

Motive to find
the general expression for

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n f_i(x) \right) = ?$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\prod_{i=1}^2 f_i(x) \right) = f_1(x) \frac{d}{dx} f_2(x) + f_2(x) \frac{d}{dx} f_1(x)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{d}{dx} (uv) = u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (uv) = u \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} + \frac{du}{dx} \cdot \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2}$$

$$\frac{d^3}{dx^3} (uv) = u \frac{d^3 v}{dx^3} + 3 \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} \frac{du}{dx} + 3 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} + v \frac{d^3 u}{dx^3}$$

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} (uv) = {}^n C_0 u \frac{d^n v}{dx^n} + {}^n C_1 \frac{d^{n-1} v}{dx^{n-1}} \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$+ {}^n C_2 \frac{d^{n-2} v}{dx^{n-2}} \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} + \dots$$

$$+ {}^n C_r \frac{d^{n-r} v}{dx^{n-r}} \frac{d^r u}{dx^r} + \dots$$

$$+ {}^n C_{n-1} \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{d^{n-1} u}{dx^{n-1}} + {}^n C_n v \frac{d^n u}{dx^n}$$

(check for the
limitations on
the value of n)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n f_i(x) \right)$$

$$= f_1(x) f_2(x) \frac{d}{dx} f_3(x) + f_1(x) \frac{d}{dx} (f_2(x)) f_3(x) \\ + \frac{d}{dx} (f_1(x)) \cdot f_2(x) f_3(x)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{d}{dx} (uvw) = \frac{du}{dx} vw + u \frac{dv}{dx} w + uv \frac{dw}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d^2(uvw)}{dx^2}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ \frac{du}{dx} vw + u \frac{dv}{dx} w + uv \frac{dw}{dx} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{du}{dx} vw \right) + \frac{d}{dx} \left(u \frac{dv}{dx} w \right)$$

$$+ \frac{d}{dx} \left(uv \frac{dw}{dx} \right)$$

$$= \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} vw + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} w + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} v$$

$$+ \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} uw + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} w + \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} u$$

$$+ \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} uv + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} v + \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} u$$

$$= \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} vw + \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} uw + \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} uv$$

→

$$+ 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} (w) + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} (v)$$

$$+ 2 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} (u)$$

$$\frac{d^3(uvw)}{dx^3}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{d^2(uvw)}{dx^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} vw + \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} uw + \frac{d^2w}{dx^2} uv \right.$$

$$+ 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} w + 2 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} u$$

$$\left. + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} v \right\}$$

$$= \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} vw + \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{dv}{dx} w + \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{dw}{dx} v$$

$$+ \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} uw + \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} \frac{du}{dx} w + \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} \frac{dw}{dx} u$$

$$+ \frac{d^3w}{dx^3} uv + \frac{d^2w}{dx^2} \frac{du}{dx} v + \frac{d^2w}{dx^2} \frac{dv}{dx} u$$

$$+ 2 \left\{ \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{dv}{dx} w + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} w + \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} \frac{du}{dx} \right\}$$

$$+ 2 \left\{ \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} \frac{dw}{dx} u + \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{d^2w}{dx^2} u + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} \right\}$$

$$+ 2 \left\{ \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{dw}{dx} v + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d^2w}{dx^2} v + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{d^3u}{dx^3} vw + \frac{d^3v}{dx^3} uw + \frac{d^3w}{dx^3} uv$$

$$+ 3 \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{dw}{dx} w + 3 \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{dw}{dx} v + 3 \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} \frac{du}{dx} w$$

$$+ 3 \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} \frac{dw}{dx} u + 3 \frac{d^2w}{dx^2} \frac{du}{dx} v + 3 \frac{d^2w}{dx^2} \frac{dv}{dx} u$$

$$+ \textcircled{6} \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx}$$

Now,

$\frac{d^2(uvw)}{dx^2}$ is based on the

• expansion of $(a+b+c)^2$

$$= a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2ab + 2bc + 2ca.$$

$\frac{d^3(uvw)}{dx^3}$ is based on the expansion

of $(a+b+c)^3$

$$= a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + 3b^2c + 3bc^2 + 3a^2c + 3ac^2 + 6abc$$

Similarly,

~~a+b+c~~ $\frac{d^4(uvw)}{dx^4}$ will be

based on the expansion of $(a+b+c)^4$.

