Tutorial B4 Differentiation

Problem 1.

Evaluate the following limits.

- (a) $\lim_{x \to 5} (6x + 7)$
- (b) $\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{x^3 1}{1 x}$
- (c) $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{3x}{2x^2 5}$

Solution

Part (a)

$$\lim_{x \to 5} (6x + 7) = 6 \cdot 5 + 7$$
$$= 37$$

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Part (b)

$$\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{x^3 - 1}{1 - x} = \lim_{x \to 1} \frac{(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1)}{1 - x}$$
$$= \lim_{x \to 1} -(x^2 + x + 1)$$
$$= -(1^2 + 1 + 1)$$
$$= -3$$

$$\lim_{x \to 1} \frac{x^3 - 1}{1 - x} = -3$$

Part (c)

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{3x}{2x^2 - 5} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{3}{2x - \frac{5}{x}}$$

Note that as $x \to \infty$, $2x - \frac{5}{x} \to \infty - 0$. Hence, $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{1}{2x - \frac{5}{x}} = 0$.

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{3x}{2x^2 - 5} = 0$$

Problem 2.

Differentiate the following with respect to x from first principles.

- (a) 3x + 4
- (b) x^3

Solution

Part (a)

$$\frac{d}{dx}(3x+4) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{(3(x+h)+4) - (3x+4)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{3h}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} 3$$

$$= 3$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(3x+4) = 3$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}x^{3} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{(x+h)^{3} - x^{3}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{x^{3} + 3hx^{2} + 3h^{2}x + h^{3} - x^{3}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{3hx^{2} + 3h^{2}x + h^{3}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} (3x^{2} + 3hx + h^{2})$$

$$= 3x^{2}$$

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

Problem 3.

Differentiate each of the following with respect to x, simplifying your answer.

(a)
$$(x^2+4)^2(2x^3-1)$$

(b)
$$\frac{x^2}{\sqrt{4-x^2}}$$

(c)
$$\sqrt{1+\sqrt{x}}$$

(d)
$$\left(\frac{x^3 - 1}{2x^3 + 1}\right)^4$$

Solution

Part (a)

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

$$= (2x^3-1)\cdot 2(x^2+4)\cdot 2x + (x^2+4)^2\cdot 6x^2$$

$$= 2x(x^2+4)(2(2x^3-1)+3x(x^2+4))$$

$$= 2x(x^2+4)(7x^3+12x-2)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}(x^2+4)^2(2x^3-1) = 2x(x^2+4)(7x^3+12x-2)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{4 - x^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{4 - x^2} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} x^2 - x^2 \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \sqrt{4 - x^2}}{4 - x^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{4 - x^2} \cdot 2x - x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4 - x^2}} \cdot -2x}{4 - x^2}$$

$$= \frac{(4 - x^2) \cdot 2x - x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot -2x}{(4 - x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{(4 - x^2) \cdot 2x + x^3}{(4 - x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{x(8 - x^2)}{(4 - x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} = \frac{x(8-x^2)}{(4-x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

Part (c)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\sqrt{1+\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1+\sqrt{x}}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{x(1+\sqrt{x})}}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\sqrt{1+\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{x(1+\sqrt{x})}}$$

Part (d)

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left(\frac{x^3 - 1}{2x^3 + 1} \right)^4 &= 4 \left(\frac{x^3 - 1}{2x^3 + 1} \right)^3 \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \frac{x^3 - 1}{2x^3 + 1} \\ &= 4 \left(\frac{x^3 - 1}{2x^3 + 1} \right)^3 \cdot \frac{(2x^3 + 1) \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} (x^3 - 1) - (x^3 - 1) \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} (2x^3 + 1)}{(2x^3 + 1)^2} \\ &= 4 \left(\frac{x^3 - 1}{2x^3 + 1} \right)^3 \cdot \frac{(2x^3 + 1) \cdot 3x^2 - (x^3 - 1) \cdot 6x^2}{(2x^3 + 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{4 (x^3 - 1)^3}{(2x^3 + 1)^3} \cdot \frac{(2x^3 + 1) \cdot 3x^2 - (x^3 - 1) \cdot 6x^2}{(2x^3 + 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{4 (x^3 - 1)^3}{(2x^3 + 1)^5} \cdot \left(\left(2x^3 + 1 \right) \cdot 3x^2 - \left(x^3 - 1 \right) \cdot 6x^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{12x^2 (x^3 - 1)^3}{(2x^3 + 1)^5} \cdot \left(2x^3 + 1 - (x^3 - 1) \cdot 2 \right) \\ &= \frac{12x^2 (x^3 - 1)^3}{(2x^3 + 1)^5} \cdot 3 \\ &= \frac{36x^2 (x^3 - 1)^3}{(2x^3 + 1)^5} \\ &\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left(\frac{x^3 - 1}{2x^3 + 1} \right)^4 = \frac{36x^2 (x^3 - 1)^3}{(2x^3 + 1)^5} \end{split}$$

Problem 4.

