

2.6 Related Rates

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Goal:

1. Understand how variables change with respect to time.
2. Understand "with respect to".

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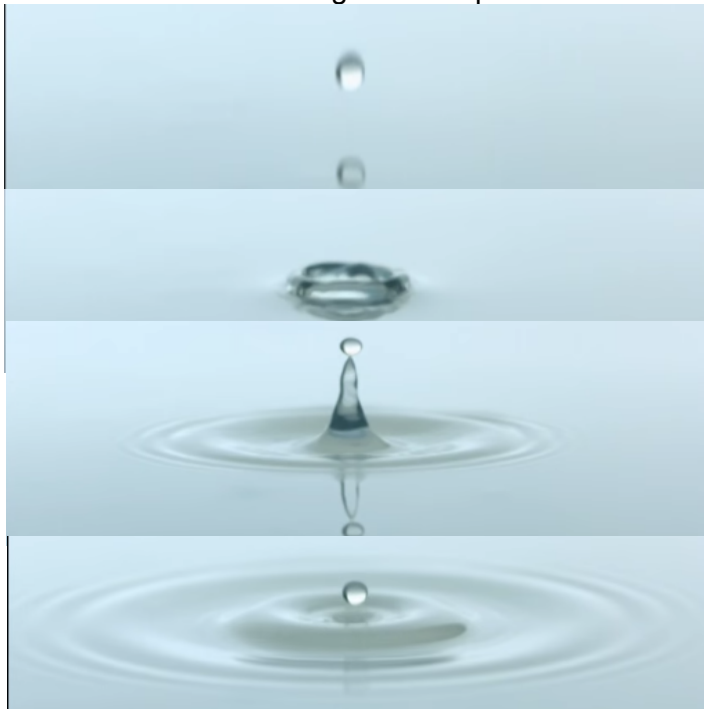
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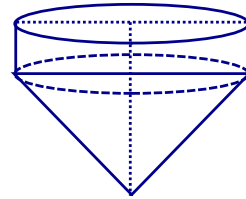
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Refer to problems # 24 - 27

What is common to all these problems?

geogebra: Related Rates

$$\frac{d\boxed{}}{dt}$$

rate of change of distance with respect to time

$$\frac{dx}{dt} \quad \frac{dy}{dt}$$

rate of change of volume with respect to time $\frac{dV}{dt}$

rate of change of area with respect to time $\frac{dA}{dt}$

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From the previous section: implicit diff.

G: $xy = 6$ F: dy/dx at $(-6, -1)$

$$x \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cdot 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{y}{x}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(-6, -1)} = -\frac{1}{6}$$

How can we interpret $dy/dx = -1/6$?

slope of tangent line at $(-6, -1)$

ALSO, INSTANTANEOUS RATE OF CHANGE of y with respect to x !

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When rate of change is with respect to time instead, how do you decide what variables to use?

How do you proceed? Example:

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G: altitude 5 mi; when plane 10 mi away, S changing at 240 mph

F: speed of plane

rate of change with respect to time

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step-by-step

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4. Differentiate implicitly with respect to time. This always involves the chain rule. For example,

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{dV}{dr} \cdot \frac{dr}{dt} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt}$$

5. Substitute the given values and solve for the unknown rate.
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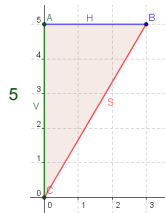
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$$H^2 + 5^2 = S^2$$

$$2H \cdot \frac{dH}{dt} + 0 = 2S \cdot \frac{dS}{dt}$$

remember **F:** speed of plane $\frac{dH}{dt}$

$\omega t \quad s = 10$
 $\frac{dS}{dt} = 240 \text{ mi/h}$

$$2H \cdot \frac{dH}{dt} = 2(10 \text{ mi}) \cdot 240 \text{ mi/h}$$

need H: (from above)

$$H^2 + 5^2 = S^2$$

$$H^2 = 10^2 - 5^2 = 75$$

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = \frac{[(10 \text{ mi}) \cdot 240 \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{h}}]}{5\sqrt{3} \text{ mi}}$$

