

# JEE Problems in Calculus



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Abstract—A collection of problems from JEE papers related to calculus are available in this document. Verify your soluions using numerical techniques for integration and differentiation.

#### 1 Calculus: Integration

1.1 Sketch the region

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} : xy \le 8, 1 \le y \le x^2 \tag{1}$$

1.2 Find the area of the region.

**Solution:** The intersection of y = 1,  $y = x^2$  is

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2}$$

The intersection of y = 1, xy = 8 is

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

The intersection of  $y = x^2$ , xy = 8 is

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\\4 \end{pmatrix} \tag{4}$$

The desired region is enclosed by the vertices **A**, **B** and **C** Thus, the area is obtained as

$$\int_{1}^{2} x^{2} dx + \int_{2}^{8} \frac{8}{x} dx = \left[ \frac{x^{3}}{3} \right]_{1}^{2} + 8 \left[ \ln x \right]_{2}^{8} - 7$$
(5)

$$= 16 \ln 2 - \frac{14}{3} \tag{6}$$

### 2 Calculus: Differentiation

Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^5 + 5x^4 + 10x^3 + 10x^2 + 3x + 1 & x < 0 \\ x^2 - x + 1 & 0 \le x < 1 \\ \frac{2}{3}x^3 - 4x^2 + 7x - \frac{8}{3} & 1 \le x < 3 \\ (x - 2)\ln(x - 2) - x + \frac{10}{3} & x \ge 3 \end{cases}$$
(7)

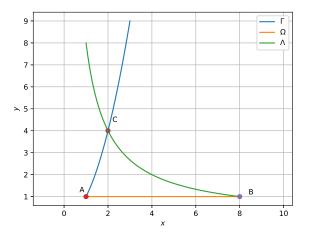


Fig. 1.2

2.1 Is f increasing in  $(-\infty, 0)$ ? Solution:

$$f'(x) = 5x^4 + 20x^3 + 30x^2 + 20x + 3 \quad x < 0$$

$$\implies f'(-1) = 5 - 20 + 30 - 20 + 3 = -2 < 0$$
(8)

Hence f'(x) is non-increasing.

2.2 Does f' have a local maximum at x = 1? Solution:

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} 2x - 1 > 0, & \frac{1}{2} < x < 1, \\ 2(x - 2)^2 - 1 < 0 & 1 \le x < 3 \end{cases}$$
 (9)

Hence, f is increasing in  $(\frac{1}{2}, 1)$  and decreasing between  $(1, 3) \implies f$  has a local maximum at r = 1

2.3 Show that f' is differentiable at x = 1. Solution: Since

$$f'(1-) = f'(1) = 1,$$
 (10)

f is differentiable at x = 1.

2.4 Is *f* onto?

2.5 Sketch f(x) in Python to verify your answeres.

#### 3 Calculus: Differential Equations

 $\Gamma$  is a curve in the first qudrant and

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{11}$$

lies on it. The tangent to  $\Gamma$  at **P** intersects the y-axis at  $\mathbf{Y}_P$ . The line segment  $PY_P = 1$ .

### 3.1 Find the differential equation of $\Gamma$ .

**Solution:** Let

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{Y}_P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ c \end{pmatrix}. \tag{12}$$

Then using the equation of a line,

$$\mathbf{Y}_{P} = \mathbf{P} + \lambda \mathbf{m},\tag{13}$$

where

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y' \end{pmatrix}. \tag{14}$$

Thus.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y' \end{pmatrix} \tag{15}$$

$$\implies \lambda = -x. \tag{16}$$

: 
$$PY_P = ||\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Y}_P|| = |\lambda| ||\mathbf{m}|| = 1,$$
 (17)

$$x^{2} \left( 1 + (y')^{2} \right) = 1 \tag{18}$$

$$\implies xy' \pm \sqrt{1 - x^2} = 0 \tag{19}$$

## 3.2 Find the equation of $\Gamma$ .

**Solution:** From (19),

$$dy = \pm \frac{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}{x} dx \tag{20}$$

$$\implies \int dy = \pm \int \frac{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}{x} dx \qquad (21)$$

Letting

$$z = \sqrt{1 - x^2}, dz = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}} dx$$

$$\implies \int \frac{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}{x} dx = -\int \frac{z^2}{1 - z^2} dz$$

$$= \int dz - \int \frac{1}{1 - z^2} dz$$

$$= z + \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 - z}{1 + z} + C$$
(22)

Thus,

$$y = \pm \left(\sqrt{1 - x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - x^2}}{1 + \sqrt{1 - x^2}}\right)$$
 (23)

since C = 0 after substituting x = 0, y = 1.

