

## §2.6 Implicit Differentiation

Recall: Chain Rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx} [(f(x))^7] = 7f(x)^6 \cdot f'(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [xy^2] = 1y^2 + x \cdot 2y \cdot y' = y^2 + 2xyy'$$

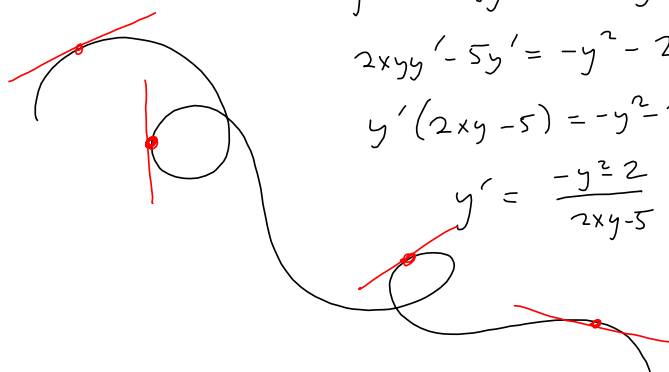
Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  :  $xy^2 + 2x = 5y$

$$1y^2 + x \cdot 2yy' + 2 = 5y'$$

$$2xyy' - 5y' = -y^2 - 2$$

$$y'(2xy - 5) = -y^2 - 2$$

$$y' = \frac{-y^2 - 2}{2xy - 5} = -\frac{y^2 + 2}{2xy - 5} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$



1. Question Details

S Calc8 2.6.001.

Consider the following equation.

$2x^2 - y^2 = 3$  *y is NOT f(x)*

(a) Find  $y'$  by implicit differentiation.

(b) Solve the equation explicitly for  $y$  and differentiate to get  $y'$  in terms of  $x$ .

(a)  $4x - 2y \cdot y' = 0$

$-2y y' = -4x$

$y' = \frac{4x}{2y} = \frac{2x}{y}$

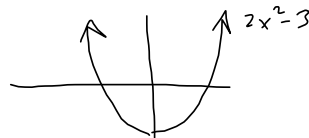
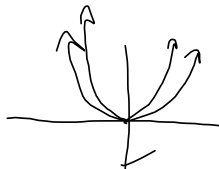
(b)  $-y^2 = 3 - 2x^2$

$y^2 = 2x^2 - 3$

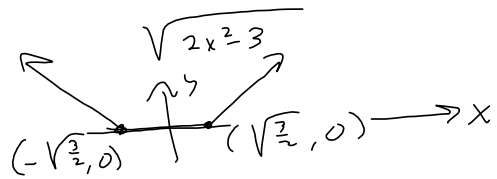
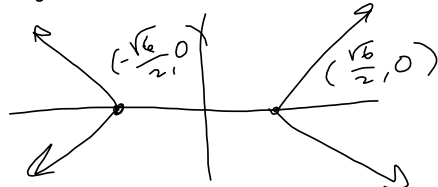
$y = \pm \sqrt{2x^2 - 3} = \pm (2x^2 - 3)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$y' = \pm \frac{1}{2} (2x^2 - 3)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (4x) = \pm \frac{2x}{\sqrt{2x^2 - 3}}$

$y = \pm \sqrt{2x^2 - 3}$



$y = \pm \sqrt{2x^2 - 3}$



2. Question Details

S Calc8 2.6.005.

Find  $dy/dx$  by implicit differentiation.

$x^2 - 8xy + y^2 = 8$

$2x - 8y - 8xy' + 2yy' = 0$

$y'(-8x + 2y) = -2x + 8y$

$y' = \frac{-2x + 8y}{-8x + 2y}$

Product Rule  $(fg)' = f'g + fg'$

$\frac{d}{dx} [8xy] = 8y + 8xy'$  *f = 8x, g = y*

$f' = 1, g' = y'$

## 3. Question Details SCalc8 2.6.009.

Find  $dy/dx$  by implicit differentiation.

$$\frac{x^2}{x+y} = y^2 + 2$$

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)' = \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2}$$

$$\frac{(2x)(x+y) - x^2(1+y')}{(x+y)^2} = 2yy'$$

Thanks, Zach.

