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SYLLABUS
Engineering Mathematics-I

Subject Code: 15MAT11   IA Marks: 20
Hours/Week: 04   Exam. Hours: 03
Total Hours: 50   Exam. Marks: 80

Course Objectives
To enable students to apply knowledge of Mathematics in various engineering fields by making hem to learn the following:
• nth derivatives of product of two functions and polar curves.
• Partial derivatives.
• Vectors calculus.
• Reduction formulae of integration to solve First order differential equations
 • Solution of system of equations and quadratic forms.

Module –1
Differential Calculus -1:
Determination of nth order derivatives of Standard functions - Problems. Leibnitz's theorem (without proof) - problems.
Polar Curves - angle between the radius vector and tangent, angle between two curves, Pedal equation for polar curves. Derivative of arc length - Cartesian, Parametric and Polar forms (without proof) - problems. Curvature and Radius of Curvature – Cartesian, Parametric, Polar and Pedal forms(without proof)   and problems.   **10hrs**

Module –2
Differential Calculus -2
Taylor's and Maclaurin's theorems for function of o ne variable(statement only)- problems. Evaluation of Indeterminate forms.
Partial derivatives – Definition and simple problems, Euler's theorem(without proof)   – problems, total derivatives, partial differentiation of composite functions-problems, Jacobians-definition and problems .
10hrs

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Module –3
Vector Calculus:
Derivative of vector valued functions, Velocity, Acceleration and related problems, Scalar and Vector point functions.Definition Gradient, Divergence, Curl- problems . Solenoidal and Irrotational vector fields. Vector identities - div (F A), curl (F A),curl (grad F), div (curl A).
10hrs

Module- 4
Integral Calculus:
Reduction formulae $\int \sin^n x \, dx$ $\int \cos^n x \, dx$ $\int \sin^n x \cos^m x \, dx$,, (m and n are positive integers), evaluation of these integrals with standard limits (0 to $\pi/2$) and problems.
Differential Equations:
Solution of first order and first degree differential equations – Exact, reducible to exact and Bernoulli's differential equations. **Applications**-orthogonal trajectories in Cartesian and polar forms. Simple problems on Newton's law of cooling.   **10hrs**

Module –5
Linear Algebra Rank of a matrix by elementary transformations, solution of system of linear equations - Gauss- elimination method, Gauss- Jordan method and Gauss-Seidel method. Rayleigh's power method to find the largest Eigen value and the corresponding Eigen vector. Linear transformation, diagonalisation of a square matrix, Quadratic forms, reduction to Canonical form   **10hrs**

COURSE OUTCOMES
On completion of this course students are able to
- Use partial derivatives to calculate rates of change of multivariate functions
- Analyse position, velocity and acceleration in two or three dimensions using the calculus of vector valued functions
- Recognize and solve first order ordinary differential equations, Newton's law of cooling
- Use matrices techniques for solving systems of linear equations in the different areas of linear algebra.

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MODULE I

DIFFERENTIAL CALCULUS-I

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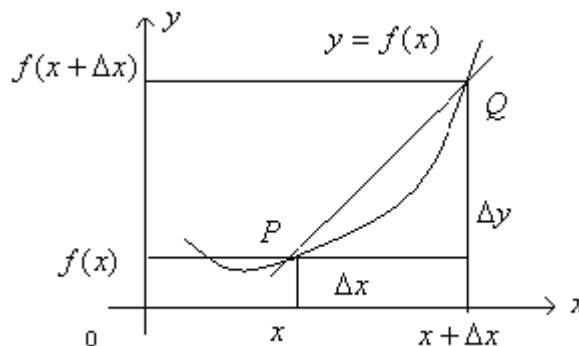# ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS-I   15MAT11

SUCCESSIVE DIFFERENTIATION

In this lesson, the idea of differential coefficient of a function and its successive derivatives will be discussed. Also, the computation of nth derivatives of some standard functions is presented through typical worked examples.

1. **Introduction:-** Differential calculus (DC) deals with problem of calculating rates of change. When we have a formula for the distance that a moving body covers as a function of time, DC gives us the formulas for calculating the body's **velocity** and **acceleration** at any instant.

   - **Definition of derivative of a function y = f(x):-**

Fig.1. Slope of the line PQ is $\dfrac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$

The derivative of a function y = f(x) is the function $f'(x)$ whose value at each x is defined as

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) = \text{Slope of the line PQ (See Fig.1)}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \to 0} \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x} \qquad \text{-------- (1)}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \to 0} (\text{Average rate change})$$

$$= \text{Instantaneous rate of change of } f \text{ at } x \text{ provided the limit exists.}$$

The instantaneous velocity and acceleration of a body (moving along a line) at any instant x is the derivative of its position co-ordinate y = f(x) w.r.t x, i.e.,

$$\text{Velocity} = \frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) \qquad \text{--------- (2)}$$

And the corresponding acceleration is given by

$$\text{Acceleration} = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = f''(x) \qquad \text{---------- (3)}$$

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Successive Differentiation:-

The process of differentiating a given function again and again is called as **Successive differentiation** and the results of such differentiation are called **successive derivatives.**

- The higher order differential coefficients will occur more frequently in spreading a function all fields of scientific and engineering applications.
- Notations:

  i. $\dfrac{dy}{dx}, \dfrac{d^2 y}{dx^2}, \dfrac{d^3 y}{dx^3}, \ldots\ldots$, n$^{\text{th}}$ order derivative: $\dfrac{d^n y}{dx^n}$
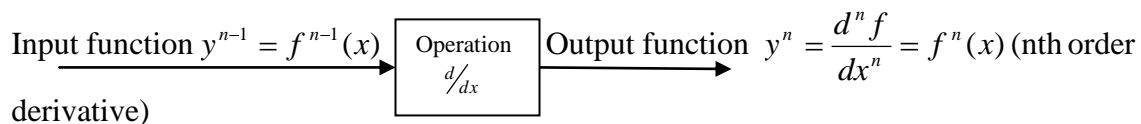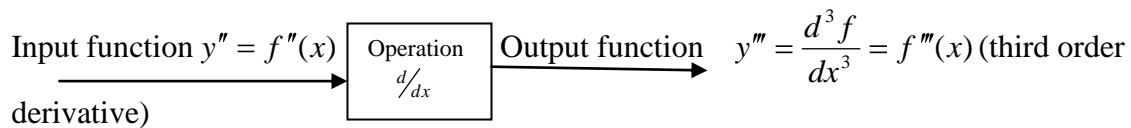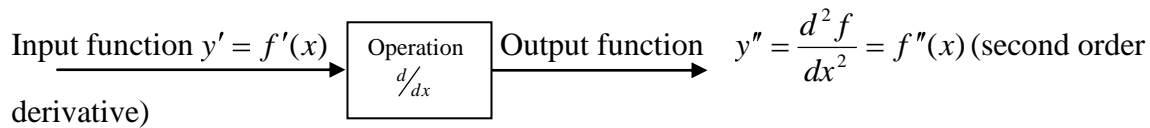
  ii $f'(x)$, $f''(x)$, $f'''(x)$,…..., n$^{\text{th}}$ order derivative: $f^n(x)$

  iii Dy, $D^2 y$, $D^3 y$,………..., n$^{\text{th}}$ order derivative: $D^n y$

  iv y', y'', y''',……, n$^{\text{th}}$ order derivative: $y^{(n)}$

  v. $y_1, y_2, y_3 \ldots$, n$^{\text{th}}$ order derivative: y_n

- **Successive differentiation – A flow diagram**

Input function: $y = f(x)$ | Operation d/dx | Output function $\quad y' = \dfrac{df}{dx} = f'(x)$ (first order derivative)

Input function $y' = f'(x)$ | Operation d/dx | Output function $\quad y'' = \dfrac{d^2 f}{dx^2} = f''(x)$ (second order derivative)

Input function $y'' = f''(x)$ | Operation d/dx | Output function $\quad y''' = \dfrac{d^3 f}{dx^3} = f'''(x)$ (third order derivative)

Input function $y^{n-1} = f^{n-1}(x)$ | Operation d/dx | Output function $y^n = \dfrac{d^n f}{dx^n} = f^n(x)$ (nth order derivative)

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Calculation of nth derivatives of some standard functions

- Below, we present a table of nth order derivatives of some standard functions for ready reference.

Sl. No	y = f(x)	$y_n = \dfrac{d^n y}{dx^n} = D^n y$
1	e^{mx}	$m^n e^{mx}$
2	a^{mx}	$m^n (\log a)^n a^{mx}$
3	$(ax+b)^m$	i. $\quad m(m-1)(m-2)\ldots(m-n+1)a^n(ax+b)^{m-n}$ for all m. ii. $\quad 0$ if $m < n$ iii. $\quad (n!)a^n$ if $m = n$ iv. $\quad \dfrac{m!}{(m-n)!}x^{m-n}$ if $m < n$
4	$\dfrac{1}{(ax+b)}$	$\dfrac{(-1)^n n!}{(ax+b)^{n+1}}a^n$
5.	$\dfrac{1}{(ax+b)^m}$	$\dfrac{(-1)^n (m+n-1)!}{(m-1)!(ax+b)^{m+n}}a^n$
6.	$\log(ax+b)$	$\dfrac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(ax+b)^n}a^n$
7.	$\sin(ax+b)$	$a^n \sin(ax+b+n\pi/2)$
8.	$\cos(ax+b)$	$a^n \cos(ax+b+n\pi/2)$
9.	$e^{ax}\sin(bx+c)$	$r^n e^{ax}\sin(bx+c+n\theta)$, $r = \sqrt{a^2+b^2}$ $\qquad \theta = \tan^{-1}(b/a)$
10.	$e^{ax}\cos(bx+c)$	$r^n e^{ax}\cos(bx+c+n\theta)$, $r = \sqrt{a^2+b^2}$ $\qquad \theta = \tan^{-1}(b/a)$

- We proceed to illustrate the proof of some of the above results, as only the above functions are able to produce a **sequential change** from one derivative to the other. Hence, in general we cannot obtain readymade formula for nth derivative of functions other than the above.

1. Consider e^{mx}. Let $y = e^{mx}$. Differentiating w.r.t x, we get

$y_1 = me^{mx}$. Again differentiating w.r.t x, we get

$y_2 = m(me^{mx}) = m^2 e^{mx}$

Similarly, we get

$y_3 = m^3 e^{mx}$

$y_4 = m^4 e^{mx}$

………………

And hence we get

$y_n = m^n e^{mx}$ $\therefore \dfrac{d^n}{dx^n}\left(e^{mx}\right) = m^n e^{mx}$.

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2. $(ax+b)^m$

let $y = (ax+b)^m$ Differentiating w.r.t x,

$y_1 = m(ax+b)^{m-1}a$. Again differentiating w.r.t x, we get

$y_2 = m(m-1)(ax+b)^{m-2}a^2$

Similarly, we get

$y_3 = m(m-1)(m-2)(ax+b)^{m-3}a^3$

……………………………………….

And hence we get

$y_n = m(m-1)(m-2)\ldots\ldots(m-n+1)(ax+b)^{m-n}a^n$ for all m.

Case (i)   If $m=n$ (m-positive integer), then the above expression becomes

$$y_n = n(n-1)(n-2)\ldots\ldots.3.2.1(ax+b)^{m-n}a^n$$

i.e. $y_n = (n!)a^n$

Case (ii)   If m<n,(i.e. if n>m) which means if we further differentiate the above expression, the

right hand site yields zero. Thus $D^n\left[(ax+b)^m\right]=0$ $if(m<n)$

Case (iii)   If m>n, then $y_n = m(m-1)(m-2)\ldots(m-n+1)(ax+b)^{m-n}a^n$ becomes

$$= \frac{m(m-1)(m-2)\ldots(m-n+1)(m-n)!}{(m-n)!}(ax+b)^{m-n}a^n$$

.   i.e $y_n = \frac{m!}{(m-n)!}(ax+b)^{m-n}a^n$

3. $\dfrac{1}{(ax+b)^m}$

Let $y = \dfrac{1}{(ax+b)^m} = (ax+b)^{-m}$

Differentiating w.r.t x

$y_1 = -m(ax+b)^{-m-1}a = (-1)m(ax+b)^{-(m+1)}a$

$y_2 = (-1)(m)(m+1)(ax+b)^{-(m+1)-1}a = (-1)^2 m(m+1)(ax+b)^{-(m+2)}a^2$

Similarly, we get $y_3 = (-1)^3 m(m+1)(m+2)(ax+b)^{-(m+3)}a^3$

$y_4 = (-1)^4 m(m+1)(m+2)(m+3)(ax+b)^{-(m+4)}a^4$

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$y_n = (-1)^n m(m+1)(m+2)\ldots(m+n-1)(ax+b)^{-(m+n)}a^n$

This may be rewritten as

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^n(m+n-1)(m+n-2)\ldots(m+1)m(m-1)!}{(m-1)!}(ax+b)^{-(m+n)}a^n$$

or $y_n = \dfrac{(-1)^n(m+n-1)!}{(m-1)!(ax+b)^{m+n}}a^n$

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4. $\dfrac{1}{(ax+b)}$

Putting $m = 1,$ in the result

$$D^n \left[\frac{1}{(ax+b)^m} \right] = \frac{(-1)^n (m+n-1)!}{(m-1)!(ax+b)^{m+n}} a^n$$

we get $D^n \left[\dfrac{1}{(ax+b)} \right] = \dfrac{(-1)^n (1+n-1)!}{(1-1)!(ax+b)^{1+n}} a^n$

or $D^n \left[\dfrac{1}{(ax+b)} \right] = \dfrac{(-1)^n n!}{(ax+b)^{1+n}} a^n$

Find the nth derivative of the following examples

1. (a) $\log(9x^2 - 1)$ (b) $\log \left[(4x+3)e^{5x+7} \right]$ (c) $\log_{10} \sqrt{\dfrac{(3x+5)^2 (2-3x)}{(x+1)^6}}$

