

2000 AP® CALCULUS AB

Question 5

Consider the curve given by  $xy^2 - x^3y = 6$ .

(a) Show that  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2y - y^2}{2xy - x^3}$ .

Product Product

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(xy^2) - \frac{d}{dx}(x^3y) &= \frac{d}{dx}6 \\ (1)y^2 + x \cdot 2y \frac{dy}{dx} - [3x^2y + x^3(1)\frac{dy}{dx}] &= 0 \quad +1 \\ y^2 - 3x^2y + 2xy \frac{dy}{dx} - x^3 \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\ \frac{dy}{dx}(2xy - x^3) &= 3x^2y - y^2 \quad +1 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{3x^2y - y^2}{2xy - x^3} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Find all points on the curve whose x-coordinate is 1, and write an equation for the tangent line at each of these points.

<p>POT (1, -2), (1, 3)</p> <p>(1)y<sup>2</sup> - (1)<sup>3</sup>y = 6</p> <p>+1 y<sup>2</sup> - y - 6 = 0</p> <p>(y-3)(y+2) = 0</p> <p>y-3=0 } y+2=0</p> <p>y=3 } y=-2</p> <p>+1</p>	<p>SOT: <math>\frac{dy}{dx} _{(1,-2)} = 2</math></p> $\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} _{(1,-2)} &= \frac{3(1)^2(-2) - (-2)^2}{2(1)(-2) - (1)^3} \\ &= \frac{3(-2) - (4)}{-4 - 1} \\ &= \frac{-6 - 4}{-5} \\ &= \frac{-10}{-5} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$	<p><math>\frac{dy}{dx} _{(1,3)} = 0</math></p> $\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} _{(1,3)} &= \frac{3(1)^2(3) - (3)^2}{2(1)(3) - (1)^3} \\ &= \frac{3 \cdot 3 - 9}{6 - 1} \\ &= \frac{9 - 9}{5} \\ &= \frac{0}{5} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$
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Tangent Line	Tangent Line
y+2 = 2(x-1)	y-3 = 0(x-3)
+1	+1

(c) Find the x-coordinate of each point on the curve where the tangent line is vertical.

Does x=0 work?

$xy^2 - x^3y = 6$

$0 \cdot y^2 - 0^3 \cdot y = 6$

$0 = 6$

nope

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \text{und} \\ +1 \quad 0 &= 2xy - x^3 \\ 0 &= x(2y - x^2) \\ 0 &= x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2y - x^2 &= 0 \\ 2y &= x^2 \\ y &= \frac{x^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} xy^2 - x^3y &= 6 \\ x\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right)^2 - x^3\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) &= 6 \quad +1 \\ \frac{x \cdot x^4}{4} - \frac{x^5}{2} &= 6 \\ \frac{x^5}{4} - \frac{2x^5}{4} &= 6 \\ -\frac{x^5}{4} &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -x^5 &= 24 \\ x^5 &= -24 \\ x &= -\sqrt[5]{24} \end{aligned}$$

+1