$$2x^2 + 2xy - x^2 - x^2y' = (2yy')(x+y)^2$$

$$+ x^2y' + 2y(x+y)^2y' = +x^2 + 2xy$$

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

## 4. Question Details SCalc8 2.6.014.

Find  $dy/dx$  by implicit differentiation.

$$3y \sin(x^2) = 7x \sin(y^2)$$

$$3y' \sin(x^2) + 3y \cos(x^2) \cdot 2x = 7 \sin(y^2) + 7x \cos(y^2) \cdot 2yy'$$

$$3y' \sin(x^2) - 14xy \cos(y^2) y' = -6xy \cos(x^2) + 7 \sin(y^2)$$

$$y' = \frac{-6xy \cos(x^2) + 7 \sin(y^2)}{3 \sin(x^2) - 14xy \cos(y^2)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [y^2] = 2y \cdot y'$$

## 5. Question Details

SCalc8 2.6.020.

Find  $dy/dx$  by implicit differentiation.

$$\tan(x-y) = \frac{y}{5+x^2}$$

Another from each

$$(\sec^2(x-y))(1-y') = \frac{(y')(x^2+5) - (y)(2x)}{(x^2+5)^2}$$

$$\sec^2(x-y) - y' \sec^2(x-y) = \frac{(x^2+5)y' - 2xy}{(x^2+5)^2}$$

$$(x^2+5)^2 \sec^2(x-y) - (x^2+5)^2 \sec^2(x-y) y' = (x^2+5)y' - 2xy$$

$$[(x^2+5)^2 \sec^2(x-y) + (x^2+5)] y' = 2xy + (x^2+5)^2 \sec^2(x-y)$$

$$y' = \frac{2xy + (x^2+5)^2 \sec^2(x-y)}{(x^2+5)^2 \sec^2(x-y) + x^2+5}$$

## 6. Question Details

SCalc8 2.6.023. [3354584]

Regard  $y$  as the independent variable and  $x$  as the dependent variable and use implicit differentiation to find  $dx/dy$ .

$$x^4 y^2 - x^4 y + 3xy^3 = 0$$

Now, instead of  $y = f(x)$ , it's  $x = f(y)$ 

$$4x^3 x' y^2 + x^4 \cdot 2y - 4x^3 x' y - x^4 \cdot 1 + 3x' y^3 + 3x \cdot 3y^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (4x^3 y^2 - 4x^3 y + 3y^3) x' = -2x^4 y + x^4 - 9xy^2$$

$$x' = \frac{-2x^4 y + x^4 - 9xy^2}{4x^3 y^2 - 4x^3 y + 3y^3}$$

7. Question Details

S Calc 8 2.6.024. [3354580]

Regard  $y$  as the independent variable and  $x$  as the dependent variable and use implicit differentiation to find  $dx/dy$ .

$y \sec(x) = 2x \tan(y)$

ugh  $x = f(y)$ , again.

$y \sec(x) + y \sec(x) \tan(x) x' = 2x' \tan(y) + 2x \sec^2(y)$

$(y \sec(x) \tan(x) - 2 \tan(y)) x' = -\sec(x) + 2x \sec^2(y)$

$x' = \frac{2x \sec^2(y) - \sec(x)}{y \sec(x) \tan(x) - 2 \tan(y)}$

8. Question Details

SC

Use implicit differentiation to find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

$y \sin(16x) = x \cos(2y), (\pi/2, \pi/4)$

$y = f(x)$

$\frac{d}{dx}$  this one

$y' \sin(16x) + y \cos(16x) \cdot 16 = \cos(2y)$

$-x \sin(2y) \cdot 2y'$

#8 INCORRECT

$y' \sin(16x) + 2x \sin(2y) y' = \cos(2y) - y \cos(16x) (16)$

$\Rightarrow y' = \frac{\cos(2y) - y \cos(16x)}{\sin(16x) + 2x \sin(2y)}$   $= \frac{\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) - \frac{\pi}{4} \cos(8\pi) \cdot (16)}{\sin(8\pi) + 2(\frac{\pi}{2}) \sin(\frac{\pi}{2})}$

$(x,y) = (\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4})$

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$= \frac{0 - \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot 16}{0 + \pi(1)} = \frac{(16)(-\frac{\pi}{4})}{\pi} = \frac{-16\pi}{\pi} = \frac{-16\pi}{4\pi} = -4$

