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Lessons 14 Related Rates pt. 1

Last time implicit differentiation

Today & Monday Related Rates

Idea Suppose a circle is growing and



We know the radius is changing at a rate of 5 cm/min. What is the rate of change of the area of the circle when $r = 4$ cm.

Recall rate of change = derivative!

Area of circle: $A = \pi r^2$

- rate of change of radius 5 cm/min means

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = 5 \text{ cm/min}$$

change in length
change in time

We want

$$\frac{dA}{dt}$$

change in Area
change in time

continued

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi r \frac{dr}{dt}$$

Why? r is a function of time $r(t)$

$$A(t) = \pi(r(t))^2$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi r(t) \frac{dr}{dt}$$

Now $r = 4$ cm and $\frac{dr}{dt} = 5$ cm/min so we get

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi(4\text{cm})(5\text{cm/min}) = 40\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{min}$$

The area of the circle and its radius are related. As the radius of circle changes over time so does the area.

Example 2 Assume x and y are both differentiable functions of t and $x^3 y = 7$

Find $\frac{dy}{dt}$ if $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3$ and $x = -1$.

Solution Think of $x^3 y = 7$ as

$$(x(t))^3 y(t) = 7$$

then use product rule and implicit differentiation

$$\frac{d}{dt} [(x(t))^3 y(t)] = \frac{d}{dt} [7]$$

$$\underbrace{3(x(t))^2}_{\text{chain rule}} \frac{dx}{dt} y(t) + (x(t))^3 \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

change back to normal x and y

$$3x^2 \frac{dx}{dt} y + x^3 y \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

plug in $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3$ and $x = -1$ and y from $(-1)^3 y = 7$

$$3(-1)^2 (3)(-7) + (-1)^3 (-7) \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

$$y = -7$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{63}{7} = 9$$

Example 3 A spherical balloon is being inflated.

The radius is increasing at a rate of 2 cm/sec.

How fast is the volume increasing when

$$r = 8 \text{ cm?}$$

The volume of a sphere is $V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$

Solution

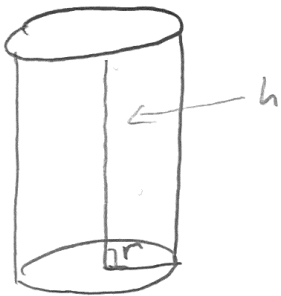
$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{4}{3} \pi \underbrace{3r^2 \frac{dr}{dt}}_{\frac{d[(r(t))^3]}{dt}}$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 4\pi (8)^2 \cdot 2$$

$$= 512\pi \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$$

Example 4

A cylindrical tank has a radius of 10 cm for the base. How fast does the water level in the tank drop when the water is being drained at $4 \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$?



Volume of cylinder:

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

Given

$$r = 10$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 4 \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$$

Why? "Water being drained and units tell us rate of change of volume"

Need to find

$$\frac{dh}{dt}$$

Why?

"How fast does water level drop means" change in height.

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$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

$$V = 10^2 \pi h$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [V] = \frac{d}{dt} [10^2 \pi h]$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 100\pi \frac{dh}{dt}$$

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plug in

$$4 = 100\pi \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{4}{100\pi} \text{ cm/sec}$$

Note: In cone HW problem we are also given $\frac{dV}{dt}$ and have to solve for $\frac{dh}{dt}$

Extra practice

Surface area of balloon when rate of radius is 2 cm/sec and $r = 6$ cm

$$SA = 4\pi r^2$$