

Identify the Error

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Identify and correct the error in the following argument. Suppose $y^2 + 2y = 2x^3 - 7$. Differentiating both sides with respect to x to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$, we have $2y + 2\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2$, which implies that $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - y$.

The error was: the student did not use implicit differentiation correctly.
The error was corrected below:

$$2y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + 2 \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2$$
$$\frac{dy}{dx} (2y + 2) = 6x^2$$
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6x^2}{2(y+1)} = \frac{3x^2}{y+1} \checkmark$$

3.11 Related Rates

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We will relate the rates of change of different variables with respect to time.

Procedure for solving related rates prob.

- ① Draw a figure, assign variables to quantities that vary (What's not changing (a constant) vs. what's changing (variable))
- ② Find a formula or an equation that relates the variables
- ③ Differentiate the equation (usually implicitly w/ respect to time)
- ④ Substitute specific values and solve algebraically for any required rate (use correct units)

Steps 1 & 2 involve reading & interpreting the prob.
Step 3 is implicit differentiation / Step 4 Algebra

Exp1) A spherical balloon is filled w/ gas.

When $r=2\text{ft}$, the radius is increasing at the rate of $\frac{1}{6} \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{min}}$. How fast is

the volume changing at this time?

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

Solution:



$r \rightarrow$ radius
 $V \rightarrow$ volume

Given: $r=2\text{ft}$.

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = + \frac{1}{6} \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{min}} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{rate of change} \\ \text{of radius } r \\ \text{wrt time} \end{array} \right)$$

Asked: $\frac{dV}{dt} = ?$
 $\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{how is the} \\ \text{Volume changing} \\ \text{wrt time?} \end{array} \right)$

② formula: $V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$

③ Implicit Diff. wrt (w/respect to) time:

$$(V = V(t)) \quad V = \underbrace{\frac{4}{3} \pi}_{\text{constant}} r^3 \quad (r = r(t))$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot 3 \cdot r^2 \cdot \frac{dr}{dt}$$

④ **Given:** At the moment when $r=2\text{ft}$, $\frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{1}{6} \text{ft}/\text{min}$.
 substitute these specific values in the eq. step ③

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot 3 \cdot r^2 \cdot \frac{dr}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot 3 \cdot 2^2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{\text{ft}^3}{\text{min}}$$

Volume is increasing at a rate of $\frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{\text{ft}^3}{\text{min}}$ *

Units* how do we measure volume? in this
 how do we measure time? prb.

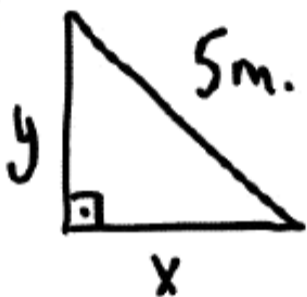
Exp2) Leaning Ladder Prb.



When the foot of the ladder is 4m away from the wall and the foot is moving away

at the rate of 2 m/sec. how fast is the bag descending?

①



Given:

$x \rightarrow$ distance between foot of the ladder and the wall

$y \rightarrow$ distance between the bag and the ground

Asked: when $x=4m$, $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2m/s$. $\frac{dy}{dt} = ?$

②

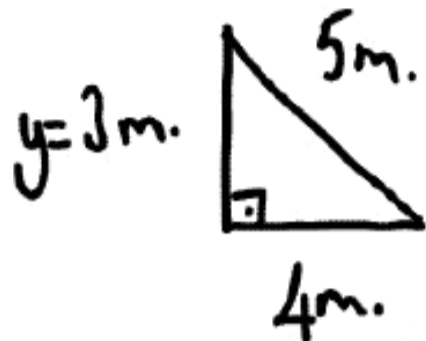
$$x^2 + y^2 = 5^2$$

③

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

(Is y increasing wrt time?)
• NO!

④ **Given:** when $x=4m.$, $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2m/s.$; **Asked:** $\frac{dy}{dt}=?$



3-4-5 Special Right Triangle

$$y^2 + 4^2 = 5^2$$

$$y^2 = 25 - 16 = 9$$

$$y = 3m.$$

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

Substitute given (specific) values:

$$2 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

$$16 + 6 \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{-16}{6} = \frac{-8}{3} \text{ m/sec.}$$

The bag is descending at a rate of $\frac{8}{3} \frac{m}{sec}$.
 already implies a neg. change