

## Section 2.8

[1] Given equation  $y = x^2 - \sqrt{x}$ . Differentiating both sides with respect to  $t$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt}[x^2 - \sqrt{x}] \\ &= 2x\frac{dx}{dt} - \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}\frac{dx}{dt} \\ &= \left[2x - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}\right]\frac{dx}{dt}.\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

(a) Plugging in  $x = 4$  and  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 8$  in the above equation (1) we get

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dt} &= \left[8 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4}}\right] \times 8 \\ &= \left[8 - \frac{1}{4}\right] \times 8 \\ &= 64 - 2 = 62.\end{aligned}$$

(b) Plugging in  $x = 16$  and  $\frac{dy}{dt} = 12$  in (1) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}12 &= \left[32 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{16}}\right] \frac{dx}{dt} \\ \text{i.e., } 12 &= \left[32 - \frac{1}{8}\right] \frac{dx}{dt} \\ \text{i.e., } 12 &= \frac{255}{8} \frac{dx}{dt} \\ \text{i.e., } \frac{dx}{dt} &= \frac{96}{255} = \frac{32}{85}.\end{aligned}$$

[4]  $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ . Differentiating both sides with respect to  $t$  we get

$$\begin{aligned}2x\frac{dx}{dt} + 2y\frac{dy}{dt} &= 0 \\ \text{i.e., } x\frac{dx}{dt} + y\frac{dy}{dt} &= 0.\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

(a) Putting  $x = 3, y = 4$ , and  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 8$  in (2) we get

$$\begin{aligned}24 + 4\frac{dy}{dt} &= 0 \\ \text{i.e., } 4\frac{dy}{dt} &= -24 \\ \text{i.e., } \frac{dy}{dt} &= -6.\end{aligned}$$

(b) Putting  $x = 4, y = 3$ , and  $\frac{dy}{dt} = -2$  in (2) we get

$$\begin{aligned}4\frac{dx}{dt} - 6 &= 0 \\ \text{i.e., } 4\frac{dx}{dt} &= 6 \\ \text{i.e., } \frac{dx}{dt} &= \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2}.\end{aligned}$$

[10] Volume of the cone is  $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$ . But we know that  $h = 3r$ . Therefore  $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 \times 3r = \pi r^3$ . Now differentiating both sides with respect to  $t$  we have

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 3\pi r^2 \frac{dr}{dt}. \quad (3)$$

We know that the radius of the cone is increasing at a rate of 2 inches per minute. Mathematically it means that  $\frac{dr}{dt} = 2\text{in}/\text{min}$ .

(a) To find the rate of change of the volume when  $r = 6$  inches, we put  $r = 6$  and  $\frac{dr}{dt} = 2$  in the equation (3). Then we obtain

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 3\pi \times 36 \times 2 = 216\pi$$

Therefore the rate of change of volume at  $r = 6$  inches is  $216\pi$  cubic in/min.

(b) Similarly, when  $r = 24$  inches we have

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = 3\pi \times (24)^2 \times 2 = 3456\pi.$$

Therefore the rate of change of volume at  $r = 24$  inches is  $3456\pi$  cubic in/min.

[14] Suppose the length of each edge of the cube is  $x$  cm. [Since the cube is expanding, the edge length  $x$  is also increasing. Therefore  $x$  depends on 'time' ( $t$ ) i.e.,  $x$  is a function of time ( $t$ ).] Notice that there are total six surface planes of a cube, and area of each surface plane is  $x^2$  (because edge length is  $x$ ). Therefore total surface area of the cube is given by  $S = 6x^2$ .

We want to find the rate of change of surface area with respect to time i.e., we have to find  $\frac{dS}{dt}$ . Differentiating both side of the equation  $S = 6x^2$  with respect to  $t$  ( $t$  stands for time), we have

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = 12x \frac{dx}{dt}. \quad (4)$$

We know that edges are expanding at the rate of 3cm/sec. In other words,  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3\text{cm/sec}$ .

(a) Now putting  $x = 1$  and  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3$  in equation (4) we get

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = 12 \times 3 = 36.$$

Therefore the surface area of the cube is increasing at the rate of 36 square cm/sec when each edge is 1 cm.

