

HIGHER ORDER DERIVATIVES

11.1 DEFINITION AND NOTATIONS

If $y = f(x)$, then $\frac{dy}{dx}$, the derivative of y with respect to x , is itself, in general, a function of x and can be differentiated again. To fix up the idea, we shall call $\frac{dy}{dx}$ as the first order derivative of y with respect to x and the derivative of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ with respect to x as the second order derivative of y with respect to x and will be denoted by $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$. Similarly the derivative of $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ with respect to x will be termed as the third order derivative of y with respect to x and will be denoted by $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3}$ and so on. The n^{th} order derivative of y with respect to x will be denoted by $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}$.

If $y = f(x)$, then the other alternative notations for

$$\frac{dy}{dx}, \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}, \quad \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}, \quad \dots, \quad \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} \text{ are}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} y_1, & y_2, & y_3, & \dots, & y_n \\ y', & y'', & y''', & \dots, & y^{(n)} \\ Dy, & D^2 y, & D^3 y, & \dots, & D^n y \\ f'(x), & f''(x), & f'''(x), & \dots, & f^{(n)}(x) \end{array}$$

The values of these derivatives at $x = a$ are denoted by $y_n(a)$, $y^{(n)}(a)$, $D^n y(a)$, $f^{(n)}(a)$ or, $\left(\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}\right)_{x=a}$.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

BASED ON BASIC CONCEPTS (BASIC)

Type I ON PROVING RELATIONS INVOLVING VARIOUS ORDER DERIVATIVES OF CARTESIAN FUNCTIONS

EXAMPLE 1 If $y = \sin^{-1} x$, show that $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{x}{(1-x^2)^{3/2}}$.

SOLUTION We have, $y = \sin^{-1} x$. On differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

On differentiating again with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \{ (1-x^2)^{-1/2} \} = -\frac{1}{2} (1-x^2)^{-3/2} \times \frac{d}{dx} (1-x^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{2(1-x^2)^{3/2}} (-2x) = \frac{x}{(1-x^2)^{3/2}}.$$

EXAMPLE 2 If $y = \tan x + \sec x$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\cos x}{(1 - \sin x)^2}$.

[NCERT EXEMPLAR]

SOLUTION We have, $y = \tan x + \sec x$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \sec^2 x + \sec x \tan x = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} + \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{1 + \sin x}{\cos^2 x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1 + \sin x}{1 - \sin^2 x} = \frac{1}{1 - \sin x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ \frac{1}{1 - \sin x} \right\} = \frac{d}{dx} \{ (1 - \sin x)^{-1} \}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = (-1)(1 - \sin x)^{-2} \frac{d}{dx} (1 - \sin x) = \frac{-1}{(1 - \sin x)^2} (-\cos x) = \frac{\cos x}{(1 - \sin x)^2}.$$

EXAMPLE 3 If $y = \tan x$, prove that $y_2 = 2yy_1$.

SOLUTION We have, $y = \tan x$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \sec^2 x \text{ or, } y_1 = \sec^2 x$$

$$\left[\because y_1 = \frac{dy}{dx} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} (y_1) = \frac{d}{dx} (\sec^2 x)$$

$$\Rightarrow y_2 = 2 \sec x \frac{d}{dx} (\sec x) = 2 \sec x \sec x \tan x = 2 \tan x \sec^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow y_2 = 2yy_1 \quad [\because y = \tan x \text{ and } y_1 = \sec^2 x]$$

EXAMPLE 4 If $y = x^x$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$.

SOLUTION We have, $y = x^x$

$$\therefore \log y = x \log x$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \times \log x + x \times \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = y(1 + \log x) \quad \dots(i)$$

Differentiating both sides of (i) with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{dy}{dx} (1 + \log x) + y \frac{d}{dx} (1 + \log x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{dy}{dx} (1 + \log x) + y \times \frac{1}{x} = y(1 + \log x)^2 + \frac{y}{x} \quad [\text{Using (i)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = x^x \left\{ (1 + \log x)^2 + \frac{1}{x} \right\}$$

BASED ON LOWER ORDER THINKING SKILLS (LOTS)

EXAMPLE 5 If $y = A \cos nx + B \sin nx$, show that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + n^2 y = 0$.

[CBSE 2001C]

SOLUTION We have, $y = A \cos nx + B \sin nx$

On differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -An \sin nx + Bn \cos nx$$

On differentiating again with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -An^2 \cos nx - Bn^2 \sin nx = -n^2 (A \cos nx + B \sin nx) = -n^2 y$$

$$\therefore \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + n^2 y = 0.$$

EXAMPLE 6 If $y = Ae^{mx} + Be^{nx}$, show that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - (m+n) \frac{dy}{dx} + mny = 0$.

[NCERT, CBSE 2007, 2014]

SOLUTION We have, $y = Ae^{mx} + Be^{nx}$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = Ame^{mx} + Bne^{nx}$$

[Differentiating with respect to x]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = Am^2 e^{mx} + Bn^2 e^{nx}$$

$$\therefore \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - (m+n) \frac{dy}{dx} + mny = (Am^2 e^{mx} + Bn^2 e^{nx}) - (m+n) (Ame^{mx} + Bne^{nx}) + mn(Ae^{mx} + Be^{nx}) = 0.$$

EXAMPLE 7 If $y = A \cos(\log x) + B \sin(\log x)$, prove that $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$.

[CBSE 2007, 2009]

SOLUTION We have, $y = A \cos(\log x) + B \sin(\log x)$.

On differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x} A \sin(\log x) + \frac{B}{x} \cos(\log x) \Rightarrow x \frac{dy}{dx} = -A \sin(\log x) + B \cos(\log x)$$

On differentiating again with respect to x , we get

$$x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} = -A \frac{\cos(\log x)}{x} - B \frac{\sin(\log x)}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} = -\{A \cos(\log x) + B \sin(\log x)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} = -y \Rightarrow x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$$

EXAMPLE 8 If $y = \log \left\{ x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2} \right\}$, prove that: $(x^2 + a^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

[CBSE 2013]

SOLUTION We have, $y = \log \left\{ x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2} \right\}$

On differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} \times \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2} \right\} = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} \left\{ 1 + \frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} \times \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2} + x}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}}, \text{ where } y_1 = \frac{dy}{dx} \Rightarrow y_1^2 (x^2 + a^2) = 1$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$y_1^2 \frac{d}{dx} (x^2 + a^2) + (x^2 + a^2) \frac{d}{dx} (y_1^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1^2 (2x) + (x^2 + a^2) \times 2 y_1 y_2 = 0 \quad \left[\because \frac{d}{dx} (y_1^2) = 2 (y_1)^{2-1} \frac{d}{dx} (y_1) = 2 y_1 \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = 2 y_1 y_2 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 y_1 \left\{ y_2 (x^2 + a^2) + x y_1 \right\} = 0 \Rightarrow y_2 (x^2 + a^2) + x y_1 = 0 \quad [\because y_1 \neq 0]$$

EXAMPLE 9 If $y = \sin^{-1} x$, then show that $(1 - x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$. [CBSE 2012, NCERT]

SOLUTION We have, $y = \sin^{-1} x$

Differentiating with respect to x , we obtain

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{1 - x^2} \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we get

$$\sqrt{1 - x^2} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - \frac{x}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad [\text{Multiplying both sides by } \sqrt{1 - x^2}]$$

ALITER We have, $y = \sin^{-1} x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}} \Rightarrow (1 - x^2) \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = 1$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we get

$$(1 - x^2) \left\{ 2 \frac{dy}{dx} \times \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \right\} - 2x \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(1 - x^2) \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2x \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow (1 - x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} = 0.$$

EXAMPLE 10 If $y = e^{m \sin^{-1} x}$, prove that $(1 - x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} - m^2 y = 0$. [CBSE 2015]

SOLUTION We have, $y = e^{m \sin^{-1} x}$.

Differentiating with respect to x , we obtain

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{m \sin^{-1} x} \times \frac{m}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{my}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}} \quad [\because e^{m \sin^{-1} x} = y]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = \frac{m^2 y^2}{1 - x^2} \Rightarrow (1 - x^2) \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = m^2 y^2 \Rightarrow (1 - x^2) y_1^2 = m^2 y^2, \text{ where } y_1 = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we obtain

$$(1-x^2) \frac{d}{dx}(y_1^2) + (y_1^2) \frac{d}{dx}(1-x^2) = m^2 \frac{d}{dx}(y^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-x^2) 2y_1 y_2 + y_1^2(-2x) = m^2 (2yy_1) \quad \left[\because \frac{d}{dx}(y_1^2) = 2y_1 y_2 \text{ and } \frac{d}{dx}(y^2) = 2yy_1 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y_1 \left\{ (1-x^2) y_2 - xy_1 - m^2 y \right\} = 0 \Rightarrow (1-x^2) y_2 - xy_1 - m^2 y = 0 \quad [\because y_1 \neq 0]$$

EXAMPLE 11 If $y = \left\{ x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1} \right\}^m$, show that $(x^2 + 1) y_2 + xy_1 - m^2 y = 0$. [CBSE 2013, 2015]

SOLUTION We have, $y = \left\{ x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1} \right\}^m$. Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = m \left\{ x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1} \right\}^{m-1} \times \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = m \left\{ x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1} \right\}^{m-1} \times \left\{ 1 + \frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \right\} = \frac{m \left\{ \sqrt{x^2 + 1} + x \right\}^m}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{my}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \Rightarrow y_1 = \frac{my}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \Rightarrow y_1 \sqrt{x^2 + 1} = my$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1^2 (x^2 + 1) = m^2 y^2 \quad [\text{Squaring both sides}]$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$2y_1 y_2 (1 + x^2) + y_1^2 (2x) = 2m^2 yy_1 \Rightarrow y_2 (1 + x^2) + xy_1 - m^2 y = 0$$

EXAMPLE 12 If $y = \frac{\sin^{-1} x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$, show that $(1-x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 3x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = 0$. [CBSE 2013]

SOLUTION We have, $y = \frac{\sin^{-1} x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \Rightarrow y \sqrt{1-x^2} = \sin^{-1} x$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \sqrt{1-x^2} - \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} (1-x^2) - xy = 1$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} (1-x^2) - 2x \frac{dy}{dx} - x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = 0 \Rightarrow (1-x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 3x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = 0$$

EXAMPLE 13 If $x = \tan \left(\frac{1}{a} \log y \right)$, show that $(1+x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + (2x-a) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$. [CBSE 2011, 2013]

SOLUTION We have,

$$x = \tan \left(\frac{1}{a} \log y \right) \Rightarrow \tan^{-1} x = \frac{1}{a} \log y \Rightarrow a \tan^{-1} x = \log y$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get:

$$\frac{a}{1+x^2} = \frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} \Rightarrow (1+x^2) \frac{dy}{dx} = ay$$

Differentiating with respect to x

$$(1+x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2x \frac{dy}{dx} = a \frac{dy}{dx} \Rightarrow (1+x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + (2x-a) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

Type II ON FINDING SECOND ORDER DERIVATIVES OF PARAMETRIC FUNCTIONS

EXAMPLE 14 Find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$, if $x = at^2$, $y = 2at$.