Sol: (a) Let $y = \log(9x^2 - 1) = \log \left\{ (3x+1)(3x-1) \right\}$

$\qquad y = \log(3x+1) + \log(3x-1) \qquad (\because \ \log(AB) = \log A + \log B)$

$\qquad \therefore \ y_n = \dfrac{d^n}{dx^n} \left\{ \log(3x+1) \right\} + \dfrac{d^n}{dx^n} \left\{ \log(3x-1) \right\}$

$\qquad$ i.e $y_n = \dfrac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(3x+1)^n}(3)^n + \dfrac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(3x-1)^n}(3)^n$

(b) Let $y = \log \left[(4x+3)e^{5x+7} \right] = \log(4x+3) + \log e^{5x+7}$

$\qquad\qquad\quad = \log(4x+3) + (5x+7)\log_e e \qquad (\because \ \log A^B = B \log A)$

$\qquad \therefore \ y = \log(4x+3) + (5x+7) \qquad\qquad (\because \ \log_e e = 1)$

$\qquad \therefore \ y_n = \dfrac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(4x+3)^n}(4)^n + 0$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \because \ D(5x+6) = 5 \\[6pt] D^2(5x+6) = 0 \\[4pt] D^n(5x+1) = 0 \ (n>1) \end{array} \right\}$$

(c) Let $y = \log_{10} \sqrt{\dfrac{(3x+5)^2 (2-3x)}{(x+1)^6}}$

$\qquad = \dfrac{1}{\log_e 10} \left\{ \sqrt{\dfrac{(3x+5)^2 (2-3x)}{(x+1)^6}} \right\} \qquad\qquad \because \ \log_{10} X = \dfrac{\log_e X}{\log_e 10}$

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$$= \frac{1}{\log_e 10} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \log \left\{ \frac{(3x+5)^2 (2-3x)}{(x+1)^6} \right\} \right\} \qquad \because \log A^B = B \log A$$

$$\because \log\left(\frac{A}{B}\right) = \log A - \log B$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\log_e 10} \left\{ \log(3x+5)^2 + \log(2-3x) - \log(x+1)^6 \right\}$$

$$\therefore \quad y = \frac{1}{2\log_e 10} \left\{ 2\log(3x+5) + \log(2-3x) - 6\log(x+1) \right\}$$

Hence,

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2\log_e 10} \left\{ 2.\frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(3x+5)^n}(3)^n + \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(2-3x)^n}(-3)^n - 6.\frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(x+1)^n}(1)^n \right\}$$

2. (a) $e^{2x+4} + 6^{2x+4}$ (b) $\cosh 4x + \cosh^2 4x$

(c) $e^{-x} \sinh 3x \cosh 2x$ (d) $\dfrac{1}{(4x+5)} + \dfrac{1}{(5x+4)^4} + (6x+8)^5$

Sol: (a) Let $y = e^{2x+4} + 6^{2x+4}$

$$= e^{2x}e^4 + 6^{2x}6^4$$

$$\therefore \quad y = e^4(e^{2x}) + 1296(6^{2x})$$

hence $$y_n = e^4 \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(e^{2x}) + 1296 \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(6^{2x})$$

$$= e^4 \left\{ 2^n e^{2x} \right\} + 1296 \left\{ 2^n (\log 6)^n 6^{2x} \right\}$$

(b) Let $y = \cosh 4x + \cosh^2 4x$

$$= \left(\frac{e^{4x} + e^{-4x}}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{e^{4x} + e^{-4x}}{2} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\left\{ e^{4x} + e^{-4x} \right\} + \frac{1}{4}\left\{ (e^{4x})^2 + (e^{-4x})^2 + 2(e^{4x})(e^{-4x}) \right\}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}\left\{ e^{4x} + e^{-4x} \right\} + \frac{1}{4}\left\{ e^{8x} + e^{-8x} + 2 \right\}$$

hence, $$y_n = \frac{1}{2}\left[4^n e^{4x} + (-4)^n e^{-4x} \right] + \frac{1}{4}\left[8^n e^{8n} + (-8)^n e^{-8n} + 0 \right]$$

(c) Let $y = e^{-x} \sinh 3x \cosh 2x$

$$= e^{-x}\left\{ \frac{e^{3x} - e^{-3x}}{2} \right\}\left\{ \frac{e^{2x} + e^{-2x}}{2} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-x}}{4} \left\{ (e^{3x} - e^{-3x})(e^{2x} + e^{-2x}) \right\}$$

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$$= \frac{e^{-x}}{4} \left\{ e^{x} - e^{-x} + e^{x} - e^{-5x} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ e^{x} - e^{-2x} + 1 - e^{-6x} \right\}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{4} \left\{ 1 + e^{4x} - e^{-2x} - e^{-6x} \right\}$$

Hence,
$$y_n = \frac{1}{4} \left\{ 0 + (4)^n e^{4x} - (-2)^n e^{-2x} - (-6)^n e^{-6x} \right\}$$

(d) Let $y = \frac{1}{(4x+5)} + \frac{1}{(5x+4)^4} + (6x+8)^5$

Hence, $y_n = \frac{dn}{dx^n} \left\{ \frac{1}{(4x+5)} \right\} + \frac{dn}{dx^n} \left\{ \frac{1}{(5x+4)^4} \right\} + \frac{dn}{dx^n} \left\{ (6x+8)^5 \right\}$

$$= \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(4x+5)^{n+1}} (4)^n + \frac{(-1)^n (4+n-1)!}{(4-1)!(5x+4)^{4+n}} (5)^n + 0$$

i.e $y_n = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(4x+5)^{n+1}} (4)^n + \frac{(-1)^n (3+n)!}{3!(5x+4)^{n+4}} (5)^n$

Evaluate

1. (i) $\frac{1}{x^2 - 6x + 8}$ (ii) $\frac{1}{1-x-x^2+x^3}$ (iii) $\frac{x^2}{2x^2+7x+6}$

(iv) $\left(\frac{x+2}{x+1} \right) + \frac{1}{4x^2+12x+9}$ (v) $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)$ (vi) $\tan^{-1} x$ (vii) $\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x} \right)$

Sol: (i) Let $y = \frac{1}{x^2 - 6x + 8}$.   The function can be rewritten as $y = \frac{1}{(x-4)(x-2)}$

This is proper fraction containing two distinct linear factors in the denominator.
    So, it can be split into partial fractions as

$$y = \frac{1}{(x-4)(x-2)} = \frac{A}{(x-4)} + \frac{B}{(x-2)}$$ Where the constant A and B are found

    as given below.

$$\frac{1}{(x-4)(x-2)} = \frac{A(x-2) + B(x-4)}{(x-4)(x-2)}$$

$$\therefore \quad 1 = A(x-2) + B(x-4) \text{ -------------(*)}$$

Putting x = 2 in (*), we get the value of B as $B = -\frac{1}{2}$

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Similarly putting x = 4 in (*), we get the value of A as $A = \dfrac{1}{2}$

$$\therefore\ y = \frac{1}{(x-4)(x-2)} = \frac{(1/2)}{x-4} + \frac{(-1/2)}{x-2} \quad \text{Hence}$$

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2}\frac{d_n}{dx^n}\left(\frac{1}{x-4}\right) - \frac{1}{2}\frac{d_n}{dx^n}\left(\frac{1}{x-2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{(-1)^n n!}{(x-4)^{n+1}}(1)^n\right] - \frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{(-1)^n n!}{(x-2)^{n+1}}(1)^n\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(-1)^n n!\left[\frac{1}{(x-4)^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{(x-2)^{n+1}}\right]$$

(ii) Let $\ y = \dfrac{1}{1-x-x^2+x^3} = \dfrac{1}{(1-x)-x^2(1-x)} = \dfrac{1}{(1-x)(1-x^2)}$

ie $\ y = \dfrac{1}{(1-x)(1-x)(1+x)} = \dfrac{1}{(1-x)^2(1+x)}$

Though y is a proper fraction, it contains a repeated linear factor $(1-x)^2$ in its

denominator. Hence, we write the function as

$$y = \frac{A}{(1-x)} + \frac{B}{(1-x)^2} + \frac{C}{1+x} \quad \text{in terms of partial fractions. The constants}$$

A, B, C

are found as follows:

$$y = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2(1+x)} = \frac{A}{(1-x)} + \frac{B}{(1-x)^2} + \frac{C}{1+x}$$

ie $\ 1 = A(1-x)(1+x) + B(1+x) + C(1-x)^2$ -------------(**)

Putting x = 1 in (**), we get *B* as $\ B = \dfrac{1}{2}$

Putting x = -1 in (**), we get *C* as $\ C = \dfrac{1}{4}$

Putting x = 0 in (**), we get $\ 1 = A + B + C$

$\therefore A = 1 - B - C = 1 - \dfrac{1}{2} - \dfrac{1}{4} = \dfrac{1}{4}$

$\therefore A = \dfrac{1}{4}$

Hence, $\ y = \dfrac{(1/4)}{(1-x)} + \dfrac{(1/2)}{(1-x)^2} + \dfrac{(1/4)}{(1+x)}$

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$$\therefore \ y_n = \frac{1}{4}\left[\frac{(-1)^n n!}{(1-x)^{n+1}}(1)^n\right] + \frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{(-1)^n (2+n-1)!}{(2-1)!(1-x)^{2+n}}(1)^n\right] + \frac{1}{4}\left[\frac{(-1)^n n!}{(1+x)^{n+1}}(1)^n\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}(-1)^n n!\left[\frac{1}{(1-x)^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{(1+x)^{n+1}}\right] + \frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{(-1)^n (n+1)!}{(1-x)n+2}\right]$$

(iii) Let $y = \dfrac{x^2}{2x^2 + 7x + 6}$ **(VTU July-05)**

This is an improper function. We make it proper fraction by actual division and later

spilt that into partial fractions.

i.e $\ x^2 \div (2x^2 + 7x + 6) = \dfrac{1}{2} + \dfrac{(-\frac{7}{2}x - 3)}{2x^2 - 7x + 6}$

$\therefore \ y = \dfrac{1}{2} + \dfrac{-\frac{7}{2}x - 3}{(2x+3)(x+2)}$ Resolving this proper fraction into partial fractions,

we get

$$y = \frac{1}{2} + \left[\frac{A}{(2x+3)} + \frac{B}{(x+2)}\right].$$ Following the above examples for finding A &

B, we get

$$y = \frac{1}{2} + \left[\frac{\frac{9}{2}}{2x+3} + \frac{(-4)}{x+2}\right]$$

Hence, $\ y_n = 0 + \dfrac{9}{2}\left[\dfrac{(-1)^n n!}{(2x+3)^{n+1}}(2)^n\right] - 4\left[\dfrac{(-1)^n n!}{(x+2)^{n+1}}(1)^n\right]$

i.e $\ y_n = (-1)^n n!\left[\dfrac{\frac{9}{2}(2)^n}{(2x+3)^{n+1}} - \dfrac{4}{(x+2)^{n+1}}\right]$

(iv) Let $\ y = \dfrac{(x+2)}{(x+1)} + \dfrac{x}{4x^2 + 12x + 9}$

$\qquad\qquad\quad \downarrow \qquad\qquad\quad \downarrow$

$\qquad\qquad\quad$ (i) $\qquad\qquad\quad$ (ii)

Here (i) is improper & (ii) is proper function. So, by actual division (i)

becomes

$$\left(\frac{x+2}{x+1}\right) = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{x+1}\right).$$ Hence, y is given by

$$y = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{x+1}\right) + \frac{1}{(2x+3)^2} \qquad [\because (2x+3)^2 = 4x^2 + 12x + 9]$$

Resolving the last proper fraction into partial fractions, we get

$\dfrac{x}{(2x+3)^2} = \dfrac{A}{(2x+3)} + \dfrac{B}{(2x+3)^2}.$ Solving we get

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$$A = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad B = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore \ y = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{1+x}\right) + \left[\frac{\frac{1}{2}}{(2x+3)} + \frac{-\frac{3}{2}}{(2x+3)^2}\right]$$

$$\therefore \ y_n = 0 + \left[\frac{(-1)^n n!}{(1+x)^n}(1)^n\right] + \frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{(-1)^n n!}{(2x+3)^{n+1}}(2)^n\right] - \frac{3}{2}\left[\frac{(-1)^n (n+1)!}{(2x+3)n+2}(2)^n\right]$$

(v) $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$

Let $y = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)$

$$\therefore \ y_1 = \frac{1}{1+\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^2}\left(\frac{1}{a}\right) = \frac{a}{x^2+a^2}$$

$$y_n = D^n y = D^{n-1}(y_1) = D^{n-1}\left(\frac{a}{x^2+a^2}\right)$$

Consider $\dfrac{a}{x^2+a^2} = \dfrac{a}{(x+ai)(x-ai)}$

$$= \frac{A}{(x+ai)} + \frac{B}{(x-ai)}, \text{ on resolving into partial fractions.}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2i}\right)}{(x+ai)} + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2i}\right)}{(x-ai)}, \text{ on solving for A \& B.}$$

$$\therefore \ D^{n-1}\left(\frac{a}{x^2+a^2}\right) = D^{n-1}\left(\frac{-\frac{1}{2i}}{x+ai}\right) + D^{n-1}\left(\frac{\frac{1}{2i}}{x-ai}\right)$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{2i}\right)\left[\frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(x+ai)^n}\right] + \left(\frac{1}{2i}\right)\left[\frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(x-ai)^n}\right] \text{-----------(*)}$$

