

implicit differentiation
logarithmic ..

Lecture 12: Chain Rule (CR)

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6 Labor Day No Classes	7 Worksheet: ULTDA WH1 due	8 Continuity and the Intermediate Value Theorem (CATIVT)	9 Worksheet: CATIVT HW: IF, ULTDA	10 An Application of Limits (AAOL)
13 Definition of the Derivative (DOTD)	14 Worksheet: AAOL, DOTD HW: CATIVT	15 Derivatives as Functions (DAF)	16 Worksheet: DAF HW: AAOL, DOTD	17 Last day to drop w/o a "W" Rules of Differentiation (ROD)
Midterm 1 8:00-8:40PM UF - CATIVT				
20 Product Rule and Quotient Rule (PRAQR) WH2 due	21 Worksheet: ROD, PRAQR HW: DAF	22 Chain Rule (CR)	23 Worksheet: PRAQR, CR HW: ROD, PRAQR	24 Higher Order Derivatives and Graphs (HODAG)
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Midterm 2 8:00-8:40PM AAOL-CR				

- Syllabus
- Carmen announcement
(by math department)
- Gradescope formatting
- Make-up exam
↳ contact me
for permission

- **Timeline**

- 7:55 PM : download exam
 - 8:00 PM : start working on it
 - 8:40 PM : upload exam
 - 8:55 PM : done
-] 40 min.

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- After this, late!
 - Do not email your exam to instructor!

Chain Rule

$$f(g(x)) = \overset{\text{outer}}{\curvearrowright} f(\overset{\text{inner}}{\curvearrowleft} g(x))$$

The **chain rule** spells out the method of differentiating composite functions.

Theorem (Chain Rule)

If f and g are differentiable, then

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(g(x)) = \underbrace{f'(g(x))}_{\substack{\text{(deriv. of outer)} \\ \text{at inner}}} \underbrace{g'(x)}_{\substack{\text{(deriv. of } f \text{)}}}$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} f(g(x)) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(g(x+h)) - f(g(x))}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(g(x+h)) - f(g(x))}{g(x+h) - g(x)} \cdot \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} \\ &= \text{DIY.} \end{aligned}$$

Question. Compute $\frac{d}{dx} \sin(1 + 2x)$.

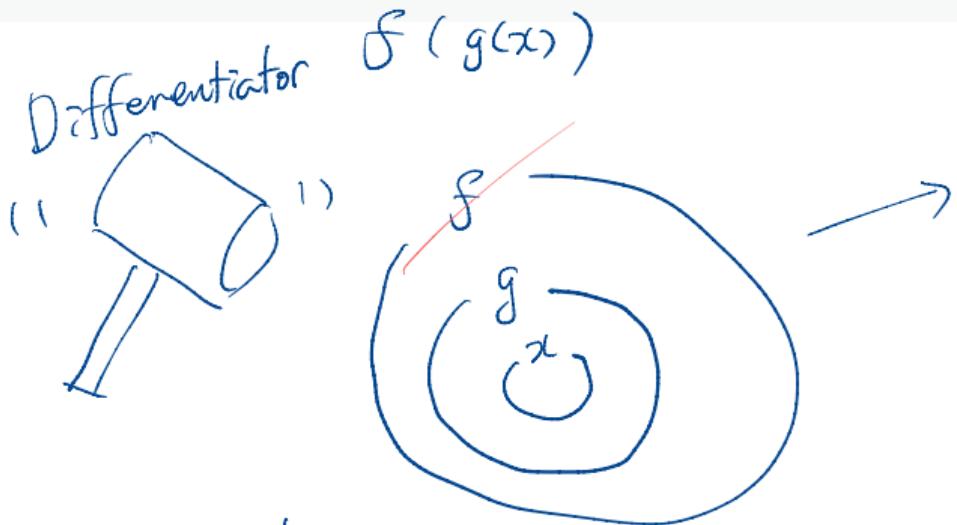
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{outer : } f(x) = \sin(x) \rightarrow f'(x) = \cos(x) \\ \text{inner : } g(x) = 1 + 2x \rightarrow g'(x) = 2 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{CR} = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

$$= \boxed{\cos(1+2x) \cdot 2} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{2 \cos(1+2x)}$$

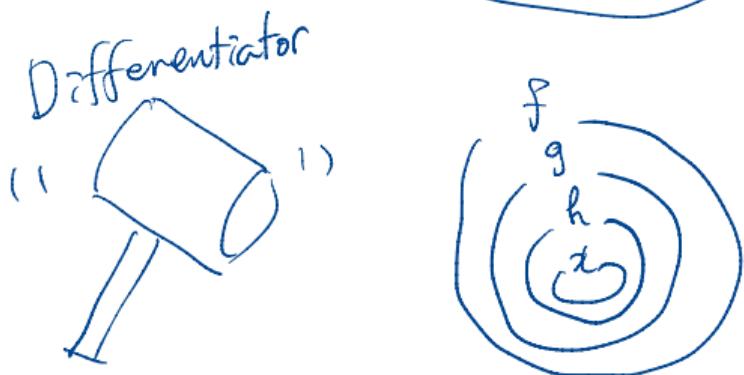
Freshmen dream:

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(g(x)) = f'(g'(x))$$



$$f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

Crack one shell at a time,
from out to in.