SOLUTION We have, $x = at^2$ and $y = 2at$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = 2at \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} = 2a \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{2a}{2at} = \frac{1}{t}$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{t} \right) = -\frac{1}{t^2} \frac{dt}{dx} = -\frac{1}{t^2} \times \frac{1}{2at} = -\frac{1}{2at^3} \quad \left[\text{From (i), } \frac{dx}{dt} = 2at \therefore \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{1}{2at} \right]$$

EXAMPLE 15 If $x = a \cos^3 \theta$, $y = a \sin^3 \theta$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$. Also, find its value at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$. [CBSE 2013]

SOLUTION We have, $x = a \cos^3 \theta$ and $y = a \sin^3 \theta$

$$\therefore \frac{dx}{d\theta} = -3a \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta \text{ and } \frac{dy}{d\theta} = 3a \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/d\theta}{dx/d\theta} = \frac{3a \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta}{-3a \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta} = -\tan \theta$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we obtain,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} (-\tan \theta) = -\sec^2 \theta \frac{d\theta}{dx} = -\sec^2 \theta \times \frac{1}{-3a \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta} = \frac{1}{3a} \sec^4 \theta \operatorname{cosec} \theta$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right)_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{6}} = \frac{1}{3a} \sec^4 \frac{\pi}{6} \operatorname{cosec} \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{3a} \times \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^4 \times 2 = \frac{32}{27a}$$

EXAMPLE 16 If $x = a \sin t$ and $y = a \left(\cos t + \log \tan \frac{t}{2} \right)$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$. [CBSE 2013]

SOLUTION We have,

$$x = a \sin t \text{ and } y = a \left(\cos t + \log \tan \frac{t}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = a \cos t \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} = a \left(-\sin t + \frac{1}{\tan \frac{t}{2}} \times \sec^2 \frac{t}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = a \cos t \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} = a \left(-\sin t + \frac{1}{\sin t} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = a \cos t \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{a(1 - \sin^2 t)}{\sin t} \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = a \cos t \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{a \cos^2 t}{\sin t}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{\frac{a \cos^2 t}{\sin t}}{a \cos t} = \frac{\cos t}{\sin t} = \cot t$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} (\cot t) = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 t \frac{dt}{dx} = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 t \times \frac{1}{a \cos t} = -\frac{1}{a \sin^2 t \cos t}$$

BASED ON HIGHER ORDER THINKING SKILLS (HOTS)

EXAMPLE 17 If $y = \tan^{-1} x$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ in terms of y alone.

[NCERT EXEMPLAR]

SOLUTION We have,

$$y = \tan^{-1} x \Rightarrow x = \tan y$$

Differentiating with respect to y , we obtain

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \sec^2 y \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sec^2 y} = \cos^2 y \quad \left[\because \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{dx/dy} \right]$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we obtain

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} (\cos^2 y) = -2 \cos y \sin y \frac{dy}{dx} = -2 \cos y \sin y \times \cos^2 y \quad \left[\because \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos^2 y \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -2 \sin y \cos^3 y$$

EXAMPLE 18 If $x^m y^n = (x+y)^{m+n}$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0$.

[NCERT EXEMPLAR]

SOLUTION We have,

$$x^m y^n = (x+y)^{m+n} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$$

[See Example 15 on page 10.75]

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) = \frac{x \frac{dy}{dx} - y \times 1}{x^2} = \frac{x \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) - y}{x^2} = 0 \quad \left[\text{Using: } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x} \right]$$

EXAMPLE 19 If $y^3 - y = 2x$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{24y}{(3y^2-1)^3}$.

SOLUTION We have, $y^3 - y = 2x$

Differentiating both sides with respect to y , we obtain

$$(3y^2 - 1) = 2 \frac{dx}{dy} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{(3y^2 - 1)}$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we obtain

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{2}{(3y^2 - 1)^2} \frac{d}{dx} (3y^2 - 1) = -\frac{2}{(3y^2 - 1)^2} \times 6y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{12y}{(3y^2 - 1)^2} \times \frac{2}{(3y^2 - 1)} = -\frac{24y}{(3y^2 - 1)^3} \quad \left[\because \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{3y^2 - 1} \right]$$

EXAMPLE 20 If $e^y (x+1) = 1$, show that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2$.

[NCERT]

SOLUTION We have,

$$e^y (x+1) = 1 \Rightarrow e^y = \frac{1}{x+1} \Rightarrow \log e^y = \log \left(\frac{1}{x+1} \right) \Rightarrow y = -\log (x+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x+1} \text{ and } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2$$

EXAMPLE 21 If $(ax+b)e^{y/x} = x$ or, $y = x \log \left(\frac{x}{a+bx}\right)$, prove that $x^3 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} - y\right)^2$.

[CBSE 2005, 2013, 2015]

SOLUTION We have, $(ax+b)e^{y/x} = x$

$$\Rightarrow e^{y/x} = \frac{x}{ax+b} \Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = \log \left(\frac{x}{ax+b}\right) \Rightarrow y = x \log \left(\frac{x}{a+bx}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = x \{\log x - \log(a+bx)\} \Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = \log x - \log(a+bx)$$

On differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x \frac{dy}{dx} - y}{x^2} &= \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{a+bx} \frac{d}{dx}(a+bx) = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{b}{a+bx} \\ \Rightarrow x \frac{dy}{dx} - y &= x^2 \left\{ \frac{1}{x} - \frac{b}{a+bx} \right\} \Rightarrow x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = \frac{ax}{a+bx} \end{aligned} \quad \dots(i)$$

Differentiating both sides of (i) with respect to x , we get

$$\begin{aligned} x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{(a+bx)a - ax(0+b)}{(a+bx)^2} \\ \Rightarrow x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{a^2}{(a+bx)^2} \\ \Rightarrow x^3 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{a^2 x^2}{(a+bx)^2} \quad [\text{Multiplying both sides by } x^2] \\ \Rightarrow x^3 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \left(\frac{ax}{a+bx}\right)^2 \quad \dots(ii) \end{aligned}$$

From (i) and (ii), we obtain: $x^3 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} - y\right)^2$.

