

The Product Rule

Basic Properties and Formulas

If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are differentiable functions (the derivative exists), c and n are any real numbers,

$$1. \frac{d}{dx}(c) = 0$$

$$2. (cf(x))' = cf'(x)$$

$$3. \frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1} - \text{Power Rule}$$

$$4. (f(x) \pm g(x))' = f'(x) \pm g'(x)$$

$$5. (f(x)g(x))' = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x) \quad \text{Product Rule}$$

$$6. \left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}\right)' = \frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{(g(x))^2} - \text{Quotient Rule}$$

$$7. \frac{d}{dx}(f(g(x))) = f'(g(x))g'(x) - \text{Chain Rule}$$