

Examples ① $e^{4x} = f(g(x))$ where $f(z) = e^z$ $f'(z) = e^z$
 $g(x) = 4x$ $g'(x) = 4$

so $(e^{4x})' = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) = e^{4x} \cdot 4$

② $\sin^2(x) = f(g(x))$ where $f(x) = x^2$ $g(x) = \sin x$
 $f'(x) = 2x$ $g'(x) = \cos x$

so $(\sin^2(x))' = 2 \sin x \cos x$.

③ $\sqrt{x^2+1}$, etc.

Alternate notation $f(g(x)) \leftrightarrow f(u)$, $u = g(x)$

$\frac{df}{dx} = f'(u) \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{df}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$ $\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{df}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$ mnemonic: "cancelling fractions"

Examples $\cos(x^2)$, $e^{\sqrt{x}}$, $\sin(\frac{\pi x}{180})$, $\sqrt{x+\sqrt{x^2+1}}$

Proof (of chain rule)

$[f(g(x))]' = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(g(x+h)) - f(g(x))}{h}$ [answer should be $f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$]

write this as $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(g(x+h)) - f(g(x))}{g(x+h) - g(x)} \cdot \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h}$

set $k = g(x+h) - g(x)$, as g is cts, $h \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow k \rightarrow 0$

so $= \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(g(x)+k) - f(g(x))}{k} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) \square$

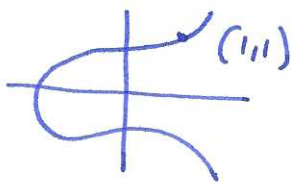
Examples $\frac{d}{dx} (g(x)^n) = n(g(x))^{n-1} \cdot g'(x)$.

$\frac{d}{dx} (e^{g(x)}) = e^{g(x)} \cdot g'(x)$

$\frac{d}{dx} (f(ax+b)) = a f'(ax+b)$

§ 3.8 Implicit differentiation

suppose $y^4 + xy = x^3 - x + 2$



can't solve for y explicitly

but can think of y as function of x , $y(x)$.

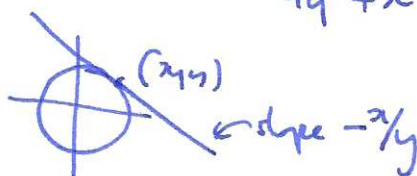
$$(y(x))^4 + x \cdot y(x) = x^3 - x + 2 \quad \leftarrow \text{differentiate wrt } x \text{ using chain rule.}$$

$$4(y(x))^3 \cdot y'(x) + y(x) + xy'(x) = 3x^2 - 1$$

$$y'(x)(4y^3 + x) = 3x^2 - 1 - y \quad y'(x) = \frac{3x^2 - 1 - y}{4y^3 + x}$$

Example $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

$$2x + 2yy' = 0 \quad y' = -x/y$$



Application: derivatives of inverse functions

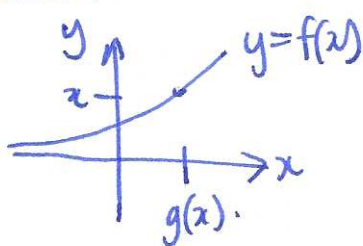
Example $y = \ln(x)$

$$e^y = x$$

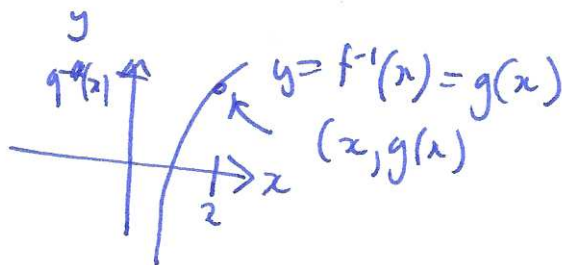
$$e^y \cdot y' = 1 \quad y' = e^{-y} = e^{-\ln(x)} = \frac{1}{x}$$

Thm: If $f(x)$ is differentiable and one-to-one, with inverse $f^{-1}(x) = g(x)$, then $g'(x) = \frac{1}{f'(g(x))}$ as long as $f'(g(x)) \neq 0$

Proof (sketch)



reflect in $y=x$



$$\frac{1}{\text{slope at } g(x)}, \text{ i.e. } \frac{1}{f'(g(x))} \quad \leftarrow \text{slope at } x: g'(x) \quad \square.$$

Application: derivatives of inverse trig functions