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12th Board Paper



Exact 5 types of questions
repeat every year in

Differential Calculus

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Differential Calculus - 2023-24-25



Type 1 : Increasing-Decreasing Q

Question 1: 2025 - Set 1 - Q22 - 2 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : Find the values of a for which $f(x) = x^2 - 2ax + b$ is an increasing function for $x > 0$.

Question 2: 2025 - Set 2 - Q10 - 1 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : The function $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 6$ is increasing in the interval

- (A) $(0, 2)$ (B) $(-\infty, 2]$ (C) $[1, 2]$ (D) $[2, \infty)$

Question 3: 2025 - Set 2 - Q21 - 2 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : Find the values of a for which $f(x) = \sin x - ax + b$ is increasing on \mathbb{R} .

Question 4: 2025 - Set 3 - Q11 - 1 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined as $f(x) = 2x - \sin x$, then f is:

- (A) a decreasing function
(B) an increasing function
(C) maximum at $x = \pi/2$
(D) maximum at $x = 0$

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Question 5: 2025 - Set 4 - Q5 - 1 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : The values of λ so that $f(x) = \sin x - \cos x - \lambda x + C$ decreases for all real x are:

- (A) $1 < \lambda < \sqrt{2}$ (B) $\lambda \geq 1$ (C) $\lambda \geq \sqrt{2}$ (D) $\lambda < 1$

Question 6: 2025 - Set 4 - Q13 - 1 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : If $f(x) = 2x + \cos x$, then $f(x)$:

- (A) has a maxima at $x = \pi$
(B) has a minima at $x = \pi$
(C) is an increasing function
(D) is a decreasing function

Question 7: 2025 - Set 4 - Q22(a) - 2 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : Find the least value of a so that $f(x) = 2x^2 - ax + 3$ is an increasing function on $[2, 4]$.

Question 8: 2025 - Set 4 - R22(b) - 2 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : If $f(x) = x + 1/x$, $x \geq 1$, show that f is an increasing function.

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Question 9: 2025 - Set 5 - Q26 - 3 M -

Increasing–Decreasing

Q : Show that $f(x) = \tan^{-1}(\sin x + \cos x)$ is an increasing function in $[0, \pi/4]$.

Question 10: 2025 - Set 6 - Q23 - 2 M -

Increasing–Decreasing

Q : Determine the values of x for which $f(x) = (x - 4)/(x + 1)$, $x \neq -1$, is an increasing or a decreasing function.

Type (1) : Increasing-Decreasing Q - 2024

Question 1: 2024 - Set 1 - Q4 - 1 M -

INCREASING–DECREASING

Q : $f(x)$ is strictly increasing on (a, b) if:

- A) $f'(x) < 0$ B) $f'(x) > 0$
C) $f'(x) = 0$ D) $f(x) > 0$

Question 2: 2024 - Set 2 - Q5 - 1 M - I

Q : The function $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 12x - 18$ is:

- A) strictly decreasing on \mathbb{R}
B) strictly increasing on \mathbb{R}
C) neither strictly increasing nor decreasing
D) strictly decreasing on $(-\infty, 0)$

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Type 1 : Increasing-Decreasing Q

Question 3: 2024 - Set 2 - Q25 - 2 M -

INCREASING-DECREASING

Q : Show that $f(x) = e^x - e^{-x} + x - \tan^{-1}(x)$ is strictly increasing in its domain.

Question 4: 2024 - Set 3 - Q27(a) - 3 M -

INCREASING-DECREASING

Q : Find intervals where $f(x) = (\log x)/x$ is strictly increasing or strictly decreasing.

Question 5: 2024 - Set 4 - Q18 - 1 M -

INCREASING-DECREASING

Q : The function $f(x) = kx - \sin x$ is strictly increasing for:

- A) $k > 1$ B) $k < 1$
C) $k > -1$ D) $k < -1$

Question 6: 2024 - Set 4 - Q23 - 2 M -

INCREASING-DECREASING

Q : Find the interval where $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 + 10$ is strictly decreasing.



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Question 1: 2023 - Set 1 - Q16 - 1 M -

Increasing–Decreasing

Q : If $f(x) = a(x - \cos x)$ is strictly decreasing in \mathbb{R} , then 'a' belongs to

- (a) $[0]$ (b) $(0, \infty)$ (c) $(-\infty, 0)$ (d) $(-\infty, \infty)$

Question 2: 2023 - Set 1 - Q25 - 2 M -

Increasing–Decreasing

Q : Show that the function $f(x) = 16 \sin x / (4 + \cos x) - x$ is strictly decreasing in $(\pi/2, \pi)$.

Question 3: 2023 - Set 2 - Q37 - 4 M -

Increasing–Decreasing

Q : Case Study – 2

The use of electric vehicles will curb air pollution in the long run. The use of electric vehicles is increasing every year and the estimated EV count at time t is

$$V(t) = (1/5) t^3 - (5/2) t^2 + 25 t - 2$$

where $t = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ correspond to years 2001, 2002, 2003, ...

(i) Can the above function estimate vehicle count for year 2000? Justify.

(ii) Prove that $V(t)$ is an increasing function.

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Question 4: 2023 - Set 3 - Q23 - 2 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : If $f(x) = a(\tan x - \cot x)$, where $a > 0$, determine whether $f(x)$ is increasing or decreasing in its domain.

Question 5: 2023 - Set 3 - R37 - 4 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : Case Study – 2

A rainwater harvesting tank with square base and capacity 250 m^3 is to be built.

Land cost = ₹ 5000 per m^2

Digging cost = ₹ 40000 h^2 , where h is depth (in m).

Let x = side of square base (in m).

(i) Find total cost C in terms of x .

(ii) Find dC/dx .

(iii) Check whether $C(x)$ is increasing for $x > 0$.

Question 6: 2023 - Set 5 - Q9 - 1 M -

Increasing-Decreasing

Q : The interval in which the function

$f(x) = 2x^3 + 9x^2 + 12x - 1$ is decreasing is

(a) $(-1, \infty)$ (b) $(-2, -1)$ (c) $(-\infty, -2)$ (d) $[-1, 1]$



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Type 1 : Increasing-Decreasing Q

Type 2 : Maxima-Minima Q

Type 3 : Rate Measure Q

Type 4 : Continuity-Differentiability Q

Type 5 : Differentiation Q



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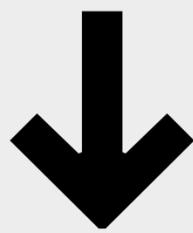
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