

## 10.3.11

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# Question

Find the normal at the point  $(1, 1)$  on the curve

$$2y + x^2 = 3 \quad (1)$$

## finding the Normal:

$$2y + x^2 = 3 \quad (2)$$

$$2y + x^2 - 3 = 0 \quad (3)$$

Which can be expressed as the conic:

$$\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, f = -3 \quad (5)$$

let

$$\mathbf{p} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{m} \text{ is normal vector} \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{m}^T (\mathbf{V}\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad (7)$$

then

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{pmatrix} -k \\ k \end{pmatrix} \quad (8)$$

equation of normal is

$$\mathbf{m}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x - 1 \\ y - 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$y = x \quad (11)$$

Hence equation of normal to  $2y + x^2 - 3 = 0$  at  $(1, 1)$  is  $y = x$ .

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import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Create the figure and axis
fig, ax2 = plt.subplots()
fig.suptitle('Graphs of Normal to the Curve', fontsize=16)
# Curve:  $2y + x^2 = 3 \Rightarrow y = (3 - x^2)/2$ 
# Point: (1, 1)
# Normal Line:  $y = x$ 
# Tangent Line at (1,1):  $y = -x + 2$ 
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# Generate x-values for the curve
x_curve2 = np.linspace(-3, 4, 400)
y_curve2 = (3 - x_curve2**2) / 2

# Generate x-values for the lines
x_line2 = np.linspace(-2, 4, 100)
y_normal = x_line2
y_tangent2 = -x_line2 + 2
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# Plot the curve, normal, tangent, and the point
ax2.plot(x_curve2, y_curve2, label='Curve:  $2y+x^2=3$ ', color='
blue')
ax2.plot(x_line2, y_normal, label='Normal:  $y=x$ ', color='green')
ax2.plot(x_line2, y_tangent2, label='Tangent:  $y=-x+2$ ', color='
red', linestyle='--')
ax2.scatter([1], [1], color='purple', s=100, zorder=5, label='
Point (1, 1)')
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# Formatting for the plot
ax2.set_title('10.3.11: Normal to  $2y+x^2=3$ ', fontsize=12)
ax2.set_xlabel('$x$')
ax2.set_ylabel('$y$')
ax2.axhline(0, color='black', linewidth=0.5)
ax2.axvline(0, color='black', linewidth=0.5)
ax2.grid(True, linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)
ax2.legend()
ax2.set_aspect('equal', adjustable='box')
ax2.set_xlim([-2, 4])
ax2.set_ylim([-2, 4])
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# Display the figure  
plt.tight_layout(rect=[0, 0.03, 1, 0.95])  
plt.show()
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#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    // --- Given Problem Data ---
    // The point (x1, y1) on the curve  $2y + x^2 = 3$ .
    double x1 = 1.0;
    double y1 = 1.0;
    // --- Calculations ---
    // 1. Find the slope of the tangent from the derivative  $dy/dx$ 
    //    =  $-x$ .
    double m_tangent = -x1;
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// A horizontal tangent (slope=0) means the normal is a
    vertical line.
if (m_tangent == 0) {
    printf("The equation of the normal line is: x = %.2f\n",
        x1);
} else {
    // 2. The slope of the normal is the negative reciprocal.
    double m_normal = -1.0 / m_tangent;
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// 3. The y-intercept 'c' is calculated from  $y = mx + c$ .
double c = y1 - m_normal * x1;

// --- Print the Final Answer ---
// This logic helps format the equation cleanly (e.g.,
//     printing "y = x"
// instead of "y = 1.00x + 0.00").
printf("The equation of the normal line is: ");
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if (m_normal == 1 && c == 0) {  
    printf("y = x\n");  
} else if (m_normal == -1 && c == 0) {  
    printf("y = -x\n");  
} else {  
    printf("y = %.2fx", m_normal);  
    if (c > 0) {printf(" + %.2f\n", c);  
    } else if (c < 0) {printf(" - %.2f\n", -c);  
    } else {printf("\n");  
    }  
}  
return 0;}
```

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from ctypes import c_double

def main():
    # --- Given Problem Data ---
    x1 = c_double(1.0)
    y1 = c_double(1.0)

    # --- Calculations ---
    m_tangent = c_double(-x1.value) #  $dy/dx = -x$ 
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if m_tangent.value == 0:
    print(f"The equation of the normal line is: x = {x1.value
        :.2f}")
else:
    m_normal = c_double(-1.0 / m_tangent.value)
    c_intercept = c_double(y1.value - m_normal.value * x1.
        value)

# --- Print the Final Answer ---
print("The equation of the normal line is: ", end="")
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if m_normal.value == 1 and c_intercept.value == 0:
    print("y = x")
elif m_normal.value == -1 and c_intercept.value == 0:
    print("y = -x")
else:
    print(f"y = {m_normal.value:.2f}x", end="")
    if c_intercept.value > 0:
        print(f" + {c_intercept.value:.2f}")
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elif c_intercept.value < 0:  
    print(f" - {abs(c_intercept.value):.2f}")  
else:  
    print()  
  
if __name__ == "__main__":  
    main()
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## Graphs of Normal to the Curve

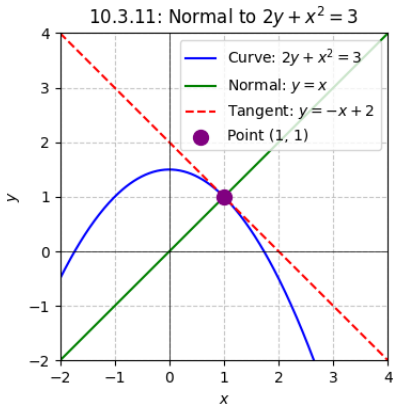


Figure: Plot