

Exercise 2.7 - Practice Problems

1. Use Implicit differentiation to find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

Follow this process

a)  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 - y^2) = \frac{d}{dx} 1$$

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

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

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

c)  $xy = 4$  Product Rule

$$x(1) \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$$

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

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

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

b)  $x^3 + y^3 = 6$

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

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

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

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

d)  $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 1$  Product Rule

$$2x + x(1) \frac{dy}{dx} + y + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

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

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

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

e)  $x^3 + y^3 = 6xy$

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

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

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (3y^2 - 6x) = -3x^2 + 6y \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{(3x^2 - 6y)}{(3y^2 - 6x)}$$

f)  $2xy^2 - y^3 = x^2$

$$2[x2y \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y^2] - 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$$

$$2x4y \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y^2 - 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (8xy - 3y^2) = 2x - 4y^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x - 4y^2}{8xy - 3y^2}$$

g)  $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 1$

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

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

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

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

h)  $\frac{2x}{x+y} = y \rightarrow 2x = y(x+y) = 2x = xy + y^2$

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

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

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

2. Find the slope of the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

a)  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 5; (1, -1)$

$$2x + 8y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ at } (1, -1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x}{8y} = \frac{-1}{4(-1)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-x}{4y} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

b)  $x^4 + y^4 = 17; (2, 1)$

$$4x^3 + 4y^3 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$-\frac{2^3}{1^3} = \boxed{-8}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-4x^3}{4y^3} = -\frac{x^3}{y^3} \text{ at } (2, 1)$$

c)  $x^2 + x^3y^2 - y^3 = 13; (1, -2)$

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

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

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{(2x + 3x^2 y^2)}{(x^3 2y - 3y^2)} \text{ at } (1, -2)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{(2(1) + 3(1)^2(-2)^2)}{((1)^3 2(-2) - 3(-2)^2)} = \frac{2+12}{-16}$$

$$-\frac{14}{-16} = \boxed{\frac{7}{8}}$$

d)  $y^2 = 2xy - 3; (2, 3)$

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \left[ x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2y}{-2x + 2y} \text{ at } (2, 3)$$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2(3)}{-2(2) + 2(3)} = \frac{6}{2} = \boxed{3}$$

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

e)  $\sqrt{x+y} + \sqrt{xy} = 4; (2, 2)$

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+y}} \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx}\right) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{xy}} \cdot (x \frac{dy}{dx} + y) = 0$$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \left[ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+y}} + \frac{x}{2\sqrt{xy}} \right] = -\frac{y}{2\sqrt{xy}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+y}}$$

$$\frac{-\frac{y}{2\sqrt{xy}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+y}}}{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+y}} + \frac{x}{2\sqrt{xy}}} = \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ at } (2, 2)$$

$$\frac{-\frac{2}{4} - \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{4}} \rightarrow \frac{-\frac{3}{4}}{\frac{3}{4}} = \boxed{-1}$$

f)  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = 1; \left(\frac{3}{2}, 3\right) \quad x^{-1} + y^{-1} = 1$

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

$$-\frac{(3)^2}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2} = -\frac{9}{\frac{9}{4}} = \boxed{-4}$$

$$-\frac{1}{y^2} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x^2} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{y^2}{x^2} \text{ at } \left(\frac{3}{2}, 3\right)$$

3. Find the equation to the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

a)  $2x^2 - y^2 = 1; (-1, -1)$

$$4x - 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-4x}{-2y} = \frac{2x}{y}$$

$$\frac{2(-1)}{-1} = 2$$

$$y = 2x + b$$

$$-1 = -2 + b$$

$$1 = b$$

$$\boxed{y = 2x + 1}$$

b)  $x^3 + y^3 = 9; (2, 1)$

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

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

$$= -\frac{x^2}{y^2} \text{ at } \begin{matrix} x=2 \\ y=1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{4}{1} = -4$$

