

Logarithmic Differentiation

0 points possible (ungraded)

[SADT] Differentiate

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

with respect to x .

SOLUTION : $\ln f(x) = \ln(\sqrt{x}^{\sqrt{x}} e^{x^2})$
 $= \ln(\sqrt{x})^{\sqrt{x}} + \ln e^{x^2}$
 $= \sqrt{x} \ln \sqrt{x} + x^2 \ln e$
 $= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{x} \ln x + x^2$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [\ln f(x)] = \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{x} \ln x + x^2 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{2} \ln x \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} + 2x$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} (1 + \frac{1}{2} \ln x) + 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = f(x) \left[\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} (1 + \frac{1}{2} \ln x) + 2x \right]$$

Parametric Differentiation

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[SADT] The curve

$$\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{49} = 1$$

can be parametrized by $x = a \cos t, y = b \sin t, 0 \leq t < 2\pi$. Find a and b . Then using parametric differentiation, calculate $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of t . Using your answer, show that the curve intersects the coordinate axes at right angles.

SOLUTION : $x = a \cos t, y = b \sin t$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 \cos^2 t}{4} + \frac{b^2 \sin^2 t}{49} = 1$$

a can be ± 2
 b can be ± 7 } using $\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1$

Take $a=2$ and $b=7$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{b \cos t}{-a \sin t} = -\frac{7}{2} \cot t.$$

When $x=0$, $a \cos t = 0 \Rightarrow t = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$.

At these points, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

The tangent is horizontal and it intersects the y axis at right angles.

When $y=0$, $b \sin t = 0 \Rightarrow t = 0, \pi$.

$\frac{dy}{dx} \rightarrow \pm \infty$ and the tangent is vertical, i.e. perpendicular to the x -axis.

\therefore the curve intersects the coordinate axes at right angles. (shown)

Tangent

0 points possible (ungraded)

[SADT] Let $f(x) = (x+2)^2$. Find the equation of every line that is tangent to $y = f(x)$ that passes through the point $(1, 1)$. (N.B.: The curve $y = f(x)$ does NOT pass through $(1, 1)$).

SOLUTION: Let $y = mx + c$ pass through $(1, 1)$
 $\Rightarrow 1 = m + c$ — (1)

$$f(x) = (x+2)^2 \Rightarrow f'(x) = 2(x+2).$$

The tangent has gradient m always: $m = 2(x+2) \Rightarrow x = \frac{m}{2} - 2$

and $y = \frac{m^2}{4}$.
at the pt. of intersection

The line passes through
 $(\frac{m}{2} - 2, \frac{m^2}{4})$

$$y = mx + c = mx + 1 - m. \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\frac{m^2}{4} = m\left(\frac{m}{2} - 2\right) + 1 - m = \frac{m^2}{2} - 2m + 1 - m$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m^2}{4} - 3m + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow m^2 - 12m + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144 - 16}}{2}$$

$$= 6 \pm 4\sqrt{2}.$$

$$c = 1 - (6 \pm 4\sqrt{2}) = -5 \mp 4\sqrt{2}.$$

The tangents are
and

$$y = (6 + 4\sqrt{2})x - 5 - 4\sqrt{2}$$

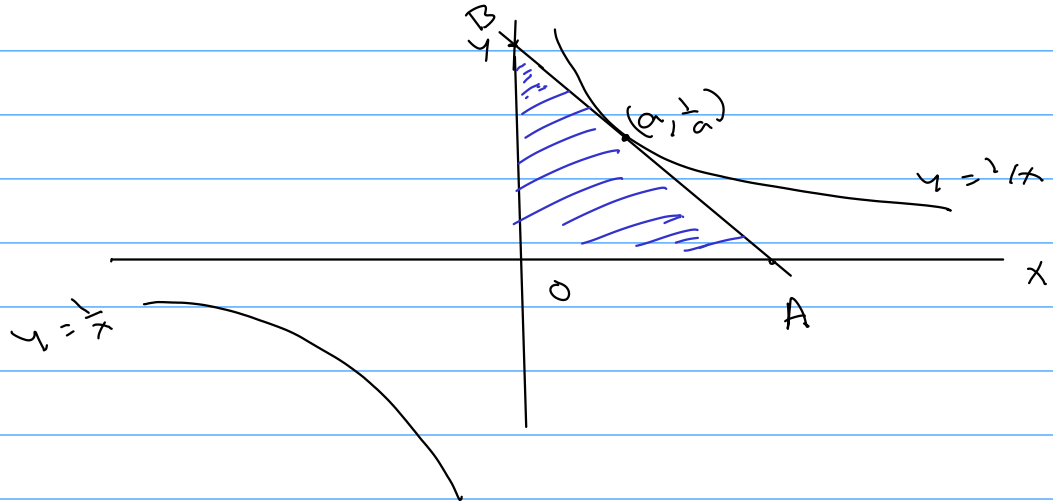
$$y = (6 - 4\sqrt{2})x - 5 + 4\sqrt{2}.$$

