

CHAIN RULE EXAMPLES



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$$= \frac{(u^2 - v^2) - (u^2 + v^2)}{(u^2 - v^2)^2 + (u^2 + v^2)^2} \cdot 2u = \frac{-2uv^2}{u^4 + v^4}$$