Using a graphing calculator, find the derivative of $\frac{e^{2x}}{x^2+1}$ when x=1.5.

Solution

$$\left| \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \frac{e^{2x}}{x^2 + 1} \right|_{x = 1.5} = 6.66$$

Problem 5.

Find the derivative with respect to x of

- (a) $\cos x^{\circ}$
- (b) $\cot (1 2x^2)$
- (c) $\tan^3(5x)$
- (d) $\frac{\sec x}{1 + \tan x}$

Solution

Part (a)

$$\frac{d}{dx}\cos x^{\circ} = \frac{d}{dx}\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{180}x\right)$$
$$= \frac{\pi}{180} \cdot \left(-\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{180}x\right)\right)$$
$$= -\frac{\pi}{180}\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{180}x\right)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\cos x^{\circ} = -\frac{\pi}{180}\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{180}x\right)$$

Part (b)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\cot\left(1-2x^2\right) = -\csc\left(1-2x^2\right)\cdot(-4x)$$
$$= 4x\csc\left(1-2x^2\right)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\cot(1 - 2x^2) = 4x\csc(1 - 2x^2)$$

Part (c)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\tan^3(5x) = 3\tan^2(5x)\cdot\sec^2(5x)\cdot 5$$
$$= 15\tan^2(5x)\sec^2(5x)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\tan^3(5x) = 15\tan^2(5x)\sec^2(5x)$$

Part (d)

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

$$= \frac{(1 + \tan x) \cdot \sec x \tan x - \sec x \cdot \sec^2 x}{(1 + \tan x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sec x (\tan x (1 + \tan x) - \sec^2 x)}{(1 + \tan x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sec x (\tan x + \tan^2 x) - (\tan^2 x + 1)}{(1 + \tan x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sec x (\tan x - 1)}{(1 + \tan x)^2}$$

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

Problem 6.

Find the derivative with respect to x of

- (a) $y = e^{1+\sin 3x}$
- (b) $y = x^2 e^{\frac{1}{x}}$
- (c) $y = \ln\left(\frac{1-x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}\right)$
- (d) $y = \frac{\ln(2x)}{x}$
- (e) $y = \log_2(3x^4 e^x)$
- (f) $y = 3^{\ln(\sin x)}$
- (g) $y = a^{2\log_a x}$
- (h) $y = \sqrt[3]{\frac{e^x(x+1)}{x^2+1}}, x > 0$

Solution

Part (a)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}e^{1+\sin 3x}$$

$$= e^{1+\sin 3x} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(1+\sin 3x)$$

$$= e^{1+\sin 3x} \cdot \cos 3x \cdot 3$$

$$= 3e^{1+\sin 3x} \cos 3x$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = 3e^{1+\sin 3x}\cos 3x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}x^{2}e^{\frac{1}{x}}$$

$$= x^{2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}e^{\frac{1}{x}} + e^{\frac{1}{x}} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}x^{2}$$

$$= x^{2} \cdot e^{\frac{1}{x}} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}\frac{1}{x} + e^{\frac{1}{x}} \cdot 2x$$

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

$$= -e^{\frac{1}{x}} + 2xe^{\frac{1}{x}}$$

$$= e^{\frac{1}{x}}(2x - 1)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = e^{\frac{1}{x}}(2x - 1)}$$

Part (c)

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

$$= \ln(1-x) - \ln(\sqrt{1+x^2})$$

$$= \ln(1-x) - \frac{1}{2}\ln(1+x^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1-x} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(1-x) - \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{1+x^2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(1+x^2)\right)$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{x-1} - \frac{x}{1+x^2}$$

