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Solutions
Class 12 Maths
Chapter 17
Ex 17.1

Increasing and Decreasing Functions Ex 17.1 Q1

Let $x_1, x_2 \in (0, \infty)$

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} & x_1 < x_2 \\ \Rightarrow & \log_e x_1 < \log_e x_2 \\ \Rightarrow & f(x_1) < f(x_2) \end{aligned}$$

So, $f(x)$ is increasing in $(0, \infty)$.

Increasing and Decreasing Functions Ex 17.1 Q2

Case I

When $a > 1$

Let $x_1, x_2 \in (0, \infty)$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & x_1 < x_2 \\ \Rightarrow & \log_a x_1 < \log_a x_2 \\ \Rightarrow & f(x_1) < f(x_2) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $f(x)$ is increasing on $(0, \infty)$

Case II

When $0 < a < 1$

$$f(x) = \log_a x = \frac{\log x}{\log a}$$

When $a < 1 \Rightarrow \log a < 0$

Let $x_1 < x_2$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow & \log x_1 < \log x_2 \\ \Rightarrow & \frac{\log x_1}{\log a} > \frac{\log x_2}{\log a} & [\because \log a < 0] \\ \Rightarrow & f(x_1) > f(x_2) \end{aligned}$$

So, $f(x)$ is decreasing on $(0, \infty)$.

Increasing and Decreasing Functions Ex 17.1 Q3

We have,

$$f(x) = ax + b, \quad a > 0$$

Let $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x_1 > x_2$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow & ax_1 > ax_2 \text{ for some } a > 0 \\ \Rightarrow & ax_1 + b > ax_2 + b \text{ for some } b \\ \Rightarrow & f(x_1) > f(x_2) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore f(x)$ is increasing function of \mathbb{R} .

Increasing and Decreasing Functions Ex 17.1 Q4

We have,

$$f(x) = ax + b, \quad a < 0$$

Let $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x_1 > x_2$

$$\Rightarrow ax_1 < ax_2 \text{ for some } a < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ax_1 + b < ax_2 + b \text{ for some } b$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$$

Hence, $x_1 > x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$

$\therefore f(x)$ is decreasing function of \mathbb{R} .

Increasing and Decreasing Functions Ex 17.1 Q5

We have,

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

Let $x_1, x_2 \in (0, \infty)$ and $x_1 > x_2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_1} < \frac{1}{x_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$$

Thus, $x_1 > x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$

So, $f(x)$ is decreasing function.

Increasing and Decreasing Functions Ex 17.1 Q6

We have,

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

Case I

When $x \in [0, \infty)$

Let $x_1, x_2 \in (0, \infty]$ and $x_1 > x_2$

$$\Rightarrow x_1^2 > x_2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + x_1^2 > 1 + x_2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1+x_1^2} < \frac{1}{1+x_2^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$$

So, $f(x)$ is decreasing on $[0, \infty)$

Case II

When $x \in (-\infty, 0]$

Let $x_1 > x_2$

$$\Rightarrow x_1^2 < x_2^2$$

$$[\because -2 > -3 \Rightarrow 4 < 9]$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + x_1^2 < 1 + x_2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1+x_1^2} > \frac{1}{1+x_2^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1) > f(x_2)$$

So, $f(x)$ is increasing on $(-\infty, 0]$

Increasing and Decreasing Functions Ex 17.1 Q7

We have,

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

Case I

When $x \in [0, \infty)$

Let $x_1 > x_2$

$$\Rightarrow x_1^2 > x_2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+x_1^2 > 1+x_2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1+x_1^2} < \frac{1}{1+x_2^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$$

$\therefore f(x)$ is decreasing on $[0, \infty)$.

Case II

When $x \in (-\infty, 0]$

Let $x_1 > x_2$

$$\Rightarrow x_1^2 < x_2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+x_1^2 < 1+x_2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1+x_1^2} > \frac{1}{1+x_2^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1) > f(x_2)$$

So, $f(x)$ is increasing on $(-\infty, 0]$

Thus, $f(x)$ is neither increasing nor decreasing on \mathbb{R} .

Increasing and Decreasing Functions Ex 17.1 Q8

We have,

$$f(x) = |x| = \begin{cases} x, & x > 0 \\ -x, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

(a)

Let $x_1, x_2 \in (0, \infty)$ and $x_1 > x_2$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1) > f(x_2)$$

So, $f(x)$ is increasing in $(0, \infty)$

(b)

Let $x_1, x_2 \in (-\infty, 0)$ and $x_1 > x_2$

$$\Rightarrow -x_1 < -x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$$

$\therefore f(x)$ is strictly decreasing on $(-\infty, 0)$.

Increasing and Decreasing Functions Ex 17.1 Q9

$$f(x) = 7x - 3$$

Let $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x_1 > x_2$

$$\Rightarrow 7x_1 > 7x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow 7x_1 - 3 > 7x_2 - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1) > f(x_2)$$

$\therefore f(x)$ is strictly increasing on \mathbb{R} .