EXAMPLE 22 $y = x^x$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \frac{1}{y} \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 - \frac{y}{x} = 0$.

[CBSE 2014, 2016]

SOLUTION We have, $y = x^x$ or, $y = e^{\log x^x} = e^{x \log x}$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{x \log x} \frac{d}{dx}(x \log x) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = x^x (1 + \log x) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = y (1 + \log x) \quad \dots(i)$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= y \times \frac{d}{dx}(1 + \log x) + \frac{dy}{dx} \times (1 + \log x) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= y \times \frac{1}{x} + \frac{dy}{dx} \times (1 + \log x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{y}{x} + \frac{dy}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \quad \left[\text{From (i), } 1 + \log x = \frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{y}{x} + \frac{1}{y} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - \frac{1}{y} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 - \frac{y}{x} = 0.$$

Type III ON PROVING RELATIONS INVOLVING VARIOUS ORDER DERIVATIVES OF PARAMETRIC FUNCTIONS

EXAMPLE 23 If $x = a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta$ and $y = a \sin \theta - b \cos \theta$, prove that $y^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$.

[CBSE 2013, 2014, 2015]

SOLUTION We have, $x = a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta$ and $y = a \sin \theta - b \cos \theta$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 = (a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta)^2 + (a \sin \theta - b \cos \theta)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = a^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) + b^2 (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta) \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y} \quad \dots(i)$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = - \left\{ \frac{y \times 1 - x \frac{dy}{dx}}{y^2} \right\} = - \left\{ \frac{y - x \left(-\frac{x}{y} \right)}{y^2} \right\} \quad [\text{Using (i)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = - \frac{(x^2 + y^2)}{y^3} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\therefore y^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = -y^2 \left(\frac{x^2 + y^2}{y^3} \right) - x \left(-\frac{x}{y} \right) + y = 0 \quad [\text{Using (i) and (ii)}]$$

EXAMPLE 24 If $x = \sin t$ and $y = \sin pt$, prove that $(1 - x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + p^2 y = 0$.

[NCERT EXEMPLAR, CBSE 2016, 2019]

SOLUTION We have,

$$x = \sin t, y = \sin pt \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \cos t \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} = p \cos pt$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{p \cos pt}{\cos t} = \frac{p \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 pt}}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 t}} = \frac{p \sqrt{1 - y^2}}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = \frac{p^2 (1 - y^2)}{1 - x^2} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 (1 - x^2) = p^2 (1 - y^2)$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we obtain

$$(1 - x^2) \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \frac{d}{dx} (1 - x^2) = p^2 \left(0 - 2y \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - x^2) 2 \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 (-2x) = -2p^2 y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \frac{dy}{dx} \left\{ (1-x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + p^2 y \right\} = 0 \Rightarrow (1-x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + p^2 y = 0 \quad \left[\because 2 \frac{dy}{dx} \neq 0 \right]$$

EXAMPLE 25 If $x = \sin \theta$, $y = \cos p \theta$, prove that $(1-x^2) y_2 - x y_1 + p^2 y = 0$, where $y_2 = \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ and $y_1 = \frac{dy}{dx}$.

SOLUTION We have, $x = \sin \theta$ and $y = \cos p \theta$.

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = \frac{-p \sin p\theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{-p \sqrt{1-\cos^2 p\theta}}{\sqrt{1-\sin^2 \theta}} = \frac{-p \sqrt{1-y^2}}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = \frac{p^2 (1-y^2)}{(1-x^2)} \Rightarrow (1-x^2) \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = p^2 (1-y^2)$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we get

$$(1-x^2) 2 \frac{dy}{dx} \times \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2x \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = p^2 \left(0 - 2y \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \Rightarrow (1-x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + p^2 y = 0$$

Type IV ON PROVING RELATIONS INVOLVING VARIOUS ORDER DERIVATIVES

EXAMPLE 26 If $(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 = c^2$, prove that $\frac{\left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right\}^{3/2}}{\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}}$ is a constant independent of a and b .

[NCERT]

SOLUTION We have,

$$(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 = c^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$2(x-a) + 2(y-b) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow (x-a) + (y-b) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$1 + (y-b) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y-b) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = - \left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = - \frac{\left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right\}}{y-b} \quad \dots(iii)$$

From (ii), we obtain: $\frac{dy}{dx} = - \left(\frac{x-a}{y-b} \right)$

$$\therefore 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = 1 + \frac{(x-a)^2}{(y-b)^2} = \frac{(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2}{(y-b)^2} = \frac{c^2}{(y-b)^2} \quad [\text{Using (i)}] \quad \dots(iv)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right\}^{3/2} = \left\{ \frac{c^2}{(y-b)^2} \right\}^{3/2} = \frac{c^3}{(y-b)^3} \quad \dots(v)$$

From (iii) and (iv), we obtain

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{\left\{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right\}}{y-b} = -\frac{c^2/(y-b)^2}{(y-b)} = \frac{-c^2}{(y-b)^3} \quad \dots(\text{vi})$$

From (v) and (vi), we obtain

$$\frac{\left\{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right\}^{3/2}}{\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}} = \frac{\frac{c^3}{(y-b)^3}}{\frac{-c^2}{(y-b)^3}} = -c, \text{ which is independent of } a \text{ and } b.$$

EXAMPLE 27 If $y^2 = a^2 \cos^2 x + b^2 \sin^2 x$, then prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + y = \frac{a^2b^2}{y^3}$.