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = \frac{[(10 \text{ mi}) \cdot 240 \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{h}}]}{5\sqrt{3} \text{ mi}} = \frac{480 \text{ mi}}{\sqrt{3} \text{ h}} = 277.1 \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{h}}$$

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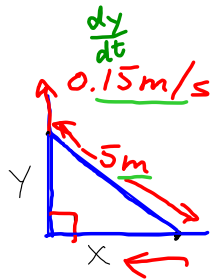
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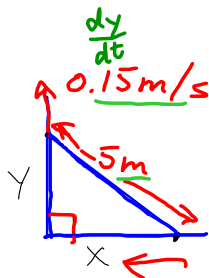
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$$x^2 + y^2 = 5^2$$

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

$$x \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + y \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

$$2.5m \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + y \cdot (0.15 \text{ m/s}) = 0$$

need y:
(from above)
 $2.5^2 + y^2 = 5^2$
 $y^2 = 5^2 - 2.5^2 = 25 - 6.25$
 $y = \sqrt{25 - 6.25} = 4.33$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y \cdot \frac{(0.15 \frac{m}{s})}{2.5m}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -(4.33m) \cdot \frac{(0.15 \frac{m}{s})}{2.5m} = -0.26 \text{ m/s}$$



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- Check: Did you include units? Yes. Does the answer make sense? Yes. x decreasing, y increasing; so $dx/dt < 0$ and $dy/dt > 0$. If there were angles involved, did you use radians? No angles.

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Identify: a "given" rate, a "to find" rate, other variables.

$s, x, y, \frac{ds}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt}, \frac{dx}{dt}$

bottom right triangle: $x^2 + y^2 = 12^2$

top left triangle: $x^2 + (12 - y)^2 = s^2$

solve bottom right for x^2 and substitute in top left to get just 2 variables:

$$12^2 - y^2 + (12 - y)^2 = s^2$$

simplify: $12^2 - y^2 + 12^2 - 24y + y^2 = s^2$

$$2(12^2) - 24y = s^2$$

$$-24 \frac{dy}{dt} = 2s \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$-24 \frac{dy}{dt} = 2s(-0.2) \frac{m}{s} = -0.4s \text{ mps}$$

need s: (from above)

$$s^2 = 2(12^2) - 24(6) = 144$$

$$s = 12$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{12}{60} \text{ mps} = \frac{1}{5} \text{ mps}$$

Still need dx/dt From equation for bottom right triangle:

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

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{2y}{2x} \frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{y}{x} \frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{6}{x} \frac{1}{5} \text{ mps}$$

Still need x Use bottom right equation above to get $x = 6\sqrt{3}$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{6}{6\sqrt{3}} \frac{1}{5} = -\frac{1}{5\sqrt{3}} \text{ mps}$$

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$$y = 4(x^2 - 5x) \quad \text{a) } \frac{dy}{dt} \Big|_{x=3} \quad \text{G: } \frac{dx}{dt} = 2$$

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$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 4 \left(2x \frac{dx}{dt} - 5 \frac{dx}{dt} \right)$$

$$= 4 \left[(2x - 5) \frac{dx}{dt} \right]$$

$$= 4 \left[(6 - 5)(2) \right] = 8$$

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$$y = 4(x^2 - 5x)$$

$$b) F: \frac{dy}{dt} \Big|_{x=1} \quad G: \frac{dy}{dt} = 5$$

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$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 4 \left(2x \frac{dx}{dt} - 5 \frac{dx}{dt} \right)$$

$$5 = 4 \left(2(1) \frac{dx}{dt} - 5 \frac{dx}{dt} \right)$$

$$5 = -12 \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{5}{12}$$

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$$G: y = 2(x^2 - 3x) \quad F: \text{a) } \frac{dy}{dt} \Big|_{x=3},$$

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$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2 \left[2x \frac{dx}{dt} - 3 \frac{dx}{dt} \right] = 4x \frac{dx}{dt} - 6 \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = (4x - 6) \frac{dx}{dt} = 6 \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$b) \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{dy/dt}{4x-6} = \frac{5}{4-6} = \left(\frac{5}{-2} \right)$$

