

Recall: $y = f(x)$ and $x = g(t)$ where f and g are differentiable functions

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

Chain Rule (Case 1)

$z = f(x, y)$ differentiable of x and y , $x = g(t)$ and $y = h(t)$ both differentiable functions of t . Then

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

Def 14.4.7 $\frac{\Delta z}{\Delta t} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} + \epsilon_1 \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} + \epsilon_2 \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t}$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta z}{\Delta t} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + 0 \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + 0 \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} \quad \square$$

Ex 2

The pressure P (in kilopascals), volume V (in liters), and temp T (in Kelvins) of a mole of an ideal gas are related by the equation $PV = 8.31T$. Find the rate at which the pressure is changing when the temp is 300K and increasing at a rate of 0.1 K/s and the volume is 100L and increasing at a rate of 0.2 L/s.

$$P = 8.31 \frac{T}{V}$$

$$T = 300 \text{ K} \quad \frac{dT}{dt} = 0.1 \text{ K/s}$$

$$V = 100 \text{ L} \quad \frac{dV}{dt} = 0.2 \text{ L/s}$$

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \frac{dT}{dt} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial V} \frac{dV}{dt}$$

$$\left. \frac{dP}{dt} \right|_{\substack{T=300 \\ V=100}} = \frac{8.31}{100} (0.1) - \frac{8.31}{(100)^2} (300)(0.2) = -0.04155$$

$$= \frac{8.31}{V} (0.1) + \left(-\frac{8.31}{V^2} T \right) (0.2)$$

Thus, the pressure is decreasing at a rate of 0.04155 KPa/s.

Chain Rule (Case 2)

$z = f(x, y)$ differentiable function of x and y , $x = g(s, t)$ and $y = h(s, t)$ differentiable functions of s and t then

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial t}$$

★ Extends to the general case of a function in n -variables

Ex 5

If $u = x^4 y + y^2 z^3$ where $x = r s e^t$, $y = r s^2 e^{-t}$ and $z = r^2 s \sin t$ then find $\frac{\partial u}{\partial s}$ When $r=2$, $s=1$, $t=0$.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = (4x^3 y)(r e^t) + (x^4 + 2y z^3)(2r s e^{-t}) + (3y^2 z^2)(r^2 s \sin t)$$

$$x(2, 1, 0) = 2 \quad y(2, 1, 0) = 2 \quad z(2, 1, 0) = 0 \quad \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} \right|_{\substack{r=2 \\ s=1 \\ t=0}} = (4(2)^3 \cdot 2)(2) + ((16 + 0)(4)) + (3 \cdot 4 \cdot 0^2)(4 \cdot 0) = 64 \cdot 2 + 16 \cdot 4 = 192$$

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Section 14.5 - The Chain Rule

Implicit Differentiation: $F(x, y) = 0$ defines y implicitly as a differentiable function of x , $y = f(x)$ with $F(x, f(x)) = 0$

If F is differentiable then by chain rule get

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dx} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

If $\partial F / \partial y \neq 0$ then we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = - \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}} = - \frac{F_x}{F_y}$$

Implicit
Function
Theorem

Ex 8 Find y' if $x^3 + y^3 = 6xy$.

$$F(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 6xy = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = - \frac{F_x}{F_y} = - \frac{(3x^2 - 6y)}{(3y^2 - 6x)} = - \frac{(x^2 - 2y)}{y^2 - 2x}$$

Now suppose $z = f(x, y)$ is implicitly defined with $F(x, y, z) = 0 \Rightarrow F(x, y, f(x, y)) = 0$
then if F and f are differentiable

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} = 1 \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} = 1 \end{array} \right]$$

So $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = - \frac{F_x}{F_z}$

and similarly $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = - \frac{F_y}{F_z}$