

1. Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of the equation $x^2 + y^2 = 16$ at the point $(3, \sqrt{7})$.

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2. Given the equation $26x^3 + 8x^{26}y + y^5 = 35$, answer the following questions:

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(a) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

(b) Find the equation of the **tangent line** to the curve at $(1, 1)$.

3. Suppose the x and y are functions of another variable t , and x and y are related by the equation $y^2 = 4 + xy$. Use *implicit differentiation* with respect to t to determine $\frac{dy}{dt}$ in terms of x , y , and $\frac{dx}{dt}$.

4. Given the equation $\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$, answer the following questions:

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- (a) Use implicit differentiation to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ without first solving for y .

(b) Find $\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(3,3.31)}$.

5. Let A be the area of a circle with radius r . If $\frac{dr}{dt} = 5$, find $\frac{dA}{dt}$ when $r = 1$.

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6. Find the **slope** to two decimal places of the tangent line to the curve (a lemniscate) $2(x^2+y^2)^2 = 25(x^2 - y^2)$ at the point $(-3, -1)$. Graph the curve to see a familiar shape!

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7. Given the equation $y = \frac{x^3 + 8x + 8}{x^2 + 9}$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

8. A company selling widgets has found that the number of items sold, x , depends upon the price, p at which they're sold, according to the equation $x = \frac{40000}{\sqrt{2p + 1}}$. Due to inflation and increasing health benefit costs, the company has been increasing the price by \$4 per month. Find the **rate** at which revenue is changing when the company is selling widgets at \$150 each. Include the units and indicate whether the revenue is **increasing or decreasing** at this price of \$150 each.

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9. A factory's daily production cost, C (in thousands of dollars), and the daily production quantity, x (in thousands of units), are related by the equation $C^2 - 4x = 34$. The factory has begun to **increase** its production level by **0.1 thousands of units per day** (note that this is the rate of change of the daily production level). As such, the daily production costs will be increasing each day. This means that both x and C are functions of time t , measured in days.
- (a) Using implicit differentiation, find the **related rates equation** which relates the rate of change of the daily production costs to the rate of change of daily production.
- (b) At a certain point in time, the daily production quantity is at a level of $x = 0.5$ thousands of units with a corresponding daily production cost of $C = 6$ thousand dollars. Determine the **time rate of change** of daily production costs at this time. Include the units and indicate whether the daily production costs are increasing or decreasing at this time.
- (c) At a later point in time, the daily production quantity is a level of $x = 3.75$ thousands of units with a corresponding daily production cost of $C = 7$ thousand dollars. Determine the **time rate of change** of daily production costs at this time. Include the units and indicate whether the daily production costs are increasing or decreasing at this time.
- (d) Is the daily production cost rising at a slower rate or faster rate as the production level increases?

10. The level of a pollutant in the air of a county, L , depends partially on the **daily amount of coal**, x (measured in pounds), that is burned at a nearby power plant. Health officials predict the pollutant level using the functional relationship: $L = 0.01x^{3/2} + 100$ parts per million (ppm); $x \geq 0$. Due to alternative sources of energy that are becoming available, analysts have determined that at the point in time when $x = 10,000$ pounds of coal are being burned in a day, the daily amount being burned is **decreasing at a rate of 20 pounds per day**. (NOTE that both variables L and x are functions of (or depend on) **time** t measured in days. As such, they may be denoted by $L(t)$ and $x(t)$.)
- (a) Determine the **related rates equation** that gives the relationship between the rate of change of the level of the pollutant, $\frac{dL}{dt}$, and the rate of change of the daily amount of coal being burned, $\frac{dx}{dt}$.
- (b) Determine the **rate** at which the level of the pollutant is changing at the point in time when the daily amount being burned is $x = 10,000$ pounds as given above. Indicate if the level of the pollutant is **increasing or decreasing** at this point in time. Include the **units** on your answer.
- (c) At a later point in time, analysts have determined that the daily amount of coal being consumed continues to decrease at the same rate of **20 pounds per day** as previously recorded. According to the model above, which of the following would be TRUE:
- The level of the pollutant is changing at a **faster rate** than the previous time.
 - The level of the pollutant is changing at a **slower rate** than the previous time.
 - The level of the pollutant is changing at the **same rate** than the previous time.