We take transformation $x = r\cos\theta \quad a = r\sin\theta$ where $r = \sqrt{x^2+a^2}$, $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{a}{x}\right)$

$$x + ai = r\left(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta\right) = re^{i\theta}$$
$$x - ai = r\left(\cos\theta - i\sin\theta\right) = re^{-i\theta}$$

$$\frac{1}{(x-ai)^n} = \frac{1}{r^n e^{-in\theta}} = \frac{e^{in\theta}}{r^n}, \quad \frac{1}{(x+ai)^n} = \frac{e^{-in\theta}}{r^n}$$

now(*) is $y_n = \dfrac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{2\,i\,r^n}\left[e^{in\theta} - e^{-in\theta}\right]$

$$y_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{2\,i\,r^n}\left(2\,i\,\sin n\theta\right) \Rightarrow \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{r^n}\sin n\theta$$

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(vi) Let $y = \tan^{-1} x$ .Putting $a = 1$ in Ex.(v) we get

y_n which is same as above with $r = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$ $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\dfrac{1}{x}\right)$

$\theta = \cot^{-1}\left(x\right)$ or $x = \cot\theta$

$\therefore r = \sqrt{\cot^2\theta + 1} = \cos ec\theta \Rightarrow \dfrac{1}{r^n} = \dfrac{1}{\cos ec^n\theta} = \sin^n\theta$

$D^n\left(\tan^{-1} x\right) = \left(-1\right)^{n-1}\left(n-1\right)!\ \sin^n\theta\sin n\theta$ $where\ \theta = \cot^{-1} x$

(vii) Let $y = \tan^{-1}\left(\dfrac{1+x}{1-x}\right)$

$\qquad$ put $x = \tan\theta$ $\quad \theta = \tan^{-1} x$

$\qquad \therefore \quad y = \tan^{-1}\left[\dfrac{1+\tan\theta}{1-\tan\theta}\right]$

$\qquad\qquad = \tan^{-1}\left[\tan(\pi/4 + \theta)\right]$ $\quad \because \tan\left(\dfrac{\pi}{4} + \theta\right) = \left(\dfrac{1+\tan\theta}{1-\tan\theta}\right)$

$\qquad\qquad = \pi/4 + \theta = \dfrac{\pi}{4} + \tan^{-1}(x)$

$\qquad y = \dfrac{\pi}{4} + \tan^{-1}(x)$

$\qquad y_n = 0 + D^n(\tan^{-1} x)$

$\qquad\qquad = \left(-\dfrac{1}{2i}\right)\left[\dfrac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(x+ai)^n}\right] + \left(\dfrac{1}{2i}\right)\left[\dfrac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!}{(x-ai)^n}\right]$

nth derivative of trigonometric functions:

1. $\sin(ax+b)$.

$\qquad$ Let $y = \sin(ax+b)$. Differentiating w.r.t x,

$\qquad\qquad y_1 = \cos(ax+b).a$ $\quad$ As $\sin(x + \dfrac{\pi}{2}) = \cos x$

$\qquad\qquad$ We can write $y_1 = a\sin(ax+b+\pi/2)$.

$\qquad\qquad$ again differentiating w.r.t x, $\ y_2 = a\cos(ax+b+\pi/2).a$

$\qquad$ Again using $\sin(x + \dfrac{\pi}{2}) = \cos x$,we get y_2 as

$\qquad\qquad y_2 = a\sin(ax+b+\pi/2+\pi/2).a$

$\qquad$ i.e. $\qquad y_2 = a^2\sin(ax+b+2\pi/2)$.

$\qquad\qquad$ Similarly, we get

$\qquad\qquad y_3 = a^3\sin(ax+b+3\pi/2)$.

$\qquad\qquad y_4 = a^4\sin(ax+b+4\pi/2)$.

$\qquad\qquad y_n = a^n\sin(ax+b+n\pi/2)$.

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2. $e^{ax} \sin(x + c)$

Let $y = e^{ax} \sin(x + c)$ ...(1)

Differentiating using product rule ,we get

$y_1 = e^{ax} \cos(x + c)b + \sin(x + c)ae^{ax}$

i.e. $y_1 = e^{ax}[a\sin(x + c) + b\cos(x + c)]$. For computation of higher order derivatives

it is convenient to express the constants 'a' and 'b' in terms of the constants r and

θ defined by $a = r\cos\theta$ & $b = r\sin\theta$,so that

$r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ and $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$,thus,

y_1 can be rewritten as

$y_1 = e^{ax}[(r\cos\theta)\sin(x + c) + (r\sin\theta)\cos(x + c)]$

or $y_1 = e^{ax}r[\{\sin(x + c)\cos\theta + \cos(x + c)\sin\theta\}]$

i.e. $y_1 = re^{ax}\sin(x + c + \theta)$ ....(2)

Comparing expressions (1) and (2), we write y_2 as

$y_2 = r^2 e^{ax} \sin(x + c + 2\theta)$

$y_3 = r^3 e^{ax} \sin(x + c + 3\theta)$

Continuing in this way, we get

$y_4 = r^4 e^{ax} \sin(x + c + 4\theta)$

$y_5 = r^5 e^{ax} \sin(x + c + 5\theta)$

………………………………

$y_n = r^n e^{ax} \sin(x + c + n\theta)$

$\therefore D^n[e^{ax} \sin(x + c)] = r^n e^{ax} \sin(x + c + n\theta)$,where

$r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ & $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$

Solve the following:

1. (i) $\sin^2 x + \cos^3 x$ (ii) $\sin^3 \cos^3 x$ (iii) $\cos x \cos 2x \cos 3x$
    (iv) $\sin x \sin 2x \sin 3x$ (v) $e^{3x}\cos 2x$ (vi) $e^{2x}(\sin^2 x + \cos^3 x)$

The following formulae are useful in solving some of the above problems.

(i) $\sin^2 x = \dfrac{1 - \cos 2x}{2}$ $(ii)\cos^2 x = \dfrac{1 + \cos 2x}{2}$

(iii) $\sin 3x = 3\sin x - 4\sin^3 x$ $(iv)\cos 3x = 4\cos^3 x - 3\cos x$

(v) $2\sin A\cos B = \sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B)$

(vi) $2\cos A\sin B = \sin(A + B) - \sin(A - B)$

(vii) $2\cos A\cos B = \cos(A + B) + \cos(A - B)$

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(viii) $2\sin A\sin B = \cos(A-B) - \cos(A+B)$

Sol: (i) Let $y = \sin^2 x + \cos^3 x = \left(\dfrac{1-\cos 2x}{2}\right) + \dfrac{1}{4}(\cos 3x + 3\cos x)$

$$\therefore y_n = \dfrac{1}{2}\left\{-(2)^n \cos\left(2x + n\pi/2\right)\right\} + \dfrac{1}{4}\left\{3^n \cos\left(3x + n\pi/2\right) + 3\cos\left(x + n\pi/2\right)\right\}$$

(ii) Let $y = \sin^3 x \cos^3 x = \left(\dfrac{\sin 2x}{2}\right)^3 = \dfrac{\sin^3 2x}{8} = \dfrac{1}{8}\left[\dfrac{-\sin 6x + 3\sin 2x}{4}\right]$

$$= \dfrac{1}{32}\left[\sin 2x - \sin 6x\right]$$

$$y_n = \dfrac{1}{32}\left[3 \cdot 2^n \sin\left(2x + \dfrac{n\pi}{2}\right) - 6^n \sin\left(6x + \dfrac{n\pi}{2}\right)\right]$$

(iii) Let $y = \cos 3x \cos x \cos 2x$

$$= \dfrac{1}{2}(\cos 4x + \cos 2x)\cos 2x = \dfrac{1}{2}\left[\cos 4x \cos 2x + \cos^2 2x\right]$$

$$= \dfrac{1}{2}\left[\dfrac{1}{2}(\cos 6x + \cos 2x) + \dfrac{1-\cos 4x}{2}\right]$$

$$= \dfrac{1}{4}\cos 6x + \dfrac{\cos 2x}{4} + \dfrac{1}{4}(1 - \cos 4x)$$

$$\therefore y_n = \dfrac{1}{4}6^n \cos\left(6x + \dfrac{n\pi}{2}\right) + \dfrac{2^n \cos\left(2x + \dfrac{n\pi}{2}\right)}{4} - \dfrac{4^n \cos\left(4x + \dfrac{n\pi}{2}\right)}{4}$$

(iv) Let $y = \sin 3x \sin x \, sn 2x$

$$= \dfrac{1}{2}\left[\sin(2x) - \sin 4x\right]\sin 2x$$

$$= \dfrac{1}{2}\left[\sin^2 2x - \sin 4x \sin 2x\right]$$

$$= \dfrac{1}{2}\left[\dfrac{1-\cos 4x}{2} - \dfrac{1}{2}(\sin 2x - \sin 6x)\right]$$

$$= \left[\left(\dfrac{1-\cos 4x}{4}\right) - \dfrac{1}{4}(\sin 2x - \sin 6x)\right]$$

$$y_n = \dfrac{1}{4}\left[4^n \cos\left(4x + \dfrac{n\pi}{2}\right) - 2^n \sin\left(2x + \dfrac{n\pi}{2}\right) + 6^n \sin\left(6x + \dfrac{n\pi}{2}\right)\right]$$

(v) Let $y = e^{3x}\cos 2x$

$$\therefore y_n = re^{3x}\cos(2x + n\theta)$$

where $r = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{13}$ & $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\dfrac{2}{3}\right)$

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(vi) Let $y = e^{2x}\left(\sin^2 x + \cos^3 x\right)$

We know that $\left[\sin^2 x + \cos^3 x\right] = \dfrac{1 - \cos 2x}{2} + \dfrac{1}{4}\left[\cos 3x + 3\cos x\right]$

$\therefore y = e^{2x}\left[\sin^2 x + \cos^3 x\right] = e^{2x}\left[\dfrac{1 - \cos 2x}{2}\right] + \dfrac{e^{2x}}{4}\left[\cos 3x + 3\cos x\right]$

$\therefore y = \dfrac{1}{2}\left[e^{2x} - e^{2x}\cos 2x\right] + \dfrac{1}{4}\left[e^{2x}\cos 3x + 3e^{2x}\cos x\right]$

Hence,

$y_n = \dfrac{1}{2}\left[r^n e^{2x} - r_1^n e^{2x}\cos\left(2x + n\theta_1\right)\right] + \dfrac{1}{4}\left[r_2^n e^{2x}\cos\left(3x + n\theta_2\right) + 3r_3^n e^{2x}\cos\left(x + n\theta_3\right)\right]$

where $r_1 = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{8}$; $r_2 = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{13}$; $r_3 = \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{5}$

$\theta_1 = \tan^{-1}\left(\dfrac{2}{2}\right)$; $\theta_2 = \tan^{-1}\left(\dfrac{3}{2}\right)$; $\theta_3 = \tan^{-1}\left(\dfrac{1}{2}\right)$;

Leibnitz's Theorem

Leibnitz's theorem is useful in the calculation of nth derivatives of product of two functions.

Statement of the theorem:

If u and v are functions of x, then

$$D^n(uv) = D^n uv + {}^nC_1 D^{n-1}uDv + {}^nC_2 D^{n-2}uD^2v + \ldots + {}^nC_r D^{n-r}uD^r v + \ldots uD^n v,$$

where $D = \dfrac{d}{dx}$, ${}^nC_1 = n$, ${}^nC_2 = \dfrac{n(n-1)}{2}, \ldots\ldots, {}^nC_r = \dfrac{n!}{r!\,(n-r)!}$

Examples

1. If $x = \sin t, y = \sin pt$ *prove that*

$$\left(1 - x^2\right)y_{n+2} - \left(2n + 1\right)xy_{n+1} + \left(p^2 - n^2\right)y_n = 0$$

Solution: Note that the function $y = f(x)$ is given in the parametric form with a parameter *t*.

