

# Implicit Differentiation Practice

**Directions:** Show all work to support your answer. Evaluate WITHOUT a calculator!

1. Given  $x^4 + xy = 7$ , find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  and then evaluate  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  at the point  $(-1, 2)$ .

$$4x^3 + x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + 1 \cdot y = 0$$

$$x \frac{dy}{dx} = -y - 4x^3$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-y - 4x^3}{x}}$$

$$\frac{-(2) - 4(-1)^3}{-1} = \frac{-2 + 4}{-1} = \frac{2}{-1} = \boxed{-2}$$

2. Given  $2xy - y^2 = 3y^4$ , find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  and then evaluate  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  at the point  $(3, 1)$ .

$$2x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y - 2y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 12y^3 \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$2x \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y \frac{dy}{dx} - 12y^3 \frac{dy}{dx} = -2y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (2x - 2y - 12y^3) = -2y$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2y}{2x - 2y - 12y^3}} = \frac{-2(1)}{2(3) - 2(1) - 12(1)}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{6 - 2 - 12} = \frac{-2}{-8} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

3. Given  $3x^2 - xy^3 = 6x$ , find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  and then evaluate  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  at the point  $(-2, -1)$ .

$$6x - (1y^3 + x \cdot 3y^2 \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}) = 6$$

$$-x \cdot 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} = 6 - 6x + y^3$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6 - 6x + y^3}{-x \cdot 3y^2}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6 - 6(-2) + (-1)^3}{-(-2) \cdot 3(-1)^2} = \frac{6 + 12 - 1}{2 \cdot 3}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{17}{6}}$$

4. Given  $x^2 + y^2 = 3$ , find  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ .

$$2x + 2y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

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

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{y \cdot (-1) - \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot (-x)}{y^2} = \frac{-y + \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot x}{y^2}$$

$$= \frac{-y + \frac{-x}{y} \cdot x}{y^2} = \boxed{\frac{-y - \frac{x^2}{y}}{y^2}}$$