



# LECTURE 17

## CHAIN RULE

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# *PLAN*

1. Poll

2. Chain rule

3. Examples

4. One ring

5. Flask problem

6. Jam

7. CA Jam

# POLL

What is the  
derivative of

$$e^{(e^x)}$$

A

$$e^{(e^x)}$$

B

$$e^x e^x$$

C

$$e^{(e^x)} e e$$

D

$$e^{e^x} e^x$$

# CHAIN RULE

$$(f(g))' = f'(g)g'$$

Proof:

$$\frac{f(g(x+h)) - f(g(x))}{h} = \frac{[f(g(x) + (g(x+h) - g(x))) - f(g(x))]}{[g(x+h) - g(x)]} \cdot \frac{[g(x+h) - g(x)]}{h}$$

# VARIABLE-FUNCTION

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin(x^2)$$

$$= \cos(x^2)2x$$



For a moment, the function  $x^2$  becomes a variable.



# ONE RING

$$f(x) = 1/x$$

Chain rule

$$f(g(x)) = 1/g(x)$$

$$f(g(x))' = -g'(x)/g(x)^2$$

The chain rule implies the reciprocal rule!



One ring to bring them all and  
in the Darkness bind them.

# ONE RING

Chain rule

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}(f+g)^2 &= 2(f+g)(f'+g') \\ &= 2(ff' + gg' + gf' + fg')\end{aligned}$$

Chain rule

$$\frac{d}{dx}(f^2 + g^2 + 2fg) = 2ff' + 2gg' + 2(fg)'$$

The chain rule implies the product rule!



# EXAMPLES

A

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin(\log(x))$$

B

$$\frac{d}{dx} e^{-x^2}$$

C

$$\frac{d}{dx} \exp(\log(x))$$

D

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x^2 + 4}$$

# FLASK PROBLEM



$$V(t) = \text{Volume} \quad h(t) = \sqrt{V(t)} \quad \text{height}$$

$$V'(t) = 2$$

A

$$h'(t) = ?$$

B

$$V(t) = t^2 + 2t + \cos(t) \quad h'(0) = ?$$

*JAM*

A

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin(\sin(\sin(\sin(x))))$$

B

$$\frac{d}{dx} e^{e^{e^{e^x}}}$$

C

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin(\cos(\tan(x)))$$

CA

JAMM

A

$$g(x) = \cos^2(x) + \sin(x)$$

Find the absolute maximum and minimum values of  $g$  on  $[0, 2\pi]$ .

B

Compute both

$$\frac{d}{dx} [f(x)^3]$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(x^3)$$

C

$$\frac{d}{dx} y^3$$

where  $y=y(x)$  is a function of  $x$

D

Compute

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{(2e^x)^3 \cdot \sqrt{25e^x}}{e^7 e^{x^2}}$$

Can you simplify first?

# THE END

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