2 - 3xa + (2a^2 - 6) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Using the Discriminant, } D &= (-3a)^2 - 4(2a^2 - 6) \\ &= a^2 + 24\end{aligned}$$

For any real values of a , $a^2 \geq 0$. $\therefore a^2 + 24$ is positive.

Since discriminant, $D > 0$, $\therefore y = a$ and curve intersect at 2 distinct points. (Shown)

Solution

Let $x^2 + y^2 = y(x-3)$ (1)

Differentiate (1) with respect to x

$$2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = y + \frac{dy}{dx}(x-3)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(2y - x + 3) = y - 2x$$

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

For tangent to be parallel to y -axis, $\frac{dy}{dx} \rightarrow \infty$.

Let $2y - x + 3 = 0$

$$x = 2y + 3 \text{ (2)}$$

Substitute (2) into (1)

$$(2y+3)^2 + y^2 = y(2y)$$

$$3y^2 + 12y + 9 = 0$$

$$(y+3)(y+1) = 0$$

$$y = -3 \text{ or } -1$$

Substitute $y = -3$ into (2): $x = -3$

Substitute $y = -1$ into (2): $x = 1$

The points at which the tangents are parallel to the y -axis are $(-3, -3)$ and $(1, -1)$.

Solution

(a) Given $x = a \cos^2 \theta$ (1)

and $y = a \sin^3 \theta$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to θ

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = -2a \cos \theta \sin \theta$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to θ

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = 3a \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} \\ &= \frac{3a \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta}{-2 \sin \theta \cos \theta} \\ &= -\frac{3}{2} \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{3}{2} \sin \theta \text{ (3)}$$

When the tangent to C at the point where C crosses the x -axis, i.e. $y = 0$.

Substitute $y = 0$ into (1)

$$a \sin^3 \theta = 0$$

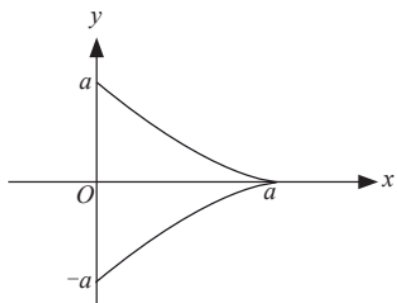
$$\sin \theta = 0$$

Substitute $\sin \theta = 0$ into (3)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

Since $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$, i.e. the gradient is 0. The tangent at the x -intercept is parallel to the x -axis.

(b) The graph of curve C



Solution

(a) Given $x = 2 \cos^3 \theta$ (1)

and $y = 2 \sin^3 \theta$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to θ

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{d\theta} &= 3(2) \cos^2 \theta (-\sin \theta) \\ &= -6 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to θ

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{d\theta} &= 3(2) \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta \\ &= 6 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta\end{aligned}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} \\ &= \frac{6 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta}{-6 \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta} \\ &= -\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}\end{aligned}$$

\therefore gradient of tangent with parameter $\theta = -\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$

Hence, gradient of normal with parameter $\theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$

Equation of normal to the curve at $(2 \cos^3 \theta, 2 \sin^3 \theta)$ is

$$y - (2 \sin^3 \theta) = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} (x - 2 \cos^3 \theta)$$

$$y \sin \theta - 2 \sin^4 \theta = x \cos \theta - 2 \cos^4 \theta$$

$$y \sin \theta = x \cos \theta + 2(\sin^4 \theta - \cos^4 \theta) \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

(b) At point Q , $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$.

Substitute $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$ into (3)

$$y \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = x \cos \frac{\pi}{6} + 2 \left(\sin^4 \frac{\pi}{6} - \cos^4 \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

$$y \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = x \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) + 2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^4 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)^4 \right)$$

$$y = \sqrt{3}x - 2$$

\therefore equation of normal to the curve at Q , i.e. $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$ is $y = \sqrt{3}x - 2$ (4)

When the normal to the curve at Q cuts C again at P , i.e. $\theta = p$.