So, we consider

$$\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \dfrac{p\cos pt}{\cos t} \qquad (p - \text{constant})$$

or $\left(\dfrac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 = \dfrac{p^2 \cos^2 pt}{\cos^2 t} = \dfrac{p^2(1 - \sin^2 pt)}{1 - \sin^2 t} = \dfrac{p^2(1 - y^2)}{1 - x^2}$

or $\left(1 - x^2\right)y_1^2 = p^2\left(1 - y^2\right)$

So that $\left(1 - x^2\right)y_1^2 - p^2\left(1 - y^2\right)$ Differentiating w.r.t. x,

$\left[\left(1 - x^2\right)\left(2y_1 y_2\right) + y_1^2\left(-2x\right)\right] - p^2\left(-2yy_1\right) = 0$

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$$(1 - x^2)y_2 - xy_1 + p^2 y = 0 \qquad \text{--------------- (1)} \qquad [\div 2y_1, \text{throughout}]$$

Equation (1) has second order derivative y_2 in it. We differentiate (1), n times, term wise,

using Leibnitz's theorem as follows.

$$D^n \left[(1 - x^2)y_2 - xy_1 - p^2 y \right] = 0$$

i.e $D^n (1 - x^2)y_2 + D^n xy_1 + D^n p^2 y = 0$ ---------- (2)

(a) (b) (c)

Consider the term (a):

$D^n \left[(1 - x^2)y_2 \right]$. Taking $u = y_2$ and $v = (1 - x^2)$ and applying Leibnitz's theorem we get

$$D^n [uv] = D^n uv + {}^nC_1 D^{n-1}uDv + {}^nC_2 D^{n-2}D^2 v + {}^nC_3 D^{n-3}uD^3 v + \ldots$$

i.e

$$D^n [y_2(1 - x^2)] = D^n(y_2).(1 - x^2) + {}^nC_1 D^{n-1}(y_2).D(1 - x^2) + {}^nC_2 D^{n-2}(y_2)D^2(1 - x^2) + {}^nC_3 D^{n-3}(y_2)D^3(1 - x^2) +$$

$$= y_{(n)+2} - x^2) + ny_{(n-1)+2}.(-2x) + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}y_{(n-2)+2}.(-2) + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!}.y_{(n-3)+2}.(0) + \ldots$$

$$D^n \left[(1 - x^2)y_2 \right] = (1 - x^2)y_{n+2} - 2nxy_{n+1} - n(n-1)y_n \qquad \text{---------- (3)}$$

Consider the term (b):

$D^n [xy_1]$. Taking $u = y_1$ and $v = x$ and applying Leibnitz's theorem, we get

$$D^n [y_1(x)] = D^n(y_1).(x) + {}^nC_1 D^{n-1}y_1.D(x) + {}^nC_2 D^{n-2}(y_1).D^2(x) + \ldots.$$

$$= y_{(n)+1}.x + ny_{(n-1)+1} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}y_{(n-2)+2}(0) + \ldots.$$

$$D^n [xy_1] = xy_{n+1} + ny_n \qquad \text{---------- (4)}$$

Consider the term (c):

$$D^n(p^2 y) = p^2 D^n(y) = p^2 y_n \qquad \text{--------- (5)}$$

Substituting these values (3), (4) and (5) in Eq (2) we get

$$\left[(1 - x^2)y_{n+2} - 2nxy_{n+1} - n(n-1)y_n \right] - \left[xy_{n+1} + ny_n \right] + \left[p^2 y_n \right] = 0$$

ie $(1 - x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} - n^2 y_n + ny_n - ny_n + p^2 y_n = 0$

$\therefore (1 - x^2)y_{n+2} - (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + (p^2 - n^2)y_n = 0$ as desired.

2. If $\sin^{-1} y = 2\log(x+1)$ or $y = \sin[2\log(x+1)]$ or $y = \sin[\log(x+1)^2]$ or $y = \sin \log(x^2 + 2x + 1)$, show that $(x+1)^2 y_{n+2} + (2n+1)(x+1)y_{n+1} + (n^2 + 4)y_n = 0$

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Sol: Out of the above four versions, we consider the function as

$\sin^{-1}(y) = 2\log(x+1)$

Differentiating w.r.t x, we get

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$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-y^2}}(y_1) = \left(\frac{2}{x+1}\right) \text{ ie } (x+1)y_1 = 2\sqrt{1-y^2}$$

Squaring on both sides

$$(x+1)^2 y_1^2 = 4(1-y^2)$$

Again differentiating w.r.t x,

$$(x+1)^2 (2y_1 y_2) + y_1^2 (2(x+1)) = 4(-2yy_1)$$

or $$(x+1)^2 y_2 + (x+1)y_1 = -4y \quad (\div 2y_1)$$

or $$(x+1)^2 y_2 + (x+1)y_1 + 4y = 0 \qquad \text{-----------*}$$

Differentiating * w.r.t x, n-times, using Leibnitz's theorem,

$$\left\{ D^n y_2 (x+1)^2 + nD^{n-1}(y_2)2(x+1) + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}D^{n-2}(y_2)(2) \right\} + \left\{ D^n(y_1)(x+1) + nD^{n-1}y_1(1) \right\} 4D^n y = 0$$

On simplification, we get

$$(x+1)^2 y_{n+2} + (2n+1)(x+1)y_{n+1} + (n^2 + 4)y_n = 0$$

3. If $x = \tan(\log y)$, then find the value of

$$(1+x^2)y_{n+1} + (2nx-1)y_n + n(n-1)y_{n-1} \qquad \qquad \textbf{(VTU July-04)}$$

Sol: Consider $x = \tan(\log y)$

i.e. $\tan^{-1}x = \log y \qquad$ or $\quad y = e^{\tan^{-1}x}$

Differentiating w.r.t x,

$$y_1 = e^{\tan^{-1}x} \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \frac{y}{1+x^2}$$

$$\therefore (1+x^2)y_1 = y \qquad ie(1+x^2)y_1 - y = 0 \qquad \text{-----------*}$$

We differentiate * n-times using Leibnitz's theorem,

We get

$$D^n\left[(1+x^2)y_1\right] - D^n(y) = 0$$

ie.

$$\left\{ D^n(y_1)(1+x^2)+{}^nC_1 D^{n-1}(y_1)D(1+x^2)+{}^nC_2 D^{n-2}(y_1)D^2(1+x^2)+.... \right\} \left\{ D^n y \right\} 0$$

ie $$\left\{ y_{n+1}(1+x^2) + ny_n(2x) + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}y_{n-1}(2) + 0 + ... \right\} - y_n = 0$$

$$(1+x^2)y_{n+1} + (2nx-1)y_n + n(n-1)y_{n-1} = 0$$

4. If $y^{1/m} + y^{-1/m} = 2x$, or $y = \left[x + \sqrt{x^2-1}\right]^m$ or $y = \left[x - \sqrt{x^2-1}\right]^m$

Show that $(x^2-1)y_{n+2} + (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + (n^2 - m^2)y_n = 0$ **(VTU Feb-02)**

Sol: Consider $\quad y^{1/m} + y^{-1/m} = 2x \quad \Rightarrow \quad y^{1/m} + \frac{1}{y^{1/m}} = 2x$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \left(y^{1/m}\right)^2 - 2x\left(y^{1/m}\right) + 1 = 0 \text{ Which is quadratic equation in } y^{1/m}$$

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$$\therefore y^{1/m} = \frac{-(-2x) \pm \sqrt{(-2x)^2 - 4(1)(1)}}{2(1)} = \frac{2x \pm \sqrt{4x^2 - 4}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2x \pm 2\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}{2} = \left(\pm \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right) \Rightarrow y^{1/m} = \left(\pm \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right)$$

$$\therefore y = \left(x \pm \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right)^m$$

so, we can consider $y = \left[x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right]^m$ or $y = \left[x - \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right]^m$

Let us take $y = \left[x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right]^m$

$$\therefore y_1 = m\left(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right)^{m-1}\left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}(2x)\right)$$

$$y_1 = m\left(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right)^{m-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 1} + x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}\right)$$

or

$$\left(\sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right)y_1 = my . \text{ On squaring}$$

$$\left(x^2 - 1\right)y_1^2 = m^2 y^2 .$$

Again differentiating w.r.t x,

$$\left(x^2 - 1\right)2y_1 y_2 + y_1^2 (2x) = m^2 (2yy_1)$$

or

$$\left(x^2 - 1\right)y_2 + xy_1 = m^2 y \quad (\div 2y_1)$$

or

$$\left(x^2 - 1\right)y_2 + xy_1 - m^2 y = 0 \qquad \text{------------(*)}$$

Differentiating (*) n- times using Leibnitz's theorem and simplifying, we get
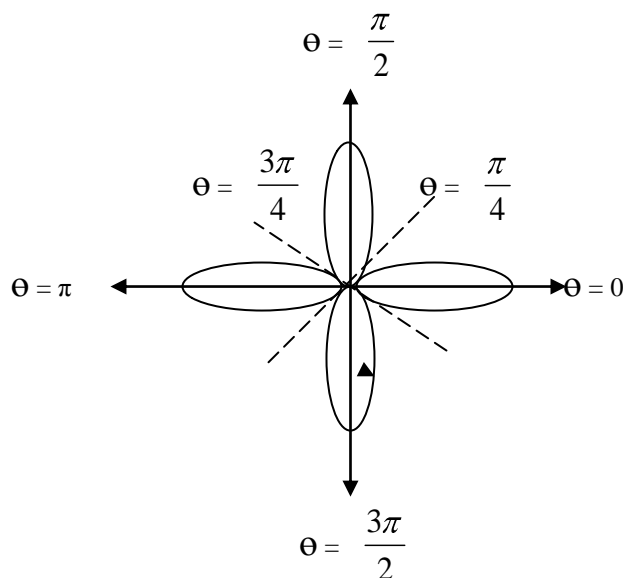$$\left(x^2 - 1\right)y_{n+2} + (2n+1)xy_{n+1} + \left(x^2 - m^2\right)y_n = 0$$

POLAR CURVES
Angle between Polar Curves:

Introduction:- We are familiar with Cartesian coordinate system for specifying a point in the xy – plane. Another useful system for similar purpose is Polar coordinate system, and the curves specified by these coordinates are referred to as polar curves.

- **A polar curve by name "three-leaved rose" is displayed below:**

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- Any point P can be located on a plane with co-ordinates (r, θ)
  called **polar co-ordinates** of P where r = **radius vector** OP,(with pole 'O')
  $\overrightarrow{\theta}$ = projection of OP on the
  initial axis OA.(See Fig.)
- The equation $r = f(\theta)$ is known as a **polar curve**.
- Polar coordinates (r, θ) can be related with Cartesian coordinates (x, y) through
  the relations
- **Fig.1. Polar coordinate system**
  $x = r\cos\theta$ & $y = r\sin\theta$.

Theorem 1: Angle between the radius vector and the tangent:

i.e., With usual notation prove that $\tan\phi = r\dfrac{d\theta}{dr}$

- **Proof:**- Let " ϕ " be the angle between the radius vector OPL
  and the tangent TPT^1 at the point `P` on the polar
  curve $r = f(\theta)$ (See fig.2)
  From Fig.2,

$$\psi = \theta + \phi$$

$$\tan\psi = \tan(\theta + \phi) = \frac{\tan\theta + \tan\phi}{1 - \tan\theta\tan\phi}$$

i.e. $\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{\tan\theta + \tan\phi}{1 - \tan\theta\tan\phi}$...............(1)

**Fig.2. Angle between radius
vector and the tangent**

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On the other hand, we have $x = r\cos\theta$; $y = r\sin\theta$ differentiating these, w.r.t θ ,

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = r\left(-\sin\theta\right) + \cos\theta\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right) \ \& \ \frac{dy}{d\theta} = r\left(\cos\theta\right) + \sin\theta\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/d\theta}{dx/d\theta} = \frac{r\left(\cos\theta\right) + \sin\theta\left(\dfrac{dr}{d\theta}\right)}{r\left(-\sin\theta\right) + \cos\theta\left(\dfrac{dr}{d\theta}\right)} \ dividing\ the\ Nr\ \&\ Dr\ by\ \frac{dr}{d\theta}\cos\theta$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{r\left(d\theta/dr\right) + \tan\theta}{-\left(d\theta/dr\right)\tan\theta + 1}$$

i.e. $$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\tan\theta + \left(d\theta/dr\right)}{1 - \tan\theta\left(d\theta/dr\right)}\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots(2)$$

Comparing equations (1) and (2)

we get $\ \ \tan\phi = r\,d\theta/dr$

- **Note that** $\cot\phi = \left(\dfrac{1}{r}\dfrac{dr}{d\theta}\right)$

- **A Note on Angle of intersection of two polar curves**:-

    If $\ \ \phi_1$ and ϕ_2 are the angles between the common radius vector and the tangents at the point of intersection of two curves $\ \ r = f_1\left(\theta\right)$ and $r = f_2\left(\theta\right)$ then the angle intersection of the curves is given by $\left|\phi_1 - \phi_2\right|$

Theorem 2: The length "p" of perpendicular from pole to the tangent in a polar curve

  i.e.(i) $\ p = r\sin\phi$ **or** **(ii)** $\ \dfrac{1}{p^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^4}\left(\dfrac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2$

Proof:- In the Fig.3, note that ON = p, the length of the perpendicular from the pole to the tangent at p on $r = f\left(\theta\right)$ from the right angled triangle OPN,

$$\sin\phi = \frac{ON}{OP} \ \Rightarrow ON = \left(OP\right)\sin\phi$$

i.e. $\ p = r\sin\phi$.............(i)

Consider $\dfrac{1}{p} = \dfrac{1}{r\sin\phi} = \dfrac{1}{r}\cos ec\phi$

$\therefore \dfrac{1}{p^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^2}\cos ec^2\phi = \dfrac{1}{r^2}\left(1 + \cot 2\phi\right)$

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{r^2}\left[1 + \left(\frac{1}{r}\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2\right]$$
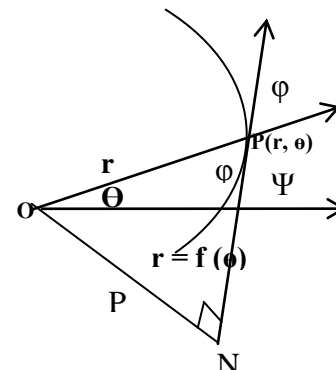
Fig.3 Length of the perpendicular

from the pole to the tangent

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$$\therefore \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1}{r^4}\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2 \ldots\ldots\ldots(ii)$$

Note:-If $u = \frac{1}{r}$, we get $\frac{1}{p^2} = u^2 + \left(\frac{du}{d\theta}\right)^2$

In this session, we solve few problems on angle of intersection of polar curves and pedal equations.

