

§2.5: Implicit Differentiation

“I WILL...

... Apply the derivative rules using Implicit Differentiation”

I. Definitions

- A. Implicit Differentiation takes the derivative with both sides with respects to  $x$  in a relationship between  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ ; essentially an application of the CHAIN RULE
- B. An IMPLICIT function is written to which one has to complete additional steps to isolate the variable. Functions written are not solved for  $y$  as it is not clearly stated but it is implied.

II. Examples include:

- A.  $y = \frac{x}{2}$  whereas it can be written implicitly as  $xy = 1$
- B.  $x^2 - 2y^3 + 4y = 2$  can be written with implicit differentiation

II. Steps

- A. Differentiate both sides of the equation with respect to  $x$ . MUST Include a  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  or  $y'$  every time to differentiate with  $y$
- B. Collect all  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  on LEFT side and all other “stuff” to the right side
- C. Factor out  $\frac{dy}{dx}$
- D. Divide both sides by the extra “stuff”

<p>Ex 1: Solve <math>\frac{dy}{dx}</math> of <math>x^2 + y^2 = 25</math></p>	<p>Ex 2: Solve <math>\frac{dy}{dx}</math> of <math>2x^3 = 2y^2 + 5</math></p>
<p>Ex 3: Solve <math>\frac{dy}{dx}</math> of <math>3y^3 + y^2 - 2y + 4x^2 = 7</math></p>	<p>Your Turn: Solve <math>\frac{dy}{dx}</math> for <math>y^3 + y^2 - 5y - x^2 = -4</math></p>

Ex 4: Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  of  $x^3y^3 - y = x$

Ex 5: Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  of  $\sin y \cos x = 5x$

Ex 6: Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  of  $\sin x = e^y$  in  $(0, \pi)$  in terms of  $x$ .

Your Turn: Solve  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  of  $2 \sin x \cos y = 1$

Ex 7: Solve the second derivative of  $x^2 + y^2 = 16$ .

Ex 8: Solve the equation of the tangent line to the graph of  $x^2 + y^2 = 25$  at the point  $(3, -4)$ .

Ex 9: Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of  $7x^2 + xy + 7y^2 = 15$  at the point  $(1,1)$ .

Your Turn: Solve the equation of the tangent line to the graph of  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 4$  at the point  $(\sqrt{2}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$ .

AP1) If  $5x^2 - 2xy + 7y^2 = 0$ , then solve  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

(A)  $\frac{5x+7y}{x}$

(B)  $\frac{y-5x}{7y}$

(C)  $\frac{y-5x}{7y-x}$

(D)  $10x - 2y + 14y$

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AP2) If  $\tan(x + y) = x$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx} =$

(A)  $\tan^2(x + y)$

(B)  $\sec^2(x + y)$

(C)  $\sin^2(x + y) - 1$

(D)  $\cos^2(x + y) - 1$

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