

Chain Rule Practice (DO NOT WRITE ON THIS PAPER)

Mastering the chain rule is crucial for accurately calculating derivatives. Multi-link chain rule problems are notoriously tricky and prone to mistakes. By executing calculations with precision, you can minimize errors and save time on corrections. Visit hunkim.com/13 for more Calculus 12 resources.

- Chain rule

1. Given $h(x) = (f \circ g)(x)$ find $h'(x)$ using the chain rule.

2. The chain rule states $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$. Explain why this seems like a valid equation.

3. Use the chain rule to differentiate:

$$R(x) = \sqrt{5x - 8}$$

4. Differentiate: $f(x) = \sin(3x^2 + x)$

5. Differentiate: $f(t) = (2t^3 + \cos(t))^{50}$

6. Differentiate: $h(w) = e^{w^4 - 3w^2 + 9}$

7. Differentiate: $g(x) = \ln(x^{-4} + x^4)$

8. Differentiate: $y = \sec(1 - 5x)$

9. Differentiate: $P(t) = \cos^4(t) + \cos(t^4)$

10. Differentiate: $f(x) = [g(x)]^n$

11. Differentiate: $f(x) = e^{g(x)}$

12. Differentiate: $f(x) = \ln(g(x))$

13. Differentiate: $T(x) = \tan^{-1}(2x) \sqrt[3]{1 - 3x^2}$

14. Differentiate: $y = \frac{(x^3 + 4)^5}{(1 - 2x^2)^3}$

15. Differentiate: $h(t) = \left(\frac{2t+3}{6-t^2}\right)^3$

16. Differentiate: $h(z) = \frac{2}{(4z + e^{-9z})^{10}}$

17. Differentiate: $f(y) = \sqrt{2y + (3y + 4y^2)^3}$

18. Differentiate: $y = \tan(\sqrt[3]{3x^2} + \ln(5x^4))$

19. Differentiate: $g(t) = \sin^3(e^{1-t} + 3 \sin(6t))$

Challenge

20. $h(x) = (f \circ g \circ h)(x)$. Find $h'(x)$

21. Justify why the Chain Rule works