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

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

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

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Part (d)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\ln(2x)}{x}$$

$$= \frac{x \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \ln(2x) - \ln(2x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} x}{x^2}$$

$$= \frac{x \cdot \frac{1}{2x} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} 2x - \ln(2x)}{x^2}$$

$$= \frac{x \cdot \frac{1}{2x} \cdot 2 - \ln(2x)}{x^2}$$

$$= \frac{1 - \ln(2x)}{x^2}$$

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

Part (e)

$$y = \log_2(3x^4 - e^x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^y = 3x^4 - e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{\ln 2^y} = 3x^4 - e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{y \ln 2} = 3x^4 - e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{y \ln 2} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \ln 2 = 3 \cdot 4x^3 - e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^3 - e^x}{e^{y \ln 2} \ln 2}$$

$$= \frac{12x^3 - e^x}{(3x^4 - e^x) \ln 2}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{12x^3 - e^x}{(3x^4 - e^x) \ln 2}}$$

Part (f)

$$y = 3^{\ln(\sin x)}$$

$$\implies \log_3 y = \ln(\sin x)$$

$$\implies \frac{\ln y}{\ln 3} = \ln(\sin x)$$

$$\implies \ln y = \ln 3 \cdot \ln(\sin x)$$

$$\implies \frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \ln 3 \cdot \frac{1}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \sin x$$

$$= \ln 3 \cdot \frac{1}{\sin x} \cdot \cos x$$

$$\implies \frac{dy}{dx} = \ln 3 \cdot \cot x \cdot y$$

$$= \ln 3 \cdot \cot x \cdot 3^{\ln(\sin x)}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx}} = \ln 3 \cdot \cot x \cdot 3^{\ln(\sin x)}$$

Part (g)

$$y = a^{2 \log_a x}$$

$$= a^{\log_a x^2}$$

$$= x^2$$

$$\Longrightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}x^2$$

$$= 2x$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x}$$

Part (h)

$$y = \sqrt[3]{\frac{e^x(x+1)}{x^2+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow y^3 = \frac{e^x(x+1)}{x^2+1}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (x^2+1) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}y^3 + y^3 \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x^2+1) = e^x \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(x+1) + (x+1)\frac{d}{dx}e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2+1) \cdot 3y^2 \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + y^3 \cdot 2x = e^x \cdot 1 + (x+1) \cdot e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2+1) \cdot 3y^2 \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = e^x(x+2) - 2xy^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{e^x(x+2) - 2xy^3}{(x^2+1) \cdot 3y^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{e^x(x+2)}{(x^2+1)y^2} - \frac{2xy}{x^2+1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{e^x(x+1)(x+2)}{(x^2+1)(x+1)y^2} - \frac{2xy}{x^2+1} \right)$$

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

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \sqrt[3]{\frac{e^x(x+1)}{x^2+1}} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{2x}{x^2+1} \right)$$

Problem 7.

Find the derivative with respect to x of

- (a) $\arccos \frac{x}{10}$
- (b) $\arctan \frac{1}{1-x}$
- (c) $\arcsin(\tan x)$

Solution

Part (a)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\arccos\frac{x}{10} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x}{10}\right)^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{10}$$
$$= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{100 - x^2}}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\arccos\frac{x}{10} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{100 - x^2}}$$

Part (b)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \arctan \frac{1}{1-x} = \frac{1}{1+\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right)^2} \cdot -\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \cdot -1$$

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

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

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\arctan\frac{1}{1-x} = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2 + 1}$$

Part (c)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\arcsin(\tan x) = \frac{1}{1-\tan^2 x} \cdot \sec^2 x$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\arcsin(\tan x) = \frac{\sec^2 x}{1-\tan^2 x}$$

Problem 8.

Find an expression for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y.

- (a) $(y-x)^2 = 2a(y+x)$, where a is a constant
- (b) $y^2 = e^{2x}y + xe^x$
- (c) $y = x^y$
- (d) $\sin x \cos y = \frac{1}{2}$

Solution

Part (a)

$$(y-x)^{2} = 2a(y+x)$$

$$\implies 2(y-x)\left(\frac{dy}{dx}-1\right) = 2a\left(\frac{dy}{dx}+1\right)$$

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

$$\implies (y-x)\cdot\frac{dy}{dx} - (y-x) = a\cdot\frac{dy}{dx} + a$$

$$\implies (y-x-a)\cdot\frac{dy}{dx} = a+y-x$$

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

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

$$y^{2} = e^{2x}y + xe^{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{2x} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cdot \frac{d}{dx}e^{2x} + x \cdot \frac{d}{dx}e^{x} + e^{x} \cdot \frac{d}{dx}x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{2x} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cdot e^{2x} \cdot 2 + xe^{x} + e^{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2y - e^{2x}) \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = y \cdot e^{2x} \cdot 2 + xe^{x} + e^{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2y - e^{2x}) \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{x} (2e^{x}y + x + 1)$$

