Worksheet #24

(1) Find $\frac{dw}{dt}$ where $w = e^x \sin y + e^y \sin x$, x = 3t and y = 2t. Solution: Use the chain rule.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dw}{dt} &= \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} \\ &= (e^x \sin y + e^y \cos x) \frac{dx}{dt} + (e^x \cos y + e^y \sin x) \frac{dy}{dt} \\ &= (e^x \sin y + e^y \cos x)(3) + (e^x \cos y + e^y \sin x)2 \qquad = 3 \left(e^{3t} \sin(2t) + e^{2t} \cos(3t)\right) + 2 \left(e^{3t} \cos(2t) + e^{2t} \sin(3t)\right) \end{aligned}$$

(2) Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial t}$ where $z = \ln(x+y) - \ln(x-y)$, $x = te^s$ and $y = e^{st}$. Express your answer in terms of s and t.

Solution: Use the chain rule.

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{x+y} - \frac{1}{x-y} \right) \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \left(\frac{1}{x+y} + \frac{1}{x-y} \right) \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{te^s + e^{st}} - \frac{1}{te^s - e^{st}} \right) e^s + \left(\frac{1}{te^s + e^{st}} + \frac{1}{te^s - e^{st}} \right) s e^{st} \end{split}$$

(3) If $w = x^2y + z^2$, $x = \rho \cos \theta \sin \phi$, $y = \rho \sin \theta \sin \phi$, and $z = \rho \cos \phi$, find $\frac{\partial w}{\partial \rho}$ evaluated at $\rho = 2$, $\theta = \pi$ and $\phi = \pi/2$.

Solution: Use the chain rule.

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial \rho} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \rho} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \rho} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial \rho}
= (2xy) \frac{\partial x}{\partial \rho} + x^2 \frac{\partial y}{\partial \rho} + 2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial \rho}
= (2\rho^2 \cos\theta \sin^2\phi \sin\theta)(\cos\theta \sin\phi) + (\rho\cos\theta \sin\phi)^2 \cos\theta \sin\phi + 2\rho\cos\phi(\cos\phi)
= (2(2)^2 \cos(\pi)\sin^2(\pi/2)\sin(\pi))(\cos(\pi)\sin(\pi/2)) +
(2\cos(\pi)\sin(\pi/2))^2 \cos(\pi)\sin(\pi/2) + 2(2)\cos(\pi/2)(\cos(\pi/2))
= 0 + (2(-1)(1))^2 (-1)(1) + 2(2)(0)(0)
= -4$$

(4) If $3x^2z + y^3 - xyz^3 = 0$, find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$. Solution: Use implicit differentiation.

$$3(x^{3}\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 2xz) - (3xyz^{2}\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + yz^{3}) = 0$$

Solving for $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$, we get

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{-6xz + yz^3}{3x^3 - 3xyz^2}$$

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