

Suppose $y = 3^{x \ln(x)}$, where x and y are functions of t .

If $\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{\ln(3)}$, find $\frac{dy}{dt}$ when $x = 1$.

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Bellwork 11/3 - Solution, Part 1

Logarithmic Differentiation:

$$\ln(y) = x \ln(x) \ln(3)$$

$$\frac{1}{y} \left(\frac{dy}{dt} \right) = \ln(3) [\ln(x) + 1] \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y \ln(3) [\ln(x) + 1] \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \ln(3) \left[3^{x \ln(x)} \right] [\ln(x) + 1] \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)$$

Bellwork 11/3 - Solution, Part 2

Substitute:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \ln(3) \left[3^{(1)\ln(1)} \right] [\ln(1) + 1] \left[\frac{1}{\ln(3)} \right]$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dt} = 1}$$

Exercise 1

A particle's motion can be described by the following elliptical equation:

$$x^2 + xy + y^2 = 4$$

When the particle is at $(-2, 0)$, $\frac{dx}{dt} = -3$.

Find $\frac{dy}{dt}$.

Exercise 1 - Solution

Implicitly Differentiate:

$$2x \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right) + y \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right) + x \left(\frac{dy}{dt} \right) + 2y \left(\frac{dy}{dt} \right) = 0$$

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

Substitute:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{4}{-2}(-3)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dt} = 6}$$