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Lecture-26

Question-1. Show that the rectangular solid of maximum volume that can be inscribed in a given sphere is a cube.

Let $2x$, $2y$, $2z$ be the length, breadth and height respectively for the rectangular solid. And let R be the radius of the sphere.

Now,

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = R^2$$

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - R^2 = 0$$

$$V = 8xyz$$

For stationary value

$$dF = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Here, } F = 8xyz + \lambda(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - R^2)$$

$$\left[8yz + \lambda(2x) \right] dx + \left[8xz + \lambda(2y) \right] dy + \left[8xy + \lambda(2z) \right] dz = 0$$

From above,

$$8yz + \lambda 2x = 0 \quad \text{--- 1.}$$

$$8xz + \lambda 2y = 0 \quad \text{--- 2.}$$

$$8xy + \lambda 2z = 0 \quad \text{--- 3.}$$

On multiplying x in 1., y in 2., z in 3. and adding them,

$$24xyz + 2\lambda(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) = 0$$

$$24xyz + 2\lambda(R^2) = 0$$

$$12xy + \lambda R^2 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{12xy}{R^2}$$

on putting this value in 1. and solving,

$$x = y = z$$

Hence, the rectangular is cube. Ans.

Question-2 If x and y satisfy the relation $ax^2 + by^2 = ab$, prove that extreme values of the function $u = x^2 + xy + y^2$ are given by the roots of equation $4(u-a)(u-b) = ab$.

Now,

$$ax^2 + by^2 = ab.$$

$$ax^2 + by^2 - ab = 0.$$

Now, $u = x^2 + y^2 + xy$.

Consider the Lagrange's function,

$$F = x^2 + y^2 + xy + \lambda \left(\frac{x^2}{b} + \frac{y^2}{a} - 1 \right).$$

For stationary value,

$$dF = 0$$

$$= \left[2x + y + \lambda \left(\frac{2x}{b} \right) \right] dx + \left[2y + x + \lambda \left(\frac{2y}{a} \right) \right] dy = 0$$

on comparing,

$$2x + y + \lambda \left(\frac{2x}{b} \right) = 0.$$

$$2xb + yb + \lambda 2x = 0 \quad \text{--- 1.}$$

$$2ya + xa + \lambda 2y = 0 \quad \text{--- 2.}$$

on multiplying x in 1. and y in 2. and adding them.

$$= 2x^2 + xy + \frac{2\lambda x^2}{b} = 0$$

$$xy + 2y^2 + \frac{2\lambda y^2}{a} = 0.$$

$$= 2(x^2 + y^2 + xy) + 2\lambda \left(\frac{x^2}{b} + \frac{y^2}{a} \right) = 0.$$

$$= 2u + 2\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda = -u.$$

Now, from 1.

$$2x + y - \frac{2ux}{b} = 0.$$

$$= 2x \left(1 - \frac{u}{b} \right) + y = 0 \quad \text{--- 3.}$$

Now, From 2,

$$= x + 2y - \frac{2uy}{a} = 0$$

$$= 2y \left(1 - \frac{u}{a}\right) + x = 0 \dots \dots \dots = 4,$$

From 3,

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{-1}{2(1 - u/b)}$$

From 4,

$$\frac{x}{y} = -2(1 - u/a).$$

From above,

$$\frac{-1}{2(1 - u/b)} = -2(1 - u/a).$$

$$4 \left(1 - \frac{u}{a}\right) \left(1 - \frac{u}{b}\right) = 1.$$

$$4(u - a)(u - b) = ab.$$

Hence Proved. Ans.