Examples:-

Find the acute angle between the following polar curves

1. $r = a(1+\cos\theta)$ and $r = b(1-\cos\theta)$ **(VTU-July-2003)**

2. $r = (\sin\theta + \cos\theta)$ and $r = 2\sin\theta$ **(VTU-July-2004)**

3. $r = 16\sec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$ and $r = 25\cos ec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$

4. $r = a\log\theta$ and $r = \dfrac{a}{\log\theta}$ **(VTU-July-2005)**

5. $r = \dfrac{a\theta}{1+\theta}$ and $r = \dfrac{a}{1+\theta^2}$

   Sol:

1. Consider   Consider
   $r = a(1+\cos\theta)$ $r = b(1-\cos\theta)$
   Diff w.r.t θ Diff w.r.t θ

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = -a\sin\theta \qquad\qquad\qquad \frac{dr}{d\theta} = b\sin\theta$$

$$r\frac{d\theta}{dr} = \frac{a(1+\cos\theta)}{-a\sin\theta} \qquad\qquad r\frac{d\theta}{dr} = \frac{b(1-\cos\theta)}{b\sin\theta}$$

$$\tan\phi_1 = -\frac{2\cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{2\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \qquad \tan\phi_1 = -\frac{2\sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{2\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}$$

$$= -\cot\frac{\theta}{2} \qquad\qquad\qquad\qquad = \tan\frac{\theta}{2}$$

i.e $\tan\phi_1 = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \phi_1 = \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta}{2}\right)$ $\tan\phi_1 = \tan\frac{\theta}{2} \Rightarrow \phi_1 = \phi_2$

Angle between the curves

$$|\phi_1 - \phi_2| = \left|\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta}{2}\right) - \frac{\theta}{2}\right| = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Hence, the given curves intersect orthogonally.

2. Consider   Consider
   $r = (\sin\theta + \cos\theta)$ $r = 2\sin\theta$
   Diff w.r.t θ Diff w.r.t θ

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$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = \cos\theta - \sin\theta \qquad\qquad\qquad \frac{dr}{d\theta} = 2\cos\theta$$

$$r\frac{d\theta}{dr} = \frac{\sin\theta + \cos\theta}{\cos\theta - \sin\theta} \qquad\qquad r\frac{d\theta}{dr} = \frac{2\sin\theta}{2\cos\theta}$$

$$\tan\phi_1 = \frac{\tan\theta + 1}{1 - \tan\theta} \quad (\div \text{Nr \& Dr}\cos\theta) \qquad \tan\phi_2 = \tan\theta$$

$$\text{i.e } \tan\phi_1 = \frac{\tan\theta + 1}{1 - \tan\theta} = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \theta\right) \qquad\qquad \Rightarrow \phi_2 = \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_1 = \frac{\pi}{4} + \theta$$

$$\therefore \text{Angle between the curves} = |\phi_1 - \phi_2| = \left|\frac{\pi}{4} + \theta - \theta\right| = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

3. Consider   Consider

$$r = 16\sec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \qquad\qquad\qquad r = 25\cos ec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

   Diff w.r.t θ Diff w.r.t θ

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = 32\sec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\cdot\frac{1}{2} \qquad \frac{dr}{d\theta} = -50\cos ec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\cot\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\cdot\frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 16\sec\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \qquad\qquad = -25\cos ec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\cot\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$r\frac{d\theta}{dr} = \frac{16\sec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{16\sec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \qquad r\frac{d\theta}{dr} = \frac{25\cos ec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{-25\cos ec^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\cot\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}$$

$$\tan\phi_1 = \cot\frac{\theta}{2} = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\theta}{2}\right) \qquad \tan\phi_2 = -\tan\frac{\theta}{2} = \tan\left(-\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_1 = \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\theta}{2}\right) \qquad\qquad\qquad \Rightarrow \phi_2 = -\frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\text{Angle of intersection of the curves} = |\phi_1 - \phi_2| = \left|\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\theta}{2}\right) - \left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right|$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2}$$

4. Consider   Consider

$$r = a\log\theta \qquad\qquad\qquad\qquad r = \frac{a}{\log\theta}$$

   Diff w.r.t θ Diff w.r.t θ

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = \frac{a}{\theta} \qquad\qquad\qquad \frac{dr}{d\theta} = -a/(\log\theta)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\theta}$$

$$r\frac{d\theta}{dr} = a\log\theta\left(\frac{\theta}{a}\right) \qquad\qquad r\frac{d\theta}{dr} = -\left(\frac{a}{\log\theta}\right)\left(\frac{(\log\theta)^2\theta}{a}\right)$$

$$\tan\phi_1 = \theta\log\theta\ldots\ldots(i) \qquad\qquad \tan\phi_2 = -\theta\log\theta\ldots\ldots(ii)$$

   We know that

$$\tan(\phi_1 - \phi_2) = \frac{\tan\phi_1 - \tan\phi_2}{1 + \tan\phi_1 \tan\phi_2}$$

$$= \frac{\theta\log\theta - (-\theta\log\theta)}{1 + (\theta\log\theta)(-\theta\log\theta)}$$

i.e $\tan(\phi_1 - \phi_2) = \dfrac{2\theta\log\theta}{1 - (\theta\log\theta)^2}$ ....(iii)

From the data: $a\log\theta = r = \dfrac{a}{\log\theta} \Rightarrow (\log\theta)^2 = 1 \quad or \log\theta = \pm 1$

As θ is acute, we take by $\theta = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = e \quad \|NOTE\|$

Substituting $\theta = e$ in (iii), we get

$$\tan(\phi_1 - \phi_2) = \frac{2e\log e}{1 - (\log e)^2} = \left(\frac{2e}{1 - e^2}\right) \qquad (\because \log_e^e = 1)$$

$$\therefore |\phi_1 - \phi_2| = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2e}{1 - e^2}\right)$$

5. Consider

$$r = \frac{a\theta}{1+\theta} \text{ as}$$

$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1+\theta}{a\theta} = \frac{1}{a}\left(\frac{1}{\theta} + 1\right)$$

Diff w.r.t θ

$$-\frac{1}{r^2}\frac{dr}{d\theta} = \frac{1}{a}\left(-\frac{1}{\theta^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{r}\frac{dr}{d\theta} = \frac{r}{a\theta^2}$$

$$r\frac{d\theta}{dr} = \frac{a\theta^2}{r}$$

$$\tan\phi_1 = \frac{a\theta^2}{a\theta/(1+\theta)}$$

$$\therefore \tan\phi_1 = \theta(1+\theta)$$

Consider

$$r = \frac{a\theta}{1+\theta^2}$$

$$\therefore (1 + \theta^2) = \frac{a}{r}$$

Diff w.r.t θ

$$2\theta = -\frac{a}{r^2}\frac{dr}{d\theta}$$

$$\frac{-2r\theta}{a} = \frac{1}{r}\frac{dr}{d\theta}$$

i.e $r\dfrac{d\theta}{dr} = \dfrac{-a}{2r\theta}$

$$\tan\phi_2 = -\frac{a}{2\theta}\left(\frac{1+\theta^2}{a}\right)$$

$$\tan\phi_2 = -\frac{1}{2\theta}(1+\theta^2)$$

Now, we have

$$\frac{a\theta}{1+\theta} = r = \frac{a}{1+\theta^2} \Rightarrow a\theta(1+\theta^2) = a(1+\theta)$$

$$\text{or } \theta + \theta^3 = 1 + \theta \Rightarrow \theta^3 = 1 \text{ or } \theta = 1$$

$$\therefore \tan\phi_1 = 2 \ \& \ \tan\phi_2 = (-1)$$

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Consider $\tan|\phi_1 - \phi_2| = \left|\dfrac{\tan\phi_1 - \tan\phi_2}{1 + \tan\phi_1 \tan\phi_2}\right|$

$$= \left|\dfrac{2 - (-1)}{1 + (2)(-1)}\right| = |-3| = 3$$

$$\therefore |\phi_1 - \phi_2| = \tan^{-1}(3)$$

Pedal equations (p-r equations):- Any equation containing only **p** & **r** is known as pedal equation of a polar curve.

Working rules to find pedal equations:-

    (i) Eliminate r and ϕ from the Eqs.: (i) $r = f(\theta)$ & $p = r\sin\phi$

    (ii) Eliminate only θ from the Eqs.: (i) $r = f(\theta)$ & $\therefore \dfrac{1}{p^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^2} + \dfrac{1}{r^4}\left(\dfrac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2$

• Find the pedal equations for the polar curves:-

    1. $\dfrac{2a}{r} = 1 - \cos\theta$

    2. $r = e^{\theta\cot\alpha}$

    3. $r^m = a^m \sin m\theta + b^m \cos m\theta$ **(VTU-Jan-2005)**

    4. $l/r = 1 + e\cos\theta$

Sol:

1. Consider $\dfrac{2a}{r} = 1 - \cos\theta$ ……….(i)

    Diff. w.r.t θ

$$2a\left(-1/r^2\right)\dfrac{dr}{d\theta} = \sin\theta$$

$$\dfrac{1}{r}\dfrac{dr}{d\theta} = \dfrac{-r\sin\theta}{2a}$$

$$r\dfrac{d\theta}{dr} = -\dfrac{2a}{r}\dfrac{1}{\sin\theta}$$

$$\tan\phi = -\dfrac{(1 - \cos\theta)}{\sin\theta} = -\dfrac{2\sin^2\theta/2}{2\sin\theta/2\cos\theta/2} = -\tan\left(\theta/2\right)$$

$$\tan\phi = \tan\left(-\theta/2\right) \Rightarrow \phi = -\theta/2$$

Using the value of ϕ is $p = r\sin\phi$, we get

$$p = r\sin\left(-\theta/2\right) = -r\sin\theta/2 \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

Eliminating "θ" between (i) and (ii)

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$$p^2 = r^2 \sin^2 \theta/2 = r^2\left(\frac{1-\cos\theta}{2}\right) = \frac{r^2}{2}\left(\frac{2a}{r}\right) \quad \text{[See eg: - (i)]}$$

$$p^2 = ar.$$

This eqn. is only in terms of p and r and hence it is the pedal equation of the polar curve.

2. Consider $r = e^{\theta \cot\alpha}$

Diff. w.r.t θ

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = e^{\theta \cot\alpha}\left(\cot\alpha\right) = r\cot\alpha \quad \left(\because r = e^{\theta \cot\alpha}\right)$$

We use the equation

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1}{r^4}\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1}{r^4}\left(\cot\alpha\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{1}{r^4}\left(\cot^2\alpha\right) = \frac{1}{r^2}\left(+\cot^2\alpha\right) = \frac{1}{r^2}\cos ec^2\alpha$$

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{r^2}\cos ec^2\alpha$$

$$p^2 = r^2/\cos ec^2\alpha \quad \text{or} \quad r^2 = p^2 \cos ec^2\alpha \text{ is the required pedal equation}$$

3.Consider $r^m = a^m \sin m\theta + b^m \cos m\theta$

Diff. w.r.t θ

$$mr^{m-1}\frac{dr}{d\theta} = a^m\left(m\cos m\theta\right) + b^m(-m\sin m\theta)$$

$$\frac{r^m}{r}\frac{dr}{d\theta} = a^m\cos m\theta - b^m\sin m\theta$$

$$\frac{1}{r}\frac{dr}{d\theta} = \frac{a^m\cos m\theta - b^m\sin m\theta}{a^m\sin m\theta + b^m\cos m\theta}$$

$$\cot\phi = \frac{a^m\cos m\theta - b^m\sin m\theta}{a^m\sin m\theta + b^m\cos m\theta}$$

Consider $p = r\sin\phi, \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{r}\cos ec\phi$

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{r^2}\cos ec^2\phi$$

$$= \frac{1}{r^2}\left(+\cot^2\phi\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{r^2}\left[1+\left(\frac{a^m\cos m\theta - b^m\sin m\theta}{a^m\sin m\theta + b^m\cos m\theta}\right)^2\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{r^2}\left[\frac{\left(a^m\sin m\theta + b^m\cos m\theta\right)^2 + \left(a^m\cos m\theta - b^m\sin m\theta\right)^2}{\left(a^m\sin m\theta + b^m\cos m\theta\right)^2}\right]$$

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{r^2}\left[\frac{a^{2m}+b^{2m}}{r^{2m}}\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 = \frac{r^{2(m+1)}}{a^{2m}+b^{2m}} \text{ is the required } p\text{-}r \text{ equation}$$

4. Consider $l/r = (1+\cos\theta)$

Diff w.r.t θ

$$l\left(-\frac{1}{r^2}\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right) = -e\sin\theta \Rightarrow \frac{l}{r}\left(\frac{1}{r}\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right) = e\sin\theta$$

$$\frac{l}{r}(\cot\phi) = e\sin\theta$$

$$\therefore \cot\phi = \left(\frac{r}{l}\right)e\sin\theta$$

We have $\dfrac{1}{p^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^2}\left(1+\cot^2\phi\right)$ (see eg: 3 above)

Now $\quad \dfrac{1}{p^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^2}\left[\dfrac{l^2 + e^2 r^2\sin^2\theta}{l^2}\right]$

$$= \frac{1}{r^2}\left(1+e^2 r^2\big/l^2 \sin^2\theta\right)$$

$$1+e\cos\theta = \frac{l}{r} \Rightarrow \quad e\cos\theta = \frac{l-r}{r}$$

$$\cos\theta = \left(\frac{l-r}{re}\right) \Rightarrow \sin^2\theta = 1-\cos^2\theta \Rightarrow = 1-\left(\frac{l-r}{re}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{r^2}\left[\frac{l^2 + e^2 r^2\left\{1-\left(\dfrac{l-r}{re}\right)^2\right\}}{l^2}\right]$$