$$y = -4x + b$$

$$1 = -4(2) + b$$

$$9 = b$$

$$\boxed{y = -4x + 9}$$

c)  $y^5 + x^2y^3 = 10; (-3, 1)$

$$5y^4 \frac{dy}{dx} + x^2(3y^2) \frac{dy}{dx} + 2xy^3 = 0$$

$$5y^4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 3x^2y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = -2xy^3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(5y^4 + 3x^2y^2) = -2xy^3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2xy^3}{(5y^4 + 3x^2y^2)} \text{ at } (-3, 1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2(-3)(1)^3}{(5(1)^4 + 3(-3)^2(1)^2)}$$

$$= \frac{6}{5 + 27} = \frac{6}{32} = \boxed{\frac{3}{16}}$$

$$y = \frac{6}{23}x + b$$

$$1 = \frac{-18}{23} + b \quad b = \frac{25}{16}$$

$$y = \frac{3}{16}x + \frac{25}{16}$$

d)  $(x+y)^3 = x^3 + y^3; (-1, 1)$

$$3(x+y)^2 \cdot (1 + \frac{dy}{dx}) = 3x^2 + 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

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

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2 - 3(x+y)^2}{3(x+y)^2 - 3y^2} \text{ at } (-1, 1)$$

$$\frac{3(-1)^2 - 3(0)^2}{3(0)^2 - 3(1)^2} = -\frac{3}{3} = \boxed{-1}$$

$$y = -x + b$$

$$1 = 1 = b$$

$$0 = b$$

$$y = -x$$

4. a) Use implicit differentiation to find the slope of the tangent line to the ellipse  $9x^2 + 4y^2 = 36$  at the point  $(\sqrt{2}, \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{2})$

$$18x + 8y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{9x}{4y} \text{ at } (\sqrt{2}, \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{2})$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{18x}{8y}$$

$$= -\frac{9\sqrt{2}}{4(\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{2})} = -\frac{9\sqrt{2}}{6\sqrt{2}} = \boxed{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

only this one because  $y > 0$

b) Find the slope in part (a) by first solving for y explicitly as a function of x.

$$9x^2 + 4y^2 = 36 \rightarrow 4y^2 = -9x^2 + 36 \rightarrow y^2 = -\frac{9}{4}x^2 + 9 \quad y_1 = \sqrt{-\frac{9}{4}x^2 + 9}$$

$$y' = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{-\frac{x^2}{4} + 1}} \cdot \frac{-1}{2}x \rightarrow \frac{-3x}{4\sqrt{-\frac{x^2}{4} + 1}} \text{ at } x = \sqrt{2} \quad y' = \frac{-3\sqrt{2}}{4\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}} = \boxed{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$y = 3\sqrt{-\frac{x^2}{4} + 1} \quad \frac{-3\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2})}{4} = \boxed{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

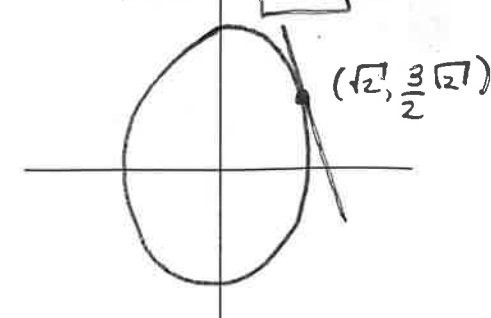
c) Find the equation of the tangent line.

$$y = -\frac{3}{2}x + b \quad \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{2} + b \quad b = \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} = -\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{2} + b \quad y = -\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}}$$

d) Sketch the ellipse and the tangent line.

USE DESMOS TO HELP



5.

- a) Find an equation of the tangent line to the circle  $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 4y - 20 = 0$  at the point  $(2, -2)$ .

$$2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} + 2 - 4 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{at } (2, -2) \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = - \frac{(2-1)}{(-2-2)} = - \frac{1}{-4} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} - 4 \frac{dy}{dx} = -2x - 2$$

$$y = \frac{1}{4}x + b$$

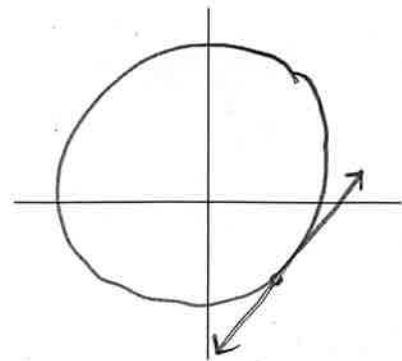
$$-2 = \frac{1}{2} + b$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (2y - 4) = -2(x - 1)$$

$$-\frac{3}{2} = b$$

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

$$\boxed{y = \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{3}{2}}$$



- b) Sketch the circle and the tangent line.

