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## 0.1 The Chain Rule

$$y = f(g(x))$$

let

$$u = g(x) \rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = g'(x)$$

$$y = f(u) \rightarrow \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} = f'(u)$$

### 0.1.1 The Chain Rule (Case 1)

Suppose  $z = f(x, y)$  is a differentiable function of  $x$  and  $y$ , where  $x$  and  $y$  are differentiable functions of  $t$ . Then  $z$  is a differentiable function of  $t$  and

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$$

**Example 1** (Case 1 Chain Rule).

$$z = x^2y + 3x^3y^4$$

$$x = e^{2t}$$

$$y = \cos t$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2xy + 9x^2y^4$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x^2 + 12x^3y^3$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2e^{2t}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -\sin t$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = (2xy + 9x^2y^4)2e^{2t} + (x^2 + 12x^3y^3) \cdot -\sin t$$

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**0.1.2 The Chain Rule (Case 2)**

Suppose  $z = f(x, y)$  is a differentiable function of  $x$  and  $y$ , where  $x = g(s, t)$  and  $y = h(s, t)$  are differentiable functions of  $t$ , Then  $z$  is a differentiable function of  $s$  and  $t$ , Then