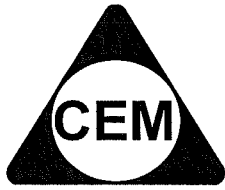


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YEAR 12 – MATHEMATICS

SPECIMEN PAPER 2

**TOPIC : CURVE SKETCHING
USING CALCULUS**

AMP 2002 Q9

(b) The gradient function of a curve is given by $\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2 - 12x - 18$. The curve passes through the point $(-2, -3)$.

(i) Find the equation of the curve.

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(ii) Find the coordinates of the stationary points and determine their nature.

2

CEM – Review – Calculus & Curve Sketching 2

(iii) Find the coordinates of the point of inflexion. 2

(iv) Sketch the curve showing its main features in the domain $-2 \leq x \leq 5$. 2

ASCHAM 2001 Q6

- b) For the curve $y = x(x - 3)^2$
- i) Find any stationary points and describe their nature. (4)

- ii) Find the point of inflexion. (2)

iii) Draw the graph of $y = x(x-3)^2$ for $-1 \leq x \leq 5$, showing significant points (2)

iv) What is the maximum value of $x(x-3)^2$ for $-1 \leq x \leq 5$? (1)

v) For what values of x is $y = x(x-3)^2$ concave down for $-1 \leq x \leq 5$? (1)

ASCHAM 2000 Q6

Consider the curve given by $y = 3x - x^3$.

(a) Show that the curve represents an odd function.

[1]

(b) Find all stationary points and their nature.

[3]

(c) Find any points of inflexion.

[2]

(d) Sketch the curve for $-2 \leq x \leq 2.5$

[2]

(e) State the absolute minimum and maximum values in $-2 \leq x \leq 2.5$ [1]

(f) Calculate the area bounded by the curve $y = 3x - x^3$ and the x-axis. [3]

CSSA 2001 Q5

(a) Consider the curve given by $y = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 12x$.

(i) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$. 1

(ii) Find the coordinates of the two stationary points. 3

(ii) Determine the nature of the stationary points.

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(iv) Sketch the curve for $-2 \leq x \leq 3$.

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$$(b)(i) \frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2 - 12x - 18$$

$$y = 2x^3 - 6x^2 - 18x + c \checkmark$$

$$\text{Substituting } x = -2, y = -3 \Rightarrow c = 1$$

$$\therefore y = 2x^3 - 6x^2 - 18x + 1 \checkmark$$

$$(ii) \text{ Stationary points when } \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

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

$$(x-3)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x = 3 \text{ or } -1$$

$$f''(x) = 12x - 12$$

$$\text{At } x = 3, y = 2(3^3) - 6(3^2) - 18(3) + 1 = -53$$

$$f''(3) = 12 \times 3 - 12 > 0$$

$\therefore (3, -53)$ is a relative minimum turning point \checkmark

$$\text{At } x = -1, y = 11; f''(-1) = -24 < 0,$$

$\therefore (-1, 11)$ is a relative maximum turning point \checkmark

$$(iii) \text{ For points of inflexion, let } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0,$$

$$12x - 12 = 0$$

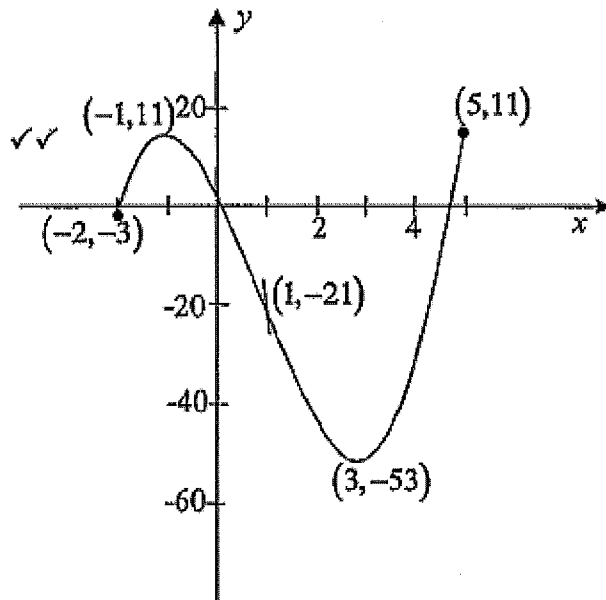
$$x = 1 \checkmark$$

$$\text{Test at } x = 2, f''(2) > 0$$

$$\text{Test at } x = 0, f''(0) < 0$$

Change of sign suggests a point of inflexion exists at $(1, -21)$ \checkmark

(iv)

ASCHAM 2001 Q6

$$b) y = x(x-3)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} i) y' &= x \cdot 2(x-3) + (x-3)^2 \\ &= (x-3)(2x+x-3) \\ &= (x-3)(3x-3) \\ &= 3(x-3)(x-1) \end{aligned}$$

Stationary points at $(3, 0)$ ✓
and $(1, 4)$ ✓

$$y'' = 6x - 12$$

At $(3, 0)$ $y'' = 6 > 0$
∴ $(3, 0)$ a min t/pt ✓

At $(1, 4)$ $y'' = -6 < 0$
∴ $(1, 4)$ a max t/pt ✓

ASCHAM 2000 Q6

A) $y = 3x - x^3$

Let $y = f(x)$

$f(x) = 3x - x^3$

$f(-x) = -3x - (-x)^3 = -3x + x^3$

$-f(x) = -(3x - x^3) = -3x + x^3$

Since $f(-x) = -f(x)$, $f(x)$ is an odd function.

B) $f'(x) = 3 - 3x^2$

At stat. pts, $f'(x) = 0$

$3 - 3x^2 = 0$

$1 - x^2 = 0; x = 1 \text{ or } x = -1$

$y = 2$

$y = -2$

Determine nature ~

$f''(x) = -6x$

At $(1, 2)$, $f''(x) = -6 < 0 \therefore (1, 2)$ is a ~~max.~~ ~~pt~~

At $(-1, -2)$, $f''(x) = 6 > 0 \therefore (-1, -2)$ ~~MIN.~~ ~~pt~~

C) At possible pts of inflexion, $f''(x) = 0$

$-6x = 0$

$x = 0; y = 0$

Check for change in concavity.

$x < 0$	$x = 0$	$x > 0$
$y'' > 0$	0	< 0

 \therefore since there is a change in concavity, $(0, 0)$ is a pt of inflexion.

CSSA 2001 Q5

(a) (i) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2 - 6x - 12$

(ii)

$$6x^2 - 6x - 12 = 0$$

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

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

$$x = -1 \quad x = 2$$

$$y = 7 \quad y = -20$$

stationary points
occur where $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ The stationary points are
 $(-1, 7), (2, -20)$

(iii) $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 12x - 6$

At $(-1, 7) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -12 - 6 < 0$

 $\Rightarrow (-1, 7)$ is a maximum t.pt.

At $(2, -20) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 24 - 6 > 0$

 $\Rightarrow (2, -20)$ is a minimum t.pt.When $x = 0, y = 0$

(iv) $x = -2, y = -4$

$x = 3, y = -9$

