

Chain Rule (Section 4.1)

• If $f(x) \neq g(x)$ are differentiable w.r.t x , then the derivative of

$$f \circ g \rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [f(g(x))] = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

OR If $y = f(u) \neq u = g(x)$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx}$

$$y' = f'(u) \cdot g'(x)$$

ex: $y = \sin(3x+1)$ $u = 3x+1$
 \downarrow $du = 3$

$$y = \sin u$$

$$y' = \cos u \cdot du$$

$$y' = \cos(3x+1) \cdot 3 = 3 \cos(3x+1)$$

ex: $y = \sin^2 x = (\sin x)^2$

$$u = \sin x$$

$$du = \cos x$$

$$\downarrow y = u^2$$

$$y' = 2u \cdot du$$

OR $y = (\sin x)^2$

$$y' = 2(\sin x)' \cdot (\cos x)$$

$$y' = 2(\sin x)(\cos x)$$

ex: $y = \sin(x^2)$

$$\downarrow y = \sin u$$

$$y' = \cos u \cdot du$$

$$y' = \cos(x^2) \cdot 2x$$

$$y' = 2x \cos(x^2)$$

$$u = x^2$$

$$du = 2x$$

OR $y = \cos(x^2) \cdot 2x$

$$y = 2x \cos(x^2)$$

ex: $y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sin x}} = (\sin x)^{-1/2}$

$$u = \sin x$$

$$du = \cos x$$

$$y = u^{-1/2}$$

$$y' = -\frac{1}{2} u^{-3/2} \cdot du$$

$$y' = -\frac{1}{2} (\sin x)^{-3/2} (\cos x)$$

$$y' = \frac{-\cos x}{2(\sin x)^{3/2}}$$

OR $y = (\sin x)^{-1/2}$

$$y' = -\frac{1}{2} (\sin x)^{-3/2} \cdot \cos x$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$y' = \frac{-\cos x}{2(\sin x)^{3/2}}$$

ex: $y = (x^3-1)^4$

$$u = x^3-1$$

$$du = 3x^2$$

$$y = u^4$$

$$y' = 4u^3 \cdot du$$

$$y' = 4(x^3-1)^3 \cdot 3x^2$$

$$y' = 12x^2(x^3-1)^3$$

OR $y' = 4(x^3-1)^3 (3x^2)$

$$= 12x^2(x^3-1)^3$$

ex: $y = \sec(4x)$

$$u = 4x$$

$$du = 4$$

$$\downarrow y = \sec u$$

$$y' = \sec u \cdot \tan u \cdot du$$

$$y' = \sec(4x) \cdot \tan(4x) \cdot 4$$

$$y' = 4 \sec(4x) \tan(4x)$$

OR $y' = \sec(4x) \tan(4x) \cdot 4$

$$y' = 4 \sec(4x) \tan(4x)$$

ex: $y = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+1}} = x(x^2+1)^{-1/2}$

Quotient Rule $y = \frac{x}{(x^2+1)^{1/2}}$

$y' = x \left[\frac{-1}{2} (x^2+1)^{-3/2} (2x) \right] + (x^2+1)^{-1/2} \cdot 1$

in common!

$y' = \frac{(x^2+1)^{1/2} (1) - x \left[\frac{1}{2} (x^2+1)^{-1/2} \cdot 2x \right]}{[(x^2+1)^{1/2}]^2}$

$y' = (x^2+1)^{-3/2} [-x^2 + (x^2+1)]$

$y' = \frac{(x^2+1)^{-1/2} [(x^2+1) - x^2]}{(x^2+1)^1} = \frac{1}{(x^2+1)^{3/2}}$

$y' = \frac{1}{(x^2+1)^{3/2}}$

ex: $y = \sqrt{\frac{x}{x^2+1}}$

$u = \frac{x}{x^2+1}$

$du = \frac{(x^2+1)(1) - x(2x)}{(x^2+1)^2} = \frac{x^2+1-2x^2}{(x^2+1)^2}$

$y = \sqrt{u} = u^{1/2}$

$du = \frac{-x^2+1}{(x^2+1)^2}$

$y' = \frac{1}{2} u^{-1/2} du$

$y' = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x}{x^2+1} \right)^{-1/2} \cdot \frac{-x^2+1}{(x^2+1)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{(x^2+1)^{1/2}}{x^{1/2}} \cdot \frac{(-x^2+1)}{(x^2+1)^2 \cdot 2^{3/2}}$

