

Ex1. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in the following cases

a) $y = 4^{\ln x} \log_2(x^2 + 1)$

b) $xe^y + \ln(xy) = xy$

c) $y = \left(\frac{\ln x}{x}\right)^x$

Ex2. Consider the curve $e^{x+y} = 1 + \ln(1+x+y)$.

- Find the slope of the tangent line to the curve at $(0,0)$
- Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve at $(0,0)$
- Find the y -intercept of the tangent line.

Solutions

Ex1. a) Since $\frac{d}{dx} 4^{\ln x} = \frac{\ln 4}{x} 4^{\ln x}$ (u: dx)

and $\frac{d}{dx} \log_2(x^2 + 1) = \frac{2x}{(x^2 + 1) \ln 2}$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\ln 4}{x} 4^{\ln x} \log_2(x^2 + 1) + 4^{\ln x} \frac{2x}{(x^2 + 1) \ln 2} \\ &= 4^{\ln x} \left[\frac{\ln 4}{x} \log_2(x^2 + 1) + \frac{2x}{(x^2 + 1) \ln 2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

b) $\frac{d}{dx} (xe^y + \ln(xy)) = \frac{d}{dx} (xy)$

$$\Rightarrow e^y + xe^y \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y + x \frac{dy}{dx}}{xy} = y + x \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^y + xe^y \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = y + x \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \left(xe^y + \frac{1}{y} - x \right) = y - \frac{1}{x} - e^y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y - \frac{1}{x} - e^y}{xe^y + \frac{1}{y} - x} = \frac{y}{x} \frac{xy - 1 - xe^y}{xye^y + 1 - xy}$$

$$= \frac{y}{x} \frac{\ln(xy) - 1}{xye^y + 1 - xy}$$

$$c) \ln y = x \ln \left(\frac{\ln x}{x} \right) = x \left[\ln(\ln x) - \ln x \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \frac{1}{y} = \left[\ln(\ln x) - \ln x \right] + x \left[\frac{1}{x \ln x} - \frac{1}{x} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \left(\frac{\ln x}{x} \right)^x \left(\underbrace{\ln(\ln x) - \ln x}_{\ln \left(\frac{\ln x}{x} \right)} + \frac{1}{\ln x} - 1 \right)$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex 2. a)}} \frac{d}{dx} (e^{x+y}) = \frac{d}{dx} [1 + \ln(1+x+y)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right) e^{x+y} = \frac{1 + \frac{dy}{dx}}{1+x+y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \right) e^{x+y} (1+x+y) = 1 + \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} \left[e^{x+y} (1+x+y) - 1 \right] = 1 - e^{x+y} (1+x+y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1 - e^{x+y} (1+x+y)}{e^{x+y} (1+x+y) - 1} = -1$$

Hence the slope of the tangent line at (0,0) is -1

b) An equation of the tangent line at $(0,0)$ is:

$$y = -x$$

c) This tangent line intercepts the y -axis at the point $(0,0)$.