

(14.5) Chain Rule

THM (1st version)

Let $z = f(x, y)$ be composed with two functions

$$x = g(t), \quad y = h(t)$$

Then

$$z = f(g(t), h(t))$$

is itself a fun. of t .
ITS DERIVATIVE is

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = f_x(g(t), h(t))g'(t) + f_y(g(t), h(t))h'(t)$$

i.e.

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

provided f, g, h are all differentiable funcs.

(see p. on p. 901)

$$\text{Ex 2.1 } f(x, y) = x^2 y + 3xy^2$$

$$\begin{cases} x = \cos t & \frac{dx}{dt} = -\sin t \\ y = \sin t & \frac{dy}{dt} = \cos t \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xy + 3y^2 = 2\cos t \sin t + 3\sin^2 t$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^2 + 6xy = \cos^2 t + 6\cos t \sin t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{dz}{dt} &= (2\cos t \sin t + 3\sin^2 t)(-\sin t) \\ &\quad + (\cos^2 t + 6\cos t \sin t)(\cos t) \\ &= -2\cos t \sin^2 t - 3\sin^3 t \\ &\quad + \cos^3 t + 6\cos^2 t \sin t \end{aligned}$$

Directly :

$$z = f(\cos t, \sin t) = \cos^2 t \sin t + 3\cos t \sin^2 t$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \dots\dots\dots$$

PROOF OF 1ST VERSION

Let $z = f(x, y)$, $x = g(t)$, $y = h(t)$
 AND SUPPOSE f, g, h ARE ALL DIFF.

$$\text{LET } \Delta x = g(t + \Delta t) - g(t)$$

$$\Delta y = h(t + \Delta t) - h(t)$$

AND

$$\Delta z = f(g(t + \Delta t), h(t + \Delta t)) - f(g(t), h(t))$$

$$= f(x + \Delta x, y + \Delta y) - f(x, y)$$

SINCE f IS DIFF. WE HAVE

$$\Delta z = f_x(x, y) \Delta x + f_y(x, y) \Delta y + \varepsilon_1 \Delta x + \varepsilon_2 \Delta y$$

WHERE $\varepsilon_1 \rightarrow 0$ & $\varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0$ AS $(\Delta x, \Delta y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$.

SINCE g, h DIFF (i.e. CONT) AT t , WE HAVE
 $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$ AND $\Delta y \rightarrow 0$ WHEN $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$. THUS
 $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ IMPLIES $\varepsilon_1 \rightarrow 0$ AND $\varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0$.

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta z}{\Delta t} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \left(f_x(x, y) \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} + f_y(x, y) \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} + \varepsilon_1 \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} + \varepsilon_2 \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} \right)$$

$$= f_x(x, y) \frac{dx}{dt} + f_y(x, y) \frac{dy}{dt} + 0 + 0$$

$$= f_x(g(t), h(t)) \cdot g'(t) + f_y(g(t), h(t)) \cdot h'(t). \quad \text{///}$$

Thm (2nd version)

Let $z = f(x, y)$ be composed with
 $x = g(s, t)$ and $y = h(s, t)$. Then

$$z = f(g(s, t), h(s, t))$$

Use partials w.r.t s & t :

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

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

Ex $z = e^{x+2y}$, $x = \frac{s}{t}$, $y = \frac{t}{s}$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = e^{\left(\frac{s}{t} + \frac{2t}{s}\right)} \left(\frac{1}{t} - \frac{2t}{s^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = e^{\left(\frac{s}{t} + \frac{2t}{s}\right)} \left(-\frac{s}{t^2} + \frac{2}{s} \right)$$

Ex $z = x \ln y$, $x = 3s + 2t$, $y = st$

Thm (full version)

Let $u = u(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ where each

$x_i = x_i(t_1, \dots, t_m)$. Then u is

also a fun of t_1, \dots, t_m and

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t_i} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_1} \cdot \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial t_i} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_2} \cdot \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial t_i} + \dots + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_n} \cdot \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial t_i}$$

