

PS7: Implicit differentiation – Quick reference key

1. (Activity 2.7.2)

(a) (anything reasonable)

(b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{5y^4 - 15y^2 + 4}$

(c) $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{6}$, so $L(x) = -\frac{1}{6}(x - 0) + 1$

(d) $y = \pm 1.418697$ and $y = \pm 3.63143$

2. (Activity 2.7.4)

(a) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6y - 3x^2}{-3y^2 - 6x}$; slope 1; tangent line $y - 3 = 1(x + 3)$

(b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2 + 1}{\cos(y) + 1}$; slope 1/2; tangent line $y - 0 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 0)$

(c) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3e^{-xy} - 3xye^{-xy}}{3x^2e^{-xy} + 2y}$; slope 0.234950; tangent line $y - 1 = 0.234950(x - 0.619061)$.