

B18044/CS

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Q3) Given that

$$f(x) = x^3 + px^2 + qx + r$$

We have to find the condition for the function to have

(i) extreme values

(ii) no extreme values.

$$f(x) = x^3 + px^2 + qx + r$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 + 2px + q$$

(i)

In order to have extreme values,

$$f'(x) = 0.$$

$$3x^2 + 2px + q = 0. \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$D \geq 0$$

Since, the equation should have roots.

$$(2p)^2 - 4(3)q \geq 0$$

$$4p^2 \geq 4(3)q$$

$$p^2 \geq 3q.$$

\therefore In order to have extreme values, $p^2 \geq 3q$.

(ii) For no extreme values, the equation should not have any real roots.

$$\Rightarrow D < 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow (2p)^2 - 4(3)q < 0 \quad (\text{From (1)})$$

$$\Rightarrow 4p^2 < 4(3)q$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{p^2 < 3q}$$

This should be ~~seen~~ satisfied, if there shouldn't be extreme values.

At $p=q=r=3$

$$D = 2p^2 - 12q$$

$$= (2(3)^2) - 12(3)$$

$$= 6^2 - 12(3)$$

$$= 36 - 36$$

$$= 0, \geq 0.$$

ie. $p^2 = 3q$

$q = q$

If $D=0$, the equation ① has real roots:

\therefore The function has extreme values
at $p=q=r=3$

The equation:

$$3x^2 + 2px + q = 0$$

put $p=3, q=3$

$$3x^2 + 6x + 3 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$$

$$(x+1)^2 = 0$$

$$x = -1, -1.$$

are the roots.