3.3 Verify your result through a python sketch.

#### 4 Calculus: Definite Integral

4.1 If

$$I = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{(1 + e^{\sin x})(2 - \cos 2x)},$$
 (24)

find  $27I^2$ .

**Solution:** Substituting -x for x,

$$I = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{(1 + e^{-\sin x})(2 - \cos 2x)},$$
 (25)

Adding (24) and (25),

$$2I = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{(2 - \cos 2x)} \left[ \frac{1}{(1 + e^{\sin x})} + \frac{1}{(1 + e^{-\sin x})} \right], \quad (26)$$

which can be simplified to obtain

$$I = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{(2 - \cos 2x)} \frac{\left(1 + e^{\sin x} + 1 + e^{-\sin x}\right)}{\left(1 + e^{\sin x} + e^{-\sin x} + 1\right)}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{(2 - \cos 2x)}$$
(27)

Substituting

$$\cos 2x = \frac{1 - \tan^2 x}{1 + \tan^2},\tag{28}$$

in (27) and simplifying,

$$I = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sec^2 x}{(1+3\tan^2 x)} dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi \sqrt{3}} \left[ \tan^{-1} \left( \sqrt{3} \tan x \right) \right]_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}}$$
$$= \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}}$$
(29)

resulting in

$$27I^2 = 4 (30)$$

#### 5 CALCULUS: LIMITS

#### 6 CALCULUS: MAXIMA AND MINIMA

Let

$$f(x) = p(x)q(x), \quad x > 0, \text{ where}$$
 (43)

$$p(x) = \sin \pi x \tag{44}$$

$$q(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} \tag{45}$$

- 6.1 Show that q(x) is monotonically decreasing.
- 6.2 Show that p(x) is oscillatory.
- 6.3 Find the regions where f(x) is increasing and decreasing.

## **Solution:**

$$f'(x) = p(x)q'(x) + p'(x)q(x), \tag{46}$$

$$q(x) > 0, (47)$$

$$q'(x) < 0, (48)$$

$$f'(x) \begin{cases} < 0 & p(x) > 0 \text{ and } p'(x) < 0 \\ > 0 & p(x) < 0 \text{ and } p'(x) > 0 \end{cases}$$
 (49)

Table 6.3 computes the desired regions based on (49)

	> 0	< 0
p(x)	$x \in (2n, 2n+1)$	$x \in (2n+1, 2n+2)$
q(x)	<i>x</i> > 0	
p'(x)	$x \in \left(2n - \frac{1}{2}, 2n + \frac{1}{2}\right)$	$x \in \left(2n + \frac{1}{2}, 2n + \frac{3}{2}\right)$
q'(x)		<i>x</i> > 0
f'(x)	$ \begin{array}{ccc} x & \in \\ (2n+1,2n+2) \cup x \in \\ \left(2n-\frac{1}{2},2n+\frac{1}{2}\right) & = \\ x \in \left(2n-\frac{1}{2},2n\right) \end{array} $	$ x \in (2n, 2n+1) \cup x \in  \left(2n + \frac{1}{2}, 2n + \frac{3}{2}\right) =  x \in \left(2n + \frac{1}{2}, 2n + 1\right) $

TABLE 6.3

6.4 Find the points of local maxima  $x_i$ .

**Solution:** The maxima occur in the interval between f'(x) > 0 and f'(x) < 0. From Table 6.3,

$$x_i \in \left(2n, 2n + \frac{1}{2}\right), \quad n \ge 1 \tag{50}$$

6.5 Find the points of local minima  $y_i$ . **Solution:** The minima occur in the interval between f'(x) < 0 and f'(x) > 0. From Table

6.3,

$$y_i \in \left(2n - 1, 2n - \frac{1}{2}\right), \quad n \ge 1$$
 (51)

Let

$$P_1 = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{\sqrt{|h|}} \tag{31}$$

$$P_2 = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h^2} \tag{32}$$

5.1 Find  $P_1$  for

$$f(x) = |x| \tag{33}$$

**Solution:** Substituting (33) in (31),

$$P_1 = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{|h|}{\sqrt{h}} = 0 \tag{34}$$

