

## Solution to some Problems of Homework 6

### Section 2.8:

8- Suppose  $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36$ , where  $x$  and  $y$  are functions of  $t$ .

a. If  $\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{1}{3}$ , find  $\frac{dx}{dt}$  when  $x=2$  and  $y = \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{5}$ .

b. If  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3$ , find  $\frac{dy}{dt}$  when  $x=-2$  and  $y = \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{5}$ .

Suppose  $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36$  where  $x$  and  $y$  are functions of  $t$ .

Differentiating w.r.t. to  $t$  and using the chain rule:

$$8x \frac{dx}{dt} + 18y \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

a.  $\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\frac{dx}{dt} = ?$  when  $x=2$  &  $y = \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{5}$

$$\text{So, } 16 \frac{dx}{dt} + 12\sqrt{5} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = 0$$

$$16 \frac{dx}{dt} = -4\sqrt{5}$$

$$\text{and } \boxed{\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{-4\sqrt{5}}{16} = -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}}$$

b.  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3$   $\frac{dy}{dt} = ?$  when  $x=-2$  and  $y = \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{5}$

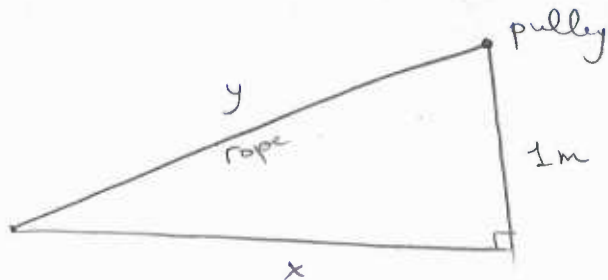
$$(-16)(3) + 12\sqrt{5} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

$$12\sqrt{5} \frac{dy}{dt} = 48$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{48}{12\sqrt{5}} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}}$$

20. A boat is pulled into a dock by a rope attached to the bow of the boat and passing through a pulley on the dock that is 1m higher than the bow of the boat.

If the rope is pulled in at a rate of 1 m/s, how fast is the boat approaching the dock when it is 8 m from the dock?



Let  $x$  be the horizontal distance travelled by the boat.

Let  $y$  be the distance from the boat to the pulley.

Given:  $\frac{dy}{dt} = -1 \text{ m/s}$

Unknown:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = ?$  when  $x = 8 \text{ m}$ .

Relation:  $x^2 + 1 = y^2$

Differentiate both sides with respect to  $t$ :

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

$$\text{So, } x \frac{dx}{dt} = y \frac{dy}{dt}$$

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

$\uparrow$   
 $\frac{dy}{dt} = -1$

Now, when  $x = 8 \text{ m}$ ,

$$y = \sqrt{64 + 1} = \sqrt{65}$$

$$\text{So, } \boxed{\frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{\sqrt{65}}{8} \text{ m/s}}$$

## Section 2.9:

4. Find the linearization  $L(x)$  of the function at a.

$$f(x) = x^{3/4}, \quad a = 16.$$

The linearization of  $f(x)$  at  $a$  is given by

$$L(x) = f'(a)(x-a) + f(a)$$

$$f(x) = x^{3/4}, \quad f(a) = (16)^{3/4} = (2^4)^{3/4} = 2^3 = 8$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{3}{4} x^{-1/4}, \quad f'(a) = \frac{3}{4} \cdot (16)^{-1/4} = \frac{3}{4} \cdot (2^4)^{-1/4} = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L(x) &= \frac{3}{8}(x-16) + 8 \\ &= \frac{3}{8}x - 6 + 8 = \frac{3}{8}x + 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } \boxed{L(x) = \frac{3}{8}x + 2}$$

16. a. Find the differential  $dy$ .

b. Evaluate  $dy$  for the given values of  $x$  and  $dx$ .

$$y = \cos \pi x, \quad x = \frac{1}{3}, \quad dx = -0.02$$

The differential  $dy$  of  $f(x)$  is

$$dy = f'(x) \cdot dx.$$

a.  $f(x) = \cos \pi x$

$$f'(x) = -\sin(\pi x) \cdot \pi = -\pi \sin(\pi x).$$

$$\text{So, } dy = -\pi \sin(\pi x) \cdot dx$$

b. For  $x = \frac{1}{3}$  and  $dx = -0.02$ ,

$$dy = -\pi \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \cdot (-0.02)$$

$$= 0.02\pi \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = (0.01)\sqrt{3}\pi$$

$$\boxed{dy = 0.01\pi\sqrt{3} \approx 0.054}$$

24. Use a linear approximation (or differentials) to estimate the given number.

$$\sin 1^\circ$$

Linear Approximation:  $f(x) \approx f'(a)(x-a) + f(a)$

$$f(x) = \sin x \quad a = 0$$

$$f(x) = \sin x \quad f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \cos x \quad f'(0) = 1$$

$$\text{So, } L(x) = f'(0)(x-0) + f(0) = x$$

$$\text{Here, } f(x) \approx x$$

$$\text{So, for } x = 1^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180} \text{ radians, (Always change your angles to radians)}$$

$$\sin 1^\circ \approx \frac{\pi}{180} \approx 0.01745$$

Differentials:  $f(a+dx) \approx f(a) + dy$

$$f(x) = \sin x$$

$$f'(x) = \cos x$$

$$\text{So, } dy = \cos x \, dx$$

$$\text{when } x = 0, \, dx = 1^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180}$$

$$\text{So, } dy = \cos 0 \cdot dx = 1 \cdot \frac{\pi}{180}$$

$$\text{and } dy = \frac{\pi}{180}$$

$$\text{But } \sin 1^\circ = f(1^\circ) \approx f(0) + dy = 0 + dy$$

$$\text{and } \sin 1^\circ \approx \frac{\pi}{180} \approx 0.01745$$