Substitute (1) and (2) into (4)

$$2 \sin^3 \theta = \sqrt{3}(2 \cos^3 \theta) - 2$$

When $\theta = p$,

$$2 \sin^3 p = \sqrt{3}(2 \cos^3 p) - 2$$

$$\sin^3 p - \sqrt{3} \cos^3 p + 1 = 0 \quad (\text{Shown})$$

Use GC to solve $\sin^3 p - \sqrt{3} \cos^3 p + 1 = 0$.

$p = -0.7445633$ or 0.52359878 (rejected, since when $p = 0.52359878$, it gives point Q)

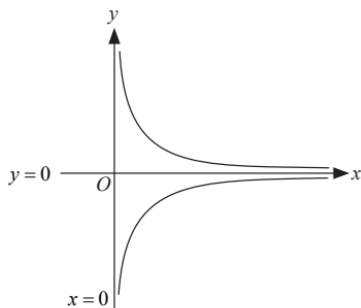
Substitute $p = -0.7445633$ into (1) and (2).

From (1): $x = 2 \cos^3 (-0.7445633) = 0.795$

From (2): $y = 2 \sin^3 (-0.7445633) = -0.622$

\therefore the coordinates of P are $(0.795, -0.622)$

(a) The graph of curve C



(b) Given $x = at^2$ (1)

and $y = \frac{a}{t}$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2at$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{a}{t^2}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= -\frac{a}{t^2} \times \frac{1}{2at} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2t^3} \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (3) \end{aligned}$$

(c) At the point $P\left(ap^2, \frac{a}{p}\right)$, where $t = p$.

Substitute $t = p$ into (3)

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{2p^3}$$

Equation of tangent at P is given by

$$y - \frac{a}{p} = -\frac{1}{2p^3}(x - ap^2)$$

$$2p^3y - 2ap^2 = -x + ap^2$$

$$2p^3y + x = 3ap^2 \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

(d) Given that the tangent to the curve at P cuts the curve again at $Q\left(aq^2, \frac{a}{q}\right)$,

substitute $x = aq^2$ and $y = \frac{a}{q}$ into (4).

$$\text{i.e.} \quad 2p^3 \frac{a}{q} + aq^2 = 3ap^2$$

$$q^3 - 3p^2q + 2p^3 = 0$$

$$(q - p)^2(q + 2p) = 0$$

$$q = p \quad \text{or} \quad q = -2p$$

Since $q \neq p$, thus $q = -2p$.

Solution

(a) Given $x = 1 - \theta \cos \theta$ (1)

and $y = 1 - \cos \theta$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to θ

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{d\theta} &= 0 - (-\theta \sin \theta + \cos \theta) \\ &= \theta \sin \theta - \cos \theta\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to θ

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = \sin \theta$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} \\ &= \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta \sin \theta - \cos \theta}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta \sin \theta - \cos \theta} \text{ (3)}$$

As $\theta \rightarrow 0$, $\sin \theta \rightarrow 0$. $\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} \rightarrow 0$.

As $\theta \rightarrow \pi$, $\sin \theta \rightarrow 0$. $\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} \rightarrow 0$.

The gradient of the tangents tends to zero.

The tangents tends to become horizontal lines.

(b) When $\theta = 0$, substitute $\theta = 0$ into (1) and (2)

$$x = 1 - (0) \cos(0) = 1$$

$$y = 1 - \cos(0) = 0$$

The point is $(1, 0)$

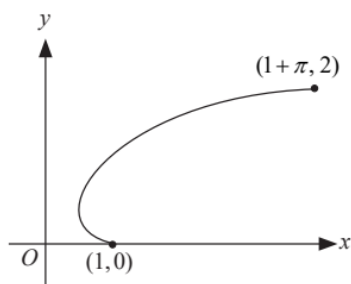
When $t = \pi$, substitute $\theta = \pi$ into (1) and (2)

$$x = 1 - \pi \cos \pi = 1 + \pi$$

$$y = 1 - (-1) = 2$$

The point is $(1 + \pi, 2)$

The graph of C



(c) When $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$, substitute $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ into (1) and (2)

$$\text{From (1): } x = 1 - \frac{\pi}{2} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1$$

$$\text{From (2): } y = 1 - \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1$$

The point at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ is (1, 1).

