

- (9) 1. Find the derivative of y with respect to the appropriate variable.

(a) $y = \ln \left(\frac{e^\theta}{1 + e^\theta} \right)$

Simplify $y = \ln e^\theta - \ln(1 + e^\theta) = \theta - \ln(1 + e^\theta)$ and now differentiate.

$$y' = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^\theta} e^\theta = 1 - \frac{e^\theta}{1 + e^\theta} = \frac{1}{1 + e^\theta}$$

(b) $y = 2^{(s^2)}$

By the chain rule

$$y' = (\ln 2) 2^{s^2} 2s = (2 \ln 2) s 2^{s^2}$$

(because if $f(x) = 2^x$ then $f'(x) = (\ln 2) 2^x$).

(c) $y = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{2x}$

Differentiate, using the chain rule,

$$y' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (\sqrt{2x})^2}} \sqrt{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{1 - (\sqrt{2x})^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{1 - 2x^2}}$$

(d) $y = \tan^{-1}(\ln x)$

Differentiate, using the chain rule,

$$y' = \frac{1}{1 + (\ln x)^2} \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{x(1 + (\ln x)^2)}$$

- (4) 2. Use logarithmic differentiation to find the derivative dy/dx if $y = \sqrt{\frac{(x+1)^{10}}{(2x+1)^5}}$

Take $\ln$ of both sides and simplify

$$\begin{aligned} \ln y &= \ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{(x+1)^{10}}{(2x+1)^5}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{(x+1)^{10}}{(2x+1)^5} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\ln(x+1)^{10} - \ln(2x+1)^5) = 5 \ln(x+1) - \frac{5}{2} \ln(2x+1) \end{aligned}$$

Differentiate both sides in x

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{5}{1+x} - \frac{5}{2} \frac{1}{2x+1} \cdot 2 = \frac{5}{1+x} - \frac{5}{2x+1}$$

so that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \left(\frac{5}{1+x} - \frac{5}{2x+1} \right) y = \left(\frac{5}{1+x} - \frac{5}{2x+1} \right) \sqrt{\frac{(x+1)^{10}}{(2x+1)^5}}$$

- (4) 3. If $x^2y^3 = 4/27$ and $dy/dt = 1/2$, then what is dx/dt when $x = 2$?

Differentiate in t : by the product rule $x^2dy^3/dt + y^3dx^2/dt = 0$ so that $x^2(3y^2(dy/dt)) + y^3(2xdx/dt) = 0$ or $3x^2y^2(dy/dt) + 2xy^3dx/dt = 0$. We know $dy/dt = 1/2$ and, at least for an instant $x = 2$. From the original equation (with $x = 2$) we see $2^2y^3 = 4/27$ or $y = 1/3$. Substituting into the equation for dx/dt and $dy/dt = 1/2$ we see that

$$3(2^2)(1/3)^2(1/2) + 2(2)(1/3)^3dx/dt = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{3(2^2)(1/3)^2(1/2)}{2(2)(1/3)^3} = \frac{9}{2}$$

that is $dx/dt = 9/2$ at the instant $x = 2$.