



### Tangents and Normals Ex 16.1 Q19

The equation of the given curve is  $\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$ .

On differentiating both sides with respect to  $x$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2x}{9} + \frac{2y}{16} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{-16x}{9y}\end{aligned}$$

(i) The tangent is parallel to the  $x$ -axis if the slope of the tangent is i.e.,  $0 \cdot \frac{-16x}{9y} = 0$ , which is possible if  $x = 0$ .

$$\text{Then, } \frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1 \text{ for } x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 16 \Rightarrow y = \pm 4$$

Hence, the points at which the tangents are parallel to the  $x$ -axis are

$(0, 4)$  and  $(0, -4)$ .

(ii) The tangent is parallel to the  $y$ -axis if the slope of the normal is 0, which gives  $\frac{-1}{\left(\frac{-16x}{9y}\right)} = \frac{9y}{16x} = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$ .

$$\text{Then, } \frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1 \text{ for } y = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 3$$

Hence, the points at which the tangents are parallel to the  $y$ -axis are

$(3, 0)$  and  $(-3, 0)$ .

### Tangents and Normals Ex 16.1 Q20

The equation of the given curve is  $y = 7x^3 + 11$ .

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = 21x^2$$

The slope of the tangent to a curve at  $(x_0, y_0)$  is  $\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(x_0, y_0)}$ .

Therefore, the slope of the tangent at the point where  $x = 2$  is given by,

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=2} = 21(2)^2 = 84$$

It is observed that the slopes of the tangents at the points where  $x = 2$  and  $x = -2$  are equal.

Hence, the two tangents are parallel.

### Tangents and Normals Ex 16.1 Q21

The given equation of curve is

$$y = x^3 \quad \text{---(i)}$$

Slope of the tangent to (i) is

$$m_1 = \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 \quad \text{---(ii)}$$

Also,

given that slope of the tangent is parallel to x-coordinate of the point.

$$\therefore m_2 = \frac{dy}{dx} = x \quad \text{---(iii)}$$

From (ii) and (iii)

$$m_1 = m_2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 = x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(3x - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{3}$$

$\therefore$  From (i)

$$y = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{27}$$

Thus, the required point is  $(0, 0)$  or  $\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{27}\right)$ .

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