

6. [11 points] Consider the curve \mathcal{C} defined by

$$e^{xy} = 4x - y^2 + 2.$$

- a. [6 points] For this curve \mathcal{C} , find a formula for $\frac{dy}{dx}$ in terms of x and y .

Solution: Applying $\frac{d}{dx}$ to both sides of the equation for the curve, we have

$$e^{xy} \left(x \frac{dy}{dx} + y(1) \right) = 4 - 2y \frac{dy}{dx}.$$

Collecting all terms involving $\frac{dy}{dx}$ to the left hand side and factoring out $\frac{dy}{dx}$ gives

$$\frac{dy}{dx} (xe^{xy} + 2y) = 4 - ye^{xy}.$$

Thus, $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4 - ye^{xy}}{xe^{xy} + 2y}$.

Answer: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4 - ye^{xy}}{xe^{xy} + 2y}$

- b. [2 points] Exactly one of the points below lies on the curve \mathcal{C} . Circle that one point.

(2, 0)

(1, -2)

(1, 1)

(0, -1)

- c. [3 points] Find an equation for the tangent line to the curve \mathcal{C} at the point you chose in part (b).

Solution: The slope of the tangent line to \mathcal{C} at (0,-1) is given by plugging $x = 0$ and $y = -1$ into the formula we found for $\frac{dy}{dx}$, which gives

$$\frac{4 - (-1)e^{(0)(-1)}}{0e^{(0)(-1)} + 2(-1)} = -\frac{5}{2}.$$

Thus, the tangent line is given by the equation

$$y = -1 - \frac{5}{2}(x - 0).$$

Answer: $y = -1 - \frac{5}{2}x$