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

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

Part (c)

$$y = x^{y}$$

$$\ln y = y \ln x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = y \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \ln x + \ln x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{y} - \ln x\right) \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$$

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

$$= \frac{y^{2}}{x - xy \ln x}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y^{2}}{x - xy \ln x}}$$

Part (d)

$$\sin x \cos y = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\implies \sin x \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \cos y + \cos y \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \sin x = 0$$

$$\implies \sin x \cdot -\sin y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + \cos y \cdot \cos x = 0$$

$$\implies -\sin x \sin y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = -\cos x \cos y$$

$$\implies \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\cos x \cos y}{\sin x \sin y}$$

$$= \cot x \cot y$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \cot x \cot y$$

Problem 9.

It is given that x and y satisfy the equation

$$\arctan x + \arctan y + \arctan xy = \frac{7}{12}\pi \tag{9.1}$$

- (a) Find the exact value of y when x = 1.
- (b) Express $\frac{d}{dx} \arctan(xy)$ in terms of x, y and y'.
- (c) Show that, when x = 1, $y' = -\frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}$.

Solution

Part (a)

Substituting x = 1 into Equation 9.1,

$$\arctan 1 + \arctan y + \arctan y = \frac{7}{12}\pi$$

$$\implies \frac{1}{4}\pi + 2\arctan y = \frac{7}{12}\pi$$

$$\implies \arctan y = \frac{1}{6}\pi$$

$$\implies y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

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Part (b)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\arctan(xy) = \frac{1}{1 + (xy)^2} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}(xy)$$
$$= \frac{1}{1 + (xy)^2} \cdot (xy' + y)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\arctan(xy) = \frac{1}{1 + (xy)^2} \cdot (xy' + y)$$

Part (c)

Differentiating Equation 9.1 with respect to x,

$$\frac{1}{1+x^2} + \frac{y'}{1+y^2} + \frac{1}{1+(xy)^2} \cdot (xy'+y) = 0$$

Substituting x = 1,

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4}y' + \frac{3}{4}(y' + y) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y'(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4}) = \frac{3}{4}\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2}y' = \frac{-3 - 2\sqrt{3}}{4\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow y' = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{-3 - 2\sqrt{3}}{4\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \frac{-1 - \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{3}$$

Problem 10.

Find $\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}$ for

(a)
$$x = \frac{1}{1+t^2}$$
, $y = \frac{t}{1+t^2}$

(b)
$$x = \frac{1}{2}(e^t - e^{-t}), y = \frac{1}{2}(e^t + e^{-t})$$

(c)
$$x = a \sec \theta, y = a \tan \theta$$

(d)
$$x = e^{3\theta} \cos 3\theta$$
, $y = e^{3\theta} \sin 3\theta$

Solution

Part (a)

Observe that y = xt.

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = x \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}t}{\mathrm{d}x} + t$$

$$= x \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}t}\right)^{-1} + t$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+t^2} \left(-\frac{1}{(1+t^2)^2} \cdot 2t\right)^{-1} + t$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+t^2} \cdot \left(-\frac{(1+t^2)^2}{2t}\right) + t$$

$$= -\frac{1+t^2}{2t} + \frac{2t^2}{2t}$$

$$= \frac{t^2 - 1}{2t}$$

$$\left[\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \frac{t^2 - 1}{2t}\right]$$

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$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx}$$

$$= \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2}(e^t - e^{-t})}{\frac{1}{2}(e^t + e^{-t})}$$

$$= \frac{e^t - e^{-t}}{e^t + e^{-t}}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \frac{e^t - e^{-t}}{e^t + e^{-t}}$$

Part (c)

Recall that $\tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta$. Hence, $y^2 + a^2 = x^2$. Implicitly differentiating, we have

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

$$\implies \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{y}$$

$$= \frac{a \sec \theta}{a \tan \theta}$$

$$= \csc \theta$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \csc\theta$$

Part (d)

Recall that $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$. Hence, $x^2 + y^2 = e^{6\theta}$. Implicitly differentiating, we have

$$2x + 2y \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = e^{6\theta} \cdot 6 \frac{\mathrm{d}\theta}{\mathrm{d}x}$$

$$\implies x + y \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = 3e^{6\theta} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}\theta}{\mathrm{d}x}$$
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Observe that $\frac{y}{x} = \tan 3\theta$. Implicitly differentiating,

$$\frac{x\frac{dy}{dx} - y}{x^2} = \sec^2 3\theta \cdot 3\frac{d\theta}{dx}$$

$$\implies x\frac{dy}{dx} - y = 3x^2 \sec^2 3\theta \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx}$$

$$= 3(e^{3\theta}\cos 3\theta)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\cos^2 3\theta} \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx}$$

$$= 3e^{6\theta} \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx}$$
(10.2)

