

Math 21C

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The Chain Rule and Second-Order Partial Derivatives

1.) Use the Chain Rule to find and simplify (as much as possible) the following second-order partial derivatives.

a.) $\frac{d^2 z}{dt^2}$, where $z = f(x, y)$, $x = e^{2t}$, and $y = \sin t$.

b.) $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2}$ and $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial r^2}$, where $z = f(x, y)$, $x = rt^2$, and $y = r^3 - t$.