Substitute $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ into (3)

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}} &= \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{\frac{\pi}{2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)} \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

The gradient of normal at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ is $-\frac{\pi}{2}$

Equation of normal at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} y - 1 &= -\frac{\pi}{2}(x - 1) \\ y &= -\frac{\pi}{2}x + \left(1 + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

For point Q, let $x = 0$, substitute $x = 0$ into (4)

$$\therefore y = 1 + \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Coordinates of Q = $\left(0, 1 + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

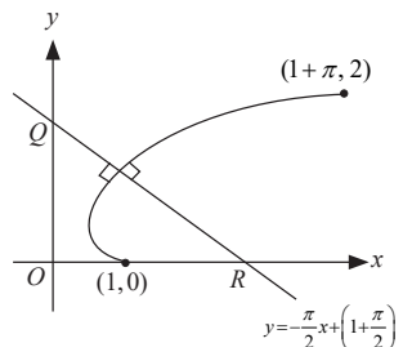
For point R, let $y = 0$, substitute $y = 0$ into (4)

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left(1 + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Coordinates of R = $\left(\frac{2}{\pi} + 1, 0\right)$

Area of ΔQOR

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2}(OR)(OQ) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{\pi} + 1\right) \left(1 + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{(\pi + 2)^2}{4\pi} \end{aligned}$$



Solution

(a) Given $x = t + \frac{1}{t}$ (1)

and $y = t - \frac{1}{t}$ (2)

At $t = p$, substitute $t = p$ into (1) and (2)

$$x = p + \frac{1}{p} \text{ and } y = p - \frac{1}{p}$$

The coordinates of P are $\left(p + \frac{1}{p}, p - \frac{1}{p}\right)$

At $t = q$, substitute $t = q$ into (1) and (2)

$$x = q + \frac{1}{q} \text{ and } y = q - \frac{1}{q}$$

The coordinates of Q are $\left(q + \frac{1}{q}, q - \frac{1}{q}\right)$

Gradient PQ

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\left(p - \frac{1}{p}\right) - \left(q - \frac{1}{q}\right)}{\left(p + \frac{1}{p}\right) - \left(q + \frac{1}{q}\right)} \\ &= \frac{(p - q) - \left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}\right)}{(p - q) + \left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}\right)} \\ &= \frac{(p - q) - \left(\frac{q - p}{pq}\right)}{(p - q) + \left(\frac{q - p}{pq}\right)} \quad \triangleleft \text{divide each term by } (p - q) \\ &= \frac{1 + \left(\frac{1}{pq}\right)}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{pq}\right)} \\ &= \frac{pq + 1}{pq - 1} \quad (\text{Shown}) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= 1 - \frac{1}{t^2} \\ &= \frac{t^2 - 1}{t^2}\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dt} &= 1 + \frac{1}{t^2} \\ &= \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^2}\end{aligned}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^2} \times \frac{t^2}{t^2 - 1} \\ &= \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^2 - 1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{At } t = p, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{p^2 + 1}{p^2 - 1}$$

Thus gradient of normal at P is $\frac{1 - p^2}{1 + p^2}$ (Shown) (3)

(c) At $t = r$, substitute $t = r$ into (1) and (2)

$$x = r + \frac{1}{r} \quad \text{and} \quad y = r - \frac{1}{r}$$

The coordinates of R are $\left(r + \frac{1}{r}, r - \frac{1}{r}\right)$

Gradient PR

$$= \frac{pr + 1}{pr - 1} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } q = r \text{ in } \frac{pq + 1}{pq - 1} \text{ from (a) (4)}$$

