

Q1. Find the points on the parabola $y^2 = 8x$ which is the radius of curvature is $\frac{125}{16}$

Sol:- Given curve - $y^2 = 8x$

For y_1 - Differentiate both sides w.r.t x

$$\Rightarrow 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{4}{y}$$

For y_2 - $y_2 = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{4}{y} \right)$

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

$$= -\frac{4}{y^2} \times \frac{4}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_2 = -\frac{16}{y^3}$$

$$\rho = \frac{(1 + y_1^2)^{3/2}}{y_2} \Rightarrow \frac{(1 + \left(\frac{4}{y}\right)^2)^{3/2}}{-\frac{16}{y^3}} = \frac{125}{16}$$

$$= \frac{(1 + \frac{16}{y^2})^{3/2}}{-\frac{16}{y^3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(y^2 + 16)^{3/2}}{(y^2)^{3/2}} \times \frac{y^3}{16} = \frac{125}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow (y^2 + 16)^{3/2} = \frac{(125)^{3/2}}{5^{3/2}} = 5^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 16 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm 3$$

∴ For $y = +3$:-

$$x = \frac{y^2}{8} = \frac{9}{8}$$

For $y = -3$:- $x = \frac{9}{8}$

∴ Point is $\left(\frac{9}{8}, 3 \right)$ & $\left(\frac{9}{8}, -3 \right)$

Q2. Show that the curve $y = \frac{ax}{a+x}$, the radius of curvature ρ at (x, y) related as $\left(\frac{2\rho}{a}\right)^{3/2} = \frac{x^2}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2}$

Sol:- Given curve $y = \frac{ax}{a+x}$

For y_1 :- $y_1 = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{ax}{a+x} \right)$

$$= \frac{(a+x) \frac{d}{dx}(ax) - ax \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(a+x)}{(a+x)^2}$$

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

$$= \frac{a^2 + ax - ax}{(a+x)^2} \Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{a^2}{(a+x)^2}$$

For y_2 :- $y_2 = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{a^2}{(a+x)^2} \right)$

$$= a^2 \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{(a+x)^2} \right)$$

$$= a^2 (-2)(a+x)^{-2-1} \Rightarrow y_2 = \frac{-2a^2}{(a+x)^3}$$

$$\rho = \frac{(1+y_1^2)^{3/2}}{y_2} = \left[1 + \left(\frac{a^2}{(a+x)^2} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2} \times \frac{(a+x)^3}{-2a^2} \times a$$

> can't be -ve

A/Q,

$$y = \frac{ax}{a+x} \Rightarrow \frac{a}{a+x} = \frac{y}{x}$$

Square both sides:-

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{a}{a+x} \right)^2 = \frac{y^2}{x^2}$$

$$\rho = \left[1 + \left(\frac{a}{a+x} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2} \times \frac{1}{\frac{2/a^3}{a(a+x)}} \times \frac{1}{a}$$

$$p = \left[1 + \left(\frac{y^2}{x^2} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2} \times \frac{1}{\frac{2}{a} \left(\frac{y}{x} \right)^3}$$

Multiply both sides by $\left(\frac{2}{a} \right)$:-

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{2}{a} p &= \left[1 + \frac{y^4}{x^4} \right]^{3/2} \times \left(\frac{2}{a} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{\left(\frac{2}{a} \right) \cdot \frac{y^3}{x^3}} \\ &= \frac{(x^4 + y^4)^{3/2}}{(x^4)^{3/2}} \times \frac{x^3}{y^3} \\ &= \frac{(x^4 + y^4)^{3/2}}{x^3 y^3} \end{aligned}$$

Raise to the power '2/3' on both sides :-

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{2}{a} p \right)^{2/3} &= \left[\frac{(x^4 + y^4)^{3/2}}{x^3 y^3} \right]^{2/3} \\ &= \left[\frac{x^4 + y^4}{x^{3 \cdot 2/3} \cdot y^{3 \cdot 2/3}} \right] \\ &= \frac{x^4 + y^4}{x^2 y^2} \end{aligned}$$

Now separate the terms :-

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

Hence proved