5.2 Find  $P_1$  for

$$f(x) = x^{\frac{2}{3}} \tag{35}$$

**Solution:** Substituting (35) in (31),

$$P_1 = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{h^{\frac{2}{3}}}{\sqrt{h}} = h^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0 \tag{36}$$

5.3 Find  $P_2$  for

$$f(x) = x|x| (37)$$

**Solution:** Substituting (37) in (32),

$$\lim_{h \to 0+} \frac{h|h|}{h^2} = 1 \tag{38}$$

and

$$\lim_{h \to 0-} \frac{-h|h|}{h^2} = -1 \tag{39}$$

$$(38) \neq (39),$$
 (40)

 $P_2$  does not exist.

5.4 Find  $P_2$  for

$$f(x) = \sin x \tag{41}$$

**Solution:** Substituting (42) in (32),

$$\lim_{h \to 0+} \frac{\sin h}{h^2} = \infty \tag{42}$$

Hence  $P_2$  does not exist.

6.6 Is

$$x_{n+1} - x_n > 2 (52)$$

for every n?

**Solution:** From (50),

$$x_{n+1} - x_n > 2(n+1) - \left(2n + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$
 (53)

$$=\frac{3}{2}<2$$
 (54)

6.7 Show that

$$x_1 > y_1 \tag{55}$$

6.8 Verify if

$$|x_n - y_n| > 1 \tag{56}$$

for every n.

7 Calculus: Integration

Let

$$F(x) = \int_0^x f(t) \, dt, \quad x > 0$$
 (57)

where

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-5)$$
 (58)

7.1 Does F(x) have a local minimum at x = 1? **Solution:** The derivative of F(x) is

$$F^{(1)}(x) = \lim_{\delta x \to 0} \frac{1}{\delta} \int_{x}^{x+\delta x} f(t) dt$$
$$= f(x)$$
 (59)

Thus, from (59),

$$F^{(2)}(x) = f^{(1)}(x)$$
  
=  $(x-1)(x-2) + (x-2)(x-5)$   
+  $(x-1)(x-5)$ 

$$\implies F^{(2)}(1) = 4 > 0$$
 (60)

Since f(1) = 0, answer is yes.

7.2 Does F(x) have a local maximum at x = 2? **Solution:** From (60),

$$F^{(2)}(2) = -3 < 0 (61)$$

Since f(2) = 0, answer is yes.

7.3 Does F(x) have two local maxima and one local minimum in  $(0, \infty)$ ?

**Solution:** From (60),

$$F^{(2)}(5) = 12 > 0 (62)$$

Since f(5) = 0, F(x) has two local minima and one minimum. So answer is false.

7.4 Verify if  $F(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x \in (0, 5)$ .

**Solution:** From the previous solutions,

$$\min F(x) > 0, \quad x \in (0, 5) \tag{63}$$

Hence, the statement is correct.

8 Trigonometry

8.1 Find

$$\sec\left(\frac{7\pi}{12} + \frac{k\pi}{2}\right) \sec\left(\frac{7\pi}{12} + \frac{(k+1)\pi}{2}\right) \tag{64}$$

**Solution:** (64) can be expressed as

$$\frac{2}{\cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{6} + \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2}\right) + \cos\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{2}{\cos\left((k+1)\pi + \frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)} = 4(-1)^{k+1} \quad (65)$$

after simplification.

8.2 Find the value of

$$\theta = \sec^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\sum_{k=0}^{10}\sec\left(\frac{7\pi}{12} + \frac{k\pi}{2}\right)\right) \times \sec\left(\frac{7\pi}{12} + \frac{(k+1)\pi}{2}\right)$$
(66)

in the interval  $\left[-\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}\right]$ . **Solution:** Substituting from (65) in (66) results in

$$\theta = \sec^{-1}(1) \implies \theta = 0 \tag{67}$$

in the given interval.

