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## Homework #8: Implicit differentiation

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*Note:* Your work can only be assessed if it is legible.

1. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  using implicit differentiation. Solve for  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  in terms of  $x$  and  $y$  in each case.

(a)  $2x^3 + x^2y - xy^3 = 2$

(b)  $\cos(xy) = 1 + \sin y$

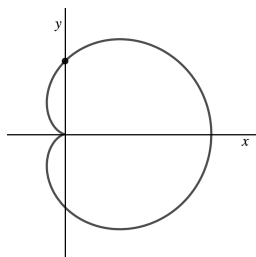
(c)  $e^y \sin x = x + xy$

2. Use implicit differentiation to find an equation of the tangent line to the curve

$$x^2 + y^2 = (2x^2 + 2y^2 - x)^2$$

at the point  $(0, 1/2)$ .

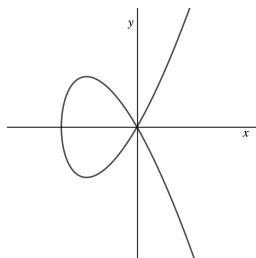
*Note:* The graph of this equation is known as a cardioid (see below). This is not a graph of a function but we can still geometrically analyze it using implicit differentiation.



3. The curve with equation

$$y^2 = x^3 + 3x^2$$

is called the Tschirnhausen cubic (see below). At what points does this curve have horizontal tangents?



In class we used implicit differentiation to find derivatives of a couple of the inverse functions in this table.

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
$\arcsin x$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$	$\ln x$	$\frac{1}{x}$
$\arccos x$		$\log_a x$	
$\arctan x$			

Here you will use implicit differentiation to find the rest.

4. *Inverse trig. functions.* Simplify your answers.

(a) Use implicit differentiation to find the derivative of  $y = \arccos x$ .

(b) Use implicit differentiation to find the derivative of  $y = \arctan x$ .

5. Use implicit differentiation to find the derivative of  $y = \log_a x$ .

6. In class, we used logarithmic differentiation to show that for any real number  $n$ ,  $(x^n)' = nx^{n-1}$ . Use that same technique to find the derivative of the following functions.

(a)  $y = \sqrt{x}^x$

(b)  $y = x^{\cos x}$

7. Differentiate the following functions. You may use any rule or identity.

(a)  $y = \ln x^2$

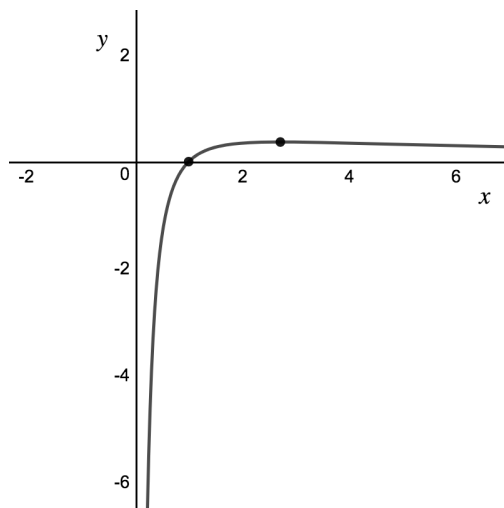
(b)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^3}$

(c)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}}$

(d)  $y = \log_2(\arctan x)$

(e)  $f(x) = x \ln x - x$

8. Here is a graph of the function  $y = \frac{\ln x}{x}$ .



Find equations of the tangent lines to this graph at:

(a)  $x = 1$

(b) and  $x = e$ .