

Question #22405 Prove that $d/du(AB) = A(dB/du) + (dA/du)B$ where A,B are differentiated functions of u.

Solution. Really, $\frac{AB(u + \Delta u) - AB(u)}{\Delta u} = \frac{A(u + \Delta u)(B(u + \Delta u) - B(u)) + B(u)(A(u + \Delta u) - A(u))}{\Delta u}$
 $A(u + \Delta u)\frac{B(u + \Delta u) - B(u)}{\Delta u} + B(u)\frac{A(u + \Delta u) - A(u)}{\Delta u}$. Passing to the limit as $\Delta u \rightarrow 0$ and using the fact that A is continuous, due to it is differentiated one gets the desired equality.