

4.2 notes calculus

## Implicit Differentiation

Look at figure 4.7



What is the equation of this function?

$$x^3 + y^3 - 9xy = 0$$

Does this graph have tangents?

How can we differentiate this function?

NO CLUE YET  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

On this particular example we would have to break it into three function pieces. These 3 pieces are not explicitly stated, they are defined implicitly. Therefore the process by which we find the derivative of such a function is called **Implicit differentiation**.

Implicit differentiation is used when  $y$  cannot be written explicitly as a function of  $x$ .

What does implicit and explicit mean?  $y =$

SOLVE for  $y$   
don't know what  $y$  is in terms of  $x$

Implicit differentiation – treat  $y$  as a differentiable function of  $x$  and apply the rules of differentiation.

Let's start with a surprisingly simple concept. What is the derivative of y with respect to x?

Answer: The derivative of y is  $\frac{dy}{dx}$   $y' = \frac{dy}{dx}$

**Example:**

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $y^2 = x$

Use the chain rule:

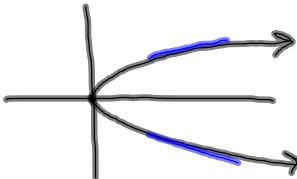
$\frac{d}{dx}$  outside ~~of inside~~ <sup>leave inside alone</sup> times deriv inside  $2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$  Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2y}$

$\frac{d}{dx}(y^2) = \frac{d}{dx}(x)$   
 $\frac{d}{dx}[y^2] = 1$   
 $2(y)' \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$  Divide by 2y  
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2y}$

$\frac{dy}{dx}$  does not always have to be a function of x. Sometimes it is useful to have it be a function of y. Let's read the paragraph under Example 1.

$y^2 = x$   
 $y = \pm \sqrt{x}$   
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = \pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$



$x^3 + y^3 - 9xy = 0$  Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$\frac{d}{dx}(x^3) + \frac{d}{dx}(y^3) - 9 \frac{d}{dx}(xy)$  product

$3x^2 + 3(y)^2 \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} - 9[x \frac{d}{dx}(y)' + y(1)] = 0$

$3x^2 + 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 9[x \frac{dy}{dx} + y] = 0$  (y)' =  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$3x^2 + 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 9x \frac{dy}{dx} - 9y = 0$

$3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 9x \frac{dy}{dx} = -3x^2 + 9y$  find solve for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$\frac{dy}{dx} (3y^2 - 9x) = -3x^2 + 9y$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3x^2 + 9y}{3y^2 - 9x}$$

**Implicit Differentiation Process:**

1. Differentiate both sides of the equation with respect to  $x$ .
2. Collect the terms with  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  on one side of the equation.
3. Factor out  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .
4. Solve for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

**Examples:**

Find

$$\frac{dy}{dx}$$

if

$$2x^3 - 3(y)^2 = 8$$

$$6x^2 - 6(y) \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$6x^2 = 6y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{-6y \frac{dy}{dx}}{-6y} = \frac{-6x^2}{-6y}$$

$$\frac{6x^2}{6y} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

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

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2}{y}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}$$

if

$$x^2 + xy - y^2 = 1$$

$$x^2 + \underbrace{x(y)}_{\text{product}} - (y)^2 = 1$$

$$2x + \left[ x \frac{dy}{dx} + y(1) \right] - 2(y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$2x + x \frac{dy}{dx} + y - 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (x - 2y) = -2x - y$$

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

on multiple choice

$$\frac{-(2x + y)}{-(-x + 2y)}$$

$$\frac{2x + y}{2y - x}$$

#18. Find  $\frac{d}{dx}$  if  $x^2 + y^2 = 25$

Find the lines that are (a) tangent and (b) normal to the curve at the given point.  $(3, -4)$   
 $x_1, y_1$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 25$$

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

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x}{2y} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-x}{y}$$

Eq of tangent line

$$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$$

$$y + 4 = \frac{3}{4}(x - 3)$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(3, -4)} = \frac{-3}{-4}$$

Eq of Normal line

$$y + 4 = -\frac{4}{3}(x - 3)$$

We can also find higher order derivatives implicitly.

Example: Find  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$  of  $2x^3 - 3y^2 = 8$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \quad 6x^2 - 3 \cdot 2y^1 \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$-6y \frac{dy}{dx} = -6x^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-6x^2}{-6y} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2}{y}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$$

$$\frac{y \cdot 2x - x^2 \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)}{y^2}$$

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

$$= \frac{y(2xy) - \frac{x^4}{y}}{y^2} = \frac{2xy^2 - x^4}{y^2}$$

**Rational Powers of Differentiable Functions:** We can apply the power rule,

As we have shown before:  $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$

$$\sqrt{x} = x^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2x^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

Something more challenging?!

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $y = (2x-3)^{\frac{2}{3}}$

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

$$\frac{2}{3 (2x-3)^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$\frac{2}{3 \sqrt[3]{2x-3}}$$

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  if  $y = \sqrt[5]{\sin(x)}$

$$y = (\sin x)^{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{5} (\sin x)^{-\frac{4}{5}}$$

$$\frac{1}{5 (\sin x)^{\frac{4}{5}}}$$

$$\frac{1}{5 \sqrt[5]{(\sin x)^4}} \text{ or } \frac{1}{5 \sqrt[5]{\sin^4(x)}}$$

Exploration 1

$$x^2 + \underbrace{(-2xy)}_{\text{product}} + y^2 = 4$$

$$\textcircled{1} 2x + [-2x \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + y(-2)] + 2(y)' \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

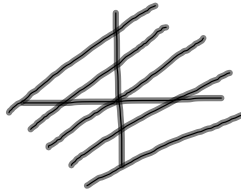
$$2x + -2x \frac{dy}{dx} + -2y + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$-2x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = -2x + 2y$$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x + 2y}{-2x + 2y} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

$$\textcircled{2} \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \quad y = x + c$$



$\textcircled{3}$  Let  $x=0$

$$x^2 - 2xy + y^2 = 4$$

$$\cancel{0^2} - \cancel{2(0)y} + y^2 = 4$$

$$y = \pm 2$$

$$y = x + c$$

$$2 = 0 + c$$

$$2 = c$$

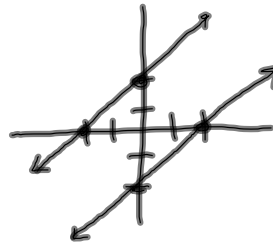
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$$y = x + c$$

$$-2 = 0 + c$$

$$-2 = c$$

$$\boxed{y = x - 2}$$



$$\textcircled{4} x^2 - 2xy + y^2 = 4$$

$$(x - y)(x - y) = 4$$

$$(x - y)^2 = 4$$

$$x - y = \pm 2$$

$$x - y = 2$$

$$x - 2 = y$$

$$\boxed{y = x - 2}$$

$$x - y = -2$$

$$\boxed{y = x + 2}$$