(b) Similarly, putting  $x = 10$  and  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 3$  in equation (4) we get

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = 120 \times 3 = 360.$$

Therefore the surface area of the cube is increasing at the rate of 360 square cm/sec when each edge is 10 cm.

[16] Given equation  $y = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ . Rewrite this equation as  $y = (1 + x^2)^{-1}$ . Differentiating both sides with respect to  $t$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} [(1 + x^2)^{-1}] \\ &= -(1 + x^2)^{-2} \frac{d}{dt} [1 + x^2] \\ &= -(1 + x^2)^{-2} 2x \frac{dx}{dt}. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

We know that  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2$  cm/min.

(a) Plugging in  $x = -2$  and  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2$  in (5) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dt} &= -(1 + 4)^{-2} \times (-4) \times 2 \\ &= -\frac{1}{5^2} \times (-8) \\ &= \frac{8}{25} \text{ cm/min.} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Similarly, plugging in  $x = 2$  and  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2$  in (5) we have

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{8}{25} \text{ cm/min.}$$

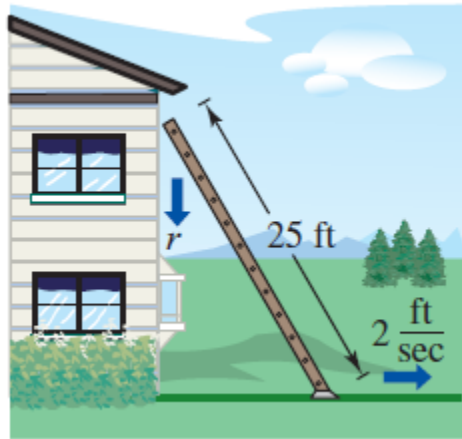
(c) When  $x = 0$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -(1 + 0)^{-2} \times 0 = 0 \text{ cm/min.}$$

(d) and when  $x = 10$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dt} &= -(1 + 100)^{-2} \times 20 \times 2 \\ &= -\frac{40}{101^2} \text{ cm/min.} \end{aligned}$$

[17] Let  $r$  be the height of the ladder along the wall (see figure), and the base of the ladder be at a distance  $x$  from the wall. By Pythagorean theorem we have  $r^2 + x^2 = 25^2$ .



We know that base of the ladder is pulled away from the house at a rate of 2 feet per second i.e.,  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2 \text{ ft/sec}$ . We want to find how fast the top of the ladder is moving down i.e, we have to find  $\frac{dr}{dt}$ . Now differentiating both sides of  $r^2 + x^2 = 25^2$  with respect to  $t$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} 2r \frac{dr}{dt} + 2x \frac{dx}{dt} &= 0 \\ \text{i.e., } r \frac{dr}{dt} + x \frac{dx}{dt} &= 0 \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

(a) When  $x = 7$ , we have  $r = \sqrt{25^2 - 7^2} = 24$ . Putting  $x = 7$ ,  $r = 24$ , and  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2$  in the equation (6) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 24 \frac{dr}{dt} + 14 &= 0 \\ \text{i.e., } \frac{dr}{dt} &= -\frac{14}{24} = -\frac{7}{12}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore when the base is 7 feet away from the house, the top of the ladder is moving down at the rate of  $\frac{7}{12}$  ft/sec.

(b) Similarly, when  $x = 15$  we have  $r = \sqrt{25^2 - 15^2} = 20$ . Putting  $x = 15$ ,  $r = 20$ , and  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2$  in the equation (6) we obtain

$$20 \frac{dr}{dt} + 30 = 0$$

*i.e.*, 
$$\frac{dr}{dt} = -\frac{30}{20} = -\frac{3}{2}.$$

Therefore when the base is 15 feet away from the house, the top of the ladder is moving down at the rate of  $\frac{3}{2}$  ft/sec.

(c) When  $x = 24$ , we have  $r = \sqrt{25^2 - 24^2} = 7$ . Putting  $x = 24$ ,  $r = 7$ , and  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2$  in the equation (6) we obtain

$$7 \frac{dr}{dt} + 48 = 0$$

*i.e.*, 
$$\frac{dr}{dt} = -\frac{48}{7}.$$

Therefore when the base is 24 feet away from the house, the top of the ladder is moving down at the rate of  $\frac{48}{7}$  ft/sec.

[19] Solved in class.