9 Definite Integral

Let

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{3\sqrt{\cos\theta}}{\left(\sqrt{\cos\theta} + \sqrt{\sin\theta}\right)^5} d\theta \tag{68}$$

9.1 Show that

$$I = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{3\sqrt{\sin\theta}}{\left(\sqrt{\cos\theta} + \sqrt{\sin\theta}\right)^5} d\theta \tag{69}$$

9.2 Show that

$$I = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{\left(\sqrt{\cos\theta} + \sqrt{\sin\theta}\right)^4} d\theta \qquad (70)$$

9.3 Show that

$$I = 3 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1}{\left(\sqrt{\cos\theta} + \sqrt{\sin\theta}\right)^4} d\theta \tag{71}$$

9.4 Find *I*.

**Solution:** From (71)

$$I = 3 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sec^2 \theta}{\left(1 + \sqrt{\tan \theta}\right)^4} d\theta \tag{72}$$

which, after substituting

$$t = 1 + \sqrt{\tan \theta} \tag{73}$$

results in

$$I = 3 \int_{1}^{2} \frac{2(t-1)}{t^{4}} dt$$

$$= 6 \left[ \frac{1}{3t^{3}} - \frac{1}{2t^{2}} \right]_{1}^{2}$$

$$= \left[ 2\left( \frac{1}{8} - 1 \right) - 3\left( \frac{1}{4} - 1 \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2}$$
 (74)

10 Calculus: Differentiation

For x > 0,

$$f(x) = \sin(\pi \cos x) \tag{75}$$

$$g(x) = \cos(2\pi \sin x) \tag{76}$$

10.1 Find

$$X = \{x : f(x) = 0\} \tag{77}$$

**Solution:** 

$$\sin(\pi \cos x) = 0$$

$$\implies \pi \cos x = k\pi \text{ or, } \cos x = k \tag{78}$$

where k is an integer.

$$|\cos x| \le 1,$$

$$X = \{x : \cos x = -1, 0, 1\}$$

$$\implies X = k\pi$$

$$(79)$$

10.2 Find

$$Y = \{x : f'(x) = 0\},\tag{80}$$

**Solution:** 

$$Y = \{x : \sin x \cos (\pi \cos x) = 0\},\$$

$$= \{x : \sin x = 0\} \cup \{x : \cos (\pi \cos x) = 0\},\$$

$$= \{k\pi\} \cup \left\{x : \cos x = \left(2m \pm \frac{1}{2}\right)\right\},\$$

$$= \{k\pi\} \cup \left\{x : \cos x = \pm \frac{1}{2}\right\},\$$
(81)

which can be expressed as

$$Y = \{k\pi\} \cup \left\{2m\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{3}\right\} \cup \left\{2m\pi \pm \frac{2\pi}{3}\right\}$$
$$= \frac{k\pi}{3} \tag{82}$$

10.3 Find

$$Z = \{x : g(x) = 0\} \tag{83}$$

**Solution:** 

$$Z = \{x : \cos(2\pi \sin x) = 0\}$$

$$= \left\{x : \sin x = k \pm \frac{1}{4}\right\}$$

$$= \left\{x : \sin x = \pm \frac{1}{4}, \pm \frac{3}{4}\right\}$$

$$= \left\{k\pi \pm \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{4}\right\} \cup \left\{k\pi \pm \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{4}\right\}$$
 (84)

10.4 Find

$$W = \{x : g'(x) = 0\}. \tag{85}$$

**Solution:** 

$$W = \{x : \cos x \sin(2\pi \sin x) = 0\}$$

$$= \{x : \cos x \sin(2\pi \sin x) = 0\}$$

$$= \{x : \cos x = 0\} \cup \{x : \sin(2\pi \sin x) = 0\}$$

$$= \left\{ \left(2k \pm \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi \right\} \cup \left\{x : \sin x = \frac{k}{2}\right\}$$

$$= \left\{m\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{6}\right\} \cup \{r\pi\} \cup \left\{n\pi \pm \frac{\pi}{2}\right\}$$
 (86)

### 11 Numbers

11.1 Given (refer to previous problem)

List I

List II

- (I) X
- Y (II)
- (P)  $\supseteq \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, 4\pi, 7\pi \right\}$ (Q) an arithmetic progression
- (III)Z
- (R) NOT an arithmetic pro-
- (IV) W

gression

(S)  $\supseteq \left\{ \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{13\pi}{6} \right\}$ (T)  $\supseteq \left\{ \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \pi \right\}$ (U)  $\supseteq \left\{ \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{3\pi}{4} \right\}$ which of the following is the only CORRECT combination?

- (A) (I), (P), (R)
- (C) (I), (Q), (U)
- (B) (II), (Q), (T)
- (D) (II), (R), (S)
- 11.2 Which of the following is the only CORRECT combination?
  - (A) (III), (R), (U)
- (C) (III), (P), (Q), (U)
- (B) (IV), (P), (R), (S) (D) (IV), (Q), (T)