

Suppose that a curve, C , is described by the parametric equations $x = x(t)$ and $y = y(t)$ or the vector function $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$ where both $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ are differentiable. Then the slope of the tangent line is given by

$$\text{slope} = \frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)}$$

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle x'(t), y'(t) \rangle$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)}$$

Suppose.

$$\mathbf{r}'(1) = \langle 3, 4 \rangle$$

$$m = \frac{4}{3}$$

Example: Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and $\frac{dy}{dx}\Big|_{t=3}$ and $\frac{dy}{dx}\Big|_{(5,-1)}$

$$x(t) = t^3 - 3t^2 + 5$$

$$y(t) = 2t - 7$$

$$y = 2t - 7$$

$$\frac{y+7}{2} = t$$

$$x = \left(\frac{y+7}{2}\right)^3 - 3\left(\frac{y+7}{2}\right)^2 + 5$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)} = \frac{2}{3t^2 - 6t}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx}\Big|_{t=3} = \frac{2}{3(3)^2 - 6(3)} = \frac{2}{27 - 18} = \frac{2}{9} = \frac{dy}{dx}\Big|_{(5,-1)} \quad \underbrace{t=3}$$

Solve for t

$$\underline{x=5} \quad t^3 - 3t^2 + 5 = 5 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\underline{y=-1}$$

$$2t - 7 = -1$$

$$2t = 6$$

$$t = 3 \quad \checkmark$$

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point $(\underline{5}, -1)$

$$x = (3)^3 - 3(3)^2 + 5$$

$$x = 27 - 27 + 5 = 5 \quad \checkmark$$

$$t^3 - 3t^2 = 0$$

$$t^2(t-3) = 0$$

$$t=0 \quad t=3$$

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Example: Find the equation of the tangent line at $t = 0$.

$$x(t) = e^{t^2+4t}$$

$$y(t) = 5^{3t+2}$$

point

$$x(0) = e^0 = 1$$

$$y(0) = 5^2 = 25$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)} = \frac{3 \cdot 5^{3t+2} \cdot \ln(5)}{(2t+4) \cdot e^{t^2+4t}}$$

$$m_{\text{tan}} = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{t=0} = \frac{3 \cdot 5^2 \ln(5)}{4 e^0} = \frac{75 \ln(5)}{4}$$

tangent line:

$$y - 25 = \frac{75 \ln(5)}{4} (x - 1)$$

Example: Compute the derivatives at the point $(0,0)$.

$$x(t) = \sin(2t)$$

$$y(t) = \cos(t)$$

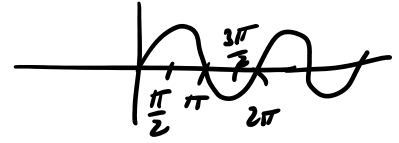
find values of t

point $(0,0)$ is found
for

$$t = \dots, -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)} = \frac{-\sin(t)}{2\cos(2t)}$$

$$x=0 \\ 0 = \sin(2t)$$

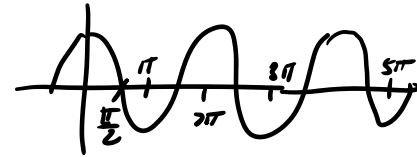


$$2t = \dots, -\pi, 0, \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, \dots$$

$$t = \dots, -\frac{\pi}{2}, 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}, 2\pi, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$$

$$y=0$$

$$0 = \cos(t)$$



$$t = \dots, -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{t=\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{-(1)}{2(-1)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{t=\frac{3\pi}{2}} = \frac{-(-1)}{2(-1)} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{t=\frac{5\pi}{2}} = \frac{-(1)}{2(-1)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$t = \frac{7\pi}{2}$$

Horizontal tangent lines

$$\hookrightarrow m = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)}$$

$$y'(t) = 0 \text{ and } x'(t) \neq 0$$

Vertical tangent lines

 $m = \text{undefined.}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)}$$

$$x'(t) = 0 \text{ and } y'(t) \neq 0$$

Example: Find the points on the curve where the tangent lines are horizontal and where they are vertical.

$$x = t^2 + t$$

$$y = t^2 - t$$

$$y'(t) = 2t - 1$$

$$0 = 2t - 1$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x'(t) = 2t + 1$$

$$0 = 2t + 1$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Horizontal tangent line at $t = \frac{1}{2}$

points

$$x\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$y\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\left(\frac{3}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

Vertical tangent line at $t = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$x\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4} + -\frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$y\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4} - -\frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$$

Example: Find the values of t where the tangent lines are horizontal and where they are vertical.

$$x = t + 3$$

$$y = t^3 - 3t^2$$

$$y' = 3t^2 - 6t$$

$$0 = 3t^2 - 6t$$

$$0 = 3t(t - 2)$$

$$t = 0 \quad t = 2$$

Horizontal tangent lines

$$t = 0, t = 2$$

$$x' = 1$$

set $x' = 0$ no solution

so no vertical tangent lines.