

Topic : **P309 DIFFERENTIATION**

Subtopic:

- *Derivative of Products*
- *Derivative of Rational Functions*
- *Derivative of Parametric Equations*
- *Derivative of Implicit Functions*

Derivative of Products

(Product Rule)

Let u and v be functions of x .

$$\frac{d}{dx}(uv) = u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx}$$

Example : Find

$$(i) \frac{d}{dx} [x(x+3)^4] =$$

$$(ii) \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 \sqrt{(x-1)}] =$$

Example :

Find the coordinates of the turning point of the curve $y = x \ln x$. Determine its nature.

Example:

Show that the tangent to the curve $y = x \sin 3x$ at the origin is parallel to the x – axis.

Example:

Find the equation of the tangent and normal to the curve $y = e^x \cos 2x$ when $x = 0$.

Example:

Show that the x – coordinate of the turning point of the curve $y = \sin x \ln x$ satisfies the equation $x \ln x + \tan x = 0, x > 0$.

Homework

Please attempt all the questions in the following slides.

Questions are to be discussed on the next day of the instruction.

Example : Find

$$(a) \frac{d}{dx} (x \cos x)$$

$$(b) \frac{d}{dx} (x \sin^2 x)$$

Example :

Differentiate $y = \sin^4 2x \cos^3 5x$.

Example:

Find the equation of the normal to the curve $y = x \ln(2x - 1)$ at the point on the curve with $x = 1$.

Example:

The volume, V , of a solid is given by $V = x^2 \sqrt{8 - x}$.

Find the maximum value of V and the value of x at which it occurs.

Example:

A function f is defined by $f(x) = e^x \cos x$, $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$.

(a) Solve the inequality $f'(x) < 0$.

(b) What does (a) tell you about the shape of the curve
 $y = f(x)$.

Example:

Show that the curve $y = \frac{x}{\sqrt{2x^2 + 1}}$ has no turning points.

Example :

Find the value of x for which $x^2 e^{-ax}$ has its maximum value, where a is a positive constant. Denoting this by c , and the maximum value by M , deduce that, if $x > c$, $x e^{-ax} < \frac{M}{x}$. Hence, show that $x e^{-ax} \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$.