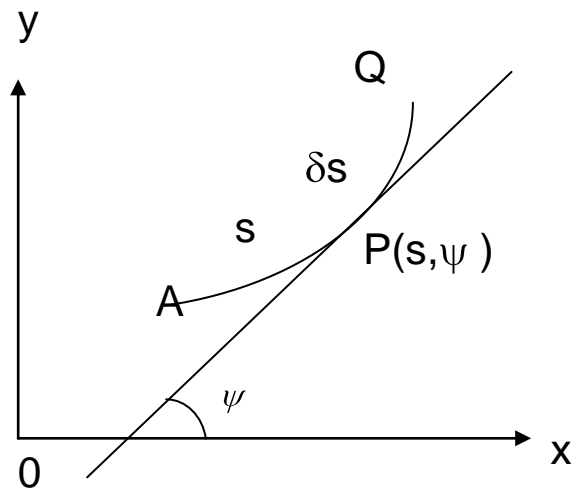On simplification $\dfrac{1}{p^2} = \left(\dfrac{e^2-1}{e^2}\right)+\dfrac{2}{lr}$

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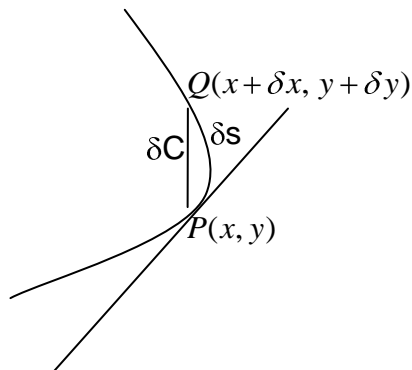
DERIVATIVES OF ARC LENGTH:

Consider a curve C in the XY plane. Let A be a fixed point on it. Let P and Q be two neighboring positions of a variable point on the curve C. If 's' is the distance of P from A measured along the curve then 's' is called the arc length of P. Let the tangent to C at P make an angle ψ with X-axis. Then (s,ψ) are called the intrinsic co-ordinates of the point P. Let the arc length AQ be $s + \delta s$. Then the distance between P and Q measured along the curve C is δs. If the actual distance between P and Q is δC. Then $\delta s = \delta C$ in the limit $Q \to P$ along C.

$$i.e. \quad \underset{Q\to P}{Lt} \frac{\delta s}{\delta C} = 1$$

Cartesian Form:

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Let $y = f(x)$ be the Cartesian equation of the curve C and let $P(x, y) \, and \, Q(x+\delta x, y+\delta y)$ be any two neighboring points on it as in fig.

Let the arc length $PQ = \delta s$ and the chord length $PQ = \delta C$. Using distance between two points formula we have $PQ^2 = (\delta C)^2 = (\delta x)^2 + (\delta y)^2$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\delta C}{\delta x}\right)^2 = 1 + \left(\frac{\delta y}{\delta x}\right)^2 \quad or \quad \frac{\delta C}{\delta x} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\delta y}{\delta x}\right)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\delta s}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta s}{\delta C} \cdot \frac{\delta C}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta s}{\delta C}\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\delta y}{\delta x}\right)^2}$$

We note that $\delta x \to 0$ as $Q \to P$ along C, also that when $Q \to P, \frac{\delta s}{\delta C} = 1$

$\therefore$ When $Q \to P$ i.e. when $\delta x \to 0$, from (1) we get

$$\frac{ds}{dx} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} \quad \to (1)$$

Similarly we may also write

$$\frac{\delta s}{\delta y} = \frac{\delta s}{\delta C} \cdot \frac{\delta C}{\delta y} = \frac{\delta s}{\delta C}\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\delta x}{\delta y}\right)^2}$$

and hence when $Q \to P$ this leads to

$$\frac{ds}{dy} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2} \quad \to (2)$$

Parametric Form: Suppose $x = x(t) \, and \, y = y(t)$ is the parametric form of the curve C. Then from (1)

$$\frac{ds}{dx} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{dx/dt}\sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{ds}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} \quad \to (3)$$

Note: Since ψ is the angle between the tangent at P and the X-axis,

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we have $\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \tan\psi$

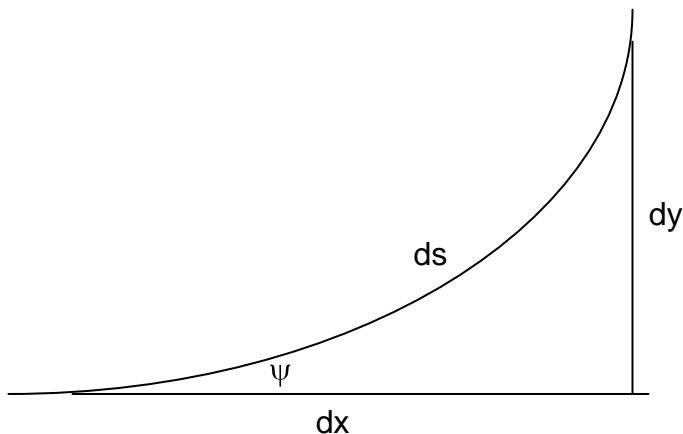$$\Rightarrow \frac{ds}{dx} = \sqrt{1 + {y'}^2} = \sqrt{1 + \tan^2\psi} = \sec\psi$$

Similarly

$$\frac{ds}{dy} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{{y'}^2}} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{\tan^2\psi}} = \sqrt{1 + \cot^2\psi} = \cosec\psi$$

i.e. $\cos\psi = \dfrac{dx}{ds}$ and $\sin\psi = \dfrac{dy}{ds}$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{dx}{ds}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{ds}\right)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2$$

We can use the following figure to observe the above geometrical connections among dx, dy, ds and ψ.
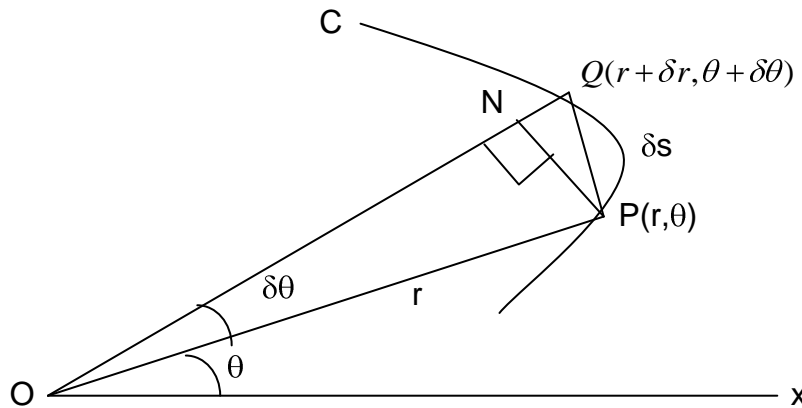
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Polar Curves:

Suppose $r = f(\theta)$ is the polar equation of the curve C and $P(r, \theta)$ and $Q(r + \delta r, \theta + \delta \theta)$ be two neighboring points on it as in figure:

Consider PN $\perp$ OQ.

In the right-angled triangle OPN, We have $sin\, \delta\theta = \dfrac{PN}{OP} = \dfrac{PN}{r} \Rightarrow PN = r\, sin\, \delta\theta = r\delta\theta$

   since $Sin\delta\theta = \delta\theta$ when $\delta\theta$ is very small.

From the figure we see that, $cos\, \delta\theta = \dfrac{ON}{OP} = \dfrac{ON}{r} \Rightarrow ON = r\, cos\, \delta\theta = r(1) = r$

$$\because cos\, \delta\theta = 1 \; when \;\; \delta\theta \to 0$$

$$\therefore NQ = OQ - ON = (r + \delta r) - r = \delta r$$

From $\square PNQ,\, PQ^2 = PN^2 + NQ^2$ *i.e,* $(\delta C)^2 = (r\delta\theta)^2 + (\delta r)^2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\delta C}{\delta\theta} = \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{\delta r}{\delta\theta}\right)^2} \quad \therefore \frac{\delta S}{\delta\theta} = \frac{\delta S}{\delta C}\frac{\delta C}{\delta\theta} = \frac{\delta S}{\delta C}\sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{\delta r}{\delta\theta}\right)^2}$$

We note that *when* $Q \to P$ *along the curve,* $\delta\theta \to 0$ *also* $\dfrac{\delta S}{\delta C} = 1$

$$\therefore when \; Q \to P, \frac{dS}{d\theta} = \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} \to (4)$$

Similarly, $(\delta C)^2 = (r\delta\theta)^2 + (\delta r)^2 \Rightarrow \dfrac{\delta C}{\delta r} = \sqrt{1 + r^2\left(\dfrac{\delta\theta}{\delta r}\right)^2}$

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$$and \ \ \frac{\delta S}{\delta r} = \frac{\delta S}{\delta C}\square\frac{\delta C}{\delta r} = \frac{\delta S}{\delta C}\sqrt{1+r^2\left(\frac{\delta\theta}{\delta r}\right)^2}$$

$$\therefore when \ Q \to P, \ we \ get \ \frac{dS}{dr} = \sqrt{1+r^2\left(\frac{d\theta}{dr}\right)^2} \to (5)$$

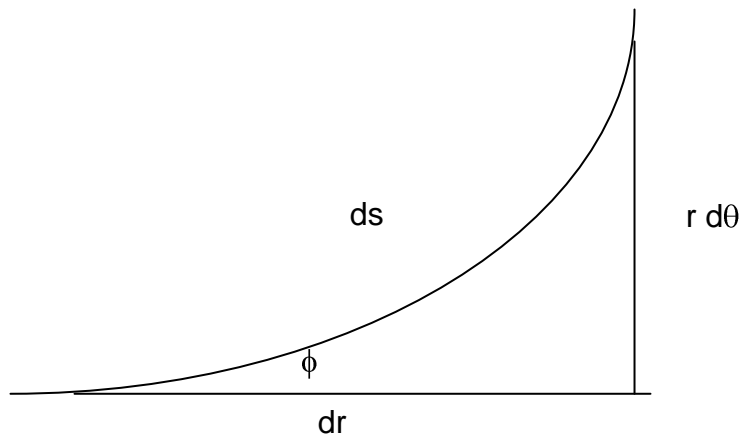**Note:**

We know that $\tan\phi = r\dfrac{\mathrm{d}\theta}{\mathrm{d}r}$

$$\therefore \frac{ds}{d\theta} = \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} = \sqrt{r^2 + r^2 cot^2\phi} = r\sqrt{1+cot^2\phi} = r\,co\sec\phi$$

Similarly

$$\frac{ds}{dr} = \sqrt{1+r^2\left(\frac{d\theta}{dr}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1+tan^2\phi} = sec\phi$$

$$\therefore \frac{dr}{ds} = cos\phi \quad and \quad \frac{d\theta}{ds} = \frac{1}{r}sin\phi$$

The following figure shows the geometrical connections among ds, dr, dθ and ϕ

Thus we have :

$$\frac{ds}{dx} = \sqrt{1+\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2}, \quad \frac{ds}{dy} = \sqrt{1+\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2}, \quad \frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2}$$

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$$\frac{ds}{dr} = \sqrt{1 + r^2 \left(\frac{d\theta}{dr}\right)^2} \quad and \quad \frac{ds}{d\theta} = \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2}$$

Example 1: $\frac{ds}{dx}$ and $\frac{ds}{dy}$ for the curve $x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = a^{2/3}$

$$x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = a^{2/3} \Rightarrow \frac{2}{3}x^{-1/3} + \frac{2}{3}y^{-1/3}y' = 0 \Rightarrow y' = \frac{x^{\frac{-1}{3}}}{y^{\frac{-1}{3}}} = -\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Hence $\dfrac{ds}{dx} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\dfrac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 + \dfrac{y^{2/3}}{x^{2/3}}}$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{x^{2/3} + y^{2/3}}{x^{2/3}}} = \sqrt{\frac{a^{2/3}}{x^{2/3}}} = \left(\frac{a}{x}\right)^{1/3}$$

Similarly

$$\frac{ds}{dy} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2} = \sqrt{+\frac{x^{2/3}}{y^{2/3}}} = \sqrt{\frac{x^{2/3} + y^{2/3}}{y^{2/3}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{a^{2/3}}{y^{2/3}}} = \left(\frac{a}{y}\right)^{1/3}$$

Example 2: *Find* $\dfrac{ds}{dx}$ for the curve $y = a\log\left(\dfrac{a^2}{a^2 - x^2}\right)$

$$y = a\log a^2 - a\log\ a^2 - x^2 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -a\left(\frac{-2x}{a^2 - x^2}\right) = \frac{2ax}{a^2 - x^2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{ds}{dx} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{4a^2 x^2}{a^2 - x^2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{a^2 - x^2\ + 4a^2 x^2}{a^2 - x^2\ ^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{a^2 + x^2\ ^2}{a^2 - x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{a^2 + x^2}{a^2 - x^2}$$

Example 3: If $x = ae^t\sin t$, $y = ae^t\cos t$, find $\dfrac{ds}{dt}$

$$x = ae^t\sin t \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = ae^t\sin t + ae^t\cos t$$

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$y = ae^t cost \Rightarrow \dfrac{dy}{dt} = ae^t cost - ae^t sint$

$\therefore \dfrac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\left(\dfrac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\dfrac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} = \sqrt{a^2 e^{2t} \ cos\,t + sin\,t\ ^2 + a^2 e^{2t}\ cos\,t - sin\,t\ ^2}$

$\qquad = ae^t \sqrt{2\ cos^2 t + sin^2 t} \quad = a\sqrt{2}\ e^t \qquad \because\ a+b\ ^2 + \ a-b\ ^2 = 2\ a^2 + b^2$