Note that PR is parallel to the normal at P . Thus gradient PR = gradient of normal at P

i.e. (3) = (4)

$$\therefore \frac{pr + 1}{pr - 1} = \frac{1 - p^2}{1 + p^2}$$

$$(pr + 1)(1 + p^2) = (2 - p^2)(pr - 1)$$

$$pr + p^3r + 1 + p^2 = pr - p^3r - 1 + p^2$$

$$p^3r = -1$$

$$r = -\frac{1}{p^3} \quad (\text{Shown})$$

(d) At $t = -p$, substitute $t = -p$ into (1) and (2)

$$x = -p + \frac{1}{-p} \quad \text{and} \quad y = -p - \frac{1}{-p}$$

The coordinates of S are $\left(-p - \frac{1}{p}, -p + \frac{1}{p}\right)$

Gradient PS

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{p(-p)+1}{p(-p)-1} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } q = -p \text{ in } \frac{pq+1}{pq-1} \text{ from (a)} \\ &= -\frac{1-p^2}{1+p^2} \end{aligned}$$

Gradient SR

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{pr+1}{pr-1} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } q = r \text{ in } \frac{pq+1}{pq-1} \text{ from (a)} \\ &= \frac{p(-p^{-3})+1}{p(-p^{-3})-1} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } r = -\frac{1}{p^3} \text{ from (c)} \\ &= \frac{p^{-2}+1}{p^{-2}-1} \\ &= \frac{p^{-2}+1}{p^{-2}-1} \times \frac{p^2}{p^2} \\ &= \frac{1+p^2}{1-p^2} \end{aligned}$$

Gradient $PS \times$ Gradient SR

$$\begin{aligned} &= -\frac{1-p^2}{1+p^2} \times \frac{1+p^2}{1-p^2} \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

PS is perpendicular to RS . (Shown)

Solution

(a) Given $x = e^t \sin t$ (1)

and $y = e^{-t} \cos t$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= e^t \sin t + e^t \cos t \\ &= e^t (\sin t + \cos t)\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dt} &= e^{-t} (-\sin t) - e^{-t} \cos t \\ &= -e^{-t} (\sin t + \cos t)\end{aligned}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{-e^{-t} (\sin t + \cos t)}{e^t (\sin t + \cos t)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{e^{2t}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{e^{2t}}$$

For $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{e^{2t}} < 0$

Since $\frac{dy}{dx} \neq 0$, therefore C has no stationary point.

(b) Equation of tangent at parameter t is

$$y - e^{-t} \cos t = -\frac{1}{e^{2t}}(x - e^t \sin t) \text{ (3)}$$

Given that the tangent to pass through origin, substitute $x = 0$ and $y = 0$ into (3)

$$0 - e^{-t} \cos t = -\frac{1}{e^{2t}}(0 - e^t \sin t)$$

$$-e^{-t} \cos t = e^{-t} \sin t$$

$$\tan t = -1$$

$$t = -\frac{\pi}{4} \text{ where } -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Substitute $t = -\frac{\pi}{4}$ into (3)

$$y - e^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{1}{2\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)} \left(x - e^{-\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right)$$

$$y - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = -e^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left(x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{\pi}{4}}\right)$$

$$y = -e^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x$$

The equation of tangent is $y = -e^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x$

Solution

(a) Given $x = \sin t \cos t$ (1)

and $y = \cos\left(t + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \cos^2 t - \sin^2 t$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\cos t \cos \frac{\pi}{4} - \sin t \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (\cos t - \sin t) \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} (\sin t + \cos t)\end{aligned}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} (\sin t + \cos t)}{\cos^2 t - \sin^2 t} \\ &= -\frac{\sin t + \cos t}{\sqrt{2}(\cos t + \sin t)(\cos t - \sin t)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}(\sin t - \cos t)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}(\sin t - \cos t)} \quad (\text{Shown})$$

(b) For tangent parallel to y -axis, $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is undefined.