Subtracting Equation 10.1 from Equation 10.2,

$$x\frac{dy}{dx} - y\frac{dy}{dx} - y - x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - y)\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$$

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

$$= \frac{e^{3\theta}(\cos 3\theta + \sin 3\theta)}{e^{3\theta}(\cos 3\theta - \sin 3\theta)}$$

$$= \frac{\cos 3\theta + \sin 3\theta}{\cos 3\theta - \sin 3\theta}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \tan 3\theta}{1 - \tan 3\theta}$$

$$= \tan \left(3\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \tan\left(3\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

Problem 11.

A curve is defined by the parametric equation

$$x = 120t - 4t^2, y = 60t - 6t^2$$

Find the value of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ at each of the points where the curve cross the x-axis.

Solution

The curve crosses the x-axis when y = 0.

$$y = 0$$

$$\implies 60t - 6t^{2} = 0$$

$$\implies 10t - t^{2} = 0$$

$$\implies t(10 - t) = 0$$

Hence, t = 0 or t = 10. Now, consider the derivative with respect to x of the curve.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx}$$
$$= \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^{-1}$$
$$= \frac{60 - 12t}{120 - 8t}$$

Case 1: t = 0

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}\Big|_{t=0} = \frac{60 - 12 \cdot 0}{120 - 8 \cdot 0}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

Case 2: t = 10

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}\bigg|_{t=10} &= \frac{60 - 12 \cdot 10}{120 - 8 \cdot 10} \\ &= -\frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \frac{1}{2} \vee -\frac{3}{2}$$

Problem 12.

A curve has parametric equations $x = 2t - \ln(2t)$, $y = t^2 - \ln t^2$, where t > 0. Find the value of t at the point on the curve at which the gradient is 2.

Solution

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx}$$

$$= \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{2t - \frac{2}{t}}{2 - \frac{1}{t}}$$

$$= \frac{2t^2 - 2}{2t - 1}$$

Consider $\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = 2$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2t^2 - 2}{2t - 1} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{t^2 - 1}{2t - 1} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 - 1 = 2t - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 - 2t = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t(t - 2) = 0$$

Hence, t = 0 or t = 2. Since t > 0, we reject t = 0. Thus, t = 2.

$$t=2$$

Problem 13.

If
$$y = \ln(\sin^3 2x)$$
, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and prove that $3\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + 36 = 0$.

Solution

$$y = \ln(\sin^3 2x)$$

$$\Rightarrow e^y = \sin^3 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow e^y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 3\sin^2 2x \cdot \cos 2x \cdot 2$$

$$= 6\sin^2 2x \cos 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6\sin^2 2x \cos 2x}{e^y}$$

$$= \frac{6\sin^2 2x \cos 2x}{\sin^3 2x}$$

$$= \frac{6\cos 2x}{\sin 2x}$$

$$= 6\cot 2x$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = 6\cot 2x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6 \cot 2x$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 6 \cdot -\csc^2 2x \cdot 2$$

$$= -12 \csc^2 2x$$

$$= -12 \left(1 + \cot^2 2x\right)$$

$$= -12 - 12 \cot^2 2x$$

$$= -12 - \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -36 - \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 + 36 = 0$$

Problem 14.

Given that $y = e^{\arcsin 2x}$, show that $(1 - 4x^2) \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 y}{\mathrm{d}x^2} - 4x \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = 4y$. Further differentiate this result to obtain a differential equation for $\frac{\mathrm{d}^3 y}{\mathrm{d}x^3}$.

Solution

$$y = e^{\arcsin 2x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = \arcsin 2x$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{2y}{\sqrt{1 - 4x^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\sqrt{1 - 4x^2} \cdot 2\frac{dy}{dx} - 2y \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1 - 4x^2}} \cdot -8x}{1 - 4x^2}$$

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

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

$$= 4y + 4x \frac{dy}{dx}$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow (1 - 4x^2) \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} + \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \cdot (-8x) - 4\left(x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx}\right) = 4 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - 4x^2) \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 8x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4 \frac{dy}{dx} = 4 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - 4x^2) \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 12x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 8 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$(1 - 4x^2) \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} - 12x \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 8 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$