

MONOTONICITY

1. Let $f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}} - \frac{d-x}{\sqrt{b^2 + (d-x)^2}}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, where a, b and d are non-zero real constants. Then :-
- (1) f is a decreasing function of x
 - (2) f is neither increasing nor decreasing function of x
 - (3) f is not a continuous function of x
 - (4) f is an increasing function of x
2. If the function f given by $f(x) = x^3 - 3(a-2)x^2 + 3ax + 7$, for some $a \in \mathbb{R}$ is increasing in $(0, 1]$ and decreasing in $[1, 5)$, then a root of the equation, $\frac{f(x)-14}{(x-1)^2} = 0 (x \neq 1)$ is :
- (1) 6 (2) 5 (3) 7 (4) -7

3. Let $f : [0, 2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a twice differentiable function such that $f''(x) > 0$, for all $x \in (0, 2)$. If $\phi(x) = f(x) + f(2-x)$, then ϕ is :
- (1) decreasing on $(0, 2)$
 - (2) decreasing on $(0, 1)$ and increasing on $(1, 2)$
 - (3) increasing on $(0, 2)$
 - (4) increasing on $(0, 1)$ and decreasing on $(1, 2)$
4. Let $f(x) = e^x - x$ and $g(x) = x^2 - x$, $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then the set of all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, where the function $h(x) = (f \circ g)(x)$ is increasing, is :
- (1) $\left[-1, \frac{-1}{2}\right] \cup \left[\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$
 - (2) $\left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right] \cup [1, \infty)$
 - (3) $\left[\frac{-1}{2}, 0\right] \cup [1, \infty)$
 - (4) $[0, \infty)$
5. If m is the minimum value of k for which the function $f(x) = x\sqrt{kx - x^2}$ is increasing in the interval $[0, 3]$ and M is the maximum value of f in $[0, 3]$ when $k = m$, then the ordered pair (m, M) is equal to :
- (1) $(4, 3\sqrt{2})$
 - (2) $(4, 3\sqrt{3})$
 - (3) $(3, 3\sqrt{3})$
 - (4) $(5, 3\sqrt{6})$

SOLUTION

1. Ans. (4)

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}} - \frac{d-x}{\sqrt{b^2 + (d-x)^2}}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{a^2}{(a^2 + x^2)^{3/2}} + \frac{b^2}{(b^2 + (d-x)^2)^{3/2}} > 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$f(x)$ is an increasing function.

2. Ans (3)

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

$$f'(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in (0, 1]$$

$$f'(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in [1, 5)$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = 0 \text{ at } x = 1 \Rightarrow a = 5$$

$$f(x) - 14 = (x-1)^2(x-7)$$

$$\frac{f(x)-14}{(x-1)^2} = x-7$$

3. Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol. $\phi(x) = f(x) + f(2-x)$

$$\phi'(x) = f'(x) - f'(2-x) \dots\dots(1)$$

Since $f''(x) > 0$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) \text{ is increasing } \forall x \in (0, 2)$$

Case-I: When $x > 2-x \Rightarrow x > 1$

$$\Rightarrow \phi'(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in (1, 2)$$

$\therefore \phi(x)$ is increasing on $(1, 2)$

Case-II: When $x < 2-x \Rightarrow x < 1$

$$\Rightarrow \phi'(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \in (0, 1)$$

$\therefore \phi(x)$ is decreasing on $(0, 1)$

4. Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol. $h(x) = f(g(x))$

$$\Rightarrow h'(x) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) \text{ and } f'(x) = e^x - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow h'(x) = (e^{g(x)} - 1) g'(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow h'(x) = (e^{x^2-x} - 1) (2x-1) \geq 0$$

Case-I $e^{x^2-x} \geq 1$ and $2x-1 \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [1, \infty) \dots\dots(1)$$

Case-II $e^{x^2-x} \leq 1$ and $2x-1 \leq 0$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right] \dots\dots(2)$$

Hence, $x \in \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right] \cup [1, \infty)$

5. Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol. $f(x) = x\sqrt{kx-x^2}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{3kx-4x^2}{2\sqrt{kx-x^2}}$$

For $\uparrow f(x) \geq 0$

$$kx-x^2 \geq 0 \quad 4x^2-3kx \leq 0$$

$$x^2-kx \leq 0 \quad 4x\left(x-\frac{3k}{4}\right) \leq 0$$

$$x(x-k) \leq 0 \text{ so } x \in [0, 3] \quad 3-\frac{3k}{4} \leq 0$$

+ve $\boxed{x \geq 3}$

$\boxed{k \geq 4}$

minimum value of k is $\boxed{m=4}$

$$f(x) = x\sqrt{kx-x^2}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{4 \times 3 - 3^2} = 3\sqrt{3}, M = 3\sqrt{3}$$