Tangent

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[SADT] Find the area of the right angled triangle formed by the tangent to the graph $y = \frac{1}{x}$ at any point on the curve in the first quadrant and the coordinate axes. (The answer is a constant number.)

SOLUTION



We wish to find the area of
the blue triangle

at $x = a$, the equation of the
tangent is:

$$y - \frac{1}{a} = \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)\bigg|_{x=a} (x - a)$$

$$\Rightarrow y - \frac{1}{a} = -\frac{1}{a^2} (x - a)$$

$$y = 0 \Rightarrow x - a = a \Rightarrow x = 2a$$

Point A (2a, 0).

$$x = 0, \Rightarrow y = \frac{2}{a} \quad \text{Point B } (0, \frac{2}{a}).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Blue area} &= \frac{1}{2} (OA) (OB) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \cancel{2a} \cdot \frac{2}{\cancel{a}} \\ &= \underline{\underline{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{area} = 2.$$

Logarithmic Differentiation

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[SADT] Let $h(t) = \frac{\sqrt{5t+8} \sqrt[3]{1-9\cos(4t)}}{\sqrt[4]{t^2+10t}}$. Find $h'(t)$ using logarithmic differentiation.

SOLUTION: $h(t) = \frac{(5t+8)^{1/2} (1-9\cos 4t)^{1/3}}{(t^2+10t)^{1/4}}$

Take \ln on both sides:

$$\begin{aligned}\ln h(t) &= \ln (5t+8)^{1/2} + \ln (1-9\cos 4t)^{1/3} - \ln (t^2+10t)^{1/4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln (5t+8) + \frac{1}{3} \ln (1-9\cos 4t) - \frac{1}{4} (\ln t + \ln(t+10))\end{aligned}$$

Take the derivative on both sides with respect to t :

$$\frac{h'(t)}{h(t)} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{5}{(5t+8)} + \frac{36 \sin 4t}{3(1-9\cos 4t)} - \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{t+10} \right)$$

Multiply both sides by $h(t)$ and you get:

$$h'(t) = h(t) \left[\frac{5}{2(5t+8)} + \frac{12 \sin 4t}{1-9\cos 4t} - \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{t+10} \right) \right]$$

Q/50 if the student does not take logs-

Logarithmic Differentiation

0 points possible (ungraded)

[SADT] Using logarithmic differentiation, Show that $y(x) = xa^{2x}e^{x^2}$ has no stationary points other than $x = 0$, if $e^{-\sqrt{2}} < a < e^{\sqrt{2}}$.

SOLUTION: $y = xa^{2x}e^{x^2} \Rightarrow \ln y = \ln x + \ln a^{2x} + \ln e^{x^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \ln x + 2x \ln a + x^2 \ln e \\ &= \ln x + 2x \ln a + x^2.\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate both sides with respect to x :

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} + 2 \ln a + 2x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= x a^{2x} e^{x^2} \left(\frac{1}{x} + 2 \ln a + 2x \right) \\ &= a^{2x} e^{x^2} (1 + 2x \ln a + 2x^2) \end{aligned}$$

25/50 up to this point.

