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Chain Rule

Lecture No.3

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LECTURE CONTENTS:

- The Chain Rule.
- Examples.

- if $w = f(x, y)$ is differentiable and $x = x(t), y = y(t)$ are differentiable function of (t) , then:

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

- if $w = f(x, y, z)$ is differentiable and (x, y, z) are differentiable function of (t) then:

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

- if $w = f(x, y, z)$, $x = g(r, s)$, $y = h(r, s)$ and $z = k(r, s)$
if all four functions are differentiable, then:

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

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

Ex: $y = \sin x$ & $x = u^2$ find $\frac{\partial y}{\partial u}$.
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solution:

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} \quad , \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \cos x \cdot 1 \quad , \quad \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} = 2u$$

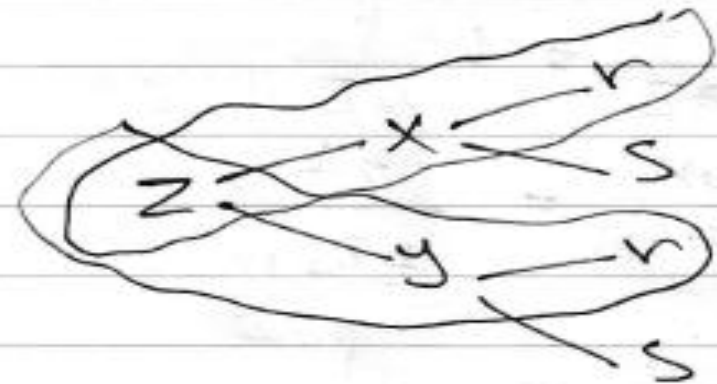
$$\therefore \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} = 2u \cdot \cos x$$

$z = f(x, y)$ find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u}$.

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

Ex: $z = x^2 \cdot e^y + y^3 \cdot \sin x$ / $x = r^2 \cdot s$ / $y = r^3 \cdot s^2$
 find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial r}$.

solution:



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

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = e^y \cdot 2x + y^3 \cdot \cos x$$

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial r} = 2rs$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x^2 \cdot e^y \cdot 1 + 3y^2 \cdot \sin x$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial r} = 3r^2 \cdot s^2$$

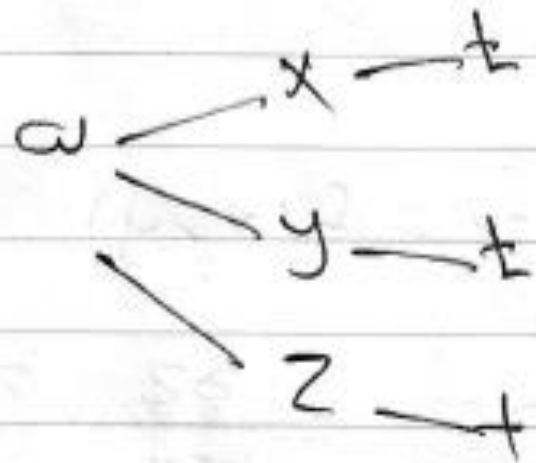
$$\therefore \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = (2e^y x + y^3 \cdot \cos x) \cdot 2sr + (x^2 \cdot e^y + 3y^2 \sin x) \cdot 3r^2 s^2$$

Ex: By using chain rule express $\frac{\partial w}{\partial t}$ as a function of (t) for the following below, then find $\frac{\partial w}{\partial t}$ at the given value of (t) !

$$1 - w = 2y \cdot e^x - \ln z, \quad x = \ln(t^2 + 1), \quad y = \tan^{-1} t, \quad z = e^t, \quad t = 1$$

solution:

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



$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = 2y \cdot e^x \cdot \ln e + 1 - w = 2ye^x$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = ze^x$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{z}$$

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = \frac{2t}{t^2+1}$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{t^2+1}, \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = e^t \cdot \ln e + 1 = e^t$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = ze^x \cdot \frac{2t}{t^2+1} + ze^x \cdot \frac{1}{t^2+1} + \left(-\frac{1}{z}\right) \cdot e^t$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = 4ye^x \left(\frac{t}{t^2+1}\right) + \frac{ze^x}{t^2+1} - \frac{e^t}{z}$$

to find $\frac{\partial w}{\partial t}$ at $t = 1$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = 4 \times (\tan^{-1} t) \times e^{\frac{t}{t^2+1}} + \frac{t}{t^2+1} + \frac{2e^{\frac{t}{t^2+1}}}{t^2+1} - \frac{e^{\frac{t}{t^2+1}}}{t^2+1}$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = 4t \cdot \tan^{-1} t + 1 \quad \text{at } t = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = 4 \times 1 \cdot \tan^{-1}(1) + 1$$