

IB Math HL1 18C The Product Rule

Warm Up: Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$

1. $y = (5x^2 - 7x + 2)^9$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 9(5x^2 - 7x + 2)^8(10x - 7)$

2. $y = \frac{8}{\sqrt[3]{4x^5 + 2x}} = 8(4x^5 + 2x)^{-\frac{1}{3}}$

$= -\frac{8}{3}(4x^5 + 2x)^{-\frac{4}{3}}(20x^4 + 2)$
 $= -\frac{8(20x^4 + 2)}{(4x^5 + 2x)^{4/3}}$
 OR
 $= -\frac{8(20x^4 + 2)}{(4x^5 + 2x)\sqrt[3]{4x^5 + 2x}}$

The Product Rule Investigation

Complete the table, finding $f'(x)$ by direct differentiation.

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	$u(x)$	$v(x)$	$u'(x)$	$v'(x)$	$u'(x)v(x) + u(x)v'(x)$
x^2	$2x$	x	x	1	1	$1 \cdot x + x \cdot 1 = 2x$
$\frac{3}{x^2}$	$-\frac{3}{2}x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	x	\sqrt{x}	1	$\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	$-\frac{3}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}}$
$x(x+1)$	$2x+1$	x	$x+1$	1	1	$2x+1$
$(x-1)(2-x^2)$	$2-3x^2+2x$	$x-1$	$2-x^2$	1	$-2x$	$2-3x^2+2x$

$2x - x^2 - 2 + x^2$

The Product Rule

If $f(x) = u(x) \cdot v(x)$, then $f'(x) = \underline{u'(x)} \cdot v(x) + u(x) \cdot \underline{v'(x)}$

$\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{du}{dx} \cdot v + u \cdot \frac{dv}{dx}$

3. Given $y = (3x^2 - 4x)x^5$, find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ by

a. expanding first.

$$y = 3x^7 - 4x^6$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 21x^6 - 24x^5$$

b. using the Product Rule.

$$y = u \cdot v \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = u' \cdot v + u \cdot v'$$

$$y = (3x^2 - 4x) \cdot x^5$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (3x^2 - 4x)' \cdot x^5 + (3x^2 - 4x) \cdot x^5'$$

$$= (6x - 4)x^5 + (3x^2 - 4x)(5x^4)$$

$$= 6x^6 - 4x^5 + 15x^6 - 20x^5 = 21x^6 - 24x^5$$

4. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if $y = \sqrt{x}(2x - 8x^7)^3$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (\sqrt{x})' (2x - 8x^7)^3 + \sqrt{x} (2x - 8x^7)^3'$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right) (2x - 8x^7)^3 + \sqrt{x} (3)(2x - 8x^7)^2 (2 - 56x^6)$$

$$= \frac{(2x - 8x^7)^3}{2\sqrt{x}} + 3\sqrt{x} (2x - 8x^7)^2 (2 - 56x^6)$$

Practice) Use of power rule, chain rule, and product rule.

Find $\frac{df}{dx}$.

1. $f(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt[4]{2x-5}} = 2(2x-5)^{-\frac{1}{4}}$

2. $f(x) = (x^3 - 5x)\sqrt{2x-3}$

$\frac{df}{dx} = (2)(-\frac{1}{4})(2x-5)^{-\frac{5}{4}}(2)$
 $= \frac{-1}{(2x-5)^{5/4}}$ OR $\frac{-1}{(2x-5)^4 \sqrt[4]{2x-5}}$

$\frac{df}{dx} = (3x^2-5)\sqrt{2x-3} + \frac{(x^3-5x)2^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\sqrt{2x-3}}$
 $= (3x^2-5)\sqrt{2x-3} + \frac{(x^3-5x)}{\sqrt{2x-3}}$

Find the gradient of the tangent line to:

3. $f(x) = x^3\sqrt{5-3x}$ at $x = -2$

$\frac{df}{dx} = 3x^2\sqrt{5-3x} + \frac{x^3 \cdot (\frac{1}{2})(-3)}{\sqrt{5-3x}}$

$\frac{df}{dx} \Big|_{x=-2} = f'(-2) = (3)(-2)^2\sqrt{5+6} + \frac{(-2)^3(\frac{1}{2})(-3)}{\sqrt{5+6}}$

$= 12\sqrt{11} + \frac{12}{\sqrt{11}} = \frac{132+12}{\sqrt{11}} = \frac{144}{\sqrt{11}}$ OR $\frac{144\sqrt{11}}{11}$

4. Suppose $y = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1+bx}}$ where a and b are constants. Find a and b given that $y(3) = 1$ and $y'(3) = -\frac{1}{8}$.

