

# IMPLICIT DIFFERENTIATION HANDOUT

For # 1-3, find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  by implicit differentiation

1.  $x^3 y^3 - y = x$

2.  $\sin x = x(1 + \tan y)$

3.  $\cos x^2 = x e^y$

For # 4-5, evaluate the derivative at the indicated point and find the tangent line

4.  $y^2 = \frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 + 9}$  , (3, 1)

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

For # 6-7, find  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$  in terms of x and y

6.  $y^2 = x^3$

7.  $\ln(x+y) = x$

# SOLUTIONS

## 1. $x^3 y^3 - y = x$

$$x^3 \left[ 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} \right] + y^3 [3x^2] - \frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

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

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

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

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

## 2. $\sin x = x(1 + \tan y)$

$$\cos x = x \left[ \sec^2 y \frac{dy}{dx} \right] + (1 + \tan y)$$

$$\cos x = x \sec^2 y \frac{dy}{dx} + 1 + \tan y$$

$$\cos x - 1 - \tan y = x \sec^2 y \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{\cos x - 1 - \tan y}{x \sec^2 y} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

## 3. $\cos x^2 = x e^y$

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

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

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

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

## 4. $y^2 = \frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 + 9}, (3, 1)$

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

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x^3 + 18x - 2x^3 + 18x}{(x^2 + 9)^2}$$

$$2y \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{36x}{(x^2 + 9)^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2y} \cdot \frac{36x}{(x^2 + 9)^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{18x}{y(x^2 + 9)^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (3, 1) = \frac{18(3)}{(1)(3^2 + 9)^2} \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} (3, 1) = \frac{1}{6}$$

equation of tangent line to  $y^2 = \frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 + 9}$  at point (3,1)

$$y - 1 = \frac{1}{6} (x - 3)$$

## 5. $x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = 5 (1, 8)$

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

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

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

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{y^{1/3}}{x^{1/3}} \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^{1/3}$$

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

equation of tangent line to  $x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = 5$  at point (1,8)

$$y - 8 = -2(x - 1)$$

# SOLUTIONS

6.  $y^2 = x^3$

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

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

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{2y[6x] - 3x^2 \left[ 2 \frac{dy}{dx} \right]}{(2y)^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{12xy - 6x^2 \frac{dy}{dx}}{4y^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{12xy - 6x^2 \left( \frac{3x^2}{2y} \right)}{4y^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{12xy - \frac{9x^4}{y}}{4y^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\left( \frac{12xy^2 - 9x^4}{y} \right)}{4y^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{12xy^2 - 9x^4}{4y^3}$$

7.  $\ln(x+y) = x$

$$\frac{\left( 1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right)}{(x+y)} = 1$$

$$1 + \frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y - 1$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 1 + \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 1 + (x + y - 1)$$

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