Let the denominator of $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}(\sin t - \cos t)}$ be zero.

i.e. $\sin t - \cos t = 0$

$$\tan t = 1$$

$$t = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Substitute $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$ into (1): $x = \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \cos \frac{\pi}{4}$

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

Equation of tangent is $x = \frac{1}{2}$

(c) Given that the curve cuts the y -axis at the points P and Q , i.e. the x -coordinates of P and Q are zero.

Let $x = 0$.

$$\therefore \sin t \cos t = 0$$

$$\sin t = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \cos t = 0$$

$$t = 0 \qquad t = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Substitute $t = 0$ into (2)

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \cos\left(0 + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

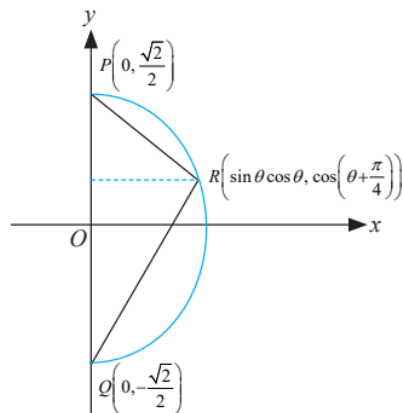
Substitute $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$ into (2)

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

\therefore the coordinates of P and Q are $P\left(0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$ and $Q\left(0, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$

(d) Refer to the diagram.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of triangle } PQR &= \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \times \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta\right) \\ &= \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2} \sin 2\theta}{4} \quad (\text{Shown}) \end{aligned}$$



Method 1 (Use calculus)

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2} \sin 2\theta}{4} \right) = \frac{2\sqrt{2} \cos 2\theta}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{At stationary, } \frac{2\sqrt{2} \cos 2\theta}{4} &= 0 \\ \cos 2\theta &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$2\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Method 2

Since $0 \leq \sin 2\theta \leq 1$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$,

Max area of triangle PQR occurs when $\sin 2\theta = 1$.

$$\therefore \sin 2\theta = 1$$

$$2\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

The value of θ is $\frac{\pi}{4}$.

Solution

(a) Given $x = 5a \sec \theta$ (1)

and $y = 3a \tan \theta$ (2)

From (2), let $y = 0$.

$$3a \tan \theta = 0$$

$$\theta = 0$$

Substitute $\theta = 0$ into (1)

$$\therefore x = 5a$$

Coordinates of x -intercept of C is $(5a, 0)$.

(b) Differentiate (1) with respect to θ

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = 5a \sec \theta \tan \theta$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to θ

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = 3a \sec^2 \theta$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} \\ &= \frac{3a \sec^2 \theta}{5a \sec \theta \tan \theta} \\ &= \frac{3}{5} \left(\frac{1}{\cos \theta} \right) \left(\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) \\ &= \frac{3}{5} \operatorname{cosec} \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{5} \operatorname{cosec} \theta \quad (\text{Shown}) \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

(c) Gradient of normal = $\frac{-1}{\frac{3}{5} \operatorname{cosec} \theta}$

$$= -\frac{5}{3} \sin \theta \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

Given that normal makes an angle $\frac{\pi}{4}$ with the positive x -axis,

i.e. gradient of normal = $\tan \frac{\pi}{4}$

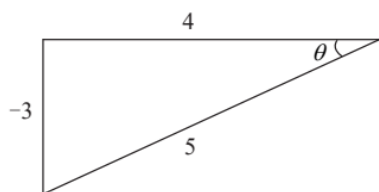
$$\therefore -\frac{5}{3} \sin \theta = 1$$

$$\sin \theta = -\frac{5}{3}$$

From the diagram,

$$\cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\tan \theta = -\frac{3}{4}$$



From (1): $x = 5a \sec \theta$

$$= 5a \left(\frac{1}{\cos \theta} \right) \quad \leftarrow \text{substitute } \cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$= 5a \left(\frac{5}{4} \right)$$

$$= \frac{25}{4}a \text{ and}$$

From (2): $y = 3a \tan \theta$

$$y = 3a \left(-\frac{3}{4} \right) \quad \leftarrow \text{substitute } \tan \theta = -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$= -\frac{9}{4}a$$

