

Lesson 15 on 3.4 Chain rule

EX: $y = \sin(x^4 + x^2) = \sin u$ where $u = x^4 + x^2$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{\cancel{du}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{du}}{dx} = (\cos u) \cdot (4x^3 + 2x) \\ &= [\cos(x^4 + x^2)] \cdot (4x^3 + 2x)\end{aligned}$$

EX: $y = (x^3 + 5x^2 + x)^{100} = u^{100}$ where $u = x^3 + 5x^2 + x$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} = (100 u^{99}) \cdot (3x^2 + 10x + 1) \\ &= 100 (x^3 + 5x^2 + x)^{99} \cdot (3x^2 + 10x + 1)\end{aligned}$$

Step 1: Differentiate the "outside fcn"

Step 2: Multiply by derivative of the "inside fcn"

Step 3: Plug the inner fcn back in.

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\text{eeee})^{100} = 100 (\text{eeee})^{99} \frac{d}{dx} (\text{eeee})$$

↑ can skip naming u fcn with practice.

EX: $y = \cos(x^2 + x)^{10} = \cos u$ where $u = (x^2 + x)^{10}$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx} = (-\sin u) \cdot \underbrace{[10(x^2 + x)^9 \cdot (2x + 1)]}_{\text{chain rule, part 2!}}$$

$u = (x^2 + x)^{10}$

$y = \cos u$ where $u = w^{10}$ and $w = x^2 + x$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \underbrace{\frac{du}{dw} \frac{dw}{dx}}_{\text{chain rule, part 2.}}$$

Why it works; $h(x) = f(g(x)) \leftarrow f \circ g$

Let $u = g(x)$. $A = g(a)$

$$f \text{ diff'ble} : \frac{f(u) - f(A)}{u - A} = f'(A) + E(u)$$

where $E(u) \rightarrow 0$ as $u \rightarrow A$. Define $E(A) = 0$
so $E(u)$ is cont. at A .

$$f(u) - f(A) = f'(A)(u - A) + E(u)(u - A)$$

Substitute $u = g(x)$, $A = g(a)$ in.

$$DQ = \frac{f(g(x)) - f(g(a))}{x - a} = f'(g(a)) \frac{(g(x) - g(a))}{x - a} + E(g(x)) \frac{(g(x) - g(a))}{x - a}$$

Let $x \rightarrow a$

$$\rightarrow f'(g(a)) \cdot \underset{\downarrow}{g'(a)} + \underbrace{\quad}_{\text{because } g \text{ diff'ble at } a \Rightarrow g \text{ cont. at } a.} - g'(a)$$

$$h(x) = f(g(x))$$

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

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So $E(g(x)) \rightarrow \underbrace{E(g(a))}_{=0}$

$y = f(u)$ where $u = g(x)$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} = f'(u) \cdot g'(x) = f'(g(x)) g'(x) \checkmark$$

EX: $y = \frac{1}{1+x^2} = (1+x^2)^{-1} = u^{-1}$ where $u = 1+x^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} = [(-1)u^{-1-1}] \cdot (0 + 2x) \\ &= \left(\frac{-1}{u^2}\right) \cdot 2x \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{-2x}{(1+x^2)^2} \quad (\text{same as Q-rule!})$$

EX: $y = 2^x = e^{\ln(2^x)} = e^{x \ln 2} = e^u$ where $u = (\ln 2)x$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (e^u) \cdot [(\ln 2) \cdot 1] = (\ln 2) e^u = (\ln 2) \cdot 2^x$$

$$\left(\text{or } e^u = e^{x \ln 2} = e^{\ln 2^x} = 2^x \right)$$

Fact: $\frac{d}{dx} (a^x) = (\ln a) \cdot a^x \quad (\text{for } a > 0)$

Fact: $\frac{d}{dx} (e^{kx}) = k e^{kx} \quad \leftarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = ky$

Growth rate = $K \cdot (\text{amount present})$

$$\begin{pmatrix} K > 0 & \text{Rabbits} \\ K < 0 & \text{Uranium} \end{pmatrix}$$

$y = e^{kx} = e^u$ where $u = kx$.

