

§ 3.6 Chain Rule

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The Chain Rule:

If f, g are both diff. and
 $F = f \circ g$ (i.e. $F(x) = f(g(x))$) then
 F is diff. and

$$F'(x) = f'(g(x)) g'(x)$$

Leibnitz notation:

§ ~~if~~ $y = f(u)$ and $u = g(x)$.

Then

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

eg.: § $f(x) = \sqrt{x^3 + 2x}$
Compute $f'(x)$,

* eg. $f(x) = \cos(x^2 + 5)$
 $f'(x) =$

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• Power Rule Combined w/ the Chain Rule:
 $\nexists n \in \mathbb{R}$; $u = g(x)$ is diff.

Then,

$$\frac{d}{dx}(u^n) = n u^{n-1} \frac{du}{dx}$$

OR

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

* eg. $f(x) = (x^2 + 3x + 2)^{1000}$
 $f'(x) =$

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* eg. : $f(x) = \sin(x+2)^{100} / \cos(x)$

* eg. $f(t) = \sqrt{\frac{t+5}{2t+12}}$

$$f'(t) =$$

* eg. $f(x) = (x^2+2x)^{1000} (x^{12}+4)^{500}$

$$f'(x) =$$