The coordinates of the point is $\left(\frac{25}{4}a, -\frac{9}{4}a \right)$

(d) At $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$, substitute $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ into (1), (2) and (3)

$$\text{From (1): } x = 5a \sec \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \right) = 5\sqrt{2}a$$

$$\text{From (2): } y = 3a \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \right) = 3a$$

$$\text{From (3): } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{5} \operatorname{cosec} \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5}$$

At $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ the coordinates are $(5\sqrt{2}a, 3a)$ and the gradient of the tangent is $\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5}$

Equation of tangent at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ is

$$y - 3a = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5}(x - 5\sqrt{2}a) \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

The tangent meets the y-axis at S, i.e. when $x = 0$.

Substitute $x = 0$ into (5)

$$y - 3a = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5}(0 - 5\sqrt{2}a)$$

$$y = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5}(-5\sqrt{2}a) + 3a$$

$$= -3a$$

$\therefore T(0, -3a)$

Gradient of the normal at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ is $\frac{-5}{3\sqrt{2}}$

Equation of normal at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ is

$$y - 3a = \frac{-5}{3\sqrt{2}}(x - 5\sqrt{2}a)$$

The normal meets the y -axis at T , i.e. when $x = 0$.

$$y - 3a = \frac{-5}{3\sqrt{2}}(0 - 5\sqrt{2}a)$$

$$y = \frac{-5}{3\sqrt{2}}(5\sqrt{2}a) + 3a$$

$$= \frac{34}{3}a$$

$$\therefore T\left(0, \frac{34}{3}a\right)$$

Distance ST

$$= \frac{34}{3}a + 3a$$

$$= \frac{43}{3}a, \text{ where } k = \frac{43}{3}$$

Solution

(a) At stationary $f'(x) = 0$, i.e. the x -intercept of the graph of $y = f'(x)$.

From the graph, $x = -a$ and $x = a$

x	$(-a)^-$	$-a$	$(-a)^+$
$f'(x)$	$+$	0	$-$

From the table, we note that $f'(-a) < 0$.

\therefore when $x = -a$, the point is a maximum point.

x	a^-	a	a^+
$f'(x)$	$-$	0	$+$

From the table, we note that $f'(a) > 0$.

\therefore when $x = a$, the point is a minimum point.

(b)(i) For $y = f(x)$ is strictly increasing, it occurs when $f'(x) > 0$.

From the graph, this occurs when $x < -a$ or $x > a$.

$\therefore x < -a$ or $x > a$

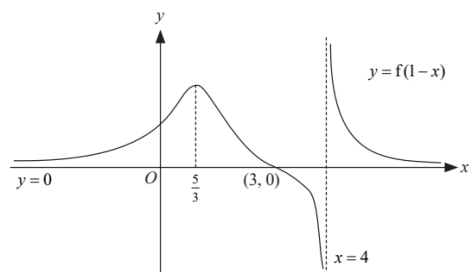
(ii) For $y = f(x)$ concave downwards, it occurs when $f''(x) < 0$.

Refer to the graph given. This occurs when graph of $y = f'(x)$ is downward slope.

