first solution has the output in a cell array:

```
>> syms x y R

The two equations are typed in the solve command.

>> [xc,yc] = solve('(x-2)^2+(y-4)^2=R^2', 'y=x/2+1')

Output in a cell array.

xc =
((4*R^2)/5 - 64/25)^(1/2) + 14/5
14/5 - ((4*R^2)/5 - 64/25)^(1/2)
yc =
((4*R^2)/5 - 64/25)^(1/2)/2 + 12/5
12/5 - ((4*R^2)/5 - 64/25)^(1/2)/2

The two equations are typed in the solve command.

Output in a cell array with two cells named xc and yc. Each cell contains two solutions in a symbolic column vector.
```

The second solution has the output in a structure:

```
>> COORD = solve('(x-2)^2 + (y-4)^2 = R^2', 'y = x/2 + 1')
                             Output in a structure.
COORD =
                      Output in a structure named COORD that has two
     x: [2x1 sym]
                      fields, x and y. Each field is a 2 by 1 symbolic vector.
    y: [2x1 sym]
                                           Type the address of the field x.
>> COORD.x
ans =
                                             The content of the field (the
((4*R^2)/5 - 64/25)^(1/2) + 14/5
                                             solution for x) is displayed.
14/5 - ((4*R^2)/5 - 64/25)^(1/2)
                                           Type the address of the field y.
>> COORD.y
ans =
                                            The content of the field (the
((4*R^2)/5 - 64/25)^(1/2)/2 + 12/5
                                            solution for y) is displayed.
12/5 - ((4*R^2)/5 - 64/25)^{(1/2)/2}
```

11.4 DIFFERENTIATION

Symbolic differentiation can be carried out by using the diff command. The form of the command is:

- Either S can be the name of a previously created symbolic expression, or an expression can be typed in for S.
- In the diff(S) command, if the expression contains one symbolic variable, the differentiation is carried out with respect to that variable. If the expression contains more than one variable, the differentiation is carried out with respect to the default symbolic variable (Section 11.1.3).

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• In the diff(S, var) command (which is used for differentiation of expressions with several symbolic variables) the differentiation is carried out with respect to the variable var.

• The second or higher (*n*th) derivative can be determined with the diff(S, n) or diff(S, var, n) command, where n is a positive number. *n* = 2 for the second derivative, *n* = 3 for the third, and so on.

Some examples are:

```
>> syms x y t
                                   Define x, y, and t as symbolic variables.
>> S=exp(x^4);
                                             Assign to S the expression e^{x^4}.
>> diff(S)
                              Use the diff(S) command to differentiate S.
ans =
                                           The answer 4x^3e^{x^4} is displayed.
4*x^3*exp(x^4)
\rightarrow diff((1-4*x)^3) Use the diff(S) command to differentiate (1-4x)^3.
                                    The answer -12(1-4x)^3 is displayed.
-12*(1-4*x)^2
>> R=5*y^2*cos(3*t);
                                      Assign to R the expression 5v^2\cos(3t)
>> diff(R)
                              Use the diff (R) command to differentiate R.
                      MATLAB differentiates R with respect to y (default
ans =
10*y*cos(3*t)
                      symbolic variable); the answer 10y\cos(3t) is displayed.
>> diff(R,t)
                     Use the diff (R,t) command to differentiate R w.r.t. t.
ans =
                                     The answer -15y^2\sin(3t) is displayed.
-15*y^2*sin(3*t)
>> diff(S,2)
                 Use diff (S, 2) command to obtain the second derivative of S.
ans =
                                              The answer 12x^2e^{x^4} + 16x^6e^{x^4}
12*x^2*exp(x^4)+16*x^6*exp(x^4)
                                              is displayed.
```

It is also possible to use the diff command by typing the expression to be differentiated as a string directly in the command without having the variables in the expression first created as symbolic objects. However, the variables in the differentiated expression do not exist as independent symbolic objects.

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Symbolic integration can be carried out by using the int command. The command can be used for determining indefinite integrals (antiderivatives) and definite integrals. For indefinite integration the form of the command is:

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} \text{int(S)} \end{array}\right] \qquad \text{or} \qquad \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{int(S,var)} \end{array}\right]$$