

Implicit Differentiation

e.g. is not solved for y

Steps: 1) Differentiate both sides w.r.t. x

2) Put terms with $\frac{dy}{dx}$ on one side,
everything else on the other side

3) Factor out $\frac{dy}{dx}$

4) Solve for $\frac{dy}{dx}$

Ex 1 Find the derivative.

A. $12x^2 + y^2 = 144$

$$24x \frac{dx}{dx} + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} = -24x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-24x}{2y} = -\frac{12x}{y}$$

B. $x^2y + y^2x = -2$

$$x^2 \cdot 1 \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cdot 2x + y^2 \cdot 1 + x \cdot 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

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

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

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

$$C. \underline{2x^3y^3} - y = x^{2/3}$$

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

$$6x^3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{3\sqrt[3]{x}} - 6x^2y^3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (6x^3y^2 - 1) = \frac{2}{3\sqrt[3]{x}} - 6x^2y^3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{2}{3\sqrt[3]{x}} - 6x^2y^3}{6x^3y^2 - 1}$$

$$D. y = \sin(xy)$$

$$1. \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos(xy) \left[x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cdot 1 \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x \cos(xy) \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos(xy)$$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \left(1 - x \cos(xy) \right) = y \cos(xy)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y \cos(xy)}{1 - x \cos(xy)}$$

EX 2 $3x + xy^3 = 4$

Find the slope of the curve at the point $(1, 1)$.

deriv: $3 + x \cdot 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + y^3 \cdot 1 = 0$

$$3xy^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = -3 - y^3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3 - y^3}{3xy^2} \text{ general slope}$$

$$\text{at } (1, 1): \frac{-3 - (1)^3}{3(1)(1)^2} = \boxed{\frac{-4}{3}}$$



$$xy^3 = 4 - 3x$$

$$y^3 = \frac{4 - 3x}{x}$$

$$y = \sqrt[3]{\frac{4 - 3x}{x}}$$

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