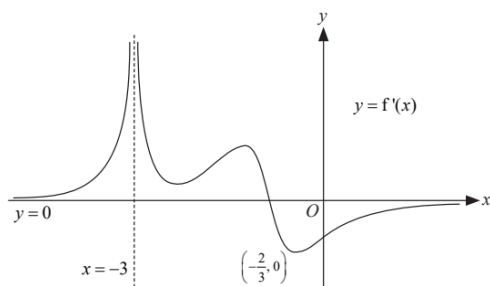
$\therefore x < 0$

Solution

(a) The graph of $y = f(1-x)$

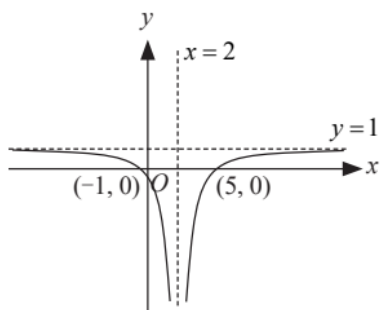


(b) The graph of $y = f'(x)$



Solution

(a) The graph of $y = f'(x)$

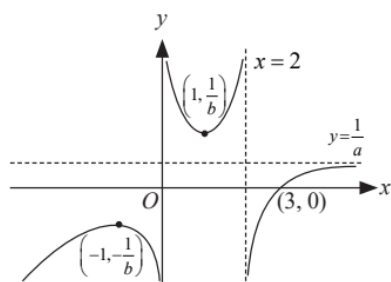


(b)(i) The range of values of x for which $y = f(x)$ is strictly decreasing is $-1 < x < 2$ or $2 < x < 5$.

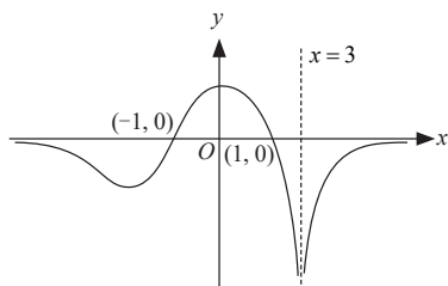
(ii) The range of values of x for which $y = f(x)$ is concave upwards is $x > 2$.

Solution

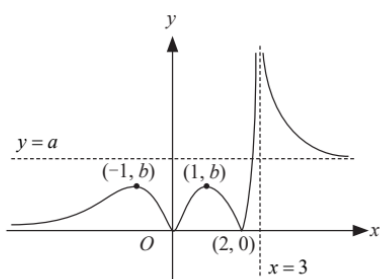
- (a) The graph of $y = \frac{1}{f(x)}$

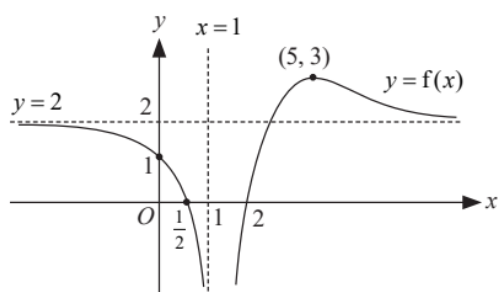


- (b) The graph of $y = f'(x)$



- (c) The graph of $y = |f(x)|$





Solution

(a) Given $x = 2t - \frac{1}{t}$ (1)

and $y = t + \frac{1}{t}$ (2)

Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2 + \frac{1}{t^2}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 1 - \frac{1}{t^2}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \frac{1 - \frac{1}{t^2}}{2 + \frac{1}{t^2}} \\ &= \frac{t^2 - 1}{2t^2 + 1} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}(2t^2 + 1) - \frac{3}{2}}{2t^2 + 1} \\ &= \frac{(2t^2 + 1)}{2(2t^2 + 1)} - \frac{3}{2(2t^2 + 1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2(2t^2 + 1)} \quad (\text{Shown}) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Consider $2t^2 > 0$, for all t , $t \neq 0$

$$2t^2 + 1 > 1 \quad \triangleleft \text{add 1 on both sides}$$

$$0 < \frac{1}{2t^2 + 1} < 1 \quad \triangleleft \text{multiplicative inverse}$$

$$0 < \frac{1}{2(2t^2 + 1)} < \frac{1}{2} \quad \triangleleft \text{multiply } \frac{1}{2} \text{ on both sides}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} < -\frac{1}{2(2t^2 + 1)} < 0$$

$$-\frac{3}{2} < -\frac{3}{2(2t^2 + 1)} < 0$$

$$-1 < \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2(2t^2 + 1)} < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$-1 < \frac{dy}{dx} < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{ the range is } -1 < \frac{dy}{dx} < \frac{1}{2}.$$

