

**Explicit Function**  $y = x^2 + x = 1$

The dependent variable  $y$  is separate from the independent variable  $x$ , making this function explicitly written.

**Implicit Function**  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

The dependent variable  $y$  is not separate from the independent variable  $x$ , making this function implicitly written.

**Implicit Differentiation** Given an implicitly written function,  $2x^3 + 2y^3 = 9xy$ . We can find the derivative by doing the following

$$\begin{aligned}2x^3 + 2y^3 &= 9xy \\ \frac{d}{dx}(2x^3 + 2y^3) &= \frac{d}{dx}(9xy) \\ 6x^2 + 6y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} &= (9)(y) + (9x) \frac{dy}{dx} \\ 6x^2 = 9y &= 9x \frac{dy}{dx} - 6y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} \\ 6x^2 = 9y &= (9x - 6y^2) \frac{dy}{dx} \\ &= \frac{6x^2 - 9y}{9x - 6y^2} = \frac{dy}{dx}\end{aligned}$$