

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=1} = -1(1)^{-2} = -1; m = -1$$

Equation of the tangent: $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

At the point $(3, \frac{1}{3})$: $y - \frac{1}{3} = -1(x - 3)$

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

$$y - \frac{1}{3} + x - 3 = 0$$

$$3y - 1 + 3x - 9 = 0$$

$3y + 3x - 10 = 0$ gives the equation of tangent

Equation of the normal: $y - y_1 = \frac{1}{m}(x - x_1)$

At the point $(3, \frac{1}{3})$: $y - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{-1}(x - 3)$

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

$$y - \frac{1}{3} + x - 3 = 0$$

$$3y - 1 + 3x - 9 = 0$$

$3y + 3x - 10 = 0$ gives the equation of normal

At point: $(1, 2)$: $y - 2 = \frac{1}{4}(x - 1)$

$$y - 2 = \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$y - 2 - \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{4} = 0$$

$$4y - 8 - x + 1 = 0$$

$$4y - x - 7 = 0 \text{ gives equation of normal}$$

2. $y = 3x^2 - 2x$ at the point $(2, 8)$

Solution

$$y = 3x^2 - 2x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x - 2$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=1} = 6(1) - 2 = 4; \therefore m = 4$$

Equation of the tangent: $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

At point $(2, 8)$: $y - 8 = 4(x - 2)$

$$y - 8 = 4x - 8$$

$$y - 8 - 4x + 8 = 0$$

$$y - 4x = 0 \text{ gives the equation of tangent.}$$

Equation of the normal: $y - y_1 = \frac{1}{m}(x - x_1)$

At point $(2, 8)$: $y - 8 = \frac{1}{4}(x - 2)$

$$y - 8 = \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y - 8 - \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$4y - 32 - x + 2 = 0$$

$$4y - x - 30 = 0 \text{ gives the equation of normal}$$

3. $y = \frac{x^3}{2}$ at the point $(-1, -\frac{1}{2})$

Solution

$$y = \frac{x^3}{2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=1} = 3(1)^2 = 3; m = 3$$

Equation of the tangent: $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

At the point $(-1, -\frac{1}{2})$: $y - (-\frac{1}{2}) = 3(x - (-1))$

$$y + \frac{1}{2} = 3x + 3$$

Assignment

For the curves in problems 1 to 5, at the points given, find

(a) the equation of the tangent (b) the equation of the normal:

(1) $y = 2x^2$ at the point $(1, 2)$ (2) $y = 3x^2 - 2x$ at the point $(2, 8)$

(3) $y = x^3/2$ at the point $(-1, -1/2)$ (4) $y = 1 + x - x^2$ at the point $(-2, 5)$

(5) $y = 1/x$ at the point $(3, 1/3)$

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1 $y = 2x^2$ at the point $(1, 2)$

Solution

$$y = 2x^2$$
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 4x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=1} = 4(1) = 4; \therefore m = 4$$

Equation of tangent: $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

At point $(1, 2)$: $y - 2 = 4(x - 1)$

$$y - 2 = 4x - 4$$

$$y - 2 - 4x + 4 = 0$$

$$y - 4x + 2 = 0 \text{ gives the equation of tangent}$$

Equation of normal: $y - y_1 = \frac{1}{m_1}(x - x_1)$

$$y + \frac{1}{2} - 3x - 3 = 0$$

$$2y + 1 - 6x - 6 = 0$$

$2y - 6x - 5 = 0$ gives the equation of the tangent

Equation of normal: $y - y_1 = \frac{1}{m}(x - x_1)$

At the point $(-1, -\frac{1}{2})$: $y - (-\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{3}(x - (-1))$

$$y + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$y + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}x - \frac{1}{3} = 0$$

$$6y + 3 - 2x - 2 = 0$$

$6y - 2x + 1 = 0$ gives the equation of the normal

4. $y = 1 + x - x^2$ at the point $(-2, -5)$

Solution

$$y = 1 - x + x^2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -1 + 2x \Rightarrow 2x - 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=-2} = 2(-2) - 1 = -5 ; m = -5$$

Equation of tangent: $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

At the point $(-2, -5)$: $y - (-5) = -5(x - (-2))$

$$y + 5 = -5x - 10$$

$$y + 5 - 5x - 10 = 0$$

$y - 5x - 5 = 0$ gives the equation of the tangent

Equation of normal: $y - y_1 = \frac{1}{m}(x - x_1)$

At the point $(-2, -5)$: $y - (-5) = \frac{1}{5}(x - (-2))$

$$y + 5 = \frac{1}{5}x + \frac{2}{5}$$

$$y + 5 - \frac{1}{5}x - \frac{2}{5} = 0$$

$5y - x + 23 = 0$ gives the equation of the normal

5. $y = \frac{1}{x}$ at the point $(3, \frac{1}{3})$

Solution

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

$$y = x^{-1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -1x^{-2}$$