

Section 2.6  
Solutions

4.  $x^2 - 2xy + y^3 = C$  Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

$$2x - 2y - 2xy' + 3y^2 y' = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2y - 2x}{3y^2 - 2x}$$

5.  $x^2 y + xy^2 = 3x$

$$2xy + x^2 y' + y^2 + 2xyy' = 3 \Rightarrow$$

$$y' = \frac{3 - 2xy - y^2}{x^2 + 2xy}$$

$$y^5 + x^2 y^3 = 1 + x^4 y$$

6.  $5y^4 y' + 2xy^3 + 3x^2 y^2 y' = 4x^3 y + x^4 y' \Rightarrow$

$$y' = \frac{4x^3 y - 2xy^3}{5y^4 + 3x^2 y^2 - x^4}$$

$$y \sin(x^2) = x \sin(y^2)$$

10.  $y' \sin(x^2) + 2xy \cos(x^2) = \sin(y^2) + 2xyy' \cos(y^2) \Rightarrow$

$$y' = \frac{\sin(y^2) - 2xy \cos(x^2)}{\sin(x^2) - 2xy \cos(y^2)}$$

20. Write the equation of the tangent line to  $x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = 4$  at the point  $(3\sqrt{3}, 1)$ .

Find  $y'$ :  $\frac{2}{3}x^{-1/3} + \frac{2}{3}y^{-1/3}y' = 0 \Rightarrow y' = -\frac{y^{1/3}}{x^{1/3}}$ , so the slope is  $-\left(\frac{1}{(-3\sqrt{3})^{1/3}}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ .

$$y - 1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(x + 3\sqrt{3})$$

Equation of the tangent line:

$$\text{or } y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + 4$$

26.  $x^4 + y^4 = a^4$

$$4x^3 + 4y^3 y' = 0 \Rightarrow y' = \frac{-x^3}{y^3}. \text{ Then } y'' = \frac{-3x^2 y^3 + 3y^2 x^3 y'}{y^6} = \frac{-3x^2 y^3 + 3y^2 x^3 \left(\frac{-x^3}{y^3}\right)}{y^6}$$

$$y'' = \frac{-3x^2(y^4 - x^4)}{y^7}.$$

28. (a) Write the equation of the tangent line to  $y^2 = x^3 + 3x^2$  at the point  $(1,-2)$ .

$$2yy' = 3x^2 + 6x, \text{ so } -4y' = 9, \text{ so } y' = -\frac{9}{4}. \text{ Then } y + 2 = -\frac{9}{4}(x - 1), \text{ or } 9x + 4y = 7$$

(b) Curve has horizontal tangent lines when  $y' = 0$ , so  $0 = 3x^2 + 6x$ , or  $x = 0$  or  $x = -2$ .

When  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ , which makes the derivative undefined. When  $x = -2$ ,

$y^2 = 4$ , or  $y = \pm 2$ , thus  $(-2,2)$  and  $(-2,-2)$  are the points where the tangent lines are horizontal.

(c)