Example 4: If $x = a\left[cos\,t\ +\ log\,tan\ \dfrac{t}{2}\right], y = a\,sin\,t$, find $\dfrac{ds}{dt}$

$$\dfrac{dx}{dt} = a\left[-sin\,t + \dfrac{sec^2\ t\!/\!2}{2 \cdot tan\ t\!/\!2}\right] = a\left[-sin\,t + \dfrac{1}{2sin\dfrac{t}{2}cos\dfrac{t}{2}}\right]$$

$$= a\left[-sin\,t + \dfrac{1}{sin\,t}\right] = a\,\dfrac{1 - sin^2 t}{sin\,t} \ = \dfrac{a\,cos^2 t}{sin\,t} = a\,cost \cdot cot\,t$$

$$\dfrac{dy}{dt} = a\,cos\,t$$

$$\therefore \dfrac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\left(\dfrac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\dfrac{dy}{dt}\right)}$$

$$= \sqrt{a^2 cos^2 t\ cot^2 t + a^2 cos^2 t}$$

$$= \sqrt{a^2 cos^2 t\ \ cot^2 t + 1}$$

$$= \sqrt{a^2 cos^2 t \cdot co\,sec^2\,t} = \sqrt{a^2 cot^2 t}$$

$$= a\,cot\,t$$

Example 5: If $x = a\,cos^3 t, y = sin^3 t$, find $\dfrac{ds}{dt}$

$$\dfrac{dx}{dt} = -3\,a\,cos^2 t\ sin\,t,\ \ \dfrac{dy}{dt} = 3\,a\,sin^2 t\ cos\,t$$

$$\therefore \dfrac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\left(\dfrac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\dfrac{dy}{dt}\right)^2}\ = \sqrt{9a^2 cos^4 t\ sin^2 t + 9a^2 sin^4 t\ cos^2 t}$$

$$= \sqrt{9a^2 cos^2 t\ sin^2 t\ \ cos^2 t + sin^2 t}\ = 3\,a\ sin\,t\ cos\,t$$

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Example 6: If $r^2 = a^2 \cos 2\theta$, Show that $r \dfrac{ds}{d\theta}$ is constant

$$r^2 = a^2 \cos 2\theta \Rightarrow 2r \frac{dr}{d\theta} = -2a^2 \sin 2\theta \Rightarrow \frac{dr}{d\theta} = \frac{-a^2}{r} \sin 2\theta$$

$$\frac{ds}{d\theta} = \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} = \sqrt{r^2 + \frac{a^4}{r^2} \sin^2 2\theta} = \frac{1}{r}\sqrt{r^4 + a^4 \sin^2 2\theta}$$

$$\therefore r \frac{ds}{d\theta} = \sqrt{r^4 + a^4 \sin^2 2\theta} = \sqrt{a^4 \cos^2 2\theta + a^4 \sin^2 2\theta}$$

$$= a^2 \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 2\theta} = a^2 = \text{constant} \qquad \therefore r \frac{ds}{d\theta} \text{ is constant for } r^2 = a^2 \cos 2\theta$$

Example 7: For the curve $\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\dfrac{r}{k}\right) - \dfrac{\sqrt{k^2 - r^2}}{r}$, Show that $r\dfrac{ds}{dr}$ is constant.

$$\frac{d\theta}{dr} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{r^2}{k^2}}} \cdot \frac{1}{k} - \frac{r\left(\frac{-2r}{2\sqrt{k^2 - r^2}}\right) - \sqrt{k^2 - r}}{r^2} \ (1) \qquad = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{k^2 - r^2}} + \frac{r^2 + k^2 - r^2}{r^2 \sqrt{k^2 - r^2}}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{\sqrt{k^2 - r^2}} + \frac{k^2}{r^2 \sqrt{k^2 - r^2}} = \frac{-r^2 + k^2}{r^2 \sqrt{k^2 - r^2}} \qquad = \frac{\sqrt{k^2 - r^2}}{r}$$

$$\therefore \frac{ds}{dr} = \sqrt{1 + r^2\left(\frac{d\theta}{dr}\right)}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 + r^2 \frac{k^2 - r^2}{r^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{r^2 + k^2 - r^2}}{r} = \frac{k}{r}$$

Hence $r\dfrac{ds}{dr} = k$ (constant)

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Example 8: For a polar curve $r = f\ \theta$ show that $\dfrac{ds}{dr} = \dfrac{r}{\sqrt{r^2 - p^2}}, \dfrac{ds}{d\theta} = \dfrac{r^2}{p}$

We know that $\cos \phi = \dfrac{dr}{ds}$ and $\dfrac{d\theta}{ds} = \dfrac{1}{r} \sin \phi$

$$\therefore \frac{dr}{ds} = \cos\varphi = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \phi} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{p^2}{r^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{r^2 - p^2}}{r} \qquad \because p = r\sin\varphi$$
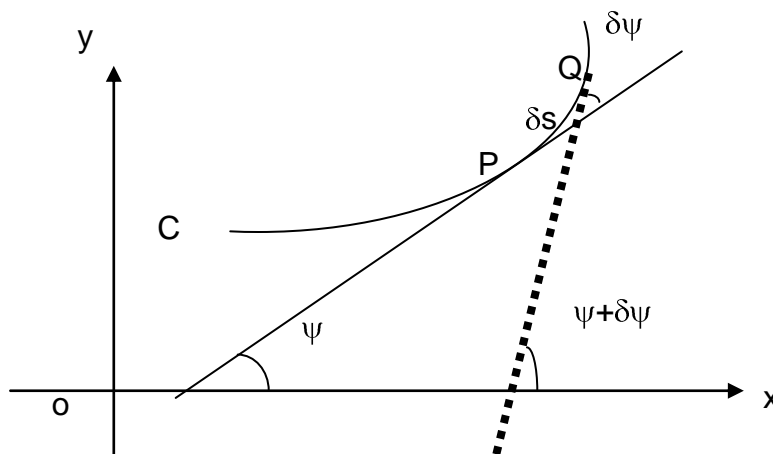
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$$\therefore \frac{ds}{dr} = \frac{r}{\sqrt{r^2 - p^2}}$$

$$Also \quad \frac{ds}{d\theta} = \frac{r}{sin\,\phi} = \frac{r}{p/r} = \frac{r^2}{p}$$

CURVATURE:

Consider a curve C in XY-plane and let P, Q be any two neighboring points on it. Let arc AP=s and arc PQ=δs. Let the tangents drawn to the curve at P, Q respectively make angles ψ and ψ+δψ with X-axis i.e., the angle between the tangents at P and Q is δψ. While moving from P to Q through a distance 'δs', the tangent has turned through the angle 'δψ'. This is called the bending of the arc PQ. Geometrically, a change in ψ represents the bending of the curve C and the ratio $\frac{\delta\psi}{\delta s}$ represents the ratio of bending of C between the point P & Q and the arc length between them.

$\therefore$ Rate of bending of Curve at P is $\dfrac{d\psi}{ds} = \underset{Q\to P}{Lt}\ \dfrac{\delta\psi}{\delta s}$

This rate of bending is called the curvature of the curve C at the point P and is denoted by κ (kappa). Thus $\kappa = \dfrac{d\psi}{ds}$ We note that the curvature of a straight line is zero since there exist no bending i.e. κ=0, and that the curvature of a circle is a constant and it is not equal to zero since a circle bends uniformly at every point on it
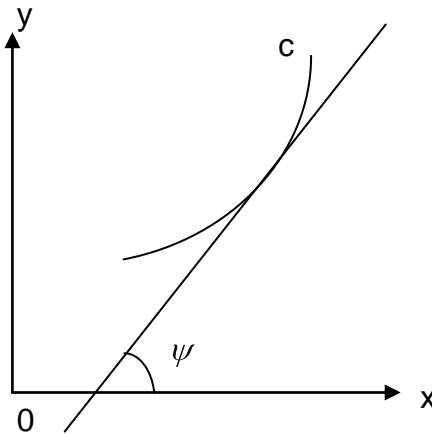
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If $\kappa \neq 0$, then $\dfrac{1}{\kappa}$ is called the radius of curvature and is denoted by ρ (rho - Greek letter).

$$\therefore \rho = \frac{1}{\kappa} = \frac{ds}{d\psi}$$

Radius of curvature in Cartesian form :

Suppose y = f(x) is the Cartesian equation of the curve considered in figure.

we have $\quad y' = \dfrac{dy}{dx} = tan\,\psi \;\Rightarrow\; y'' = \dfrac{d^2y}{dx^2} = sec^2\,\psi \cdot \dfrac{d\psi}{dx} = \left(1 + tan^2\psi\right)\dfrac{d\psi}{ds}\cdot\dfrac{ds}{dx}$

But we know that $\quad \dfrac{ds}{dx} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\dfrac{dy}{dx}\right)^2}$

$$\therefore \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right]\cdot\frac{d\psi}{ds}\cdot\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} \;\Rightarrow\; \frac{ds}{d\psi} = \frac{\left[1 + \left(\dfrac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right]^{3/2}}{d^2y\big/dx^2}$$

$$\therefore \rho = \frac{ds}{d\psi} = \frac{\left[1 + \left(y'\right)^2\right]^{3/2}}{y''}$$

This is the expression for radius of curvature in Cartesian form.

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NOTE: We note that when y'=∞, we find ρ using the formula $\rho = \dfrac{\left[1+\left(\dfrac{dx}{dy}\right)^2\right]^{3/2}}{\left(\dfrac{d^2x}{dy^2}\right)}$

Example 9: Find the radius of curvature of the curve $x^3+y^3 = 2a^3$ at the point (a, a).

$$x^3 + y^3 = 2a^3 \Rightarrow 3x^2 + 3y^2 \cdot y' = 0 \;\Rightarrow y' = -\frac{x^2}{y^2} \; hence\; at\;\; a,a \;\;,\;\; y' = -1$$

$$\therefore y'' = -\left[\frac{y^2\; 2x\; - x^2\; 2y\; y'}{y^4}\right], \; hence\; at\;\; a,a \;,\; y'' = -\left[\frac{2a^3+2a^3}{a^4}\right] = -\frac{4}{a}$$

$$\therefore \;\rho = \frac{\left[1+\; y'\;^2\right]^{3/2}}{y''} = \frac{\left[1+\; -1\;^2\right]^{3/2}}{-4/a} \;\; i.e.,\; |\rho| = \frac{a}{4}\cdot 2\sqrt{2} \;\;=\;\; \frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Example 10: Find the radius of curvature for $\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y}=\sqrt{a}$ at the point where it meets

the line y=x.

On the line y = x, $\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{a} \;\; i.e\; 2\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{a} \;\;\;\; or \;\;\;\; x = \dfrac{a}{4}$

i.e., We need to find ρ at $\left(\dfrac{a}{4},\dfrac{a}{4}\right)$

$$\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y}=\sqrt{a} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}+\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}y' = 0 \; i.e\; y' = -\sqrt{\frac{y}{x}}, \; hence\; at\; \left(\frac{a}{4},\frac{a}{4}\right), y' = -1$$

$$Also,\; y'' = -\left[\frac{\sqrt{x}\,\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}\cdot y' - \sqrt{y}\,\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}}{x}\right]$$

$$\therefore at\left(\frac{a}{4},\frac{a}{4}\right), y'' = -\left[\frac{\sqrt{\dfrac{a}{4}}\,\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{\dfrac{a}{4}}}\cdot(-1) - \sqrt{\dfrac{a}{4}}\,\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{\dfrac{a}{4}}}}{\dfrac{a}{4}}\right] = -\frac{(-\dfrac{1}{2}-\dfrac{1}{2})}{\dfrac{a}{4}} = -\frac{(-1)}{\dfrac{a}{4}} = \frac{4}{a}$$

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$$\therefore \rho = \frac{\left[1+ y'^{\,2}\right]^{3/2}}{y''} = \frac{\left[1+ -1^{\,2}\right]^{3/2}}{4/a} = \frac{a}{4}2\sqrt{2} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Example 11: Show that the radius of curvature for the curve $y = 4 \sin x - \sin 2x$

at $x = \pi/2$ is $5\sqrt{5}/4$

$y = 4 \sin x - \sin 2x \Rightarrow y' = 4\cos x - 2\cos 2x$

$\therefore$ when $x = \pi/2$, $y' = 4\cos \pi/2 - 2\cos \pi = 0 - 2(-1) = 2$

Also, $y'' = -4\sin x + 4\sin 2x$ and when $x = \pi/2$, $y'' = -4\sin \pi/2 + 4\sin \pi = -4$

$$\therefore \rho = \frac{\left[1+ y'^{\,2}\right]^{3/2}}{y''} = \frac{\left[1+2^2\right]^{3/2}}{-4} \Rightarrow |\rho| = \frac{5\sqrt{5}}{4}$$

Example 12: Find the radius of curvature for $xy^2 = a^3 - x^3$ at $(a, 0)$.