$y' = \frac{-x^2+1}{2x^{1/2}(x^2+1)^{3/2}}$

ex: $y = x^2 \tan^2(4x) = x^2 (\tan 4x)^2$

$u = \tan 4x$
 $du = 4 \sec^2 4x$

$y = x^2 \cdot u^2$

$y' = x^2 (2u du) + u^2 (2x)$

$y' = x^2 [2(4 \sec^2 4x) (\tan 4x)] + \tan^2 4x (2x)$

$y' = 8x^2 \sec^2 4x \tan 4x + 2x \tan^2 4x$

$y' = 2x \tan 4x (4x \sec^2 4x + \tan 4x)$

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 $du = \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2}$

$f'(u) = 5u^4 \cdot du$
 $= 5(x^{1/2})^4 \left[\frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} \right]$
 $= \frac{5x^2}{2x^{1/2}} = \frac{5x^{3/2}}{2}$

** Parametric: $x(t) \neq y(t)$ equations

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt}$$

#41 $x = 2 \cos t$ $y = 2 \sin t$ Find the tangent line @ $t = \pi/4$.

Point $\begin{cases} x(\pi/4) = 2 \cos(\pi/4) = 2(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}) = \sqrt{2} \\ y(\pi/4) = 2 \sin(\pi/4) = 2(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}) = \sqrt{2} \end{cases}$

Point: $(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2})$

Slope: $m = -1$

$$\therefore y - \sqrt{2} = -1(x - \sqrt{2})$$

slope: $m = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{2 \cos t}{-2 \sin t} = -\cot(t)$

@ $t = \pi/4$ $m = -\cot(\pi/4)$
 $m = -1$

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x	f(x)	g(x)	f'(x)	g'(x)
2	8	2	1/3	-3
3	3	-4	2π	5

a) $\frac{d}{dx} [2 \cdot f(x)] = 2 f'(x)$

@ $x=2$ $= 2 f'(2) = 2(1/3) = \frac{2}{3}$

c) $\frac{d}{dx} [f(x) \cdot g(x)] = f(x) \cdot g'(x) + g(x) \cdot f'(x)$

@ $x=3$ $= f(3) \cdot g'(3) + g(3) \cdot f'(3)$
 $= 3 \cdot 5 + (-4) \cdot 2\pi$

$$= 15 - 8\pi$$

e) $\frac{d}{dx} [f(g(x))] = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$

@ $x=2$ $= f'(g(2)) \cdot g'(2)$

$= f'(2) \cdot -3$

$= (1/3) \cdot (-3) = -1$

g) $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{g^2} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} (g^{-2}) = -2g^{-3} \cdot g'$

@ $x=3$

$= -2[g(3)]^{-3} \cdot g'(3)$

$= -2(-4)^{-3} (5)$

$= \frac{-10}{(-4)^3} = \frac{10}{64} = \frac{5}{32}$

* More examples of Chain Rule:

ex: $y = \sin(\sqrt{x})$

$$u = \sqrt{x} = x^{1/2}$$
$$du = \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2}$$

$$y = \sin u$$

$$y' = \cos u \cdot du$$

$$y' = \cos(\sqrt{x}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2}$$

$$y' = \frac{\cos(\sqrt{x})}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

ex: $y = \frac{6}{\sqrt{x^2+4}} = 6(x^2+4)^{-1/2}$ NOT QUOTIENT RULE!

$$y' = 6 \left[-\frac{1}{2} (x^2+4)^{-3/2} (2x) \right]$$

$$y' = \frac{6x}{(x^2+4)^{3/2}}$$

ex: $y = \tan(3x) - \csc(4x)$

$$y' = \sec^2(3x) \cdot 3 + [+\csc(4x) \cot(4x) \cdot 4]$$

$$y' = 3 \sec^2(3x) + 4 \csc(4x) \cot(4x)$$

ex: