

Q2) If $x = \operatorname{cosec} \theta - \sin \theta$ and $y = \operatorname{cosec}^n \theta - \sin^n \theta$, then show that

$$\left[(x^2 + 4) \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = n^2 (y^2 + 4) \right]$$
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Solution: As $x = \operatorname{cosec} \theta - \sin \theta$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + 4 = (\operatorname{cosec} \theta - \sin \theta)^2 + 4 = (\operatorname{cosec} \theta + \sin \theta)^2 \quad \text{--- (1)}$
 $y^2 + 4 = (\operatorname{cosec}^n \theta - \sin^n \theta)^2 + 4 = (\operatorname{cosec}^n \theta + \sin^n \theta)^2 \quad \text{--- (2)}$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} = \frac{n(\operatorname{cosec}^{n-1} \theta)(-\operatorname{cosec} \theta) - n \sin^{n-1} \theta \cos \theta}{-\operatorname{cosec} \theta \cot \theta - \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{n(\operatorname{cosec}^n \theta \cot \theta + \sin^n \theta \cos \theta)}{(\operatorname{cosec} \theta \cot \theta + \cos \theta)} \\ &= \frac{n(\operatorname{cosec}^n \theta + \sin^n \theta)}{(\operatorname{cosec} \theta + \sin \theta)} = \frac{n \sqrt{y^2 + 4}}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4}} \quad (\text{from 1 \& 2}) \end{aligned}$$

Squaring Both sides we get,

$$\left[(x^2 + 4) \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 = n^2 (y^2 + 4) \right] \quad \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$$