Solution

Given $x = \ln(2t)$ (1)

and $y = \tan^{-1}(2t)$ (2)

(a) As $x \rightarrow \infty, t \rightarrow \infty$, so $y \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$,

i.e. curve C approaches the line $y = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

As $x \rightarrow -\infty, t \rightarrow 0$, so $y \rightarrow 0$,

i.e. curve C approaches the line $y = 0$

The curve C has horizontal asymptotes $y = 0$ and $y = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Substitute $x = 0$ into (1)

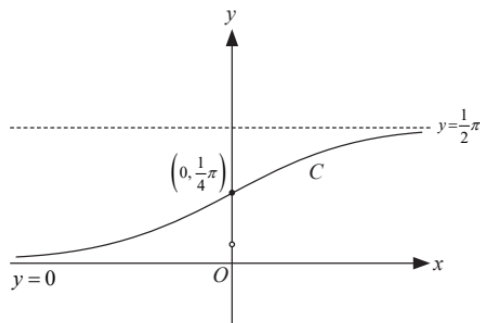
$$\ln(2t) = 0$$

$$2t = 1$$

$$\therefore y = \tan^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Curve C has y -intercept $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$.

Since $t > 0$, then $y \neq 0$, so the curve C has no x -intercept.



(b) Differentiate (1) with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= \frac{2}{2t} \\ &= \frac{1}{t} \end{aligned}$$

Differentiate (2) with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{2}{1 + (2t)^2} \\ &= \frac{2}{1 + 4t^2} \end{aligned}$$

Using the Chain Rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dt} \div \frac{dx}{dt} \\ &= \frac{2t}{1+4t^2} \\ &= \frac{2t}{1+(2t)^2} \dots\dots\dots (3)\end{aligned}$$

When $y = p$, substitute $y = p$ into (2)

$$\begin{aligned}\tan^{-1}(2t) &= p \\ 2t &= \tan p \dots\dots\dots (4)\end{aligned}$$

Substitute (4) into (3)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\tan p}{1 + \tan^2 p} \\ &= \frac{\tan p}{\sec^2 p} \\ &= \left(\frac{\sin p}{\cos p} \right) (\cos^2 p) \\ &= \sin p \cos p \\ &= \frac{2 \sin p \cos p}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sin 2p\end{aligned}$$

\therefore Gradient of C at $y = p$ is $\frac{1}{2} \sin 2p$ (Shown), where $k = 2$

(c) When $p = \frac{\pi}{4}$, i.e. $y = \frac{\pi}{4}$.

Substitute $y = \frac{\pi}{4}$ into (2)

$$\frac{\pi}{4} = \tan^{-1}(2t)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \quad \tan \frac{\pi}{4} &= 2t \\ 1 &= 2t \\ t &= \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Substitute $t = \frac{1}{2}$ into (1) and (3)

$$\therefore \quad x = \ln 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+1^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Equation of tangent at $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ is

$$y - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{1}{2}(x - 0)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{\pi}{4} \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Equation of normal at $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ is

$$y - \frac{\pi}{4} = -2(x - 0)$$

$$y = -2x + \frac{\pi}{4} \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Substitute $y = 0$ into (1) and (2)

From (1): $0 = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{\pi}{4}$

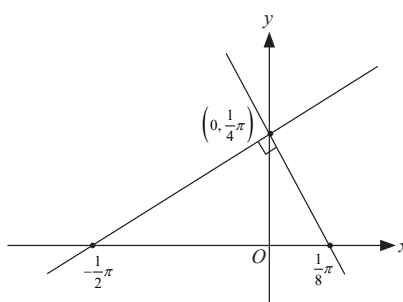
$$x = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

The coordinates are $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, 0\right)$.

From (2): $0 = -2x + \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{8}$$

The coordinates are $\left(\frac{\pi}{8}, 0\right)$.



Area of triangle bounded by the x -axis, the tangent and normal to C

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \right) \left[\frac{\pi}{8} - \left(-\frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{5\pi^2}{64} \text{ units}^2$$