Answer Key

$$1 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y}; \text{ slope} = -\frac{3\sqrt{7}}{7}$$

$$2 \quad \text{(a)} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-78x^2 - 208x^{25}y}{8x^{26} + 5y^4} \quad \text{(b)} \quad y = -22x + 23 .$$

$$3 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{2y - x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$4 \quad \text{(a)} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{25x}{16y} \quad \text{(b)} \quad -\frac{75}{52.96}$$

$$5 \quad 31.42$$

$$6 \quad -0.69$$

$$7 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^4 + 19x^2 - 16x + 72}{(x^2 + 9)^2}$$

$$8 \quad 4,626.44 \text{ dollars per month; increasing}$$

$$9 \quad \text{(a)} \quad 2C \frac{dC}{dt} - 4 \frac{dx}{dt} = 0 \quad \text{(b)} \quad \frac{dC}{dt} = 0.0\bar{3} \implies \text{daily production costs are increasing at a rate of } 0.0\bar{3} \text{ thousands of dollars per day.}$$

(c) $\frac{dC}{dt} \approx 0.029 \implies \text{daily production costs are increasing at a rate of } 0.029 \text{ thousands of dollars per day.}$ (d) Costs are rising at a slower rate.

$$10 \quad \text{(a)} \quad \frac{dL}{dt} = 0.015\sqrt{x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} \quad \text{(b)} \quad \frac{dL}{dt} = -30 \text{ ppm per day; decreasing.} \quad \text{(c)} \quad \text{Slower rate.}$$

Detailed Solutions

1 To find the **slope** of a tangent line we need an equation for $\frac{dy}{dx}$. We begin by differentiating both sides of the given equation with respect to x . If the term contains y we apply the chain rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^2 + y^2] = \frac{d}{dx} [16]$$

We first evaluate the left side

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^2 + y^2] = 2x + \frac{d}{dx} [y^2] = 2x + \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \frac{d}{dy} [y^2] = 2x + 2y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$$

and the right side is simply $\frac{d}{dx} 16 = 0$. Together we have

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

We can find the slope at the point $(3, \sqrt{7})$ by plugging in those values

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(3, \sqrt{7})} = -\frac{3}{\sqrt{7}} = -\frac{3\sqrt{7}}{7}$$

2 (a) To find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ we take the derivative of both sides with respect to x

$$\frac{d}{dx} [26x^3 + 8x^{26}y + y^5] = \frac{d}{dx} [35]$$

The left side evaluates as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [26x^3 + 8x^{26}y + y^5] &= 78x^2 + \frac{d}{dx} [8x^{26}y] + \frac{d}{dx} [y^5] = 78x^2 + 208x^{25} \cdot y + 8x^{26} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{d}{dy} [y] + \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{d}{dy} [y^5] \\ &= 78x^2 + 208x^{25} \cdot y + 8x^{26} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + 5y^4 \frac{dy}{dx} = 78x^2 + 208x^{25} \cdot y + \frac{dy}{dx} (8x^{26} + 5y^4) \end{aligned}$$

where the product rule is color coded. The right side simply evaluates to $\frac{d}{dx} 35 = 0$. Together we have

$$\begin{aligned} 78x^2 + 208x^{25}y + \frac{dy}{dx} (8x^{26} + 5y^4) &= 0 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{-78x^2 - 208x^{25}y}{8x^{26} + 5y^4} \end{aligned}$$

(b) To find the equation of the **tangent line**, $y = mx + b$, to the curve at $(1,1)$ we first find the slope via

$$m = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(1,1)} = \frac{-78 - 208}{8 + 5} = -22$$

so our line must be of the form $y = -22x + b$. We find b using the known point $(1, 1)$

$$1 = -22(1) + b \rightarrow b = 23$$

so the tangent line is given by $y = -22x + 23$.

3 Our goal is to have an equation for $\frac{dy}{dt}$, so let's differentiate both sides of our equation with respect to t

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} [y^2] &= \frac{d}{dt} [4 + xy] \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} \frac{d}{dy} [y^2] = 0 + \frac{d}{dt} [xy] \\ &= 2y \frac{dy}{dt} = y \frac{dx}{dt} + x \frac{dy}{dt} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dt} (2y - x) = y \frac{dx}{dt} \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{y}{2y - x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} \end{aligned}$$

4 (a) To find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ we take the derivative of both sides with respect to x

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{25} \right] = \frac{d}{dx} [1]$$

The left side evaluates as

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{25} \right] = \frac{x}{8} + \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{d}{dy} \left[\frac{y^2}{25} \right] = \frac{x}{8} + \frac{2y}{25} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

The right side simply evaluates to $\frac{d}{dx} 1 = 0$. Together we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x}{8} + \frac{2y}{25} \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{25x}{16y} \end{aligned}$$

(b) We evaluate the slope at the point given

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(3,3.31)} = -\frac{25(3)}{16(3.31)} = -\frac{75}{52.96}$$

5 The area of a circle with radius r is $A = \pi r^2$. Let us find $\frac{dA}{dt}$ with implicit differentiation

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} [\pi r^2] = \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d}{dr} [\pi r^2] = 2\pi r \frac{dr}{dt}$$

and we are given $\frac{dr}{dt} = 5$, so we know can evaluate $\frac{dA}{dt}$ when $r = 1$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi(1)(5) = 10\pi \approx 31.42$$

6 We need to differentiate both sides with respect to x

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx} [2(x^2 + y^2)^2] &= \frac{d}{dx} [25(x^2 - y^2)] \\ 4(x^2 + y^2) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 + y^2] &= 25(2x - 2y \frac{dy}{dx}) \\ 2(x^2 + y^2)(2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx}) &= x - 25y \frac{dy}{dx} \\ \frac{4}{25}x(x^2 + y^2) + \frac{4}{25}y(x^2 + y^2) \frac{dy}{dx} + y \frac{dy}{dx} &= x \\ y \frac{dy}{dx} (1 + \frac{4}{25}(x^2 + y^2)) &= x(1 - \frac{4}{25}(x^2 + y^2)) \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{x(1 - \frac{4}{25}(x^2 + y^2))}{y(1 + \frac{4}{25}(x^2 + y^2))}\end{aligned}$$

We can find the slope at the point $(-3, -1)$ by plugging in those values for x and y returning -0.69 .