There are no stationary points for $x \neq 0$ if:

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^2 + 2x \ln a + 1 &= 0 \text{ has no solutions,} \\ \text{i.e. } (2 \ln a)^2 - 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 &< 0 \quad (\text{DISCRIMINANT}) \\ \Rightarrow (\ln a)^2 &< 2 \\ \Rightarrow -\sqrt{2} &< \ln a < \sqrt{2} \\ \Rightarrow e^{-\sqrt{2}} &< a < e^{\sqrt{2}} \quad (\text{shown}). \end{aligned}$$

Parametric Differentiation

0 points possible (ungraded)

[SADT] The parametric equations for the motion of a charged particle released from rest in electric and magnetic fields at right angles to each other take the forms $x = a(\theta - \sin \theta)$, $y = a(1 - \cos \theta)$. Show that the tangent to the curve has slope $\cot(\frac{\theta}{2})$. Use this result at a few calculated values of x and y to sketch the form of the particle's trajectory.

SOLUTION: $\frac{dx}{d\theta} = a(1 - \cos \theta) = a(1 - 1 + 2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2})$
 $= 2a \sin^2(\frac{\theta}{2})$

$$\frac{dy}{d\theta} = a \sin \theta = 2a \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

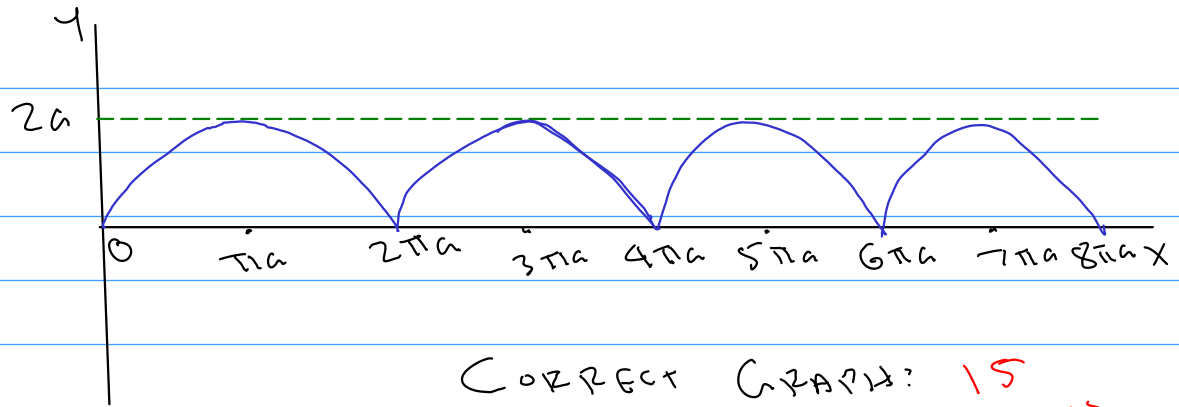
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/d\theta}{dx/d\theta} = \frac{2a \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{2a \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}} = \cot(\frac{\theta}{2})$$

(25 marks)

= gradient of tangent

Set a value for a and plug in as

many values of θ as necessary.
(10 marks)



CORRECT GRAPH: 15 MARKS

Parametric Differentiation

0 points possible (ungraded)

[SADT] Show that the curve $4y^3 = a^2(x + 3y)$ can be parameterised as $x = a \cos 3\theta$, $y = a \cos \theta$. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ first by implicit differentiation and then by parametric differentiation. Show that they are equivalent.

SOLUTION: LHS = $4y^3 = 4a^3 \cos^3 \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= a^2(x + 3y) = a^2(a \cos 3\theta + 3a \cos \theta) \\ &= a^3(\cos 3\theta + 3\cos \theta) \\ &= a^3[\cos(2\theta + \theta) + 3\cos \theta] \\ &= a^3(\cos 2\theta \cos \theta - \sin 2\theta \sin \theta + 3\cos \theta) \\ &= a^3[(2\cos^2 \theta - 1)\cos \theta - 2\sin \theta \cos \theta \sin \theta + 3\cos \theta] \\ &= a^3 \cos \theta [2\cos^2 \theta - 1 - 2\sin^2 \theta + 3] \\ &= a^3 \cos \theta [2\cos^2 \theta - 1 - 2(1 - \cos^2 \theta) + 3] \\ &= a^3 \cos \theta \cdot 4\cos^2 \theta = 4a^3 \cos^3 \theta \end{aligned}$$

Hence the parametrization is correct.

10 points for showing this.