SOLUTION We have,

$$y^2 = a^2 \cos^2 x + b^2 \sin^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 = a^2 (2 \cos^2 x) + b^2 (2 \sin^2 x) = a^2 (1 + \cos 2x) + b^2 (1 - \cos 2x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 = (a^2 + b^2) + (a^2 - b^2) \cos 2x \quad \dots(\text{i})$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

$$4y \frac{dy}{dx} = -2(a^2 - b^2) \sin 2x \Rightarrow 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = -(a^2 - b^2) \sin 2x \quad \dots(\text{ii})$$

From (i), we obtain

$$2y^2 - (a^2 + b^2) = (a^2 - b^2) \cos 2x \quad \dots(\text{iii})$$

Squaring (ii) and (iii) and adding, we get

$$4y^2 \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + \left\{2y^2 - (a^2 + b^2)\right\}^2 = (a^2 - b^2)^2 \{\sin^2 2x + \cos^2 2x\}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + 4y^4 - 4y^2(a^2 + b^2) + (a^2 + b^2)^2 = (a^2 - b^2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 \left\{\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + y^2 - (a^2 + b^2)\right\} = (a^2 - b^2)^2 - (a^2 + b^2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 \left\{\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + y^2 - (a^2 + b^2)\right\} = -4a^2b^2 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + y^2 - (a^2 + b^2) = -\frac{a^2b^2}{y^2}$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we get

$$2\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2a^2b^2}{y^3} \frac{dy}{dx} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + y = \frac{a^2b^2}{y^3} \left[\text{Dividing both sides by } 2 \frac{dy}{dx} \right]$$

EXAMPLE 28 If $f(x) = |x|^3$, show that $f''(x)$ exists for all real x and find it. =

SOLUTION We have,

[NCERT]

$$f(x) = |x|^3 = \begin{cases} x^3, & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ (-x)^3 = -x^3, & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Now,

$$(\text{LHD of } f(x) \text{ at } x=0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-x^3 - 0}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} -x^2 = 0$$

$$(\text{RHD of } f(x) \text{ at } x=0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^3 - 0}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^2 = 0$$

\therefore (LHD of $f(x)$ at $x=0$) = (RHD of $f(x)$ at $x=0$)

So, $f(x)$ is differentiable at $x=0$ and the derivative of $f(x)$ is given by

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} 3x^2, & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -3x^2, & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Now,

$$(\text{LHD of } f'(x) \text{ at } x=0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f'(x) - f'(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-3x^2 - 0}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} -3x = 0$$

$$(\text{RHD of } f'(x) \text{ at } x=0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f'(x) - f'(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{3x^2 - 0}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 3x = 0$$

\therefore (LHD of $f'(x)$ at $x=0$) = (RHD of $f'(x)$ at $x=0$)

So, $f'(x)$ is differentiable at $x=0$.

$$\text{Hence, } f''(x) = \begin{cases} 6x, & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -6x, & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Type V MISCELLANEOUS PROBLEMS

EXAMPLE 29 In $\frac{dy}{dx}$, x is independent variable and y is the dependent variable. If independent and dependent variables are interchanged $\frac{dy}{dx}$ becomes $\frac{dx}{dy}$ and these two are connected by the relation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dy} = 1. \text{ Find a relation between } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \text{ and } \frac{d^2x}{dy^2}.$$

SOLUTION We know that

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dy} \left\{ \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right)^{-1} \right\} \frac{dy}{dx} = \left\{ - \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right)^{-2} \frac{d}{dy} \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right) \right\} \times \frac{1}{dx/dy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \left\{ - \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right)^{-2} \frac{d^2x}{dy^2} \right\} \times \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right)^{-1} = - \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right)^{-3} \frac{d^2x}{dy^2}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = - \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right)^{-3} \frac{d^2x}{dy^2} \text{ or, } \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^3 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = - \frac{d^2x}{dy^2}$$

EXAMPLE 30 Find the equation to which the equation $x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 - y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ is transformed by interchanging the independent and dependent variables.

SOLUTION We know that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{dx/dy} \text{ and } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{(dx/dy)^3} \frac{d^2x}{dy^2} \quad [\text{See Example 29}]$$

Substituting these values in the equation $x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 - y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{x}{\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^3} \frac{d^2x}{dy^2} + \left(\frac{1}{\frac{dx}{dy}}\right)^2 - y \left(\frac{1}{\frac{dx}{dy}}\right) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & -x \frac{d^2x}{dy^2} + \frac{dx}{dy} - y \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2 = 0 \quad \left[\text{Multiplying both sides by } \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^3 \right] \\ \Rightarrow & x \frac{d^2x}{dy^2} + y \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2 - \frac{dx}{dy} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISE 11.1

BASIC

1. Find the second order derivatives of each of the following functions:

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|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| (i) $x^3 + \tan x$ | (ii) $\sin(\log x)$ | [NCERT] | (iii) $\log(\sin x)$ | [NCERT] |
| (iv) $e^x \sin 5x$ | [NCERT] | (v) $e^{6x} \cos 3x$ | [NCERT] | (vi) $x^3 \log x$ |
| (vii) $\tan^{-1} x$ | [NCERT] | (viii) $x \cos x$ | [NCERT] | (ix) $\log(\log x)$ |
| | | | [NCERT] | |

2. If $y = e^{-x} \cos x$, show that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2e^{-x} \sin x$.

3. If $y = x + \tan x$, show that $\cos^2 x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2y + 2x = 0$.

[CBSE 2007]

4. If $y = x^3 \log x$, prove that $\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} = \frac{6}{x}$.

5. If $y = \log(\sin x)$, prove that $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = 2 \cos x \operatorname{cosec}^3 x$.