Ex. $P = u^2 + 3v^2 - 4w^2$

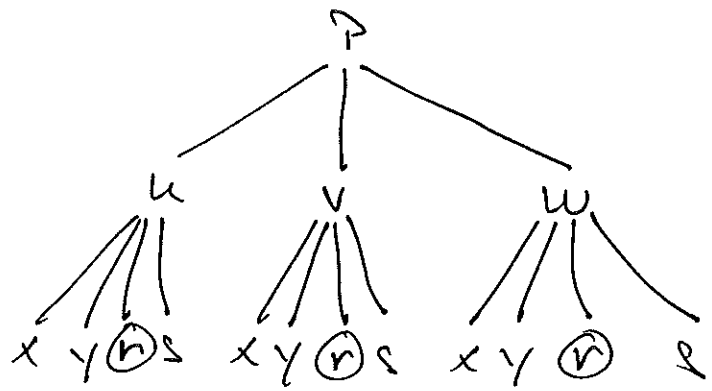
$$u = x - 3y + 2v - s$$

$$v = 2x + y - r - 2s$$

$$w = -x + 2y + r + s$$

Find
 $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$
 $\frac{\partial P}{\partial r}, \frac{\partial P}{\partial s}$

DEPENDENCY TREE



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial r} &= \frac{\partial P}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial v} \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial w} \cdot \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} \\ &= 2u \cdot 2 + 6v \cdot (-1) - 8w \cdot 1 \\ &= 4(x - 3y + 2r - s) - 6(2x + y - r - 2s) - 8(-x + 2y + r + s) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 0 \cdot x - 34y + 6v + 0 \cdot s$$

$$= -34y + 6v$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial v} \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial w} \cdot \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}$$

$$= 2u \cdot 1 + 6v \cdot 2 - 8w \cdot (-1)$$

$$= 2(x - 3y + 2v - s) + 12(2x + y - v - 2s) + 8(-x + 2y + v + s)$$

$$= (2 + 24 - 8)x + (-6 + 12 + 16)y + (4 - 12 + 8)v + (-2 - 24 + 8)s$$

$$= 18x + 22y - 18s$$

Ex. Let $z = f(x, y)$ have continuous 2nd partial derivatives, and suppose

$$x = s^2 + t^2, \quad y = 2st$$

Find $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial s^2}$. (Note: $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$).

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

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial s^2} = f_x \cdot \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial s^2} + \left(f_{xx} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + f_{xy} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s}$$

$$+ f_y \cdot \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial s^2} + \left(f_{yx} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + f_{yy} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s}$$

$$= f_{xx} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial s} \right)^2 + 2 f_{xy} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} + f_{yy} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \right)^2$$

$$+ f_x \cdot \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial s^2} + f_y \cdot \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial s^2}$$

$$= \boxed{2 \cdot f_x + 4s^2 f_{xx} + 8st f_{xy} + 4t^2 f_{yy}}$$

Implicit Differentiation

SUPPOSE THE EQN. $f(x, y) = 0$
 DEFINES y IMPLICITLY AS A FUNC.
 OF x . i.e. IF WE COULD SOLVE

$$* \quad f(x, y) = 0$$

FOR y AS $y = g(x)$, THEN WE
 WOULD HAVE

$$** \quad f(x, g(x)) = 0$$

FOR ALL $x \in \text{Dom}(g)$. SUPPOSE
 ALSO THAT THE FUNC. g IS DIFF.

DIFF. BOTH SIDES OF * WRT x
 GIVES, BY THE CHAIN RULE;

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

i.e.