$8\pi \leftrightarrow 2\pi \leftrightarrow 0$



$y = m(x - x_1) + y_1$   
 $= -\frac{1}{4}(x - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{\pi}{4}$

## 8. Question Details

SC

Use implicit differentiation to find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

$$y \sin(16x) = x \cos(2y), \quad (\pi/2, \pi/4) \quad \text{Charles.}$$

$$y' \sin(16x) + y \cos(16x) \cdot 16 = 1 \cos(2y) - x \sin(2y) \cdot 2y'$$

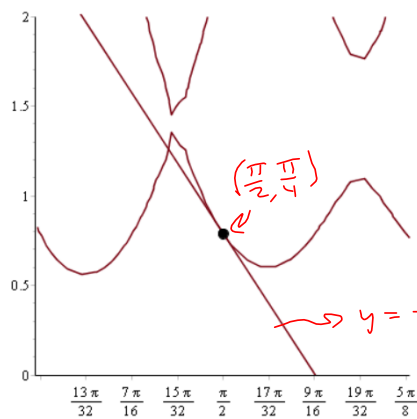
$$y' \sin(16x) + 2xy' \sin(2y) = \cos(2y) - 16y \cos(16x)$$

$$y' = \frac{\cos(2y) - 16y \cos(16x)}{\sin(16x) + 2x \sin(2y)}$$

$$y' \Big|_{(x,y) = (\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4})} = \frac{\cos(2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{4}) - 16(\frac{\pi}{4}) \cos(16 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2})}{\sin(16 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}) + 2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \sin(2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{4})}$$

$$= \frac{\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) - 4\pi \cos(8\pi)}{\sin(8\pi) + \pi \sin(\frac{\pi}{2})} = \frac{0 - 4\pi(1)}{0 + \pi} = -4$$

$$y = -4(x - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{\pi}{4}$$



NOTICE THERE ARE  
MANY POINTS  $(\frac{\pi}{2}, y)$ .  
we're just using the  
one,  $(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4})$

9. Question Details SCalc8 2.6.030.

Use implicit differentiation to find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

$$x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = 4$$

$(-3\sqrt{3}, 1)$   
(astroid)

$$\frac{2}{3}x^{-1/3} + \frac{2}{3}y^{-1/3}y' = 0$$

$$\frac{2}{3}y^{-1/3}y' = -\frac{2}{3}x^{-1/3}$$

$$y' = -x^{-1/3}y^{1/3}$$

$$y = (3\sqrt{3})^{1/3}(x+3\sqrt{3}) + 1$$

$$y' \Big|_{(x,y)=(-3\sqrt{3},1)} = -(-3\sqrt{3})^{-1/3}(1) = \frac{1}{(3\sqrt{3})^{1/3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3\sqrt{3}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3 \cdot 3^{1/2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3} \sqrt[3]{\sqrt{3}}}$$

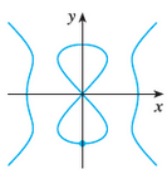
10. Question Details SCalc8 2.6.032.

Use implicit differentiation to find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at the given point.

$$y^2(y^2 - 4) = x^2(x^2 - 5)$$

$(0, -2)$   
(devil's curve)

Guess:  $y = -2$



$$y^4 - 4y^2 = x^4 - 5x^2$$

$$4y^3y' - 8yy' = 4x^3 - 10x$$

$$y' = \frac{4x^3 - 10x}{4y^3 - 8y}$$

$$y' \Big|_{(x,y)=(0,-2)} = \frac{0 - 0}{4(-2)^3 - 8(-2)} = \frac{0}{-32 + 16} = 0$$

$y = 0(x-0) - 2$   
 $y = -2$

11. Question Details SCalc8 2.6.034. [3354466]

(a) The curve with equation  $y^2 = x^3 + 3x^2$  is called the **Tschirnhausen cubic**. Find an equation of the tangent line to this curve at the point  $(1, 2)$ .

$y = \text{_____}$

(b) At what points does this curve have horizontal tangents?

(c) Illustrate parts (a) and (b) by graphing the curve and the tangent lines on a common screen.

