

Exercise 47

Find y' and y'' .

$$y = \cos(\sin 3\theta)$$

Solution

Take the derivative using the chain rule.

$$\begin{aligned}y' &= \frac{dy}{d\theta} = \frac{d}{d\theta} [\cos(\sin 3\theta)] \\&= [-\sin(\sin 3\theta)] \cdot \frac{d}{d\theta}(\sin 3\theta) \\&= [-\sin(\sin 3\theta)] \cdot (\cos 3\theta) \cdot \frac{d}{d\theta}(3\theta) \\&= [-\sin(\sin 3\theta)] \cdot (\cos 3\theta) \cdot (3) \\&= -3 \sin(\sin 3\theta) \cos 3\theta\end{aligned}$$

Take another derivative.

$$\begin{aligned}y'' &= \frac{d}{d\theta}(y') = \frac{d}{d\theta}[-3 \sin(\sin 3\theta) \cos 3\theta] \\&= -3 \frac{d}{d\theta}[\sin(\sin 3\theta) \cos 3\theta] \\&= -3 \left\{ \left[\frac{d}{d\theta} \sin(\sin 3\theta) \right] \cos 3\theta + \sin(\sin 3\theta) \left[\frac{d}{d\theta}(\cos 3\theta) \right] \right\} \\&= -3 \left\{ \left[\cos(\sin 3\theta) \cdot \frac{d}{d\theta}(\sin 3\theta) \right] \cos 3\theta + \sin(\sin 3\theta) \left[(-\sin 3\theta) \cdot \frac{d}{d\theta}(3\theta) \right] \right\} \\&= -3 \left\{ \left[\cos(\sin 3\theta) \cdot (\cos 3\theta) \cdot \frac{d}{d\theta}(3\theta) \right] \cos 3\theta + \sin(\sin 3\theta) [(-\sin 3\theta) \cdot (3)] \right\} \\&= -3 \{ [\cos(\sin 3\theta) \cdot (\cos 3\theta) \cdot (3)] \cos 3\theta + \sin(\sin 3\theta) [(-\sin 3\theta) \cdot (3)] \} \\&= -9[\cos(\sin 3\theta) \cos^2 3\theta - \sin(\sin 3\theta) \sin 3\theta]\end{aligned}$$