

How can we find derivatives of implicitly defined functions?

Quick Check

1. Find the point(s) on the graph of the equation $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ whose x -coordinate is 4.



2. How many points have the x -coordinate equals zero, $x = 0$, on the graph of the equation $y^4 = y^2 - x^2$.



3. Find the slope of the tangent line to the graph of the function $f(x) = (2x^3 + 1)^2$ at $x = -1$.

Implicitly vs Explicitly defined functions

Explicit Form

$$y = 1/x$$

$$y = \sqrt{1 - x^2} \text{ and } y = -\sqrt{1 - x^2}$$

😁 Solve for y

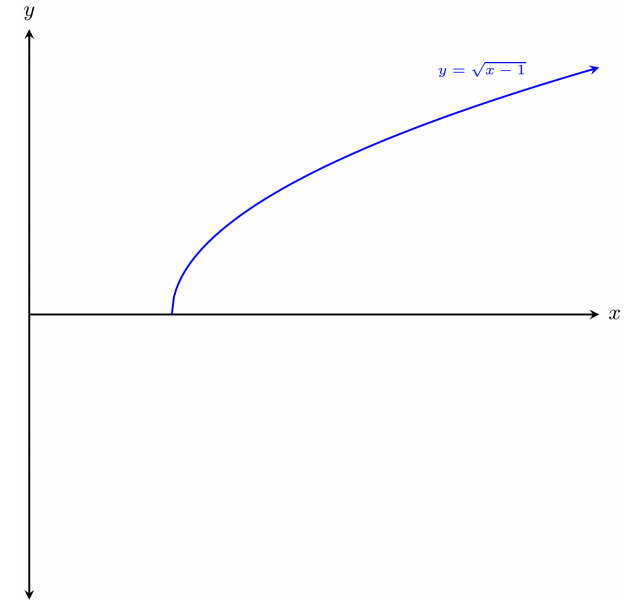
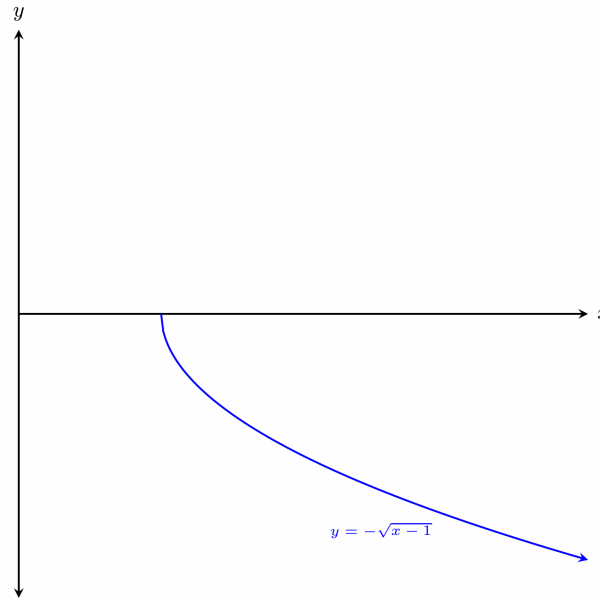
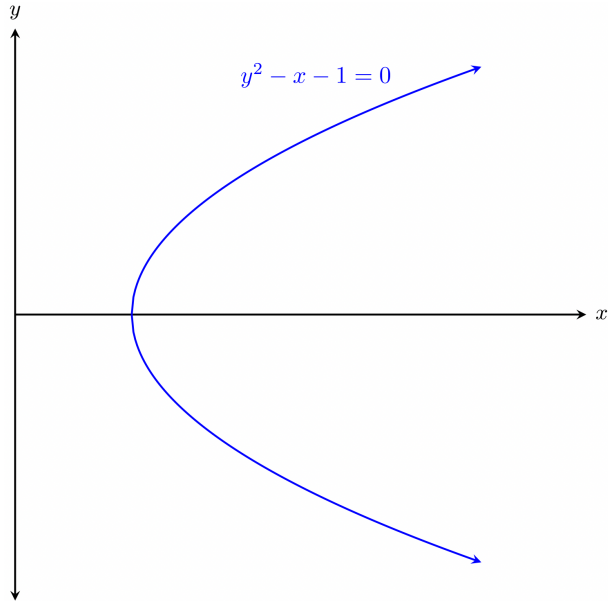
Implicit Form

$$xy = 1$$

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

$$x^3 + y^3 = 6xy$$

Implicitly vs Explicitly defined functions



$y^2 - x + 1 = 0$ defines $y = \sqrt{x-1}$ and $y = -\sqrt{x-1}$ implicitly.

$[f(x)]^2 - x + 1 = 0$ defines $f(x) = \sqrt{x-1}$ and $f(x) = -\sqrt{x-1}$ implicitly.

Implicit Differentiation

$$y = 1/x$$

$$xy - 1 = 0$$

Implicit Differentiation

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x-1} \text{ and } f(x) = -\sqrt{x-1}$$

$$[f(x)]^2 - x + 1 = 0$$

Implicit Differentiation Practice

Find the derivative using implicit differentiation method.

Examples

1. $x^3 - xy + y^2 = 4$

2. $y^3 + y^2 - 5y - x^2 = -4$

3. Find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ if $y^2 = x^3$

4. $5y^2 + \sin y = x^2$

5. $\sin x + 2 \cos(2y) = 1$

6. Find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ if $4x^2 - 2y^2 = 9$

7. Find the slope of the curve $y^4 = y^2 - x^2$ at $(0, 1)$. Check by graphing.

Orthogonal or Normal Lines

Find the tangent and normal to the ellipse $x^2 - xy + y^2 = 7$ at the point $(-1, 2)$. Sketch the graph along with tangent and normal line through the given point. Does the sketch verify your algebraic solution?

General Power Rule - fractional exponents

$$y = x^{p/q} \quad \longrightarrow \quad y^q = x^p$$