And, $\frac{d^n(uvw)}{dx^n}$ is based on the

expansion of $(a+b+c)^n$.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\prod_{i=1}^4 f_i(x) \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \{ f_1(x) f_2(x) f_3(x) f_4(x) \}$$

$$= f_1'(x) f_2(x) f_3(x) f_4(x) + f_1(x) f_2'(x) f_3(x) f_4(x)$$

$$+ f_1(x) f_2(x) f_3'(x) f_4(x) + f_1(x) f_2(x) f_3(x) f_4'(x)$$

~~2~~ i.e. $\frac{d}{dx} (abcd)$

$$= \frac{da}{dx} bcd + a \frac{db}{dx} cd + ab \frac{dc}{dx} + abc \frac{dd}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} (uvwx)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} (uvwx) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ \frac{du}{dx} vx + u \frac{dv}{dx} wx + uv \frac{dw}{dx} x \right.$$

$$\left. + uvw \frac{dx}{dx} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ \frac{du}{dx} vx \right\} + \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ u \frac{dv}{dx} wx \right\}$$

$$+ \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ uv \frac{dw}{dx} x \right\} + \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ uvw \frac{dx}{dx} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} vx + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} wx + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} vx$$

$$+ \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dx}{dx} wv + \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} uwx$$

$$+ \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} wx + \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} ux + \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dx}{dx} uv$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} uvx + \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} vx \\
& + \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} ux + \frac{dw}{dx} \frac{dx}{dx} uv \\
& + \frac{d^2 x}{dx^2} uvw + \frac{dx}{dx} \frac{du}{dx} vw + \frac{dx}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} uw \\
& + \frac{dx}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} uv \\
& = \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} vwx + \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} uwx + \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2} uvx \\
& + \frac{d^2 x}{dx^2} uvw + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} wx \\
& + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} vx + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dx}{dx} vw \\
& + 2 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dw}{dx} ux + 2 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dx}{dx} uw \\
& + 2 \frac{dw}{dx} \frac{dx}{dx} uv
\end{aligned}$$

The above is based on the expansion of $(a+b+c+d)^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
& = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 + 2ab + 2bc \\
& + 2cd + 2ad + 2bd + 2ac
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $(a+b+c+d)^3$ ←
 $\frac{d^3 abcd}{dx^3}$ is based on the exp. of

Hence,

~~(a+b+c+d)~~

$\frac{d^n(abcd)}{dx^n}$ is based on the

expansion of $(a+b+c+d)^n$.

→ Conclusion →

$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^2 f_i^0(x) \right)$ is based on binomial expansion of $(a+b)^n$

$\forall n \geq 2$

$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 f_i^0(x) \right)$ is based on the ~~binomial~~ expansion of $(a+b+c)^n$

$\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 f_i^0(x) \right)$ is based on the expansion of $(a+b+c+d)^n$

⋮

✗ full generalisation

Similarly, $\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^m f_i^0(x) \right)$ is based on

the expansion of $(a+b+c+d+\dots)^n$

Hence, we need to incorporate Multinomial Theorem.

(Going for horizontal evaluation)

→ Also,

$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^2 f_i(x) \right)$ is based on the expansion of $(a+b)^2$

$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 f_i(x) \right)$ is based on the expansion of $(a+b+c)^2$

$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 f_i(x) \right)$ is based on the expansion of $(a+b+c+d)^2$

⋮

$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) \right)$ is based on the expansion of $(a+b+c+d+\dots)^2$

→ Similarly,

$\frac{d^3}{dx^3} \left(\sum_{i=1}^2 f_i(x) \right)$ is based on the expansion of $(a+b)^3$

$\frac{d^3}{dx^3} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 f_i(x) \right)$ is based on the expansion of $(a+b+c)^3$.

$\frac{d^3}{dx^3} \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 f_i(x) \right)$ is based on the expansion of $(a+b+c+d)^3$.

$\frac{d^3}{dx^3} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i^0(x) \right)$ is based on the expansion of $(a+b+c+d+\dots)^3$

Also,

$\frac{d^4}{dx^4} \left(\sum_{i=1}^2 t_i^0(x) \right)$ is based on $(a+b)^4$.

$\frac{d^4}{dx^4} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 t_i^0(x) \right)$ is based on $(a+b+c)^4$

$\frac{d^4}{dx^4} \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 t_i^0(x) \right)$ is based on $(a+b+c+d)^4$

$\frac{d^4}{dx^4} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i^0(x) \right)$ is based on $(a+b+c+d+\dots)^4$.

and so on