

AP CALCULUS
THE CHAIN RULE

1. $\frac{dy}{du} = 2u$ and $\frac{du}{dx} = 2x + 2$

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

2. $\frac{dy}{du} = 2u - 2$ and $\frac{du}{dx} = -6$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} \\ &= (2u - 2)(-6) \\ &= -12(4 - 6x)\end{aligned}$$

3. $\frac{dy}{du} = 3u^2$ and $\frac{du}{dx} = 1 - x^{-2}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} \\ &= (3u^2)(1 - x^{-2})\end{aligned}$$

$$= 3 \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{x^2} \right)$$

4. $\frac{dy}{du} = 1 - 2u$ and $\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} \\ &= (3u^2)(1 - x^{-2})\end{aligned}$$

$$= (1 - 2(x^{1/2} + x^{1/3})) \left(\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3} \right)$$

5. $F'(x) = 2(x^2 + 4x + 6)(2x + 4)$

6. $G'(x) = 4(x^3 - 5x)^3(3x^2 - 5)$

7. $g'(x) = (3x - 2)^{10} [12(5x^2 - x + 1)^{11}] (10x - 1) + (5x^2 - x + 1)^{12} [10(3x - 2)^9] 3$

8. $f'(t) = -8(2t^2 - 6t + 1)^{-9}(4t - 6)$

$$= -\frac{8(4t - 6)}{(2t^2 - 6t + 1)^9}$$

9. $g'(x) = \frac{2x - 7}{2\sqrt{x^2 - 7x}}$

$$10. \quad h'(t) = \frac{3}{2} \left(t - \frac{1}{t} \right)^{1/2} (1 + t^{-2})$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{t - \frac{1}{t}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{t^2} \right)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{t - \frac{1}{t}} + \frac{3}{t^2}\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{t}}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{3t^2\sqrt{t - \frac{1}{t}} + 3\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{t}}}{2t^2}$$

$$11. \quad f'(y) = 3 \left(\frac{y-6}{y+7} \right)^2 \left[\frac{(y+7)(1) - (y-6)(1)}{(y+7)^2} \right]$$

$$= 3 \left(\frac{y-6}{y+7} \right)^2 \left[\frac{13}{(y+7)^2} \right]$$

$$12. \quad s'(t) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{t^3+1}{t^3-1} \right)^{-3/4} \left[\frac{(t^3-1)(3t^2) - (t^3+1)(3t^2)}{(t^3-1)^2} \right] \text{No need to simplify further!}$$

$$13. \quad f(z) = (2z-1)^{-1/5}$$

$$f'(z) = -\frac{1}{5}(2z-1)^{-6/5}(2)$$

$$= -\frac{2}{5\sqrt[5]{(2z-1)^6}}$$

$$14. \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 3 \sec^2 3x$$

$$15. \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -3x^2 \sin(x^3)$$

$$16. \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -3 \cos^2 x \sin x$$

$$17. \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 6(1 + \cos^2 x)^5 (-2 \cos x \sin x) = [-12 \sin x \cos x](1 + \cos^2 x)^5$$

$$18. \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -\sec^2 x \sin(\tan x)$$

$$19. \quad f'(x) = (2 \sec 2x)(\sec 2x \tan 2x)(2) - (2 \tan 2x)(\sec^2 2x)(2)$$

$$= 4 \sec^2 2x \tan 2x - 4 \sec^2 2x \tan 2x$$

$$= 0$$

Note: $1 + \tan^2 x = \sec^2 x \rightarrow$ so $f(x) = 0$ to begin with and the derivative of a constant is zero!

$$20. \quad f'(x) = -\frac{1}{3} \left(\csc \frac{1}{3}x \right) \left(\cot \frac{1}{3}x \right)$$

$$21. \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 3 \sin^2 x \cos x - 3 \cos^2 x \sin x$$

$$22. \quad p'(x) = \left(\cos \frac{1}{x} \right) \left(-\frac{1}{x^2} \right) = -\frac{1}{x^2} \cos \frac{1}{x}$$

$$23. \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(1 - \sin x)(\cos x) - (1 + \sin x)(-\cos x)}{(1 - \sin x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \cos x}{(1 - \sin x)^2}$$

$$24. \frac{dy}{dx} = (2 \tan x^2) (\sec^2 x^2) (2x)$$

$$= 4x \tan x^2 \sec^2 x^2$$

$$25. \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} (x + \sqrt{x})^{-1/2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \right)$$

26. Slope of tangent

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 10(x^3 - x^2 + x - 1)^9 (3x^2 - 2x + 1)$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=1} = 0 \longrightarrow m_T = 0$$

Point

Given as (1, 0)

Equation of tangent

$$y - 0 = 0(x - 1)$$

27. Slope of tangent

$$f'(x) = -\frac{12}{\sqrt{(3x+4)^3}}$$

$$f'(4) = -\frac{3}{16} \longrightarrow m_T = -\frac{3}{16}$$

Point

Given as (4, 2)

Equation of tangent

$$y - 2 = -\frac{3}{16}(x - 4)$$

28. $f'(x) = 2 \cos x + 2 \sin x \cos x = 2 \cos x(1 + \sin x)$

In order to have a horizontal tangent, $f'(x) = 0$.

Now, $f'(x) = 0$ when $2 \cos x(1 + \sin x) = 0$

This will be true when $\cos x = 0$ or when $\sin x = -1$.

$\cos x = 0$ when $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ or $x = \frac{3\pi}{2}$

$\sin x = -1$ when $x = \frac{3\pi}{2}$

$f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 3$ and $f\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = -1$

These function values will be the same for any multiple of $\frac{\pi}{2}$ or $\frac{3\pi}{2}$

\therefore the points where the tangent is horizontal are: $\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi, 3\right)$ and $\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} + 2k\pi, -1\right)$

29. We know that $F'(x) = f'(g(x))g'(x) \rightarrow F'(3) = f'(g(3))g'(3)$

So $F'(3) = f'(6) \cdot 4$

$\therefore F'(3) = (7)(4) = 28$.