$y(3) = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1+3b}} = 1 \Rightarrow a = \sqrt{1+3b}$ $a = \sqrt{1+3} \Rightarrow a = 2$

$y = a(1+bx)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

$y' = (a)(-\frac{1}{2})(1+bx)^{-\frac{3}{2}}(b) = \frac{-ab}{2\sqrt{1+bx}(1+bx)}$

$y'(3) = \frac{-ab}{2\sqrt{1+3b}(1+3b)} = -\frac{1}{8} \Rightarrow \frac{+b}{2(1+3b)} = +\frac{1}{8} \cdot 4$

= 1 Equation 1.

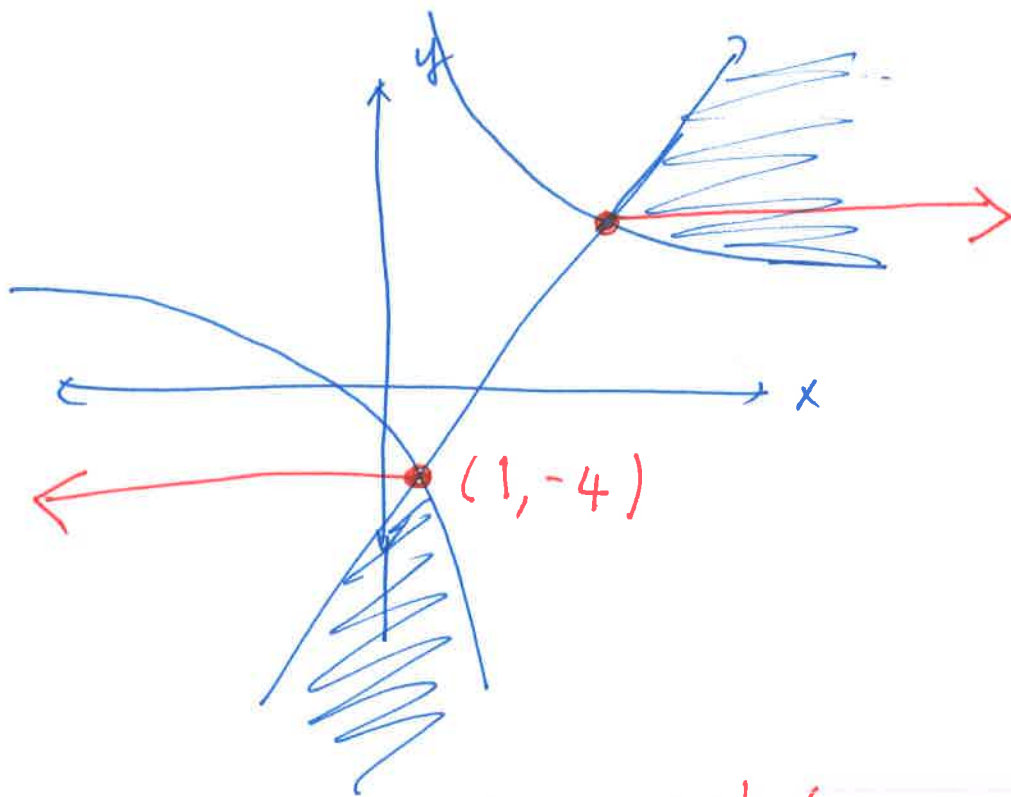
$\Rightarrow 4b = 1 + 3b \Rightarrow b = 1$

Solve $\frac{3x+1}{x-2} \leq 2x-6$

$\Rightarrow \frac{3x+1}{x-2} \leq y$ ①

$\Rightarrow y \leq 2x-6$ ②

Enter ① & ②



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