

Exercise 12

Find dy/dx by implicit differentiation.

$$\cos(xy) = 1 + \sin y$$

Solution

Differentiate both sides with respect to x .

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}[\cos(xy)] &= \frac{d}{dx}(1 + \sin y) \\ [-\sin(xy)] \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(xy) &= \frac{d}{dx}(1) + \frac{d}{dx}(\sin y) \\ [-\sin(xy)] \cdot \left\{ \left[\frac{d}{dx}(x) \right] y + x \left[\frac{d}{dx}(y) \right] \right\} &= (0) + (\cos y) \cdot \frac{d}{dx}(y) \\ [-\sin(xy)] \cdot [(1)y + x(y')] &= (\cos y)(y') \\ -\sin(xy)(y + xy') &= y' \cos y\end{aligned}$$

Solve for y' .

$$\begin{aligned}-y \sin(xy) - xy' \sin(xy) &= y' \cos y \\ -y \sin(xy) &= [x \sin(xy) + \cos y]y' \\ y' &= -\frac{\sin(xy)}{x \sin(xy) + \cos y}\end{aligned}$$