

**EX-4- Find all derivatives of the following function :**

$$y = 3x^3 - 4x^2 + 7x + 10$$

**Sol.-**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= 9x^2 - 8x + 7 & , & \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 18x - 8 \\ \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} &= 18 & , & \quad \frac{d^4y}{dx^4} = 0 = \frac{d^5y}{dx^5} = \dots \end{aligned}$$

**Ex-5 – Find the third derivative of the following function :**

$$y = \frac{1}{x} + \sqrt{x^3}$$

**Sol.-**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{3}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{2}{x^3} + \frac{3}{4}x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} &= -\frac{6}{x^4} - \frac{3}{8}x^{-\frac{3}{2}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = -\frac{6}{x^4} - \frac{3}{8\sqrt{x^3}} \end{aligned}$$

## The Chain Rule

**The Chain Rule** If  $g$  is differentiable at  $x$  and  $f$  is differentiable at  $g(x)$ , then the composite function  $F = f \circ g$  defined by  $F(x) = f(g(x))$  is differentiable at  $x$  and  $F'$  is given by the product

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

In Leibniz notation, if  $y = f(u)$  and  $u = g(x)$  are both differentiable functions, then

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

**COMMENTS ON THE PROOF OF THE CHAIN RULE** Let  $\Delta u$  be the change in  $u$  corresponding to a change of  $\Delta x$  in  $x$ , that is,

$$\Delta u = g(x + \Delta x) - g(x)$$

Then the corresponding change in  $y$  is

$$\Delta y = f(u + \Delta u) - f(u)$$

It is tempting to write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} \\ \text{1} \quad &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta u} \cdot \frac{\Delta u}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta u} \cdot \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta u}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta u \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta u} \cdot \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta u}{\Delta x} \quad (\text{Note that } \Delta u \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \Delta x \rightarrow 0 \\ &\quad \text{since } g \text{ is continuous.}) \\ &= \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx} \end{aligned}$$

The Chain Rule can be written either in the prime notation

$$\text{2} \quad (f \circ g)'(x) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

or, if  $y = f(u)$  and  $u = g(x)$ , in Leibniz notation:

$$\text{3} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$$

Example 15:

**Find  $F'(x)$  if  $F(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$ .**

**SOLUTION 1** (using Equation 2): At the beginning of this section we expressed  $F$  as  $F(x) = (f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$  where  $f(u) = \sqrt{u}$  and  $g(x) = x^2 + 1$ . Since

$$f'(u) = \frac{1}{2}u^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{u}} \quad \text{and} \quad g'(x) = 2x$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} F'(x) &= f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \cdot 2x = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \end{aligned}$$

**SOLUTION 2** (using Equation 3): If we let  $u = x^2 + 1$  and  $y = \sqrt{u}$ , then

$$F'(x) = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{u}} (2x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} (2x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \quad \blacksquare$$

**NOTE** In using the Chain Rule we work from the outside to the inside. Formula 2 says that we differentiate the outer function  $f$  [at the inner function  $g(x)$ ] and then we multiply by the derivative of the inner function.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \underbrace{f}_{\text{outer function}} \left( \underbrace{g(x)}_{\text{evaluated at inner function}} \right) = \underbrace{f'}_{\text{derivative of outer function}} \left( \underbrace{g(x)}_{\text{evaluated at inner function}} \right) \cdot \underbrace{g'(x)}_{\text{derivative of inner function}}$$

**EXAMPLE 2** Differentiate (a)  $y = \sin(x^2)$  and (b)  $y = \sin^2 x$ .

**SOLUTION**

(a) If  $y = \sin(x^2)$ , then the outer function is the sine function and the inner function is the squaring function, so the Chain Rule gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx} \underbrace{\sin}_{\text{outer function}} \left( \underbrace{x^2}_{\text{evaluated at inner function}} \right) = \underbrace{\cos}_{\text{derivative of outer function}} \left( \underbrace{x^2}_{\text{evaluated at inner function}} \right) \cdot \underbrace{2x}_{\text{derivative of inner function}} \\ &= 2x \cos(x^2) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Note that  $\sin^2 x = (\sin x)^2$ . Here the outer function is the squaring function and the inner function is the sine function. So

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \underbrace{(\sin x)^2}_{\text{inner function}} = \underbrace{2}_{\text{derivative of outer function}} \cdot \underbrace{(\sin x)}_{\text{evaluated at inner function}} \cdot \underbrace{\cos x}_{\text{derivative of inner function}}$$

