

Chain rule:

If f and g are differentiable, then $f(g(x))$ is also differentiable and

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

or more briefly;

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

$$\begin{cases} y = f(u) \\ u = g(x) \end{cases}$$

$\begin{matrix} y \\ \downarrow \\ u \\ \downarrow \\ x \end{matrix}$

Ex 6-8: Find $\frac{d}{dx}(3x^2+1)^5 = \frac{dy}{dx} = ?$

$$u = 3x^2+1, \quad y = f(u) = u^5$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} = (5u^4) \cdot (6x) = 5(3x^2+1)^4 \cdot (6x)$$

$$u = 3x^2+1$$

$$= (30x)(3x^2+1)^4$$

Ex 6-9: $f(x) = e^{x^5} \Rightarrow f'(x) = ?$

$$u = x^5, \quad y = f(u) = e^u \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} u = x^5 \\ y = f(u) = e^u \end{matrix}} \right\} f(u(x)) = e^{x^5}$$

$$f'(x) = e^{x^5} \cdot (5x^4) = 5x^4 \cdot e^{x^5}$$

Use chain rule to evaluate the derivatives of the following functions:

6-27) $f(x) = \ln(1+x^2)$

$$\begin{cases} u = 1+x^2 \\ f(u) = \ln u \end{cases}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} \cdot (2x) = \frac{2x}{1+x^2}$$

$$f(x) = a^{u(x)} \quad (a \neq 1, a > 0)$$

$$f'(x) = a^{u(x)} \cdot u'(x)$$

$$6-28) f(x) = (5+x+2x^3)^7$$

$$f'(x) = 7(5+x+2x^3)^6 \cdot (1+6x^2) \\ = (7+42x^2)(5+x+2x^3)^6$$

$$6-29) f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{3x^2+2}} = \frac{x}{(3x^2+2)^{1/2}}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{(1)(3x^2+2)^{1/2} - x \cdot \left[\frac{1}{2}(3x^2+2)^{-1/2} \cdot (6x) \right]}{(3x^2+2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3x^2+2} - \frac{3x^2}{\sqrt{3x^2+2}}}{(3x^2+2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(3x^2+2) - 3x^2}{(3x^2+2)^{3/2}} = \frac{2}{(\sqrt{3x^2+2})^3}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\ln(u(x))) = \frac{u'(x)}{u(x)}, \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\log_a(u(x))) = \frac{\left(\frac{\ln u(x)}{\ln a}\right)'}{\ln a} \\ = \frac{1}{\ln a} \cdot \frac{u'(x)}{u(x)}$$

$$6-33) f(x) = \sqrt{1+\ln x} = (1+\ln x)^{1/2} \Rightarrow f'(x) = ?$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1+\ln x)^{-1/2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{2x\sqrt{1+\ln x}}$$

$$6-34) f(x) = \sqrt{x^2+2e^{3x}} \Rightarrow f'(x) = ?$$

$$= (x^2+2e^{3x})^{1/2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x^2+2e^{3x})^{-1/2} \cdot (2x+2e^{3x} \cdot 3)$$

$$= \frac{2(x+3e^{3x})}{2\sqrt{x^2+2e^{3x}}} = \frac{x+3e^{3x}}{\sqrt{x^2+2e^{3x}}}$$

$$6-35) f(x) = 4^{x^2+5x} \Rightarrow f'(x) = 4^{x^2+5x} \cdot (2x+5)$$

$$6-36) f(x) = (xe^x) \log_3(x+x^4)$$

$$f'(x) = (e^x + xe^x) \log_3(x+x^4) + (xe^x) \left(\frac{1}{\ln 3} \cdot \frac{(1+4x^3)}{(x+x^4)} \right)$$

$$= (e^x + xe^x) \log_3(x+x^4) + \frac{(xe^x)(1+4x^3)}{(\ln 3)(x+x^4)}$$

Find $f'' = ?$

$$6-37) f(x) = 5^{2x}$$

$$f'(x) = 5^{2x} \cdot (2)$$

$$f''(x) = 2 [5^{2x} \cdot 2] = 4 \cdot 5^{2x}$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = 2^n \cdot 5^{2x}$$

$$6-38) f(x) = \ln(3x)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3x} (3) = \frac{1}{x} = x^{-1}$$

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

$$6-39) f(x) = \sqrt{2+x} = (2+x)^{1/2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} (2+x)^{-1/2} \cdot (1) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2+x}}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left[-\frac{1}{2} (2+x)^{-3/2} \right] (1)$$

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

6-46) Find the eqn. of the tangent line to

$$f(x) = x^2(1-x)^2 \text{ at } x=2.$$

$$f(2) = 2^2(1-2)^2 = 4(-1)^2 = 4$$

pt.: (2, 4)

$$m = \text{slope} = f'(2) = ?$$

$$f'(x) = (2x)(1-x) + x^2[2(1-x)(-1)] \quad \text{tg. line eqn:}$$

$$y-4 = m(x-2)$$

$$f'(x) = 2x(1-x) - 2x^2(1-x)$$

$$f'(2) = 4(-1) - 2(4)(1-2) = 4 + 8 = 12 = m$$

$$\text{tg. line eqn: } y-4 = 12(x-2) \Rightarrow y-4 = 12x-24$$

$$y = 12x-20$$