7 To find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ we need only evaluate the derivative using quotient rule and simplify

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{x^3 + 8x + 8}{x^2 + 9} \right] = \frac{(x^2 + 9) \frac{d}{dx} (x^3 + 8x + 8) - (x^3 + 8x + 8) \frac{d}{dx} (x^2 + 9)}{(x^2 + 9)^2} \\ &= \frac{(x^2 + 9)(3x^2 + 8) - (x^3 + 8x + 8)2x}{(x^2 + 9)^2} = \frac{3x^4 + 35x^2 + 72 - 2x^4 - 16x^2 - 16x}{(x^2 + 9)^2} = \frac{x^4 + 19x^2 - 16x + 72}{(x^2 + 9)^2}\end{aligned}$$

8 We want to find the rate of change of revenue R with respect to time when $p = \$150$. We also know that $\frac{dp}{dt} = \$4$ per month from the problem statement. We eventually want to express the change of revenue in terms of known information: p and $\frac{dp}{dt}$. The revenue is the price of a product p multiplied by the number of products sold x , or $R = px$. We evaluate the derivative with respect to time

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} [px] = p \frac{dx}{dt} + x \frac{dp}{dt} = p \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{40000}{\sqrt{2p+1}} \right] + x \frac{dp}{dt} = p \cdot \frac{-40000}{(2p+1)^{3/2}} \cdot \frac{dp}{dt} + \frac{40000}{\sqrt{2p+1}} \cdot \frac{dp}{dt} \text{ dollars per month}$$

We determine the units knowing that revenue is measured in dollars and t in months. Now we plug in the known information to obtain

$$(150) \cdot \frac{-40000}{(2(150)+1)^{3/2}} \cdot (4) + \frac{40000}{\sqrt{2(150)+1}} \cdot (4) \approx \$4626.44 \text{ per month}$$

Therefore the revenue is **increasing** at this price.

9 (a) To relate the rates of change for cost C and daily production x we implicitly differentiate $C^2 - 4x = 34$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [C^2 - 4x] = \frac{d}{dt} [34] \longrightarrow 2C \frac{dC}{dt} - 4 \frac{dx}{dt} = 0$$

(b) From the problem statement, we know that $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0.1$ thousands of units per day, and we substitute this along with $C = 6$ into the equation from part (a)

$$2(6) \frac{dC}{dt} - 4(0.1) = 0 \longrightarrow \frac{dC}{dt} = \frac{0.4}{12} = 0.0\bar{3} \text{ thousand dollars per day}$$

Cost is **increasing** at this time. Note that $x = 0.5$ is relevant to maintain consistency with the initial equation given but not for finding the value.

- (c) We again use $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0.1$ thousands of units per day and $C = 7$ thousand dollars in our equation from part (a)

$$2(7)\frac{dC}{dt} - 4(0.1) = 0 \longrightarrow \frac{dC}{dt} = \frac{0.4}{14} = 0.029 \text{ thousand dollars per day}$$

Cost is **increasing** at this time.

- (d) As the production level x increases (like from $x = 0.5$ to $x = 3.75$) the production cost rises at a **slower** rate ($\frac{dC}{dt} = 0.0\bar{3}$ to $\frac{dC}{dt} \approx 0.029$).

- 10 (a) We implicitly differentiate

$$\frac{d}{dt}[L] = \frac{d}{dt}[0.01x^{3/2} + 100] \longrightarrow \frac{dL}{dt} = 0.01(3/2)x^{1/2} \longrightarrow \frac{dL}{dt} = 0.015\sqrt{x}\frac{dx}{dt}$$

- (b) The rate at which the pollutant level L is changing when $x = 10,000$ pounds and the amount of coal being burned x is decreasing at $\frac{dx}{dt} = -20$ pounds per day can be found using the relation from part (a)

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = 0.015(10000)^{1/2}(-20) = -30 \text{ ppm per day}$$

The pollutant level is **decreasing** at this time.

- (c) If the amount of coal being consumed is decreasing, then at sometime T after the measurement taken in part (b) the amount of coal burned **will be less than $x = 10,000$** . We also know that the amount of coal being consumed is still **decreasing at 20 pounds per day**. Consider $\frac{dL}{dt} = 0.015x^{1/2}(-20)$ at this later time when $x < 10000$, so $\frac{dL}{dt}$ will be smaller than previously. This implies that **the level of the pollutant is changing at a slower rate than the previous time**.