6. If $y = 2 \sin x + 3 \cos x$, show that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + y = 0$.

7. If $y = \frac{\log x}{x}$, show that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{2 \log x - 3}{x^3}$.

8. If $x = a \sec \theta$, $y = b \tan \theta$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{b^4}{a^2 y^3}$.

9. If $x = a(\cos \theta + \theta \sin \theta)$, $y = a(\sin \theta - \theta \cos \theta)$, prove that

$$\frac{d^2x}{d\theta^2} = a(\cos \theta - \theta \sin \theta), \quad \frac{d^2y}{d\theta^2} = a(\sin \theta + \theta \cos \theta) \text{ and } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\sec^3 \theta}{a \theta}.$$

[NCERT, CBSE 2012, 2017]

10. If $y = e^x \cos x$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2e^x \cos \left(x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$. [CBSE 2012]

11. If $x = a \cos \theta$, $y = b \sin \theta$, show that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{b^4}{a^2 y^3}$. [CBSE 2020]

12. If $x = a(1 - \cos^3 \theta)$, $y = a \sin^3 \theta$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{32}{27a}$ at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$.

13. If $x = a(\theta + \sin \theta)$, $y = a(1 + \cos \theta)$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{a}{y^2}$.

14. If $x = a(\theta - \sin \theta)$, $y = a(1 + \cos \theta)$ find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$. [CBSE 2011]

15. If $x = a(1 - \cos \theta)$, $y = a(\theta + \sin \theta)$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{a}$ at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

16. If $x = a(1 + \cos \theta)$, $y = a(\theta + \sin \theta)$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-1}{a}$ at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

BASED ON LOTS

17. If $x = \cos \theta$, $y = \sin^3 \theta$, prove that $y \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = 3 \sin^2 \theta (5 \cos^2 \theta - 1)$. [CBSE 2013]

18. If $y = \sin(\sin x)$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \tan x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos^2 x = 0$. [CBSE 2018]

19. If $x = \sin t$, $y = \sin pt$, prove that $(1 - x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} + p^2 y = 0$.

20. If $y = (\sin^{-1} x)^2$, prove that $(1 - x^2) y_2 - x y_1 - 2 = 0$. [CBSE 2019]

21. If $y = e^{\tan^{-1} x}$, prove that $(1 + x^2) y_2 + (2x - 1) y_1 = 0$.

22. If $y = 3 \cos(\log x) + 4 \sin(\log x)$, prove that $x^2 y_2 + x y_1 + y = 0$.

[NCERT, CBSE 2009, 2012, 2016]

23. If $y = e^{2x}(ax + b)$, show that $y_2 - 4y_1 + 4y = 0$.

24. If $x = \sin\left(\frac{1}{a} \log y\right)$, show that $(1 - x^2) y_2 - x y_1 - a^2 y = 0$. [CBSE 2010]

25. If $\log y = \tan^{-1} x$, show that $(1 + x^2) y_2 + (2x - 1) y_1 = 0$.

26. If $y = \tan^{-1} x$, show that $(1 + x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2x \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

27. If $y = \left\{ \log(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}) \right\}^2$, show that $(1 + x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} = 2$. [CBSE 2008]

28. If $y = (\tan^{-1} x)^2$, then prove that $(1 + x^2)^2 y_2 + 2x(1 + x^2) y_1 = 2$. [CBSE 2012, [NCERT]

29. If $y = \cot x$ show that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

30. Find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$, where $y = \log\left(\frac{x^2}{e^2}\right)$. [CBSE 2000]

31. If $y = ae^{2x} + be^{-x}$, show that, $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y = 0$. [CBSE 2000C]

32. If $y = e^x (\sin x + \cos x)$ prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 0$. [CBSE 2002, 2009]
33. If $y = \cos^{-1} x$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ in terms of y alone. [NCERT]
34. If $y = e^{a \cos^{-1} x}$, prove that $(1 - x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} - a^2 y = 0$. [NCERT, CBSE 2012, 2020]
35. If $y = 500 e^{7x} + 600 e^{-7x}$, show that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 49 y$. [NCERT]
36. If $x = 2 \cos t - \cos 2t$, $y = 2 \sin t - \sin 2t$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$.
37. If $x = 4z^2 + 5$, $y = 6z^2 + 7z + 3$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$.
38. If $y = \log(1 + \cos x)$, prove that $\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$. [CBSE 2005]
39. If $y = \sin(\log x)$, prove that $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$. [CBSE 2007]
40. If $y = 3 e^{2x} + 2 e^{3x}$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 5 \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y = 0$. [NCERT, CBSE 2007, 2009]
41. If $y = (\cot^{-1} x)^2$, prove that $y_2 (x^2 + 1)^2 + 2x (x^2 + 1) y_1 = 2$.
42. If $y = \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x$, $x > 1$, then show that $x (x^2 - 1) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + (2x^2 - 1) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$. [CBSE 2010]
43. If $x = \cos t + \log \tan \frac{t}{2}$, $y = \sin t$, then find the value of $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$ and $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$. [CBSE 2012]
44. If $x = a \sin t$ and $y = a \left(\cos t + \log \tan \frac{t}{2} \right)$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$. [CBSE 2013]
45. If $x = a (\cos t + t \sin t)$ and $y = a (\sin t - t \cos t)$, then find the value of $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$. [CBSE 2014]
46. If $x = a \left(\cos t + \log \tan \frac{t}{2} \right)$, $y = a \sin t$, evaluate $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $t = \frac{\pi}{3}$. [CBSE 2014]
47. If $x = a (\cos 2t + 2t \sin 2t)$ and $y = a (\sin 2t - 2t \cos 2t)$, then find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$. [CBSE 2015]
48. If $x = 3 \cos t - 2 \cos^3 t$, $y = 3 \sin t - 2 \sin^3 t$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$. [CBSE 2017]

