

Answer on Question #73487 – Math – Calculus

Question

Check whether there exists a continuously differentiable function g defined by $f(x,y) = 0$ in the neighborhood of $x=3$ such that $g(3) = 1/3$.

Solution

First of all, check the given function is differentiable function or not. Suppose that $f : (a,b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $a < c < b$, $y = g(x)$, $f(x,y) = g(x) - y$

Then there exists a differentiable function g at c with derivative $g'(x)$ if

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(c+h) - g(c)}{h} = g'(c).$$

The domain of f' is the set of points $c \in (a, b)$ for which this limit exists. If the limit exists for every $c \in (a, b)$ then we say that f is differentiable on (a, b) .

Let $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$, $x \neq 0$ $g'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2}$ since

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\frac{1}{c+h} - \frac{1}{c}}{h} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{c - c - h}{hc(c+h)} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-h}{hc(c+h)} \right]$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-1}{c(c+h)} \right] = \frac{-1}{c^2}$$

Hence the function $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ is differentiable function in the neighborhood of $x = 3$. Therefore, it is true there exists a continuously differentiable function g defined by $f(x,y) = 0$ in the neighborhood of $x=3$ such that $g(3) = 1/3$.