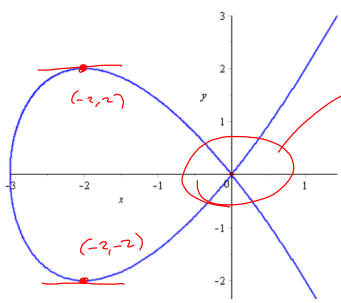
(a)  $2yy' = 3x^2 + 6x$   
 $y' = \frac{3x^2 + 6x}{2y}$   
 $y' \Big|_{(x,y)=(1,2)} = \frac{3(1)^2 + 6(1)}{2(2)} = \frac{9}{4}$

(b)  $y' \stackrel{!}{=} 0$   
 $3x^2 + 6x = 3x(x+2) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow x \in \{-2, 0\}$

$x = -2 \Rightarrow y^2 = x^3 + 3x^2$   
 $y^2 = (-2)^3 + 3(-2)^2$   
 $y^2 = -8 + 12 = 4$   
 $y = \pm 2 \rightarrow (-2, 2), (-2, -2)$

$x = 0 \Rightarrow y^2 = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0 \rightarrow (0, 0)$

$y = \frac{9}{4}(x-1) + 2$



Not buying  $y' = 0$ , here, on this scale.

## 12. Question Details

SCalc8 2.6.035. [3354181]

Find  $y''$  by implicit differentiation.

$$x^2 + 6y^2 = 6$$

$$2x + 12yy' = 0$$

$$12yy' = -2x$$

$$y' = -\frac{x}{6y}$$

$$y'' = -\left[ \frac{(1)(6y) - x \cdot 6}{36y^2} \right] = \frac{-6y + 6x}{36y^2} = y''$$

## 13. Question Details

SCalc8 2.6.043. [3354155]

Find the points on the lemniscate where the tangent is horizontal.

$$2(x^2 + y^2)^2 = 81(x^2 - y^2)$$

$$4(x^2 + y^2)(2x + 2yy') = 81(2x - 2yy')$$

$$4(2x^3 + 2x^2yy' + 2xy^2 + 2y^3y') = 162x - 162yy'$$

$$2(2x^3 + 2x^2yy' + 2xy^2 + 2y^3y') = 81x - 81yy'$$

$$4x^3 + 4x^2yy' + 4xy^2 + 4y^3y' = 81x - 81yy'$$

$$4x^2yy' + 4y^3y' + 81yy' = 81x - 4x^3 - 4xy^2$$

$$y' = \frac{81x - 4x^3 - 4xy^2}{4x^2y + 81y + 4y^3} \stackrel{SET}{=} 0$$

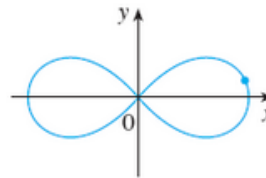
$$81x - 4x^3 - 4xy^2 = 0$$

$$x(81 - 4x^2 - 4y^2) = 0 \implies x = 0$$

$$-4x^2 - 4y^2 + 81 = 0$$

$$4x^2 + 4y^2 = 81$$

$$\text{circle, } r = \frac{9}{2}, (h, k) = (0, 0)$$



## 14. Question Details

SCalc8 2.6.045. [3354239]

Find an equation of the tangent line to the hyperbola

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

$$\frac{2x}{a^2} - \frac{2yy'}{b^2} = 0$$

$$-\frac{2yy'}{b^2} = -\frac{2x}{a^2}$$

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

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

$$= f'(x_1)(x - x_1) + y_1$$

$$= \frac{b^2x_1}{a^2y_1}(x - x_1) + y_1$$



15. Question Details

S.Calc8 2.6.047. [3354275]

Show, using implicit differentiation, that any tangent line at a point  $P$  to a circle with center  $O$  is perpendicular to the radius  $OP$ .