USE DESMOS AND DUPLICATE

6. The curve with the equation  $2(x^2 + y^2)^2 = 25(x^2 - y^2)$  is called a *lemniscate* and is shown in the figure below.

- a) Find  $y'$

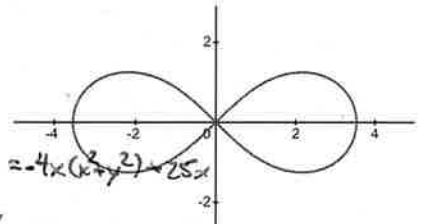
$$2[2(x^2 + y^2) \cdot (2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx})] = 25(2x - 2y \frac{dy}{dx})$$

$$8(x^2 + y^2)(x + y \frac{dy}{dx}) = 25 \cdot 2(x - y \frac{dy}{dx})$$

$$4(x^2 + y^2)(x + y \frac{dy}{dx}) = 25(x - y \frac{dy}{dx})$$

$$4x(x^2 + y^2) + 4y \frac{dy}{dx}(x^2 + y^2) = 25x - 25y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-4x(x^2 + y^2) + 25x}{4y(x^2 + y^2) + 25y}$$



- b) Find the equation of the tangent line to the lemniscate at the point  $(-3, 1)$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \left[ \frac{x(25 - 4(x^2 + y^2))}{y(25 + 4(x^2 + y^2))} \right]$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \text{ at } x = -3, y = 1 \quad \left[ \frac{-3(25 - 4((-3)^2 + 1^2))}{1(25 + 4((-3)^2 + 1^2))} \right] \rightarrow \frac{-3(25 - 40)}{1(25 + 40)} = \frac{+45}{65} = \boxed{\frac{9}{13}}$$

$$y = \frac{9}{13}x + b \rightarrow 1 = \frac{9}{13}(-3) + b \quad b = \frac{40}{13}$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{9}{13}x + \frac{40}{13}}$$

- c) Find the points on the lemniscate where the tangent line is horizontal.

when is  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  so consider numerator  $x(25 - 4(x^2 + y^2)) = 0$

$$25 - 4(x^2 + y^2) = 0 \rightarrow 4x^2 + 4y^2 = 25$$

$$25 - 4x^2 - 4y^2 = 0$$

$$\boxed{x^2 + y^2 = \frac{25}{4}}$$

$$\boxed{x^2 = \frac{25}{4} - y^2 = \frac{25 - 4y^2}{4}}$$

so  $x = 0$

but that gives  $y = 0$  so no tangent.

Can't divide by 0.

From original:

$$2 \left( \frac{25}{4} \right)^2 = 25 \left( \frac{25 - 4y^2}{4} - y^2 \right)$$

$$2 \left( \frac{625}{16} \right) = 25 \left( \frac{25 - 4y^2 - 4y^2}{4} \right)$$

$$\frac{625}{8} = 25 \left( \frac{25 - 8y^2}{4} \right)$$

$$\frac{25}{8} = \frac{25 - 8y^2}{4} \rightarrow \frac{25}{2} = 25 - 8y^2$$

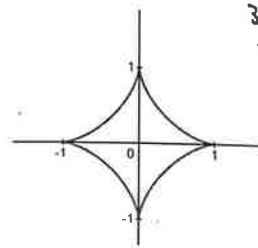
$$\boxed{x = \pm \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{4}}$$

$$y^2 = \frac{25}{16} \quad \boxed{y = \pm \frac{5}{4}}$$

7. The curve with the equation  $x^{\frac{2}{3}} + y^{\frac{2}{3}} = 1$  is called an *asteroid* and is shown in the figure below.

a) Find  $y'$   $\frac{2}{3}x^{-\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{2}{3}y^{-\frac{1}{3}} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

