

Q. Find the equation of the evolute of the curve $y^2 = 4ax$

Sol:- Parametric form:-

$$x = at^2 \quad \& \quad y = 2at$$

$$\therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = 2at \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 2a$$

For $\frac{dy}{dx}$:- $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx}$
 $= \cancel{2a} \cdot \frac{1}{2at}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{t} \quad \left(y_1 = \frac{1}{t} \right)$$

For $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$:- $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)$

In terms / w.r.t t :-

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \cdot \frac{dt}{dx}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{t} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{2at}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{2at^3} \quad \left(y_2 = -\frac{1}{2at^3} \right)$$

We know :-

$$\bar{x} = x - \frac{y_1(1+y_1^2)}{y_2}$$

$$\bar{y} = y + \frac{(1+y_1^2)}{y_2}$$

For \bar{x} :- $\bar{x} = x - y_1(1+y_1^2)$

$$= 2at^2 - \left[\frac{1}{t} \left(1 + \frac{1}{t^2} \right) \right] \times \frac{1}{\left(-\frac{1}{2at^3} \right)} \quad [x = 2at^2]$$

$$= 2at^2 - \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^3} \times (-2at^3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x} = 3at^2 + 2a$$

For \bar{y} :- $\bar{y} = y + \frac{y_1^2}{1+y_1^2}$

$$= 2at + \left[\frac{1 + \frac{1}{t^2}}{t^2} \right] \times \frac{1}{\left(-\frac{1}{2at^3} \right)} \quad [y = 2at]$$

$$= 2at + \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^2} \times (-2at^3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{y} = 2at - 2at^3 - 2at$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{y} = -2at^3$$

To eliminate 't' :-

$$\bar{x} = 3at^2 + 2a$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \left(\frac{\bar{x} - 2a}{3a} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\bar{y} = -2at^3$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \left(\frac{-\bar{y}}{2a} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\bar{x} - 2a}{3a} \right)^{1/2} = \left(\frac{-\bar{y}}{2a} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\bar{x} - 2a}{3a} \right)^3 = \left(\frac{-\bar{y}}{2a} \right)^2 \quad [\text{Exchange powers}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\bar{x} - 2a)^3}{27a^3} = \frac{(\bar{y})^2}{4a^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(\bar{x} - 2a)^3 = 27a\bar{y}^2$$

$$\therefore \text{Evolute is } 4(\bar{x} - 2a)^3 = 27a\bar{y}^2$$

↪ locus of centre of curvature

Q2. Find the equation of the evolute of the curve $x^2 = 4ay$

Sol:- Parametric form:-

$$x = 2at \quad \& \quad y = at^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = 2a$$

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

For $\frac{dy}{dx}$:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} = 2at \times \frac{1}{2a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = t$$

For $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} (t) = \frac{1}{2a} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{2a}$$

We know

$$\bar{x} = x - \frac{y_1(1+y_1^2)}{y_2}$$

$$\bar{y} = y + \frac{(1+y_1^2)}{y_2}$$

for \bar{x} : $\bar{x} = x - \frac{y_1(1+y_1^2)}{y_2}$

$$= 2at - \frac{t(1+t^2)}{\frac{1}{2a}}$$

$$= 2at - (t+t^3)(2a)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x} = -2at^3$$

for \bar{y} : $\bar{y} = y + \frac{(1+y_1^2)}{y_2}$

$$= at^2 + \frac{(1+t^2)}{\frac{1}{2a}}$$

$$= at^2 + 2at^2 + 2at^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{y} = 3at^2 + 2a$$

Eliminate 't':

$$\bar{x} = -2at^3$$

$$\Rightarrow t^3 = \frac{\bar{x}}{-2a}$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \left(\frac{-\bar{x}}{2a} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$\bar{y} = 3at^2 + 2a$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 = \frac{\bar{y} - 2a}{3a}$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \left(\frac{\bar{y} - 2a}{3a} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{-\bar{x}}{2a} \right)^{1/3} = \left(\frac{\bar{y} - 2a}{3a} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{-\bar{x}}{2a} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{\bar{y} - 2a}{3a} \right)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{27a}{4a^2} \bar{x}^2 = \frac{(\bar{y} - 2a)^3}{27a^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 27a\bar{x}^2 = 4(\bar{y} - 2a)^3$$

\therefore Evolute is $4(\bar{y} - 2a)^3 = 27a\bar{x}^2$

Q3. Find the equation of evolute of curve $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

Sol:- Parametric form of ellipse:-

$$x = a \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d\theta} = -a \sin \theta$$

$$y = b \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{d\theta} = b \cos \theta$$

For $\frac{dy}{dx}$:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{d\theta} \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx}$$

$$= b \cos \theta \cdot \frac{1}{-a \sin \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = -\frac{b}{a} \cot \theta$$

For $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$:

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

$$= \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx}$$

$$= \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(-\frac{b}{a} \cot \theta \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{-a \sin \theta} \right)$$

$$= \frac{+b}{a} (\csc^2 \theta) \cdot \frac{1}{-a \sin \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_2 = -\frac{b}{a^2 \sin^3 \theta}$$

We know :-

$$\bar{x} = x + y_1 (1 + y_1^2)$$

$$\bar{y} = y + y_2 (1 + y_1^2)$$

$$\bar{x} = x - y_1(1+y_1^2)$$

$$= a \cos \theta - \frac{y_2}{a^2} \left(\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \right) \left(1 + \frac{b^2}{a^2} \cot^2 \theta \right)$$

$$= a \cos \theta - \frac{b \cos \theta}{a \sin \theta} \left(1 + \frac{b^2 \cos^2 \theta}{a^2 \sin^2 \theta} \right)$$

$$= a \cos \theta - \frac{b \cos \theta}{a \sin \theta} \left(\frac{a^2 \sin^2 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta}{a^2 \sin^2 \theta} \right) \times \frac{a^2 \sin^3 \theta}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x} = a \cos \theta - \frac{\cos \theta}{a} (a^2 \sin^2 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta)$$

$$= \frac{a^2 \cos^3 \theta}{a} - a^2 \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta - \frac{b^2 \cos^3 \theta}{a}$$

$$= \frac{a^2 \cos \theta}{a} (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta) - \frac{b^2 \cos^3 \theta}{a}$$

$$= \frac{a^2 \cos \theta}{a} (1 - \sin^2 \theta) - \frac{b^2 \cos^3 \theta}{a}$$

$$= \frac{a^2 \cos \theta}{a} (\cos^2 \theta) - \frac{b^2 \cos^3 \theta}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x} = \frac{a^2 \cos^3 \theta - b^2 \cos^3 \theta}{a}$$

In terms of $\cos^3 \theta$:-

$$a \bar{x} = \cos^3 \theta (a^2 - b^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^3 \theta = \frac{a \bar{x}}{a^2 - b^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \left(\frac{a \bar{x}}{a^2 - b^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

For \bar{y} :- $\bar{y} = y + (1 + y_1^2)$

$$= \cancel{b \sin \theta} + (1 + \frac{b^2 \cos^2 \theta}{a^2 \sin^3 \theta})$$

$$= b \sin \theta + \left(\frac{a^2 \sin^2 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta}{a^2 \sin^3 \theta} \right) \times \frac{a^2 \sin^3 \theta}{-b}$$

$$= b \sin \theta + \left(\frac{a^2 \sin^2 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta}{a^2 \sin^3 \theta} \right) \times \frac{a^2 \sin^3 \theta}{-b}$$

$$= \frac{-b^2 \sin \theta + a^2 \sin^3 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta \cdot \sin \theta}{-b}$$

$$= \frac{-b^2 \sin \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta) + a^2 \sin^3 \theta}{-b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{y} = \frac{-b^2 \sin \theta (\sin^2 \theta) + a^2 \sin^3 \theta}{-b} = \frac{-b^2 \sin^3 \theta + a^2 \sin^3 \theta}{-b}$$

In terms of $\sin^3 \theta$:-

$$-b \bar{y} = \sin^3 \theta (a^2 - b^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^3 \theta = \frac{-b \bar{y}}{a^2 - b^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \left(\frac{-b \bar{y}}{a^2 - b^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

We have to eliminate θ from :-

$$\cos \theta = \left(\frac{a \bar{x}}{a^2 - b^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$\& \sin \theta = \left(\frac{-b \bar{y}}{a^2 - b^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

We apply $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$

$$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\left(\frac{-by}{a^2 - b^2} \right)^{1/3} \right]^2 + \left[\left(\frac{ax}{a^2 - b^2} \right)^{1/3} \right]^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{ax}{a^2 - b^2} \right)^{2/3} + \left(\frac{-by}{a^2 - b^2} \right)^{2/3} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (ax)^{2/3} + (-by)^{2/3} = (a^2 - b^2)^{2/3}$$

$$\therefore \text{Evolute is } (ax)^{2/3} + (-by)^{2/3} = (a^2 - b^2)^{2/3}$$

Q.4 Find radius of curvature on $y = e^x$ at the point where the curve cuts the y -axis. $\{MCQ(s)\}$

Soln $y = e^x$

The curve cuts the y -axis $\Rightarrow x = 0$

At point $(0, y)$ we find radius of curvature

$$y_1 = \frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x = e^0 = 1$$

$$y_2 = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = e^x = e^0 = 1$$

Now,

$$\text{Radius of curvature } (P) = \frac{(1 + y_1^2)^{3/2}}{y_2}$$

$$\therefore P = (1 + 1^2)^{3/2}$$

$$= 2^{3/2}$$

$$\therefore P = 2\sqrt{2}$$