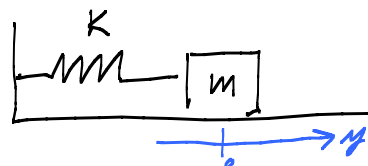
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} = (e^u) \cdot (k \cdot 1) = k e^{kx} \quad \checkmark$$

EX: $y = 10 \sin(3t+1)$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 10 \cdot (\cos(3t+1) \cdot [3 \cdot 1 + 0]) = 30 \cos(3t+1)$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = 30 [-\sin(3t+1)] (3 \cdot 1 + 0) = -90 \sin(3t+1)$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = -9y$$



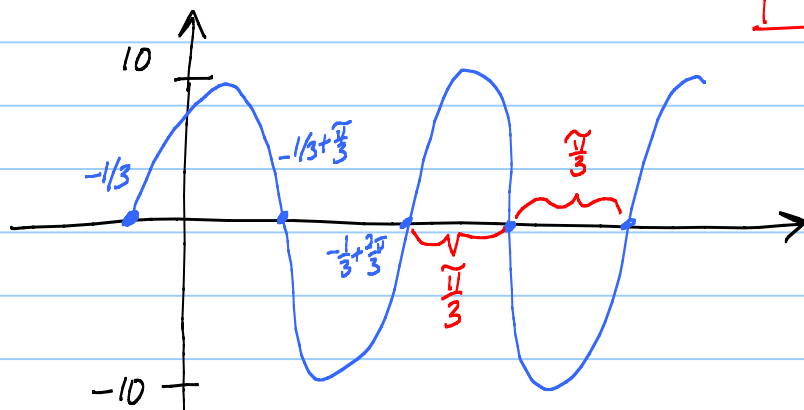
Hooke's Law $F = -ky$

$$m \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = -ky$$

$$k=9$$

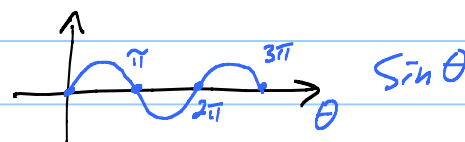
$$m=1$$

$$y = 10 \sin(3t + 1)$$



$$\text{Period} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

Wiggling 3 times faster than $\sin t$
Shifted $\frac{1}{3}$ to right.

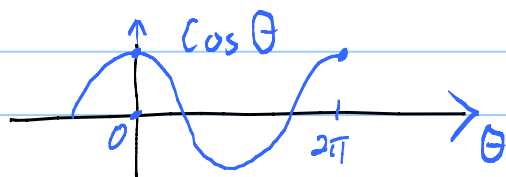


$$3t + 1 = n\pi$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{n\pi}{3}$$

EX: $y = \cos x^2$ ← how fast does this wiggle for big x ?

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = [-\sin(x^2)] \cdot 2x = -2x \sin x^2$$



$$x^2 = n2\pi \leftarrow \text{tops of humps.}$$

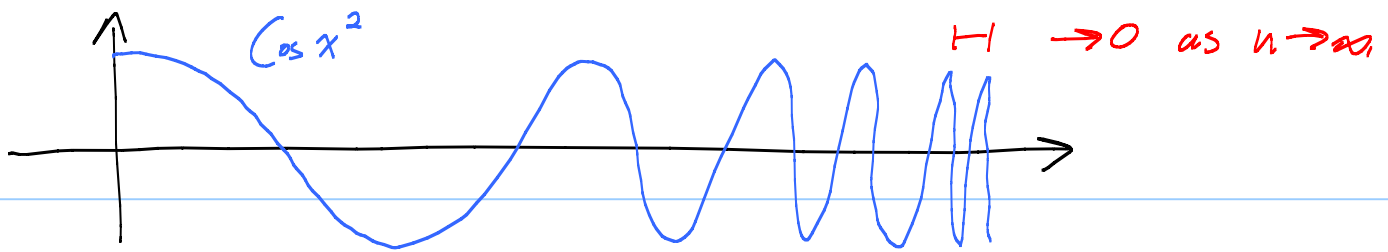
$$x = \sqrt{n2\pi}$$

distance between hump $n+1$ and hump n =

$$\left(\sqrt{(n+1)2\pi} - \sqrt{n2\pi} \right) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{(n+1)2\pi} + \sqrt{n2\pi}}{\sqrt{(n+1)2\pi} + \sqrt{n2\pi}}$$

$$= \frac{(n+1)2\pi - n2\pi}{\sqrt{\quad} + \sqrt{\quad}} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{(n+1)2\pi} + \sqrt{n2\pi}}$$

→ 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$!



EX:

$$y = e^{e^{e^x}} = e^u \quad \text{where } u = e^{e^x} = e^w \quad \text{where } w = e^x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dw} \frac{dw}{dx} = e^u \cdot e^w \cdot e^x \\ &= e^{e^{e^x}} \cdot e^{e^x} \cdot e^x \end{aligned}$$