



Exercise 6.2 : Solutions of Questions on Page Number : 205

Q1 : Show that the function given by $f(x) = 3x + 17$ is strictly increasing on \mathbb{R} .

Answer :

Let x_1 and x_2 be any two numbers in \mathbb{R} .

Then, we have:

$$x_1 < x_2 \Rightarrow 3x_1 < 3x_2 \Rightarrow 3x_1 + 17 < 3x_2 + 17 \Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$$

Hence, f is strictly increasing on \mathbb{R} .

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Q2 : Show that the function given by $f(x) = e^{2x}$ is strictly increasing on \mathbb{R} .

Answer :

Let x_1 and x_2 be any two numbers in \mathbb{R} .

Then, we have:

$$x_1 < x_2 \Rightarrow 2x_1 < 2x_2 \Rightarrow e^{2x_1} < e^{2x_2} \Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$$

Hence, f is strictly increasing on \mathbb{R} .

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Q3 : Show that the function given by $f(x) = \sin x$ is

(a) strictly increasing in $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ (b) strictly decreasing in $\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi\right)$

(c) neither increasing nor decreasing in $(0, \pi)$

Answer :

The given function is $f(x) = \sin x$.

$$\therefore f'(x) = \cos x$$

(a) Since for each $x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$, $\cos x > 0$, we have $f'(x) > 0$.

Hence, f is strictly increasing in $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$.

(b) Since for each $x \in \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi\right)$, $\cos x < 0$, we have $f'(x) < 0$.

Hence, f is strictly decreasing in $\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi\right)$.

(c) From the results obtained in (a) and (b), it is clear that f is neither increasing nor decreasing in $(0, \pi)$.

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Q4 : Find the intervals in which the function f given by $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x$ is

(a) strictly increasing (b) strictly decreasing

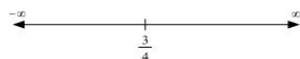
Answer :

The given function is $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x$.

$$f'(x) = 4x - 3$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{4}$$

Now, the point $\frac{3}{4}$ divides the real line into two disjoint intervals i.e., $\left(-\infty, \frac{3}{4}\right)$ and $\left(\frac{3}{4}, \infty\right)$.



In interval $\left(-\infty, \frac{3}{4}\right)$, $f'(x) = 4x - 3 < 0$.

Hence, the given function (f) is strictly decreasing in interval $\left(-\infty, \frac{3}{4}\right)$.

In interval $\left(\frac{3}{4}, \infty\right)$, $f'(x) = 4x - 3 > 0$.

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Hence, the given function (f) is strictly increasing in interval $\left(\frac{3}{4}, \infty\right)$.

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Q5: Find the intervals in which the function f given by $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 36x + 7$ is

(a) strictly increasing (b) strictly decreasing

Answer :

The given function is $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 36x + 7$.

$$f'(x) = 6x^2 - 6x - 36 = 6(x^2 - x - 6) = 6(x+2)(x-3)$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -2, 3$$

The points $x = -2$ and $x = 3$ divide the real line into three disjoint intervals i.e.,

$(-\infty, -2)$, $(-2, 3)$, and $(3, \infty)$.



In intervals $(-\infty, -2)$ and $(3, \infty)$, $f'(x)$ is positive while in interval

$(-2, 3)$, $f'(x)$ is negative.

Hence, the given function (f) is strictly increasing in intervals

$(-\infty, -2)$ and $(3, \infty)$, while function (f) is strictly decreasing in interval

$(-2, 3)$.

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Q6: Find the intervals in which the following functions are strictly increasing or decreasing:

(a) $x^2 + 2x - 5$ (b) $10 - 6x - 2x^2$

(c) $-2x^3 - 9x^2 - 12x + 1$ (d) $6 - 9x - x^2$

(e) $(x+1)^3 (x-3)^3$

Answer :

(a) We have,

$$f(x) = x^2 + 2x - 5$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = 2x + 2$$

Now,

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -1$$

Point $x = -1$ divides the real line into two disjoint intervals i.e., $(-\infty, -1)$ and $(-1, \infty)$.

In interval $(-\infty, -1)$, $f'(x) = 2x + 2 < 0$.