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}}}$$

THIS PROCESS IS KNOWN AS
IMPLICIT DIFFERENTIATION

using the notations in * & we have

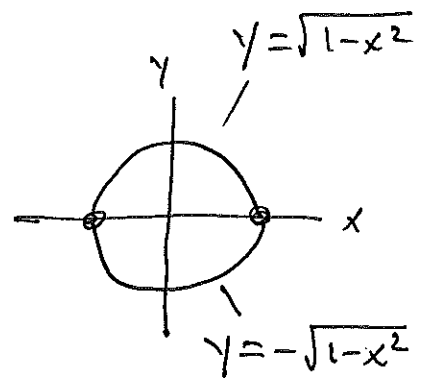
$$f_x \cdot 1 + f_y \cdot g'(x) = 0$$

$$\therefore g'(x) = -\frac{f_x}{f_y}$$

Ex $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 1 = 0$

Implicitly: $f_x = 2x, f_y = 2y$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2x}{2y} = -\frac{x}{y}$$



Explicitly

$$y = (1-x^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\text{or } y = -(1-x^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(1-x^2)^{-1/2}(-2x)$$

$$= \frac{-x}{(1-x^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$= -\frac{x}{y}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{2}(1-x^2)^{-1/2}(2x)$$

$$= \frac{-x}{-(1-x^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$= -\frac{x}{y}$$

Often though the explicit approach is difficult, is not impossible.

Ex. Find slope of TAN.
LINE TO CURVE

$$xy e^{xy} = \ln 4$$

AT THE POINT $(1, \ln 2)$.

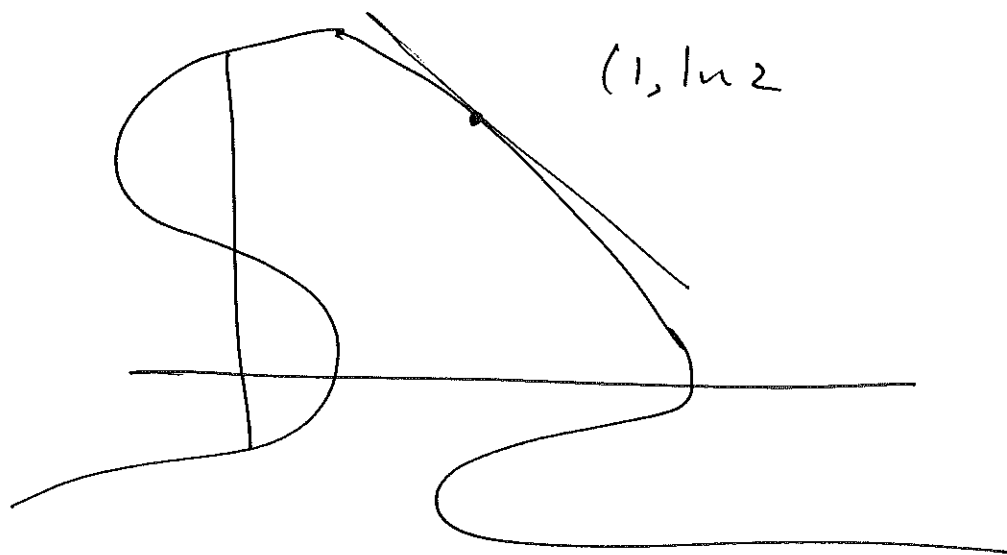
$$f(x, y) = xy e^{xy} - \ln 4 = 0$$

$$f_x = xy^2 e^{xy} + y e^{xy} = y(xy+1)e^{xy}$$

$$f_y = x^2 y e^{xy} + x e^{xy} = x(xy+1)e^{xy}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{f_x}{f_y} = -\frac{y(xy+1)e^{xy}}{x(xy+1)e^{xy}} = -\frac{y}{x}$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(1, \ln 2)} = -\ln 2$$



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NOW SUPPOSE $F(x, y, z) = 0$ DEFINED
 z IMPLICITLY AS A FUN OF
 BOTH x AND y (WHICH x, y
 MAY INDEPENDENTLY.) THEN
 WOULD DIFF. WRT x .

$$F_x \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + F_y \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} + F_z \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\text{BUT } \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} = 1 \quad \& \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = 0, \quad \text{SO}$$

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

Similarly

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

Ex. $3xy^2 + 2yz^2 + 5x^2z - xyz = 0$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{F_x}{F_z} = \frac{3y^2 + 10xz - yz}{4yz + 5x^2 - xy}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -\frac{F_y}{F_z} = \frac{6xy + 2z^2 - xz}{4yz + 5x^2 - xy}$$