

1. Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 4$ at the point $(9, 1)$.

Here's a sketch of the graph, using some easy points \rightarrow

We need to find the equation of this line \rightarrow

We already have a point $(x_0, y_0) = (9, 1)$ on the line.

To find the equation of the line, we need its slope.

For this we'll use implicit differentiation to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$D_x [\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}] = D_x [4]$$

$$\{y = f(x)\}$$

$$D_x [x^{\frac{1}{2}} + y^{\frac{1}{2}}] = D_x [4]$$

$$\frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{2} y^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

\leftarrow Now solve for $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x}}}$$

So tangent line has slope
 $m = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(x_0, y_0) = (9, 1)} = -\frac{\sqrt{1}}{\sqrt{9}} = -\frac{1}{3}$

Now use the point-slope formula for the line:

$$y - y_0 = m(x - x_0) \Rightarrow y - 1 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 9) \Rightarrow \underline{\text{Ans}} \quad \boxed{y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 4}$$

