

### PROBLEM SET 9 – TOPIC IN DEIFFERENTIATION

1. (i) Find  $dy/dx$  by differentiating implicitly.  
(ii) Solve the equation for  $y$  as a function of  $x$ , and find  $dy/dx$  from that equation.  
(iii) Confirm that the two results are consistent by expressing the derivative in part (a) as a function of  $x$  alone.
  - (a)  $x^3 + xy - 2x = 1$
  - (b)  $xy = x - y$
2. Find  $dy/dx$  by implicit differentiation.
  - (a)  $\frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{x} = 1$
  - (b)  $x^3 - y^3 = 6xy$
  - (c)  $\sec(xy) = y$
  - (d)  $x^2 = \frac{\cot y}{1 + \csc y}$
3. Find  $d^2y/dx^2$  by implicit differentiation.
  - (a)  $3x^2 - 4y^2 = 7$
  - (b)  $2xy - y^2 = 3$
4. Use implicit differentiation to find the slope of the tangent line to the curve  $y = \tan(\pi y / 2)$ ,  $x > 0$ ,  $y > 0$  at the point  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ .
5. At what point(s) is the tangent line to the curve  $y^2 = 2x^3$  perpendicular to the line  $4x - 3y + 1 = 0$ ?
6. Find the coordinate of the point in the first quadrant at which the tangent line to the curve  $x^3 - xy + y^3 = 0$  is parallel to the x-axis.
7. Find the coordinate of the point in the first quadrant at which the tangent line to the curve  $x^3 - xy + y^3 = 0$  is parallel to the y-axis.
8. Use implicit differentiation to show that the equation of the tangent line to the curve  $y^2 = kx$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$  is  $yy_0 = \frac{1}{2}k(x + x_0)$
9. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  by first using algebraic properties of the natural logarithm function.
  - (a)  $\ln\left(\frac{(x+1)(x+2)^2}{(x+3)^3(x+4)^4}\right)$
  - (b)  $\ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{x}\sqrt[3]{x+1}}{\sin x \sec x}\right)$

10. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

(a)  $y = \ln 2x$

(b)  $y = \sqrt[3]{\ln x + 1}$

(c)  $y = \log(\ln x)$

(d)  $y = \ln(x^{3/2}\sqrt{1+x^4})$

(e)  $y = e^{\ln(x^2+1)}$

(f)  $y = 2xe^{\sqrt{x}}$

(g)  $y = x^{(e^x)}$

(h)  $y = (\ln x)^2$

(i)  $y = \ln(\sqrt[3]{x+1})$

(j)  $y = \frac{1+\log x}{1-\log x}$

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

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

(m)

(n)  $y = (1+x)^{\frac{1}{x}}$

11. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  using logarithmic differentiation

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

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

12. Find a point on the graph of  $y = e^{3x}$  at which the tangent line passes through the origin.

13. Show that the function  $y = e^{ax} \sin bx$  satisfies  $y'' - 2ay' + (a^2 + b^2)y = 0$  for any real constant  $a$  and  $b$ .

14. In each part, find each limit by interpreting the expression as an appropriate derivative

(a)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+h)^x - 1}{h}$

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow e} \frac{1 - \ln x}{(x-e)\ln x}$

15. Evaluate the given limit

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} (e^x - x^2)$

b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \sqrt{\frac{\ln x}{x^4 - 1}}$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 e^x}{\sin^2 3x}$

d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow e} \frac{a^x - 1}{x}, a > 0$

16. The hypotenuse of a right triangle is growing at a constant rate of  $a$  centimeters per second and one leg is decreasing at a constant rate  $b$  centimeters per second. How fast is the acute angle between the hypotenuse and the other leg changing at the instant when both legs are 1 cm?

17. In each part, use the given information to find  $\Delta x, \Delta y$  and  $dy$ .

(a)  $y = \frac{1}{x-1}$ ;  $x$  decreases from 2 to 1.5.

(b)  $y = \tan x$ ;  $x$  increases from  $-\pi/4$  to 0.

(c)  $y = \sqrt{25 - x^2}$ ;  $x$  increases from 0 to 3.

- 18.** Use an appropriate local linear approximation to estimate the value of  $\cot 46^\circ$ , and compare your answer to the value obtained with a calculating device.