

# Chain Rule

## Chain Rule in 1-d:

If  $y = f(g(x))$ , then  $y' = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$ ;

or  $y = f(z)$ ,  $z = g(x)$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{df}{dz} \cdot \frac{dg}{dx}$

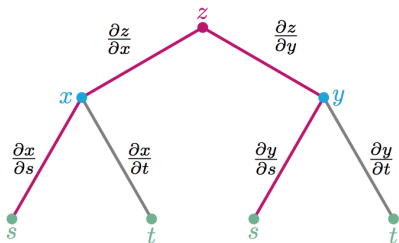
## Chain Rule in 2-d:

$z = f(x, y)$ ,  $x = g(t)$ ,  $y = h(t)$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{df}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{df}{dy} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$z = f(x, y)$ ,  $x = g(s, t)$ ,  $y = h(s, t)$

$$\frac{dz}{ds} = \frac{df}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{ds} + \frac{df}{dy} \cdot \frac{dy}{ds}, \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{df}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{df}{dy} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$$



# Examples

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- (1) Find  $z_t$  if  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ ,  $x = e^{2t}$ ,  $y = e^{2t}$ .
- (2) Find  $z_s$  and  $z_t$  if  $z = e^{xy} \tan y$ ,  $x = s + 2t$  and  $y = s/t$ .
- (3) Find  $w_t$  and  $w_u$  if  $w = f(x, y, z)$ ,  $x = x(t, u)$ ,  $y = y(t, u)$ ,  $z = z(t, u)$ .
- (4) Find  $z_x$  and  $z_y$  if  $xyz = \cos(x + y + z)$
- (5) Car A is traveling north on Highway 16 and Car B is traveling west on Highway 83. each car is approaching the intersection of these highways. At a certain moment, car A is 0.3 km from the intersection, and traveling at 90 km/h, while car B is 0.4 km from the intersection and traveling at 80 km/h. how fast is the distance between the cars changing at the moment?