

Answer on Question #74720, Math / Calculus

If $x \sin y = \sin(p + y)$, $p \in \mathbb{R}$, show that $\sin p \frac{dy}{dx} + \sin^2 y = 0$.

Solution

$$x \sin y = \sin(p + y)$$

Differentiate the both sides of the equation with respect to x using the Product Rule and Chain Rule

$$\sin y + x \cos y \frac{dy}{dx} = \cos(p + y) \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Substitute

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{\sin(p + y)}{\sin y} \\ \sin y + \frac{\sin(p + y)}{\sin y} \cos y \frac{dy}{dx} &= \cos(p + y) \frac{dy}{dx} \\ \sin y + \left(\frac{\sin(p + y)}{\sin y} \cos y - \cos(p + y) \right) \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\ \sin^2 y + (\sin(p + y) \cos y - \sin y \cos(p + y)) \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Use the Sine – Difference formula

$$\sin p = \sin((p + y) - y) = \sin(p + y) \cos y - \sin y \cos(p + y)$$

Then

$$\sin^2 y + \sin p \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

Therefore

$$\sin p \frac{dy}{dx} + \sin^2 y = 0, \text{ if } x \sin y = \sin(p + y), p \in \mathbb{R}.$$

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