

JIT 13.1: Solving Linear Equations Involving Derivatives

Recall that for a function $f(x)$, we can denote the derivative as $\frac{df}{dx}$.

Example. Solve the following for $\frac{dy}{dx}$:

$$2 + 3\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$$

$$3\frac{dy}{dx} = -1$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$2x + 3y' = 3x - 5y'$$

$$8y' = x$$

$$\boxed{y' = \frac{1}{8}x}$$

$$x + 2y\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{dy}{dx} + y$$

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

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

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y - x}{2y - 1}}$$

$$5xy + 4\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 2xy^2\frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$4\frac{dy}{dx} + 2xy^2\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 5xy$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}(4 + 2xy^2) = 3x^2 - 5xy$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2 - 5xy}{4 + 2xy^2}}$$