$$f'(g(h(x))) \cdot g'(h(x)) \cdot h'(x)$$

Question. Compute $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{x}}$.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{outer: } f(x) = \sqrt{x} \rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \\ \text{inner: } g(x) = 1 + \sqrt{x} \rightarrow g'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \end{array} \right.$$



$$\text{CR} = f'(g(x)) g'(x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1+\sqrt{x}}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$\nearrow g(x)$

$$x \xrightarrow{g} 1 + \sqrt{x} \xrightarrow{f} \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{x}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x} &= \frac{d}{dx} x^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{x} &= \frac{d}{dx} x^{-1} = (-1) \cdot x^{-2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{x^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{x} = -\frac{1}{x^2}}$$

Question. Compute $\frac{d}{dx} e^{\sin(x^2)}$.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{outer : } f(u) = e^u \longrightarrow f'(x) = e^x \\ \text{middle : } g(u) = \sin(u) \longrightarrow g'(x) = \cos(u) \\ \text{inner : } h(x) = x^2 \longrightarrow h'(x) = 2x \end{array} \right.$$

3-func version

↙ CR

$$= f'(\underbrace{g(h(x))}_{\sin(x^2)}) \cdot g'(\underbrace{h(x)}_{x^2}) \cdot h'(x)$$

$$= e^{\sin(x^2)} \cdot \cos(x^2) \cdot 2x$$

or

$$2x \cos(x^2) e^{\sin(x^2)}$$

Exercise

Question. Derive the quotient rule using the power rule, the product rule, and the chain rule.

↳ related to Monday's lecture.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \frac{d}{dx} \left[f(x) \cdot (g(x))^{-1} \right]$$

P.R.
= $f'(x) [g(x)]^{-1} + f(x) \frac{d}{dx} [(g(x))^{-1}]$

C.R.
= $\frac{f'(x)}{g(x)} + f(x) \left[-\frac{1}{(g(x))^2} \right] g'(x)$

Algebra
=
$$\frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2}$$
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Derivatives of trigonometric functions

- At the moment, we only know that $\frac{d}{dx} \sin(x) = \cos(x)$.
- This one fact along with other derivative "shortcuts" will give us the derivative formulas for all other standard trigonometric functions.

Theorem (Derivatives of Trigonometric Functions)

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| • $\frac{d}{dx} \sin(x) = \cos(x)$. | • $\frac{d}{dx} \cos(x) = -\sin(x)$. |
| • $\frac{d}{dx} \sec(x) = \sec(x) \tan(x)$. | • $\frac{d}{dx} \csc(x) = -\csc(x) \cot(x)$. |
| • $\frac{d}{dx} \tan(x) = \sec^2(x)$. | • $\frac{d}{dx} \cot(x) = -\csc^2(x)$. |

$$\left(\frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)} \right)' = \dots$$

Deriv. of cosine

Pythag: $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} [\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta] = \frac{d}{d\theta} 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos \theta \frac{d}{d\theta} \cos \theta + 2 \sin \theta \underbrace{\frac{d}{d\theta} \sin \theta}_{= \cos \theta} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cos \theta \left(\frac{d}{d\theta} \cos \theta + \sin \theta \right) = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{d\theta} \cos \theta = - \sin \theta \quad \checkmark$$

This procedure is formalized as so-called the implicit differentiation. We will talk about this in more details next week.

Deriv. of tangent

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{d\theta} \tan\theta &= \frac{d}{d\theta} \left[\frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} \right] \\&= \frac{\cos\theta \cdot \cos\theta - \sin\theta \cdot (-\cos\theta)}{\cos^2\theta} \\&= \frac{\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta}{\cos^2\theta} \\&= \frac{1}{\cos^2\theta} = \sec^2\theta \quad \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

Question. Compute $\left[\frac{d}{dx} \cos\left(\frac{x^3}{2}\right) \right]_{x=\sqrt[3]{\pi}}$.



Find $f'(x)$ first, then evaluate it at $x = \sqrt[3]{\pi}$

$$\hookrightarrow f(x) = g(h(x))$$

where

$$\begin{cases} g(x) = \cos(x) \rightarrow g'(x) = -\sin(x) \\ h(x) = x^{3/2} \rightarrow h'(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^2 \end{cases}$$

- $\frac{d}{dx} f(x) \stackrel{\text{CR}}{=} g'(h(x)) \cdot h'(x)$

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$$f'(x) = -\sin\left(\frac{x^3}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{3}{2}x^2$$

$$f'(\sqrt[3]{\pi}) = -\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{3}{2} \sqrt[3]{\pi}^2$$

= 1

=

$$-\frac{3}{2} \sqrt[3]{\pi}^2$$

or

$$-\frac{3}{2} \pi^{2/3}$$

pull constant out

Question. Compute $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{5x \tan(x)}{x^2 - 3} \right)$.

$$= \text{t}_5 \cdot \frac{(x^2 - 3) \left[\tan(x) + x \sec^2(x) \right] - x \tan(x) \cdot 2x}{(x^2 - 3)^2}$$

Question. Compute $\left[\frac{d}{dx} (\csc(x) \cot(x)) \right]_{x=\pi/3}$.



Find $f'(x)$ first.
Then evaluate it at $x = \pi/3$.

- $$f'(x) \stackrel{\text{PR}}{=} -\csc(x) \cot^2(x) - \csc^3(x)$$
- $$f'(\pi/3) = -\csc(\pi/3) \cot^2(\pi/3) - \csc^3(\pi/3)$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{3} - \frac{8}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \boxed{-\frac{10}{3\sqrt{3}}}$$