BASED ON HOTS

49. If $x = a \sin t - b \cos t$, $y = a \cos t + b \sin t$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\frac{x^2 + y^2}{y^3}$.
50. Find A and B so that $y = A \sin 3x + B \cos 3x$ satisfies the equation $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 3y = 10 \cos 3x$.
51. If $y = A e^{-kt} \cos(pt + c)$, prove that $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2k \frac{dy}{dt} + n^2 y = 0$, where $n^2 = p^2 + k^2$.
52. If $y = x^n \{a \cos(\log x) + b \sin(\log x)\}$, prove that $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + (1 - 2n) x \frac{dy}{dx} + (1 + n^2) y = 0$.

53. If $y = a \left\{ x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1} \right\}^n + b \left\{ x - \sqrt{x^2 + 1} \right\}^{-n}$, prove that $(x^2 + 1) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} - n^2 y = 0$.

ANSWERS

1. (i) $6x + 2 \sec^2 x \tan x$ (ii) $\frac{-[\sin(\log x) + \cos(\log x)]}{x^2}$ (iii) $-\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$
 (iv) $2e^x (5 \cos 5x - 12 \sin 5x)$ (v) $9e^{6x} (3 \cos 3x - 4 \sin 3x)$ (vi) $x(5 + 6 \log x)$
 (vii) $\frac{-2x}{(1+x^2)^2}$ (viii) $-x \cos x - 2 \sin x$ (ix) $-\frac{(1+\log x)}{(x \log x)^2}$
 14. (ii) $\frac{1}{4a} \operatorname{cosec}^4 \frac{\theta}{2}$ 30. $-\frac{2}{x^2}$ 33. $-\cot y \operatorname{cosec}^2 y$
 36. $-\frac{3}{2}$ 37. $-\frac{7}{64z^3}$ 43. $\left(\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} \right)_{t=\frac{\pi}{4}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \left(\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right)_{t=\frac{\pi}{4}} = 2\sqrt{2}$
 44. $-\frac{1}{a \sin^2 t \cos t}$ 45. $\frac{8\sqrt{2}}{\pi a}$ 46. $\frac{8\sqrt{3}}{a}$ 47. $\frac{1}{2a} \sec^3 2t$
 48. $-\frac{1}{3 \sin^3 t \cos 2t}$ 50. $A = \frac{2}{3}, B = -\frac{1}{3}$

HINTS TO SELECTED PROBLEMS

1. (ii) Let $y = \sin(\log x)$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\cos(\log x)}{x} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) \cos(\log x) + \frac{1}{x} \frac{d}{dx} \{\cos(\log x)\} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} &= -\frac{\cos(\log x)}{x^2} - \frac{\sin(\log x)}{x^2} = -\frac{1}{x^2} \left\{ \cos(\log x) + \sin(\log x) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Let $y = \log(\sin x)$. Then, $\frac{dy}{dx} = \cot x \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$

- (iv) Let $y = e^x \sin 5x$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= e^x \sin 5x + e^x (5 \cos 5x) = e^x (\sin 5x + 5 \cos 5x) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} &= \frac{d}{dx} (e^x) \cdot (\sin 5x + 5 \cos 5x) + e^x \frac{d}{dx} (\sin 5x + 5 \cos 5x) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} &= e^x (\sin 5x + 5 \cos 5x) + e^x (5 \cos 5x - 25 \sin 5x) = e^x (-24 \sin 5x + 10 \cos 5x) \end{aligned}$$

- (v) Let $y = e^{6x} \cos 3x$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx} (e^{6x}) \cos 3x + e^{6x} \frac{d}{dx} (\cos 3x) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= 6e^{6x} \cos 3x - 3e^{6x} \sin 3x \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3e^{6x} (2 \cos 3x - \sin 3x) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} &= 3 \frac{d}{dx} (e^{6x}) (2 \cos 3x - \sin 3x) + 3e^{6x} \frac{d}{dx} (2 \cos 3x - \sin 3x) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} &= 18e^{6x} (2 \cos 3x - \sin 3x) + 3e^{6x} (-6 \sin 3x - 3 \cos 3x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 9e^{6x} \{4 \cos 3x - 2 \sin 3x - 2 \sin 3x - \cos 3x\} = 9e^{6x} (3 \cos 3x - 4 \sin 3x)$$

(vi) Let $y = x^3 \log x$. Then,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \log x \frac{d}{dx}(x^3) + x^3 \frac{d}{dx}(\log x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 \log x + x^3 \times \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 (3 \log x + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = (3 \log x + 1) \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) + x^2 \frac{d}{dx}(3 \log x + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2x (3 \log x + 1) + x^2 \times \frac{3}{x} = x (6 \log x + 5)$$

(vii) Let $y = \tan^{-1} x$. Then,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x^2} = (1+x^2)^{-1} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -(1+x^2)^{-2} \frac{d}{dx}(1+x^2) = -\frac{2x}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

