

Q. Show that the curves $x^3 - 3xy^2 + 2 = 0$ and $3x^2y - y^3 - 2 = 0$ cut orthogonally.

Sol. We know, if two curves cut each other orthogonally then the condition for this is $m_1 \cdot m_2 = -1$

$$1 + m_1 m_2 = 0$$

$$m_1 = \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ for one curve}$$

$$m_2 = \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ for other curve}$$

Given curves

$$x^3 - 3xy^2 + 2 = 0 \quad \dots \quad (1)$$

$$3x^2y - y^3 - 2 = 0 \quad \dots \quad (11)$$

on differentiating Eqn (1) and (11) w.r.t. x we get

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

$$x^2 - y^2 - 2xy \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{y} - \frac{y}{x} = m_1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2xy} (x^2 - y^2) = m_1$$

Similarly,

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

$$3 \cdot 2xy + 3x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 0 = 0$$

$$2xy + \frac{dy}{dx} (x^2 - y^2) = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2xy}{x^2 - y^2} = m_2$$

$$\text{Then } 1 + m_1 m_2 = 0$$

$$1 + \frac{1}{2xy} (x^2 - y^2) \left(-\frac{2xy}{x^2 - y^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 1 = 0$$

Hence, These curves cut orthogonally

Q.9 Find where tangent is parallel to the axis of x for the following curves.

$$(i) y = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3) \Rightarrow (x^2 - 3x + 2)(x-3)$$

$$x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x - 3x^2 + 9x - 6$$

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

$$x^3 - 8x^2 + 17x - 16$$

Sol. Given curve (i) $y = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (x-2)(x-3) + (x-1)(x-3) + (x-1)(x-2)$$

$$= x^2 - 5x + 6 + x^2 - 4x + 3 + x^2 - 3x + 2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 16x + 12$$

The Eqn of tangent at $P(x,y)$ and its \parallel to x axis then

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 16x + 12 = 0$$

$$9x^2 + 6x + c \Rightarrow x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$a = 3, b = -16, c = 12$$

$$x = \frac{(16) \pm \sqrt{(-16)^2 - 4 \times 3 \times 12}}{2 \times 3} = \frac{16 \pm \sqrt{144}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{12 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{6} = 2 \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} = 2 \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$