

Ch. 2.5 Notes Implicit Differentiation

Explicit equations: Equations where x 's and y 's are ^{separated} on different sides of the equation: (example: $y = 9x^2 + 4\sqrt{x} + 8$)
(solved for y)

Implicit equations: Equations where x 's and y 's are mixed together on same side(s) of the equation
(not solved for y) (example: $y^2 = xy - x^2$)

Explicit Differentiation

$$y = 3x^2 - 9x^3 + 5$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x - 27x^2}$$

Implicit Differentiation

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

$$2y\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) - 5 = 0$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{5}{2y}}$$

Steps:

- 1) Take derivative of each term with respect to x
- 2) If variable is y , find derivative and attach $\frac{dy}{dx}$ to the derivative
- 3) Move all terms containing $\frac{dy}{dx}$ to left side of equation.
- 4) Move all other terms to right side of equation.
- 5) Factor out $\frac{dy}{dx}$ on left side of equation
- 6) Solve for $\frac{dy}{dx}$

Ex. 1 $x^2 - 2y^3 + 4y = 2$ Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$2x - 6y^2\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) + 4\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) = 0$$

$$-6y^2\frac{dy}{dx} + 4\frac{dy}{dx} = -2x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(4 - 6y^2) = -2x$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x}{4 - 6y^2}}$$

Ex. 2 $3xy^3 - 2y = 7$ Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ or y'

* product rule
 $f'g + fg'$

$$3xy^3 - 2y = 7$$
$$(3)(y^3) + (3x)(3y^2)\frac{dy}{dx} - 2\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) = 0$$

$$9xy^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} = -3y^3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(9xy^2 - 2) = -3y^3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3y^3}{9xy^2 - 2}$$

Ex. 3 Differentiate $y^2 = 5x$ with respect to t

$$2y\left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right) = 5\left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)$$

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$$5) x^3 - xy + y^2 = 4$$

$$3x^2 + (-1)y + (-x)\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

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

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

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

$$9) x^3 - 3x^2y + 2xy^2 = 12$$

$$3x^2 + (-6x)y + (-3x^2)\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) + 2y^2 + 2x(2y)\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$-3x^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 4xy \frac{dy}{dx} = -3x^2 + 6xy - 2y^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(-3x^2 + 4xy) = -3x^2 + 6xy - 2y^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-3x^2 + 6xy - 2y^2}{-3x^2 + 4xy}$$

$$17) x^2 + y^2 = 16$$

Explicitly

$$y^2 = -x^2 + 16$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{16 - x^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \pm \frac{1}{2}(16 - x^2)^{-1/2}(-2x)$$

$$= \frac{-x}{\pm \sqrt{16 - x^2}} = \boxed{\frac{-x}{y}}$$

Implicitly $x^2 + y^2 = 16$

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

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

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

Evaluate derivative at given pt.

$$23) y^2 = \frac{x^2-4}{x^2+4} \quad (2,0)$$

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(2x)(x^2+4) - (x^2-4)(2x)}{(x^2+4)^2} = \frac{2x^3+8x-2x^3+8x}{(x^2+4)^2} = \frac{16x}{(x^2+4)^2}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{8x}{y(x^2+4)^2}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(2,0) = \frac{8(2)}{0(8)^2} = \text{undefined}$$

$$25) x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = 5 \quad (8,1)$$

$$\frac{2}{3}x^{-1/3} + \frac{2}{3}y^{-1/3} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = 0 \quad \left| \quad \frac{2}{3y^{1/3}} \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2}{3x^{1/3}} \right.$$

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

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(8,1) = \frac{-1^{1/3}}{8^{1/3}} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{2}}$$

29) Find slope of tangent line

$$(x^2+4)y = 8 \quad (2,1)$$

*product rule

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

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(2,1) = \frac{-2(2)(1)}{2^2+4} = \frac{-4}{8} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{2}}$$

$$31) (x^2+y^2)^2 = 4x^2y \quad (1,1)$$

*chain rule, product rule

$$2(x^2+y^2)(2x+2y \frac{dy}{dx}) = 8xy + 4x^2 \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$2(1+1)(2+2 \frac{dy}{dx}) = 8(1)(1) + 4(1) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$4(2+2 \frac{dy}{dx}) = 8 + 4 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$4 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$8 + 8 \frac{dy}{dx} = 8 + 4 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = 0}$$