

Questions from Homework

⑧ Find a quadratic function f such that

← degree is 2 → x^2

$$f(3) = 33 \rightarrow \boxed{f(x) = 4x^2 - 2x + 3}$$

$$f'(3) = 22 \rightarrow f'(x) = 8x - 2$$

$$f''(3) = 8 \quad f''(x) = 8$$

④ $f(x) = \sqrt{1+x^3}$, find $f''(2)$

$$f(x) = (1+x^3)^{1/2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1+x^3)^{-1/2}(3x^2)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{3x^2}{2(1+x^3)^{1/2}}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{6x(2)(1+x^3)^{1/2} - 3x^2(1+x^3)^{-1/2}(3x^2)}{[2\sqrt{1+x^3}]^2}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{12x(1+x^3)^{1/2} - 9x^4(1+x^3)^{-1/2}}{4(1+x^3)}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{3x(1+x^3)^{-1/2} [4(1+x^3) - 3x^3]}{4(1+x^3)}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{3x(x^3+4)}{4(1+x^3)^{3/2}}$$

$$f''(2) = \frac{3(2)[(2)^3+4]}{4(1+(2)^3)^{3/2}} = \frac{6(12)}{4(27)} = \frac{72}{108}$$

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

Implicit Differentiation

So far we have described functions by expressing one variable *explicitly* in terms of another variable: for example,

$$y = x^2$$

$$y' = 2x \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$$

■ Sometimes an equation only implicitly defines y as a function (or functions) of x .

■ Examples

■ $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ (circle)

■ $x^3 + y^3 = 6xy$

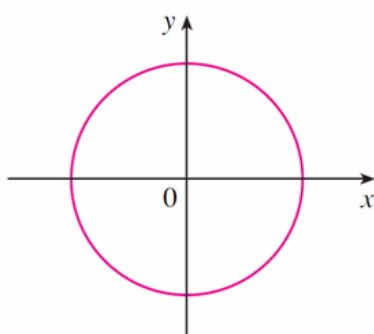
$$x^2 + y^2 = 25$$

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

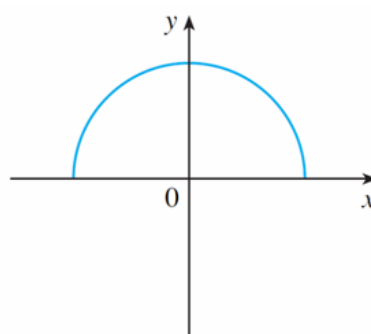
$$y = \pm \sqrt{25 - x^2}$$

- The first equation could easily be rearranged for $y = \dots$

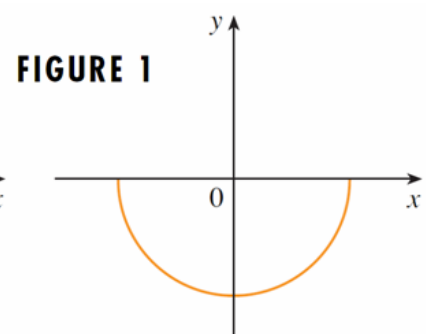
$$y = \pm \sqrt{25 - x^2} \quad \leftarrow \text{Actually gives two functions}$$



(a) $x^2 + y^2 = 25$



(b) $f(x) = \sqrt{25 - x^2}$



(c) $g(x) = -\sqrt{25 - x^2}$

FIGURE 1

Implicit Differentiation

- There is a way called *implicit differentiation* to find dy/dx without solving for y :
 - First differentiate both sides of the equation with respect to x ;
 - Then solve the resulting equation for y' .
- We will always assume that the given equation does indeed define y as a differentiable function of x .

Example

- For the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 25$, find
 - a) dy/dx
 - b) an equation of the tangent at the point $(3, 4)$.

Solution:

$$x_1 = 3$$

$$y_1 = 4$$

Start by differentiating both sides of the equation:

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

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

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

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

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

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

(ii) Find m

$$m = \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{(3)}{(4)}$$

$$m = \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

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

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

$$y - 4 = \frac{-3x + 9}{4} + \frac{16}{4}$$

$$y = \frac{-3x + 9}{4} + \frac{16}{4}$$

$$\boxed{y = -\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{25}{4}}$$

or $4y = -3x + 25$

$$\boxed{3x + 4y - 25 = 0}$$

Therefore at the point $(3, 4)$ the equation of the tangent would be...

$$y - 4 = -\frac{3}{4}(x - 3) \quad \text{or} \quad 3x + 4y = 25$$

Same Example Revisited

- Since it is easy to solve this equation for y , we
 - do so, and then
 - find the equation of the tangent line by earlier methods, and then
 - compare the result with our preceding answer:

Solution

- Solving the equation gives $y = \pm\sqrt{25-x^2}$ as before.
- The point $(3, 4)$ lies on the upper semicircle $y = \sqrt{25-x^2}$ and so we consider the function $f(x) = \sqrt{25-x^2}$

Differentiate f : (i) $f(x) = (25-x^2)^{1/2}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(25-x^2)^{-1/2}(-2x)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-x}{(25-x^2)^{1/2}} = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{25-x^2}}$$

(ii) Find m :

$$f'(3) = \frac{-3}{\sqrt{25-9}} = \frac{-3}{4}$$

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

Same as before

Solution (cont'd)

- So $f'(3) = -\frac{3}{\sqrt{25-3^2}} = -\frac{3}{4}$,

leading to the same equation

$$3x + 4y = 25$$

for the tangent that we obtained earlier.

- Note that although this problem could be done both ways, implicit differentiation was easier!

Sometimes **Implicit Differentiation** is not only the easiest way, it's the *only* way

Example:

Given $x^3 + y^3 = (6xy)$ $f'_y + f'_x$

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

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

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

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

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

$$2x^5 + x^4y + y^5 = 36$$

Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

Homework

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Do # 1-3, 5, 7