

Calculus Rules

1. Chain Rule $\frac{d}{dx}(u^n) = nu^{n-1} \times u'$

“BRING DOWN the POWER, LOWER the POWER, DIFF the INSIDE”

e.g. (i) $y = (2x+1)^2$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2(2x+1)^1 (2)$$
$$= \underline{4(2x+1)}$$

(iii) $y = (x^2 - 10)^3$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3(x^2 - 10)^2 (2x)$$
$$= \underline{6x(x^2 - 10)^2}$$

(ii) $y = (3x-4)^7$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 7(3x-4)^6 (3)$$
$$= \underline{21(3x-4)^6}$$

(iv) $y = 5(4-2x)^6$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 30(4-2x)^5 (-2)$$
$$= \underline{-60(4-2x)^5}$$

$$(v) \quad y = \sqrt{x^2 - 3}$$

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

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

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

$$= \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 3}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx}$$

$$(vi) \quad x = 4t \quad y = 2t^2$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 4 \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 4t$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \times \frac{dt}{dx}$$

$$= 4t \times \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= t$$

**Exercise 7E; 1adgj, 2behk, 3bd, 4adgj, 5ad, 6b, 7b, 8b,
10bdg, 11a, 13**