

# Math 1210 #14

## Implicit Derivatives

Given the equation  $2y^3 - y^2 = x^2 + 5$

How do we find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ ?

Let's check to see if implicit differentiation is reasonable.

Differentiate  $x^2 + 2x^2y + 3xy = 0$  in two ways.

Implicit

Explicit

### **EX 1**

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  for the following equations.

**1a)**

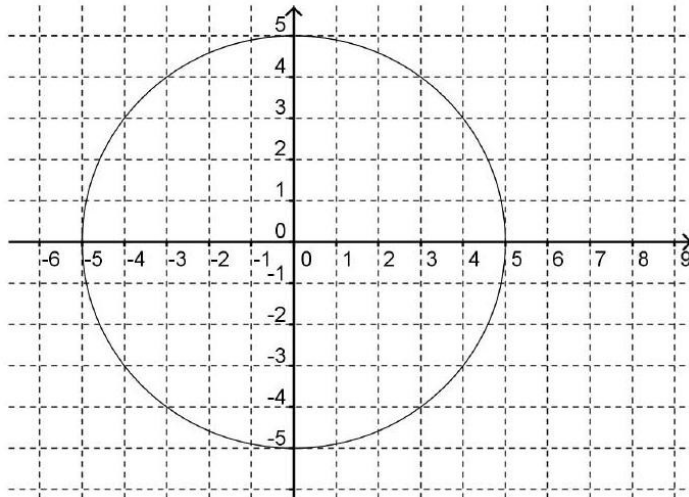
$$x\sqrt{y+1} = xy + 1$$

**1b)**

$$9x^2 + 4y^2 = 36$$

To convince ourselves that it works, let's look at a familiar equation.  
Find the equation of the tangent line at the point  $(-4,3)$  on this circle.

$$x^2 + y^2 = 25$$



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## EX 2

Find the equation of the tangent line at the indicated point.

$$y + \cos(xy^2) + 3x^2 = 4 \text{ at } (1,0)$$

Power Rule (revisited): Basically the power rule can now be used with rational exponents.

**EX 3**

Find  $y'$  if  $y = \sqrt[3]{x} - 2x^{\frac{7}{2}}$

$$\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 2$$

$$\frac{1}{9} \frac{d}{dx} x^2 + \frac{1}{4} \frac{d}{dx} y^2 = \frac{d}{dx} 2$$

$$\frac{1}{9} 2x + \frac{1}{4} \frac{dy}{dx} 2y = 0$$

$$\frac{2y}{4} \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2x}{9}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x(4)}{9(2y)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-8x}{18y} = \frac{-4x}{9y}$$