**4 The Power Rule Combined with the Chain Rule** If  $n$  is any real number and  $u = g(x)$  is differentiable, then

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

Alternatively, 
$$\frac{d}{dx}[g(x)]^n = n[g(x)]^{n-1} \cdot g'(x)$$

**EXAMPLE 3** Differentiate  $y = (x^3 - 1)^{100}$ .

**SOLUTION** Taking  $u = g(x) = x^3 - 1$  and  $n = 100$  in (4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx}(x^3 - 1)^{100} = 100(x^3 - 1)^{99} \frac{d}{dx}(x^3 - 1) \\ &= 100(x^3 - 1)^{99} \cdot 3x^2 = 300x^2(x^3 - 1)^{99} \end{aligned}$$

**EXAMPLE 4** Find  $f'(x)$  if  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x^2 + x + 1}}$ .

**SOLUTION** First rewrite  $f$ :  $f(x) = (x^2 + x + 1)^{-1/3}$

Thus 
$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= -\frac{1}{3}(x^2 + x + 1)^{-4/3} \frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + x + 1) \\ &= -\frac{1}{3}(x^2 + x + 1)^{-4/3}(2x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

**EXAMPLE 5** Find the derivative of the function

$$g(t) = \left( \frac{t-2}{2t+1} \right)^9$$

**SOLUTION** Combining the Power Rule, Chain Rule, and Quotient Rule, we get

$$\begin{aligned} g'(t) &= 9 \left( \frac{t-2}{2t+1} \right)^8 \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{t-2}{2t+1} \right) \\ &= 9 \left( \frac{t-2}{2t+1} \right)^8 \frac{(2t+1) \cdot 1 - 2(t-2)}{(2t+1)^2} = \frac{45(t-2)^8}{(2t+1)^{10}} \end{aligned}$$

**EX-3 – Use the chain rule to express  $dy/dx$  in terms of  $x$  and  $y$  :**

$$\begin{aligned} a) \quad y &= \frac{t^2}{t^2+1} & \text{and} \quad t &= \sqrt{2x+1} \\ b) \quad y &= \frac{1}{t^2+1} & \text{and} \quad x &= \sqrt{4t+1} \\ c) \quad y &= \left(\frac{t-1}{t+1}\right)^2 & \text{and} \quad x &= \frac{1}{t^2}-1 \quad \text{at} \quad t=2 \\ d) \quad y &= 1-\frac{1}{t} & \text{and} \quad t &= \frac{1}{1-x} \quad \text{at} \quad x=2 \end{aligned}$$

**Sol.-**

$$\begin{aligned} a) \quad y &= \frac{t^2}{t^2+1} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2t(t^2+1) - 2t \cdot t^2}{(t^2+1)^2} = \frac{2t}{(t^2+1)^2} \\ t &= (2x+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (2x+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x+1}} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{2t}{(t^2+1)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x+1}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2x+1}}{((2x+1)+1)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x+1}} = \frac{1}{2(x+1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b) \quad y &= (t^2+1)^{-1} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -2t(t^2+1)^{-2} = -\frac{2t}{(t^2+1)^2} \\ x &= (4t+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} (4t+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 4 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{4t+1}} \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dt} \div \frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{2t}{(t^2+1)^2} \div \frac{2}{\sqrt{4t+1}} = -\frac{t\sqrt{4t+1}}{(t^2+1)^2} \\ &= -\frac{x^2-1}{4} \cdot x \div \frac{1}{y^2} = -\frac{xy^2(x^2-1)}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where} \quad x = \sqrt{4t+1} \Rightarrow t = \frac{x^2-1}{4}$$

$$\text{where} \quad y = \frac{1}{t^2+1} \Rightarrow t^2+1 = \frac{1}{y}$$

### Implicit Differentiation

To find  $dy/dx$  for any equation involving  $x$  and  $y$  differentiation each of term in the equation with respect to  $x$  instead of finding  $y$  in terms of  $x$ .

**EXAMPLE 4** Find  $y''$  if  $x^4 + y^4 = 16$ .

**SOLUTION** Differentiating the equation implicitly with respect to  $x$ , we get

$$4x^3 + 4y^3y' = 0$$

Solving for  $y'$  gives

$$\boxed{3} \quad y' = -\frac{x^3}{y^3}$$

To find  $y''$  we differentiate this expression for  $y'$  using the Quotient Rule and remembering that  $y$  is a function of  $x$ :

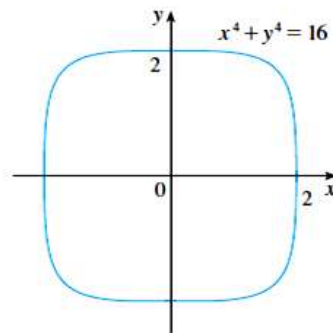
$$\begin{aligned} y'' &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( -\frac{x^3}{y^3} \right) = -\frac{y^3 (d/dx)(x^3) - x^3 (d/dx)(y^3)}{(y^3)^2} \\ &= -\frac{y^3 \cdot 3x^2 - x^3(3y^2y')}{y^6} \end{aligned}$$

