

# Notes: Implicit Differentiation

Used when taking a derivative and variables do not match.

Not Implicit **variables match**

$$\frac{d}{dx} [3x^2] = 6x$$

$$\frac{d}{dy} [\cos(2y)] = -2\sin(2y)$$

$$\frac{d}{dq} [e^q] = e^q$$

Implicit **variables do not match**

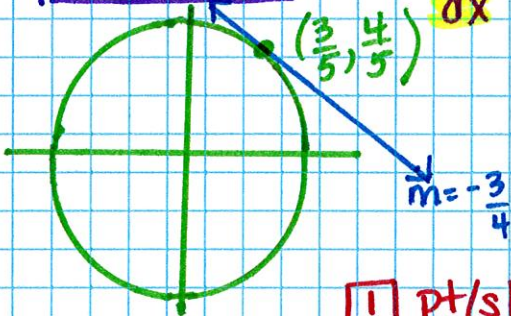
$$\frac{d}{dx} [3y^2] = 6y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dy} [\cos(2x)] = -2\sin(2x) \frac{dx}{dy}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [e^x] = e^x \frac{dx}{dt}$$

**Example 1**

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  at  $(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5})$  for  $\frac{d}{dx} [x^2 + y^2 = 1]$  Find the tangent line and normal line



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

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

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x}{2y} = \frac{-x}{y} = \frac{-\frac{3}{5}}{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{-3}{4}$$

[1] Pt/slope  $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$   
 $y - \frac{4}{5} = -\frac{3}{4}(x - \frac{3}{5})$

[2] Slope/intercept  
 $\frac{4}{5} = (-\frac{3}{4})(\frac{3}{5}) + b$   
 $\frac{4 \cdot 4}{4 \cdot 5} = \frac{-9}{20} + b$   
 $\frac{16}{20} + \frac{9}{20} = b$   
 $b = \frac{25}{20} = \frac{5}{4}$

$$y = -\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{5}{4}$$

[3] Standard Form

$$4(y = -\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{5}{4}) \quad 4y = -3x + 5 \quad 3x + 4y = 5$$

Normal Line  $(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5})$   $m = \frac{4}{3}$   $y - \frac{4}{5} = \frac{4}{3}(x - \frac{3}{5})$



**Example 2** Find the derivative with respect to  $x$ .

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

Product Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx}[y^4] + [x \frac{d}{dx}(y) + y \frac{d}{dx}(x)] = \frac{d}{dx}[x^3] - \frac{d}{dx}[x] + \frac{d}{dx}[2]$$

$$4y^3 \frac{dy}{dx} + x(1) \frac{dy}{dx} + y(1) = 3x^2 - 1$$

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

$$\frac{\frac{dy}{dx}(4y^3 + x)}{4y^3 + x} = \frac{3x^2 - 1 - y}{4y^3 + x} = \frac{3x^2 - 1 - y}{4y^3 + x}$$

Solve for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

1. move all terms with  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  on left side of equation and all others to right
2. Factor out  $\frac{dy}{dx}$
3. Divide.

**Example 3** Find  $\frac{dy}{dt}$ , where  $\cos(ty) = \frac{t^2}{y}$

$$-\sin(ty) \cdot [t \frac{d}{dt}(y) + y \frac{d}{dt}(t)] = \frac{y \frac{d}{dt}(t^2) - t^2 \frac{d}{dt}(y)}{y^2}$$

$$-\sin(ty) [t(1) \frac{dy}{dt} + y(1)] = \frac{y(2t) - t^2(1) \frac{dy}{dt}}{y^2}$$

$$y^2(-t \sin(ty) \frac{dy}{dt} - y \sin(ty)) = \frac{(2ty - t^2 \frac{dy}{dt}) y^2}{y^2}$$

$$-ty^2 \sin(ty) \frac{dy}{dt} - y^3 \sin(ty) = 2ty - t^2 \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$-ty^2 \sin(ty) \frac{dy}{dt} + t^2 \frac{dy}{dt} = 2ty + y^3 \sin(ty)$$

$$\frac{\frac{dy}{dt}(-ty^2 \sin(ty) + t^2)}{-ty^2 \sin(ty) + t^2} = \frac{2ty + y^3 \sin(ty)}{-ty^2 \sin(ty) + t^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2ty + y^3 \sin(ty)}{-ty^2 \sin(ty) + t^2}$$