



# Warm Up

Quiz: Derivative Rules

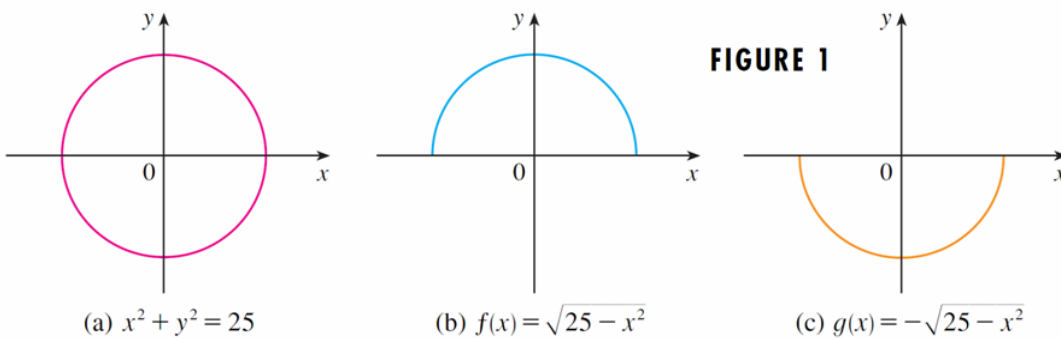
# Implicit Differentiation

$$f(x) = x^2 + 3$$

- Sometimes an equation only implicitly defines  $y$  as a function (or functions) of  $x$ .
- Examples
  - $x^2 + y^2 = 25$
  - $x^3 + y^3 = 6xy$

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

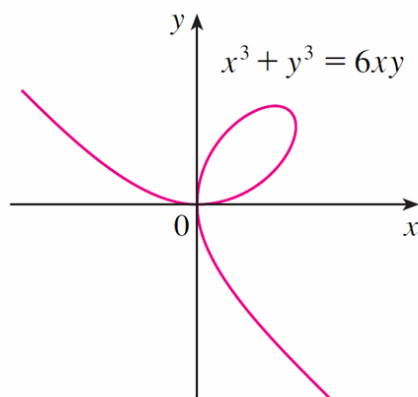
$$y = \pm\sqrt{25 - x^2} \quad \leftarrow \text{Actually gives two functions}$$



■ The other sample equation

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

- can be solved for  $y$  but
- the results are very complicated.



**FIGURE 2** The folium of Descartes

$$y = x^3 \implies y = (x)^3$$
$$y' = 3x^2 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 3(\underline{x})^2 (1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}$$

"derivative of  $y$   
with respect to  
variable  $x$ "

$$\frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$y = 3t^2$$
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 6t$$

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

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

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

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

okay  
 $2x + 2y y'$

Need  
(x, y)  
Not just "y"

# 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:

Start by differentiating both sides of the equation:

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^2 + y^2) = \frac{d}{dx} (25)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^2) + \frac{d}{dx} (y^2) = 0$$

Remembering that  $y$  is a function of  $x$  and using the Chain Rule, we have

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

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

$$\text{Solving for } \frac{dy}{dx} \dots \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y}$$

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  $f$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{1}{2}(25-x^2)^{-1/2} \frac{d}{dx} (25-x^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(25-x^2)^{-1/2}(-2x) = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{25-x^2}} \end{aligned}$$

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



## 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!

## Example

- For the folium of Descartes  $x^3 + y^3 = 6xy$ ,
  - Find  $y'$
  - Find the tangent to the curve at the point  $(3, 3)$
  - At what points on the curve is the tangent line horizontal?

$$x^3 + y^3 = \boxed{6xy} \quad \text{Requires Product Rule}$$

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

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

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

$$\frac{(3y^2 - 6x)}{(3y^2 - 6x)} \quad \frac{6y - 3x^2}{3y^2 - 6x}$$

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

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

Example:

$$\text{Given } x^2 - 3x^3y^2 + y^2 = 5xy^3 - 4$$

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$2x - \left[ 9x^2y^2 + 3x^3 \left( 2y \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \right] + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 5 \left( y^3 + x \left( 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \right)$$

*Handwritten notes in red:*  
- Above the first term of the left side:  $3x^3 \cdot 2y \rightarrow 6x^3y$   
- Above the first term of the right side:  $15xy^2 \frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (-6x^3y + 2y - 15xy^2) = 5y^3 - 2x + 9x^2y^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{5y^3 - 2x + 9x^2y^2}{-6x^3y + 2y - 15xy^2}$$

$$7x^5y^8 + 8y^7 - x^3 = 24x^2y^3$$

$$35x^4y^8 + 7x^5(8y^7) \frac{dy}{dx} + 56y^6 \frac{dy}{dx} - 3x^2 = 48xy^3 + 24x^2 \left( \frac{3y^2}{y^3} \right) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (56x^5y^7 + 56y^6 - 72x^2y^2) = 48xy^3 - 35x^4y^8 + 3x^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{48xy^3 - 35x^4y^8 + 3x^2}{56x^5y^7 + 56y^6 - 72x^2y^2}$$

Example:

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , given the curve  $x^2 - 3xy = (5x^2 - 8y)^5$

$$2x - 3y - 3x \frac{dy}{dx} = 5(5x^2 - 8y)^4 (10x - 8 \frac{dy}{dx})$$

☺  $(10x - 8 \frac{dy}{dx})$   
 ☺  $(10x) - ☺ 8 \frac{dy}{dx}$

$$2x - 3y - 3x \frac{dy}{dx} = 50x(5x^2 - 8y)^4 - 40(5x^2 - 8y)^4 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (40(5x^2 - 8y)^4 - 3x) = 50x(5x^2 - 8y)^4 - 2x + 3y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{50x(5x^2 - 8y)^4 - 2x + 3y}{40(5x^2 - 8y)^4 - 3x}$$

# Homework

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# 1 d, f, h

# 2 c, d

# 3 c, d

# 5 a

# 6 a, b, c

## Attachments

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Worksheet - Average Rate of Change #2.doc

Worksheet - Instantaneous Rate of Change.doc