

# Applications of Derivatives

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- 1) Prove the minimum value of  $\frac{(a+x)(b+x)}{(c+x)}$ ,  $a, b > c$ ,  $x > -c$  is  $(\sqrt{a-c} + \sqrt{b-c})^2$ .  
(1979)
- 2) Let  $x$  and  $y$  be two real variables such that  $x > 0$  and  $xy = 1$ . Find the minimum value of  $x + y$ .  
(1981-2 Marks)
- 3) For all  $x$  in  $[0, 1]$ , let the second derivative  $f''(x)$  of a function  $f(x)$  exist and satisfy  $|f''(x)| < 1$ . If  $f(0) = f(1)$ , then show that  $|f'(x)| < 1$  for all  $x$  in  $[0, 1]$ .  
(1981-4 Marks)
- 4) Use the function  $f(x) = x^{\frac{1}{x}}$ ,  $x > 0$ , to determine the bigger of the two numbers  $e^\pi$  and  $\pi^e$ .  
(1981-4 Marks)
- 5) If  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are differentiable functions for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  such that  $f(0) = 2$ ,  $g(0) = 0$ ,  $f(1) = 6$ ,  $g(1) = 2$ , then show that there exist  $c$  satisfying  $0 < c < 1$  and  $f'(c) = 2g'(c)$ .  
(1982-2 Marks)
- 6) Find the shortest distance of the point  $(0, c)$  from the parabola  $y = x^2$  where  $0 \leq c \leq 5$ .  
(1992-2 Marks)
- 7) If  $ax^2 + \frac{b}{x}$  for all positive  $x$  where  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$  show that  $27ab^2 \geq 4c^3$ .  
(1982-2 Marks)
- 8) Show that  $1 + x \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}) \geq \sqrt{1 + x^2}$  for all  $x \geq 0$ .  
(1983-2 Marks)
- 9) Find the coordinates of the point on the curve  $y = \frac{x}{1+x^2}$  where the tangent to the curve has the greatest slope.  
(1984-4 Marks)
- 10) Find all the tangents to the curve  $y = \cos(x + y)$ ,  $-2\pi \leq x \leq 2\pi$ , that are parallel to the line  $x + 2y = 0$ .  
(1985-5 Marks)
- 11) Let  $f(x) = \sin^3 x + \lambda \sin^2 x$ ,  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Find the intervals in which  $\lambda$  should lie in order that  $f(x)$  has exactly one minimum and exactly one maximum.  
(1985-5 Marks)
- 12) Find the point on the curve  $4x^2 + a^2y^2 = 4a^2$  that is farthest from the point  $(0, -2)$ .  
(1987-4 Marks)
- 13) Investigate for the maxima and minima the function  $f(x) = \int_1^x [2(t-1)(t-2)^3 + 3(t-1)^2(t-1)^2] dt$ .  
(1988-5 Marks)
- 14) Find all maxima and minima of the function  $y = x(x-1)^2$ , the  $y$ -axis and the line  $y = 2$ .  
(1989-5 Marks)
- 15) Show that  $2 \sin x + \tan x \geq 3x$  where  $0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ .  
(1990-4 Marks)