

# Chain Rule

$$z = f(y) \rightarrow \text{If } y \text{ changes, } z \text{ changes: } \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial f(y)}{\partial y}$$

$$y = g(x) \rightarrow \text{If } x \text{ changes, } y \text{ changes: } \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial g(x)}{\partial x}$$

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*If  $x$  changes,  $y$  changes*

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$$

$$z = 2y^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} =$$

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$$y = 3x + 2 \rightarrow \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = 3$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = (4y)(3) = 12y$$

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If  $z$  is a function of several variables that depend on other variables, we can apply the chain rule

$$z \begin{cases} x_1 \rightarrow t \\ x_2 \rightarrow t \\ \dots \\ x_n \rightarrow t \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_2} \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial t} + \dots + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_n} \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial t}$$

For complex relationships we can first draw all the relations .

*Example:*

$$u = xyz \begin{cases} x = \ln(t) \\ y = t^2 \\ z = \frac{1}{t} \end{cases}, \quad \text{Find } \frac{du}{dt} \text{ in } t = 1?$$

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$$\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{du}{dt} = yz \left( \frac{1}{t} \right) + xz(2t) + xy \left( \frac{-1}{t^2} \right)$$

$$\text{In } t = 1 \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = 1 \\ z = 1 \end{cases} \rightarrow \frac{du}{dt} = 1$$

## Exercise

$$z = 3x + y,$$

$$x = t^2 + 1,$$

$$y = e^t$$

$$\text{¿ } \frac{dz}{dt} \text{ in } t = 0?$$

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$$\text{In } t = 0 \rightarrow \frac{dz}{dt} = 0 + 1 = 1$$

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*The function is an homogeneous function of degree 0*

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*It is not an homogeneous function (we can not extract the t)*



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## Properties

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) \text{ of degree } m_1 \\ g(x) \text{ of degree } m_1 \end{array} \right\} f(x) + g(x) \text{ of degree } (m_1)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) \text{ of degree } m_1 \\ g(x) \text{ of degree } m_2 \end{array} \right\} f(x)g(x) \text{ of degree } (m_1 + m_2)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) \text{ of degree } m_1 \\ g(x) \text{ of degree } m_2 \end{array} \right\} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \text{ of degree } (m_1 - m_2)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) \text{ of degree } m_1 \\ g(x) \text{ of degree } m_2 \end{array} \right\} g \circ f = g(f(x)) \text{ of degree } (m_1 m_2)$$

## Properties

*$f(x)$  of degree  $m \rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$  of degree  $(m - 1)$*

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\sqrt{x^4 + y^4}}{x} \rightarrow m =$$

$$f(x, y) = 3x^4 + 4x^2y^2 + 5y^4 \rightarrow m =$$

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$$f(x, y) = 3x^4 + 4x^2y^2 + 5y^4 \rightarrow m = 4$$

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x^2y^2}{x^3 + y^3} \rightarrow m = 1$$

$$f(x, y) = \frac{2xy}{x^2 + y^2} \rightarrow m = 0$$