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$$6: y = \frac{1}{1+x^2}, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 2 \text{ cm/s}, \quad F: \left. \frac{dy}{dt} \right|_{x=-2}$$



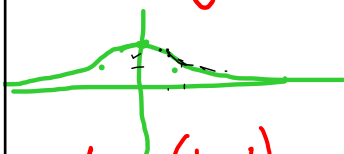
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$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{(1+x^2) \cdot 0 - (2x) \frac{dx}{dt}}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-2x}{(1+x^2)^2} \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$= \frac{-2(-2)}{(1+4)^2} \cdot 2 \text{ cm/s} = \frac{8}{25} \text{ cm/s}$$

$\frac{D_y D_x - D_x D_y}{D^2}$

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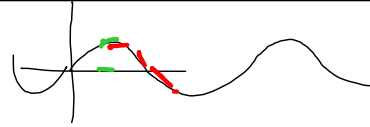
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$$G: y = \sin x$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2 \text{ cm/sec}$$

$$F: \left. \frac{dy}{dt} \right|_{x = \frac{\pi}{6}}$$



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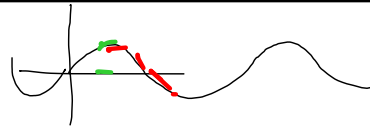
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$$y = \sin x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = (\cos x) \frac{dx}{dt} = \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} \right) 2 \text{ cm/s}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot 2 \text{ cm/s} = \sqrt{3} \text{ cm/s}$$



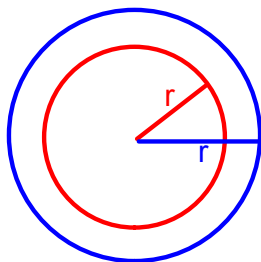
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16. G: radius of sphere increases 3 in/min $\frac{dr}{dt}$

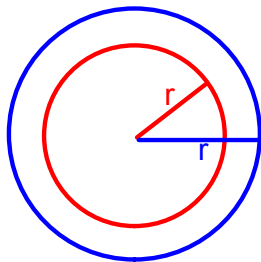
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16. G: radius of sphere increases 3 in/min $\frac{dr}{dt}$

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$$V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{4}{3} (3\pi r^2) \frac{dr}{dt} = 4\pi r^2 (3) \text{ in}^3/\text{min.}$$

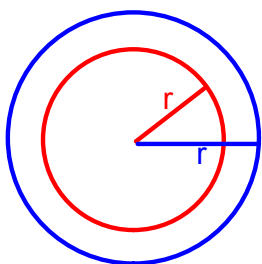
$$= 12\pi r^2 \text{ in}^3/\text{min.}$$

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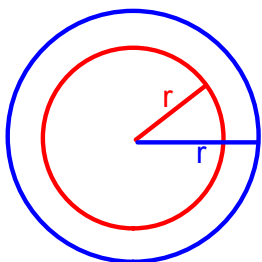
F: Is dA/dt constant? Why?

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F: Is dA/dt constant? Why?

$$A = \pi r^2$$

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

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi k \underline{r}$$

Therefore, dA/dt is NOT constant.
It varies directly as r varies.

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

$$8 \frac{dy}{dt} + y(10) = 0$$

$$8 \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 10 = 0$$

$$8 \frac{dy}{dt} = -5$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{5}{8}$$

$$xy = 4$$

$$y = \frac{4}{x} = \frac{4}{8}$$

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

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$y = 2x + x^3 - z$	Differentiate with respect to:
	t
	x
	z
	y

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$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2 \frac{dx}{dt} + 3x^2 \frac{dx}{dt} - \frac{dz}{dt}$	t
$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 + 3x^2 - \frac{dz}{dx}$	x ←
$\frac{dy}{dz} = 2 \frac{dx}{dz} + 3x^2 \frac{dx}{dz} - 1$	z ←
$1 = 2 \frac{dx}{dy} + 3x^2 \frac{dx}{dy} - \frac{dz}{dy}$	y

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