



Unit 3-Application of Differential Calculus

Curvature

Differential Calculus

1. $\frac{d}{dx} (c) = 0$, c is a constant
2. $\frac{d}{dx} x^n = nx^{n-1}$
3. $\frac{d}{dx} e^x = e^x$
4. $\frac{d}{dx} \log x = \frac{1}{x}$
5. $\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x$
6. $\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x$
7. $\frac{d}{dx} \tan x = \sec^2 x$
8. $\frac{d}{dx} \sec x = \sec x \tan x$
9. $\frac{d}{dx} \csc x = -\csc x \cot x$
10. $\frac{d}{dx} \cot x = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x$
11. $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{x} = -\frac{1}{x^2}$
12. $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{x^2} \right] = \frac{2}{x^3}$
13. $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$
14. $\frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1} x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
15. $\frac{d}{dx} \cos^{-1} x = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$
16. $\frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1} x = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$
17. $\frac{d}{dx} \cot^{-1} x = \frac{-1}{1+x^2}$
18. $\frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x = \frac{-1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$
19. $\frac{d}{dx} \sec^{-1} x = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$

Hyperbolic functions:

$$\sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$$

$$\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$$

20. $\frac{d}{dx} \sinh x = \cosh x$
21. $\frac{d}{dx} \cosh x = \sinh x$
22. $\frac{d}{dx} (uv) = u dv + v du$
23. $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{u}{v} \right] = \frac{vu' - uv'}{v^2}$

anything $\frac{0}{0} = 0$
 $e^{-\infty} = 0$, $e^0 = 1$

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Curvature :

The rate of bending of a curve at any point on it is called the curvature of the curve at that point.

Radius of Curvature :

The reciprocal of the curvature of the curve at any point is called the radius of curvature at that point. It is denoted by r .

Formula :

Let $y = f(x)$ be the given curve. Then

$$r = \frac{\left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right]^{3/2}}{\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}}$$

If $\frac{dy}{dx} = \infty$ at a point on the curve $y = f(x)$, then

$$r = \frac{\left[1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2\right]^{3/2}}{\frac{d^2x}{dy^2}}$$

Note :

1]. The general form of eqn. of circle is

$$x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0 \text{ where centre } (-g, -f)$$

$$\text{and radius} = \sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c}$$

2]. The radius of curvature at any point on the circle = radius of the circle.

Curvature of the circle = $\frac{1}{r}$ where r is the radius of the circle.

3]. Curvature of the straight line is zero.



curvature

1]. Find the curvature at any pt. on the curve
 $x^2 + y^2 - 6x - 4y + 10 = 0$

Soln.
 The general form is $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$
 Here $2g = -6 \Rightarrow g = -3$
 $2f = -4 \Rightarrow f = -2$
 Centre = $(-g, -f) = (3, 2)$
 Radius = $\sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c} = \sqrt{9 + 4 - 10} = \sqrt{3}$
 $r = \rho = \sqrt{3}$
 Curvature = $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

2]. Find the curvature of $2x^2 + 2y^2 + 5x - 2y + 1 = 0$

Soln.
 The general form is $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$
 The given eqn. becomes,
 $x^2 + y^2 + \frac{5}{2}x - y + \frac{1}{2} = 0$
 Here $2g = \frac{5}{2} \Rightarrow g = \frac{5}{4}$
 $2f = -1 \Rightarrow f = -\frac{1}{2}$
 Centre = $(-g, -f) = (-\frac{5}{4}, \frac{1}{2})$
 Radius = $\sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{16} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{21}{16}}$
 $r = \rho = \frac{\sqrt{21}}{4}$
 Curvature = $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{21}}$

3]. Find the curvature of $x^2 + y^2 = 5$

Soln.
 The general form is $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$



Here $2g = 0 \Rightarrow g = 0$,
 $2f = 0 \Rightarrow f = 0$
Centre = $(0, 0)$
Radius $r = \sqrt{5}$
Curvature = $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$

HW Find the curvature of

1). $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 6y - 1 = 0$

2). $3x^2 + 3y^2 + 9x + 18y - 5 = 0$

3). $2x^2 + 2y^2 = 3$