$\therefore f$ is strictly decreasing in interval $(-\infty, -1)$.

Thus, f is strictly decreasing for $x < -1$.

In interval $(-1, \infty)$, $f'(x) = 2x + 2 > 0$.

$\therefore f$ is strictly increasing in interval $(-1, \infty)$.

Thus, f is strictly increasing for $x > -1$.

(b) We have,

$$f(x) = 10 - 6x - 2x^2$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = -6 - 4x$$

Now,

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{3}{2}$$

The point $x = -\frac{3}{2}$ divides the real line into two disjoint intervals i.e., $(-\infty, -\frac{3}{2})$ and $(-\frac{3}{2}, \infty)$.

In interval $(-\infty, -\frac{3}{2})$ i.e., when $x < -\frac{3}{2}$,

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Q7: Show that $y = \log(1+x) - \frac{2x}{2+x}$, $x > -1$, is an increasing function of x throughout its domain.

Answer :

We have,

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

\therefore

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Q8 : Find the values of x for which $y = [x(x-2)]^2$ is an increasing function.

Answer :

We have,

$$y = [x(x-2)]^2 = [x^2 - 2x]^2$$

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

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, x = 2, x = 1.$$

The points $x = 0$, $x = 1$, and $x = 2$ divide the real line into four disjoint intervals i.e., $(-\infty, 0)$, $(0, 1)$, $(1, 2)$, and $(2, \infty)$.

In intervals $(-\infty, 0)$ and $(1, 2)$, $\frac{dy}{dx} < 0$.

$\therefore y$ is strictly decreasing in intervals $(-\infty, 0)$ and $(1, 2)$.

However, in intervals $(0, 1)$ and $(2, \infty)$, $\frac{dy}{dx} > 0$.

$\therefore y$ is strictly increasing in intervals $(0, 1)$ and $(2, \infty)$.

$\therefore y$ is strictly increasing for $0 < x < 1$ and $x > 2$.

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Q9 : Prove that $y = \frac{4 \sin \theta}{(2 + \cos \theta)} - \theta$ is an increasing function of θ in $\left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$.

Answer :

We have,

$$y = \frac{4 \sin \theta}{(2 + \cos \theta)} - \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{(2 + \cos \theta)(4 \cos \theta) - 4 \sin \theta(-\sin \theta)}{(2 + \cos \theta)^2} - 1 \\ &= \frac{8 \cos \theta + 4 \cos^2 \theta + 4 \sin^2 \theta}{(2 + \cos \theta)^2} - 1 \\ &= \frac{8 \cos \theta + 4}{(2 + \cos \theta)^2} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Now, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8 \cos \theta + 4}{(2 + \cos \theta)^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \cos \theta + 4 = 4 + \cos^2 \theta + 4 \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 \theta - 4 \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta (\cos \theta - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = 0 \text{ or } \cos \theta = 4$$

Since $\cos \theta \neq 4$, $\cos \theta = 0$.

$$\cos \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Now,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{8 \cos \theta + 4 - (4 + \cos^2 \theta + 4 \cos \theta)}{(2 + \cos \theta)^2} = \frac{4 \cos \theta - \cos^2 \theta}{(2 + \cos \theta)^2} = \frac{\cos \theta (4 - \cos \theta)}{(2 + \cos \theta)^2}$$

In interval $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$, we have $\cos \theta > 0$. Also, $4 > \cos \theta \Rightarrow 4 - \cos \theta > 0$.

$\therefore \cos \theta (4 - \cos \theta) > 0$ and also $(2 + \cos \theta)^2 > 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos \theta (4 - \cos \theta)}{(2 + \cos \theta)^2} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} > 0$$

Therefore, y is strictly increasing in interval $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$.

Also, the given function is continuous at $x = 0$ and $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Hence, y is increasing in interval $\left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$.

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Q10 : Prove that the logarithmic function is strictly increasing on $(0, \infty)$.

Answer :

The given function is $f(x) = \log x$.

$$\therefore f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

It is clear that for $x > 0$, $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} > 0$.

Hence, $f(x) = \log x$ is strictly increasing in interval $(0, \infty)$.

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