If we now substitute Equation 3 into this expression, we get

$$\begin{aligned} y'' &= -\frac{3x^2y^3 - 3x^3y^2 \left( -\frac{x^3}{y^3} \right)}{y^6} \\ &= -\frac{3(x^2y^4 + x^6)}{y^7} = -\frac{3x^2(y^4 + x^4)}{y^7} \end{aligned}$$

But the values of  $x$  and  $y$  must satisfy the original equation  $x^4 + y^4 = 16$ . So the answer simplifies to

$$y'' = -\frac{3x^2(16)}{y^7} = -48 \frac{x^2}{y^7}$$



**EXAMPLE 3** Find  $y'$  if  $\sin(x + y) = y^2 \cos x$ .

**SOLUTION** Differentiating implicitly with respect to  $x$  and remembering that  $y$  is a function of  $x$ , we get

$$\cos(x + y) \cdot (1 + y') = y^2(-\sin x) + (\cos x)(2yy')$$

(Note that we have used the Chain Rule on the left side and the Product Rule and Chain Rule on the right side.) If we collect the terms that involve  $y'$ , we get

$$\cos(x + y) + y^2 \sin x = (2y \cos x)y' - \cos(x + y) \cdot y'$$

So

$$y' = \frac{y^2 \sin x + \cos(x + y)}{2y \cos x - \cos(x + y)}$$

**EX-6- Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  for the following functions:**

a)  $x^2 \cdot y^2 = x^2 + y^2$

b)  $(x + y)^3 + (x - y)^3 = x^4 + y^4$

c)  $\frac{x - y}{x - 2y} = 2$  at  $P(3,1)$

d)  $xy + 2x - 5y = 2$  at  $P(3,2)$

**Sol.**

a)  $x^2(2y \frac{dy}{dx}) + y^2(2x) = 2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x - xy^2}{x^2y - y}$

b)  $3(x + y)^2(1 + \frac{dy}{dx}) + 3(x - y)^2(1 - \frac{dy}{dx}) = 4x^3 + 4y^3 \frac{dy}{dx}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4x^3 - 3(x + y)^2 - 3(x - y)^2}{3(x + y)^2 - 3(x - y)^2 - 4y^3} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x^3 - 3x^2 - 3y^2}{6xy - 2y^3}$

c)  $\frac{(x - 2y)(1 - \frac{dy}{dx}) - (x - y)(1 - 2\frac{dy}{dx})}{(x - 2y)^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x} \Rightarrow \left[ \frac{dy}{dx} \right]_{(3,1)} = \frac{1}{3}$

d)  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + y + 2 - 5 \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y + 2}{5 - x} \Rightarrow \left[ \frac{dy}{dx} \right]_{(3,2)} = \frac{2 + 2}{5 - 3} = 2$

## Derivatives of Inverse Trigonometric Functions

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$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1}x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\csc^{-1}x) = -\frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos^{-1}x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sec^{-1}x) = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan^{-1}x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cot^{-1}x) = -\frac{1}{1+x^2}$$



**EXAMPLE 5** Differentiate (a)  $y = \frac{1}{\sin^{-1}x}$  and (b)  $f(x) = x \arctan \sqrt{x}$ .

**SOLUTION**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx} (\sin^{-1}x)^{-1} = -(\sin^{-1}x)^{-2} \frac{d}{dx} (\sin^{-1}x) \\ &= -\frac{1}{(\sin^{-1}x)^2 \sqrt{1-x^2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad f'(x) &= x \frac{1}{1 + (\sqrt{x})^2} \left(\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}\right) + \arctan \sqrt{x} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{x}}{2(1+x)} + \arctan \sqrt{x} \end{aligned}$$

**Further examples:**

**Example 1**

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , given that  $y = (1 - x^2) \sin^{-1} x$

Here we have a product

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{dy}{dx} &= (1 - x^2) \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} + \sin^{-1} x \cdot (-2x) \\ &= \sqrt{1-x^2} - 2x \cdot \sin^{-1} x \end{aligned}$$

**Example 2**

If  $y = \tan^{-1}(2x - 1)$ , find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

This time, it is a function of a function

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{1 + (2x - 1)^2} \cdot 2 = \frac{2}{1 + 4x^2 - 4x + 1} \\ &= \frac{2}{2 + 4x^2 - 4x} = \frac{1}{2x^2 - 2x + 1} \end{aligned}$$

and so on.

### **Additional Exercise**

For each of the following problems differentiate the given function.

1.  $T(z) = 2 \cos(z) + 6 \cos^{-1}(z)$

2.  $g(t) = \csc^{-1}(t) - 4 \cot^{-1}(t)$

3.  $y = 5x^6 - \sec^{-1}(x)$

4.  $f(w) = \sin(w) + w^2 \tan^{-1}(w)$

5.  $h(x) = \frac{\sin^{-1}(x)}{1+x}$

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