Using implicit differentiation:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(4y^3) &= \frac{d}{dx}[a^2(x + 3y)] \\ \Rightarrow 12y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} &= a^2(1 + 3\frac{dy}{dx}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{a^2}{12y^2 - 3a^2} \quad (15 \text{ points})$$

$$= \frac{a^2}{12a^2 \cos^2 \theta - 3a^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{12 \cos^2 \theta - 3} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Using parametric differentiation, we have:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/d\theta}{dx/d\theta} = \frac{-a \sin \theta}{-3a \sin 3\theta} = \frac{\sin \theta}{3 \sin 3\theta} \quad (15 \text{ marks})$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\sin \theta}{3 \sin(2\theta + \theta)} = \frac{\sin \theta}{3(\sin 2\theta \cos \theta + \cos 2\theta \sin \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{\sin \theta}{3[2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \cos \theta + (2 \cos^2 \theta - 1) \sin \theta]}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3(2 \cos^2 \theta + 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{12 \cos^2 \theta - 3} \quad \text{, which agrees with equation (1).}$$

10 marks for this

Mean Value Theorem

0 points possible (ungraded)

[SADT] Use the Mean Value Theorem to establish the fact that, for $x > 0$, $e^x > 1 + x$. (DO NOT use any other method).

[Hint: Take a such that $0 < a < x$ and apply the mean value theorem.]

SOLUTION: By the MVT, there exists $a \in (0, x)$ such that $f'(a) = \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0}$, where $f(x) = e^x$

20 marks for logic

$$\Rightarrow e^a = \frac{e^x - e^0}{x}$$

10 marks for this statement

20 marks

$$\Rightarrow e^x = 1 + xe^a \quad a > 0 \Rightarrow e^a > e^0 = 1$$

$$\therefore e^x > 1 + x \text{ as required.}$$

Mean Value Theorem

0 points possible (ungraded)

[SADT] Use the Mean Value Theorem to establish the fact that, for $x > 1$, $\frac{x-1}{x} < \ln x < x-1$. (DO NOT use any other method).

[Hint: Take a such that $1 < a < x$ and apply the mean value theorem.]

SOLUTION: Let $f(x) = \ln x \Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$

There exists $a \in (1, x)$ such that

$$f'(a) = \frac{f(x) - f(1)}{x - 1} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} = \frac{\ln x}{x - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln x = \frac{x - 1}{a}$$

20 marks up to this point.

$$1 < a < x \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} < \frac{1}{a} < 1$$

$$(x - 1 > 0) \Rightarrow \frac{x - 1}{x} < \frac{x - 1}{a} < x - 1$$

20 marks

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x - 1}{x} < \ln x < x - 1 \text{ (proved)}$$

10 marks

Mean Value Theorem

0 points possible (ungraded)

[SADT] Suppose two cars start a race at the same time and end it at the same time. Prove that at some point in time, their speeds were the same.

SOLUTIONS : Let $s_1(t)$ and $s_2(t)$ be the distances of cars 1 and 2 from the starting point. Consider $d(t) := s_1(t) - s_2(t)$, the distance between the two cars. Let the race start at $t=a$ and end at $t=b$. We have the following:

- ① $d(a) = d(b) = 0$
② $d(t)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$.
③ $d(t)$ is differentiable on (a, b) .

Thus, $d(t)$ satisfies the conditions of the mean value theorem and Rolle's theorem. Therefore, at some c , $a < c < b$, $d'(c) = 0$. But $d'(c) = s_1'(c) - s_2'(c) = v_1(c) - v_2(c) = 0$ where v_1 and v_2 are the speeds of the two cars. Thus, $v_1(c) = v_2(c) = 0$ and their speeds are the same at $t=c$.
(PROVED)

Mean Value Theorem

0 points possible (ungraded)

[SADT] Suppose that $3 \leq f'(x) \leq 5$ for all values of x . Show that $18 \leq f(8) - f(2) \leq 30$.

SOLUTION: By the mean value theorem,
there exists $2 < c < 8$ such that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(8) - f(2)}{8 - 2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(8) - f(2) = 6f'(c).$$

But $3 \leq f'(c) \leq 5$

$$\Rightarrow 18 \leq 6f'(c) \leq 30$$

$$\Rightarrow 18 \leq f(8) - f(2) \leq 30,$$

as required.