$xy^2 = a^3 - x^3 \Rightarrow y^2 + 2xy\, y' = -3x^2$

$\therefore y' = \dfrac{-3x^2 - y^2}{2xy}$ and at $(a,0),\; y' = \infty$

In such cases we write $\dfrac{dx}{dy} = \dfrac{2xy}{-3x^2 - y^2}$ and $at(a,0), \dfrac{dx}{dy} = 0$

Also $\dfrac{dx}{dy} = \dfrac{-2xy}{3x^2 + y^2} \Rightarrow \dfrac{d^2x}{dy^2} = \left[\dfrac{3x^2 + y\left(2\dfrac{dx}{dy}y + 2x\right) - 2xy\left(6x\dfrac{dx}{dy} + 2y\right)}{3x^2 + y^2{}^2}\right]$

$\therefore At\; a,0\;,\; \dfrac{d^2x}{dy^2} = \left[\dfrac{3a^2 + 0\;\; 0+2a\; -0}{3a^2 + 0\;{}^2}\right] = \dfrac{-6a^3}{9a^4} = \dfrac{-2}{3a}$

$\therefore \rho = \dfrac{\left[1+\left(\dfrac{dx}{dy}\right)^2\right]^{3/2}}{d^2x/dy^2} = \dfrac{\left[1+0^2\right]^{3/2}}{-2/3a}$ or $|\rho| = \dfrac{3a}{2}$

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An expression for the radius of curvature in the case of a parametric curve $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$

$$\rho = \frac{\left\{(\dot{x})^2 + (\dot{y})^2\right\}^{3/2}}{\dot{x}\,\ddot{y} - \dot{y}\,\ddot{x}}$$

1. Find the radius of curvature of the curve

$x = a\log(\sec t + \tan t),\ \ y = a\sec t$

$\Rightarrow x = a\log(\sec t + \tan t)$

$\dfrac{dx}{dt} = \dfrac{a}{\sec t + \tan t}\sec t \tan t + \sec^2 t = \dfrac{a\sec t(\sec t + \tan t)}{(\sec t + \tan t)}$

$\therefore \dfrac{dx}{dt} = a\sec t$

Also $y = a\sec t$ *gives*

$\dfrac{dy}{dt} = a\sec t \tan t$

Now , $y_1 = \dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{dy}{dt}\dfrac{dt}{dx} = \dfrac{a\sec t \tan t}{a\sec t}$

$y_1 = \tan t$

Differentiating w.r.t x we get

$y_2 = \sec^2 t\,\dfrac{dt}{dx}$

$\therefore y_2 = \dfrac{\sec t}{a}$

we have $\rho = \dfrac{\left(1 + y_1^2\right)^{3/2}}{y_2}$

$\rho = \dfrac{a\left(1 + \tan^2 t\right)^{3/2}}{\sec t}$

$\rho = a\sec^2 t$

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2. *Show that the radius of curvature at any point* θ *on the cycloid* $x = a(\theta + \sin\theta)$, $y = a(1 - \cos\theta)$ *is* $4a\cos(\theta/2)$

$\gg$ $x = a(\theta + \sin\theta)$; $y = a(1 - \cos\theta)$

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = a(1 + \cos 0) \quad ; \quad \frac{dy}{d\theta} = a\sin\theta$$

$$y_1 = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{d\theta}\frac{dx}{d\theta} = \frac{a\sin\theta}{a(1+\cos\theta)} = \frac{2\sin(\theta/2)\cos(\theta/2)}{2\cos^2(\theta/2)}$$

$\therefore$ $y_1 = \tan(\theta/2)$

Differentiating w.r.t. x we get,

$$y_2 = \sec^2(\theta/2) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx}$$

$$= \sec^2(\theta/2) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{a(1+\cos\theta)} = \frac{\sec^2(\theta/2)}{4a\cos^2(\theta/2)}$$

$\therefore$ $y_2 = \frac{1}{4a}\sec^4(\theta/2)$

We have $\rho = \dfrac{(1+y_1^2)^{3/2}}{y_2}$

$$= \frac{[1 + \tan^2(\theta/2)]^{3/2} \cdot 4a}{\sec^4(\theta/2)}$$

$$= \frac{[\sec^2(\theta/2)]^{3/2} \cdot 4a}{\sec^4(\theta/2)} = \frac{4a\sec^3(\theta/2)}{\sec^4(\theta/2)}$$

Thus $\rho = 4a\cos(\theta/2)$
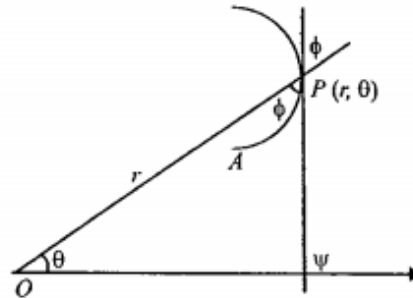
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An expression for the radius of curvature in the case of a polar curve $r = f(\theta)$

Let $OP = r$ be the radius vector and ϕ be the angle made by the radius vector with the tangent at $P(r, \theta)$.

Let ψ be the angle made by the tangent at P with the initial line.

Let A be a fixed point on the curve and let $\stackrel{\frown}{AP} = s$.

We have $\psi = \theta + \phi$

$$\therefore \quad \frac{d\psi}{ds} = \frac{d\theta}{ds} + \frac{d\phi}{ds} = \frac{d\theta}{ds} + \frac{d\phi}{d\theta} \cdot \frac{d\theta}{ds} \quad ie., \quad \frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{d\theta}{ds}\left(1 + \frac{d\phi}{d\theta}\right)$$

$$\text{or} \quad \rho = \frac{\left(\dfrac{ds}{d\theta}\right)}{1 + \dfrac{d\phi}{d\theta}} \qquad\qquad\qquad \ldots (1)$$

We know that $\tan\phi = r\dfrac{d\theta}{dr} = r\left/\left(\dfrac{dr}{d\theta}\right)\right.$

$ie., \quad \tan\phi = \dfrac{r}{r_1} \quad$ where $r_1 = \dfrac{dr}{d\theta}$

Differentiating w.r.t θ we get,

$$\sec^2\phi \, \frac{d\phi}{d\theta} = \frac{r_1 \cdot r_1 - r \cdot r_2}{r_1^2} \quad \text{where } r_2 = \frac{d^2 r}{d\theta^2}$$

$$\text{or} \quad \frac{d\phi}{d\theta} = \frac{r_1^2 - r r_2}{r_1^2 \sec^2\phi} = \frac{r_1^2 - r r_2}{r_1^2(1 + \tan^2\phi)}$$

$$ie., \quad \frac{d\phi}{d\theta} = \frac{r_1^2 - r r_2}{r_1^2[1 + (r^2/r_1^2)]} = \frac{r_1^2 - r r_2}{r_1^2 + r^2}$$

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Hence $1 + \dfrac{d\phi}{d\theta} = 1 + \dfrac{r_1^2 - rr_2}{r^2 + r_1^2} = \dfrac{r^2 + r_1^2 + r_1^2 - rr_2}{r^2 + r_1^2}$

ie., $1 + \dfrac{d\phi}{d\theta} = \dfrac{r^2 + 2r_1^2 - rr_2}{r^2 + r_1^2}$ ...(2)

Also, we know that $\dfrac{ds}{d\theta} = \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\dfrac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} = \sqrt{r^2 + r_1^2}$ ...(3)
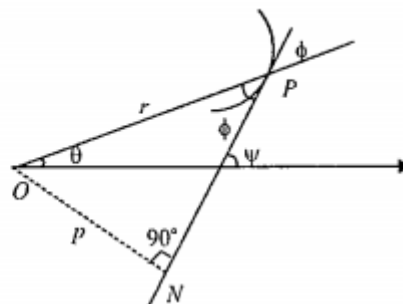
Using (2) and (3) in (1) we get

$$\rho = \sqrt{r^2 + r_1^2} \cdot \dfrac{(r^2 + r_1^2)}{r^2 + 2r_1^2 - rr_2}$$

Thus in the polar form , $\boxed{\rho = \dfrac{(r^2 + r_1^2)^{3/2}}{r^2 + 2r_1^2 - rr_2}}$

An expression for the radius of curvature in the case of a pedal curve

Let $OP = r$ be the radius vector and ϕ be the angle made by the radius vector with the tangent at P. Let ψ be the angle made by the tangent at P with the initial line. Draw $ON = p$, a perpendicular from the pole to the tangent.

We have from the Δ ONP, $\sin\phi = \dfrac{p}{r}$

ie., $p = r\sin\phi$ ...(1)

Differentiating (1) w.r.t r we get,

$$\dfrac{dp}{dr} = r\cos\phi \dfrac{d\phi}{dr} + 1 \cdot \sin\phi$$

But we know that, $\sin\phi = r\dfrac{d\theta}{ds}$ and $\cos\phi = \dfrac{dr}{ds}$

$\therefore$ $\dfrac{dp}{dr} = r\dfrac{d\phi}{dr}\dfrac{dr}{ds} + r\dfrac{d\theta}{ds} = r\left[\dfrac{d\phi}{ds} + \dfrac{d\theta}{ds}\right] = r\dfrac{d}{ds}(\phi + \theta)$

But $\phi + \theta = \psi$

$\therefore$ $\dfrac{dp}{dr} = r\dfrac{d\psi}{ds}$ or $\dfrac{ds}{d\psi} = r\dfrac{dr}{dp}$

Thus $\boxed{\rho = r\dfrac{dr}{dp}}$

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1. *Show that the radius of curvature of the curve $r^n = a^n \cos n\theta$ varies inversely as r^{n-1}*

$>>$ $\quad r^n = a^n \cos n\theta$

$\Rightarrow$ $\quad n \log r = n \log a + \log(\cos n\theta)$

Differentiating w.r.t. θ we have,

$$\frac{n}{r}\frac{dr}{d\theta} = 0 + \frac{-n \sin n\theta}{\cos n\theta} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{r}\frac{dr}{d\theta} = -\tan n\theta$$

$\therefore$ $\quad r_1 = -r \tan n\theta$

Hence $r_2 = \dfrac{d^2 r}{d\theta^2} = -r_1 \tan n\theta - n r \sec^2 n\theta$

We have $\quad \rho = \dfrac{(r^2 + r_1^2)^{3/2}}{r^2 + 2r_1^2 - r r_2}$

$\therefore$ $\quad \rho = \dfrac{(r^2 + r^2 \tan^2 n\theta)^{3/2}}{r^2 + 2r^2 \tan^2 n\theta - r(-r_1 \tan n\theta - nr \sec^2 n\theta)}$

$$= \dfrac{(r^2)^{3/2}(\sec^2 n\theta)^{3/2}}{r^2 + 2r^2 \tan^2 n\theta - r^2 \tan^2 n\theta + nr^2 \sec^2 n\theta}$$

$$= \dfrac{r^3 \sec^3 n\theta}{r^2(1 + \tan^2 n\theta + n \sec^2 n\theta)}$$

$$= \dfrac{r \sec^3 n\theta}{\sec^2 n\theta(1+n)} = \dfrac{r \sec n\theta}{(1+n)}$$

Thus $\quad \rho = \dfrac{r}{1+n} \sec n\theta$

But $\quad a^n / r^n = \sec n\theta$ by data.

$\therefore$ $\quad \rho = \dfrac{r}{1+n} \cdot \dfrac{a^n}{r^n} = \left[\dfrac{a^n}{1+n}\right]\dfrac{1}{r^{n-1}}$

ie., $\quad \rho = \text{const} \cdot \dfrac{1}{r^{n-1}}$

Thus $\rho \propto 1/r^{n-1}$

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2. *Find the radius of curvature of the curve* $r = a \sin n\theta$ *at the pole.*

>> $r = a \sin n\theta$

∴ $r_1 = a n \cos n\theta, \; r_2 = -an^2 \sin n\theta$

At the pole we have $\theta = 0$. When $\theta = 0$: $r = 0, \; r_1 = an, \; r_2 = 0$

We have $\rho = \dfrac{(r^2 + r_1^2)^{3/2}}{r^2 + 2r_1^2 - r\,r_2}$

∴ $\rho = \dfrac{(a^2 n^2)^{3/2}}{2a^2 n^2} = \dfrac{a^3 n^3}{2a^2 n^2} = \dfrac{a n}{2}$

Thus $\rho = an/2$ at the pole.

3. *Find the radius of curvature of the curve* $\theta = \dfrac{\sqrt{r^2 - a^2}}{a} - \cos^{-1}(a/r)$ *at any point on it.*

>>   Differentiating the given equation w.r.t. r we have,

$\dfrac{d\theta}{dr} = \dfrac{1}{a} \cdot \dfrac{2r}{2\sqrt{r^2 - a^2}} - \left\{ \dfrac{-1}{\sqrt{1 - (a/r)^2}} \cdot \dfrac{-a}{r^2} \right\}$

$= \dfrac{r}{a\sqrt{r^2 - a^2}} - \dfrac{r}{\sqrt{r^2 - a^2}} \cdot \dfrac{a}{r^2}$

$= \dfrac{1}{\sqrt{r^2 - a^2}}\left(\dfrac{r}{a} - \dfrac{a}{r} \right) = \dfrac{r^2 - a^2}{\sqrt{r^2 - a^2} \cdot a r}$

ie., $\dfrac{d\theta}{dr} = \dfrac{\sqrt{r^2 - a^2}}{ar}$ . . . (1)

We prefer to find the pedal equation of the given curve and then apply the formula for ρ in the pedal form.

From (1) $\dfrac{1}{r} \dfrac{dr}{d\theta} = \dfrac{a}{\sqrt{r^2 - a^2}}$ ie., $\cot\phi = \dfrac{a}{\sqrt{r^2 - a^2}}$

Consider $p = r \sin\phi$

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$\Rightarrow \qquad \dfrac{1}{p^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^2}\operatorname{cosec}^2\phi \quad ie.,\ \dfrac{1}{p^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^2}(1+\cot^2\phi)$

$\therefore \qquad \dfrac{1}{p^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^2}\left[1 + \dfrac{a^2}{r^2-a^2}\right]$

$ie., \qquad \dfrac{1}{p^2} = \dfrac{1}{r^2}\left[\dfrac{r^2}{r^2-a^2}\right] \quad ie.,\ \dfrac{1}{p} = \dfrac{1}{\sqrt{r^2-a^2}}$

$\therefore \qquad p = \sqrt{r^2-a^2}$ is the pedal equation of the curve.

Differentiating w.r.t. p we get,

$1 = \dfrac{2r}{2\sqrt{r^2-a^2}}\dfrac{dr}{dp} \quad ie.,\ \sqrt{r^2-a^2} = r\,\dfrac{dr}{dp} = \rho$

Thus $\quad \rho = \sqrt{r^2-a^2}$