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

$$2x + 2yy' = 0$$

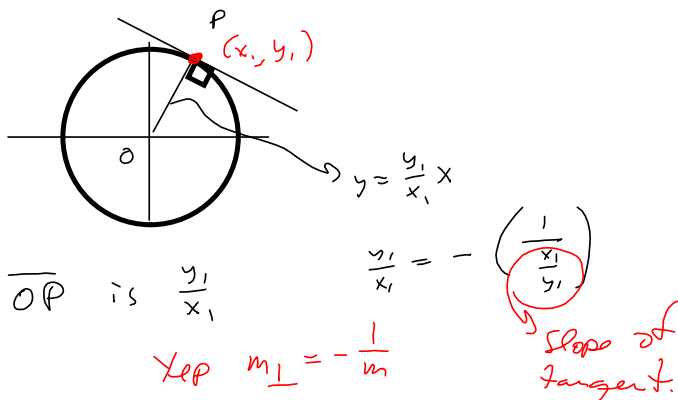
$$y' = -\frac{x}{y}$$

$$y = -\frac{x_1}{y_1}(x - x_1) + y_1$$

Slope of  $\overline{OP}$  is  $\frac{y_1}{x_1}$

$$\text{Slope } m_{\perp} = -\frac{1}{m}$$

So Perp.



16. Question Details

S.Calc8 2.6.051. [3354516]

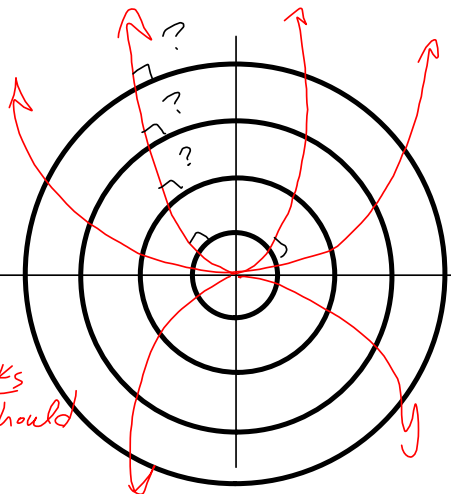
Two curves are **orthogonal** if their tangent lines are perpendicular at each point of intersection. Are the given families of curves **orthogonal trajectories** of each other? That is, is every curve in one family orthogonal to every curve in the other family?

$$y = cx^2, \quad x^2 + 2y^2 = k$$

Sketch both families of curves on the same axes.

No  
 $y' = 2cx$  ← parabolas  
 $2x + 4yy' = 0$   
 $4yy' = -2x$   
 $y' = -\frac{x}{2y}$   
 Not negative  
 No tips.

Almost looks like they should be.



When do  $cx^2$  &  $x^2 + y^2 = k$  intersect?

$$cx^2 = \sqrt{k - x^2}$$

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

$$c^2x^4 = k - x^2$$

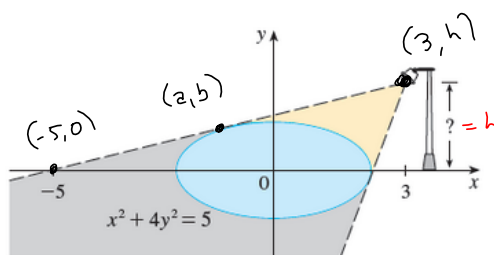
$$c^2x^4 + x^2 - k = 0$$

will get back to you.

17. Question Details

SCalc8 2.6.062. [3354469]

The figure shows a lamp located three units to the right of the  $y$ -axis and a shadow created by the elliptical region  $x^2 + 4y^2 \leq 5$ . If the point  $(-5, 0)$  is on the edge of the shadow, how far above the  $x$ -axis is the lamp located?  
 units



$$2x + 8y y' = 0$$

$$y' = -\frac{x}{4y}$$

$$m_{tan} = \frac{h-0}{3-(-5)} = \frac{h}{8} = \frac{1}{8}h$$

$$m_{tan} = -\frac{a}{4b} = \frac{1}{8}h = \frac{b}{a+5}$$

$$m_{tan} = \frac{b}{a+5} = -\frac{a}{4b}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4b^2 = -a^2 - 5a$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 4b^2 = -5a = 5, \text{ since on ellipse,}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -1 \rightarrow$$

$$(-1)^2 + 4b^2 = 5$$

$$4b^2 = 4$$

$$b^2 = 1$$

$$b = \pm 1 \rightarrow b = 1$$

$$\begin{matrix} a = -1 \\ b = 1 \end{matrix} \Rightarrow \frac{-a}{4b} = \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{8}h$$

$$\boxed{2 = h}$$