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



b) Find the equation of the tangent line to the asteroid at the point  $(\frac{1}{8}, \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8})$ .

$$y = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{y}{x}}x + b \rightarrow \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8} = -\sqrt[3]{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8}}(\frac{1}{8}) + b$$

$$\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8} = -\frac{\sqrt[3]{3\sqrt{3}}}{8} + b \rightarrow \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8} = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} + b \rightarrow b = \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{8} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$y = \sqrt{3}x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

c) Find the points on the asteroid where the tangent line has slope 1.

$$-\sqrt[3]{\frac{y}{x}} = 1 \rightarrow -\frac{y}{x} = 1 \rightarrow -y = x \rightarrow y = -x$$

$$x^{\frac{2}{3}} + (-x)^{\frac{2}{3}} = 1 \rightarrow 2x^{\frac{2}{3}} = 1 \rightarrow x^{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow x^2 = \frac{1}{8}$$

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

sub into original  
if  $x = \pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$   $y = \pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$   
since  $x = -y$   
points of interest

8. Use implicit differentiation to show that an equation of the tangent line to the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

At the point  $(x_0, y_0)$  is

Point slope:  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

in this case

$(x_1, y_1) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$

$$\frac{x_0^2}{a^2} + \frac{y_0^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{x_0x}{a^2} + \frac{y_0y}{b^2} = 1$$

$$2xb^2 + 2ya^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$y - y_0 = \left( \frac{-xb^2}{ya^2} \right) (x - x_0)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2xb^3}{2ya^2}$$

$$ya^2(y - y_0) = -xb^2(x - x_0)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-xb^2}{ya^2}$$

$$\frac{y^2 a^2 - y_0^2 a^2}{b^2} = \frac{-x^2 b^2 + x_0^2 b^2}{b^2}$$

$$\frac{y^2 a^2 - y_0^2 a^2}{b^2 a^2} = \frac{-x^2 b^2 + x_0^2 b^2}{a^2 b^2}$$

$$\frac{y}{b^2} - \frac{y_0}{b^2} = \frac{x x_0}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{a^2}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y}{b^2} = \frac{x_0 x}{a^2} + \frac{y_0 y}{b^2}$$

$$1 = \frac{x_0 x}{a^2} + \frac{y_0 y}{b^2}$$

Helps to consider  $f(x) = y$

9. Suppose  $f$  is a function such that  $x[f(x)]^3 + x^2f(x) = 3$  and  $f(2) = 1$ . Find  $f'(2)$ .

$$xy^3 + x^2y = 3$$

$$x(3y^2)\frac{dy}{dx} + y^3 + x^2\frac{dy}{dx} + 2xy = 0$$

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

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

sub back  $y = f(x)$

$$f'(2) = \frac{2(2)f(2) + [f(2)]^3}{3(2)(f(2))^2 + 2^2}$$

$$= \frac{4(1) + (1)^3}{3(2)(1)^2 + 4} = -\frac{5}{10} \quad \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

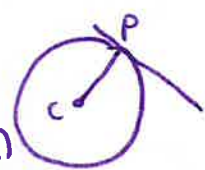
10. Use implicit differentiation to show that any tangent line at a point  $P$  to a circle with a centre  $C$  is perpendicular to the radius  $CP$ .

Let the equation of the circle be  $(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2 = r^2$

$m$  of  $CP$  is  $\frac{y-y_0}{x-x_0}$

Negative Reciprocals.  $\rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{(x-x_0)}{(y-y_0)}$

put center at  $(x_0, y_0)$   
point on the tangent is  $(x, y)$



$$\frac{d}{dx} [(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2] = r^2$$

$$2(x-x_0) - 2(y-y_0)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

11. Use implicit differentiation to show that, whenever a hyperbola with equation  $x^2 - y^2 = k$  intersects a hyperbola with equation  $xy = c$ , the tangent lines at the points of intersection are perpendicular.

Intersection occurs at an infinite number of points  
Compute derivatives in the abstract

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^2 - y^2 = k]$$

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

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

$$\frac{d}{dx} [xy = c]$$

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

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

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

Since derivatives are negative reciprocals slopes will be perpendicular at all points