(viii) Let $y = x \cos x$. Then,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \cos x - x \sin x \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\sin x - (\sin x + x \cos x) = -2 \sin x - x \cos x$$

(ix) Let $y = \log(\log x)$. Then,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\log x} \frac{d}{dx}(\log x) = \frac{1}{x \log x} = (x \log x)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \{(x \log x)^{-1}\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -(x \log x)^{-2} \frac{d}{dx}(x \log x) = -\frac{1}{(x \log x)^2} (1 + \log x) = \frac{-(1 + \log x)}{(x \log x)^2}$$

22. We have,

$$y = 3 \cos(\log x) + 4 \sin(\log x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{3}{x} \sin(\log x) + \frac{4}{x} \cos(\log x) \Rightarrow x \frac{dy}{dx} = -3 \sin(\log x) + 4 \cos(\log x)$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we get

$$x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3}{x} \cos(\log x) - \frac{4}{x} \sin(\log x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} = -\{3 \cos(\log x) + 4 \sin(\log x)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} = -y \Rightarrow x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$$

28. We have,

$$y = (\tan^{-1} x)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2(\tan^{-1} x)^{2-1} \frac{d}{dx}(\tan^{-1} x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{1+x^2} \tan^{-1} x \Rightarrow (1+x^2) \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \tan^{-1} x$$

$$\Rightarrow (1+x^2)^2 \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = 4 (\tan^{-1} x)^2 \quad [\text{Squaring both sides}]$$

$$\Rightarrow (1+x^2)^2 \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = 4y$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to x , we get

$$2(1+x^2) \times 2x \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 + 2(1+x^2)^2 \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 4 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x(1+x^2) \frac{dy}{dx} + (1+x^2)^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2 \Rightarrow (1+x^2)^2 y_2 + 2x(1+x^2) y_1 = 2$$

33. We have,

$$y = \cos^{-1} x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = -(1-x^2)^{-1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{2} (1-x^2)^{-3/2} \frac{d}{dx} (1-x^2) \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-x}{(1-x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{-\cos y}{(1-\cos^2 y)^{3/2}} \quad [\because y = \cos^{-1} x \Rightarrow x = \cos y]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\cot y \operatorname{cosec}^2 y$$

34. We have,

$$y = e^{a \cos^{-1} x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{a \cos^{-1} x} \frac{d}{dx} (a \cos^{-1} x) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{a \cos^{-1} x} \times -\frac{a}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-ay}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{1-x^2} \frac{dy}{dx} = -ay \Rightarrow (1-x^2) \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = a^2 y^2 \quad [\text{On squaring both sides}]$$

Differentiating with respect to x , we get

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

$$\Rightarrow -x \frac{dy}{dx} + (1-x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = a^2 y \Rightarrow (1-x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - x \frac{dy}{dx} - a^2 y = 0$$

35. We have,

$$y = 500 e^{7x} + 600 e^{-7x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3500 e^{7x} - 4200 e^{-7x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 3500 \times 7 e^{7x} + 4200 \times 7 e^{-7x} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 49 (500 e^{7x} + 600 e^{-7x}) \Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 49y$$

40. We have,

$$y = 3 e^{2x} + 2 e^{3x} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 6 e^{2x} + 6 e^{3x} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 12 e^{2x} + 18 e^{3x}$$

$$\therefore \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 5 \frac{dy}{dx} + 6y = (12 e^{2x} + 18 e^{3x}) - 5(6 e^{2x} + 6 e^{3x}) + 6(3 e^{2x} + 2 e^{3x}) = 0$$

FILL IN THE BLANKS TYPE QUESTIONS (FBQs)

1. If $y = t^{10} + 1$ and $x = t^8 + 1$, then $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \dots\dots\dots$.
2. If $x = a \sin \theta$ and $y = b \cos \theta$, then $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \dots\dots\dots$.
3. If $y = x + e^x$, then $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \dots\dots\dots$.
4. If $y = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} \dots\dots\dots$, then $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \dots\dots\dots$.
5. If $y = x + e^x$, then $\frac{d^2x}{dy^2} = \dots\dots\dots$.
6. If $y = \log_e x$, then $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \dots\dots\dots$.

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1. $\frac{5}{16t^6}$
2. $\frac{-b}{a^2} \sec^3 \theta$
3. e^x
4. e^{-x}
5. $-\frac{e^x}{(1+e^x)^3}$
6. $-\frac{1}{x^2}$

VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (VSAQs)

Answer each of the following questions in one word or one sentence or as per exact requirement of the question:

1. If $y = a x^{n+1} + b x^{-n}$ and $x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \lambda y$, then write the value of λ .
2. If $x = a \cos nt - b \sin nt$ and $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \lambda x$, then find the value of λ .
3. If $x = t^2$ and $y = t^3$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$.
4. If $x = 2at$, $y = at^2$, where a is a constant, then find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $x = \frac{1}{2}$.
5. If $x = f(t)$ and $y = g(t)$, then write the value of $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$.
6. If $y = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} \dots\dots$ to ∞ , then write $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ in terms of y .
7. If $y = x + e^x$, find $\frac{d^2x}{dy^2}$.
8. If $y = |x - x^2|$, then find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$.
9. If $y = |\log_e x|$, find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$.

ANSWERS

1. $n(n+1)$
2. n^2
3. $\frac{3}{4t}$
4. $\frac{1}{2a}$
5. $\frac{f'g'' - g'f''}{f'^3}$
6. y
7. $\frac{-e^x}{(1+e^x)^3}$
8. $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \begin{cases} -2, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 2, & x > 1, x < 0 \end{cases}$
9. $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^2}, & 0 < x < 1 \\ -\frac{1}{x^2}, & x > 1 \end{cases}$