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A function f is such that $f'(x) = 6(2x - 3)^2 - 6x$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

(a) Determine the set of values of x for which $f(x)$ is decreasing.

(b) Given that $f(1) = -1$, find $f(x)$.

Solution:

(a)

As $f(x)$ is decreasing, so

$$f'(x) < 0$$

$$6(2x-3)^2 - 6x < 0$$

$$6(4x^2 - 12x + 9) - 6x < 0$$

$$24x^2 - 72x + 54 - 6x < 0$$

$$24x^2 - 78x + 54 < 0$$

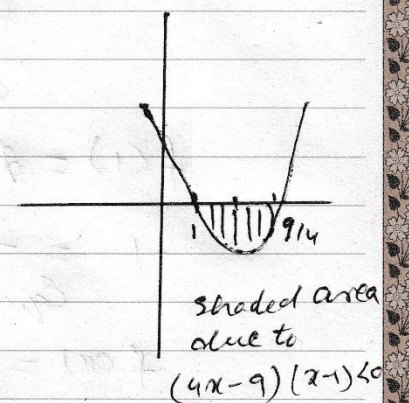
$$6(4x^2 - 13x + 9) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - 13x + 9 < 0$$

$$4x^2 - 9x - 4x + 9 < 0$$

$$x(4x-9) - 1(4x-9) < 0$$

$$(4x-9)(x-1) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 < x < 9/4$$


shaded area due to $(4x-9)(x-1) < 0$

(b)

(b) given that $f(1) = -1$ find $f(x)$

Solution

$$f'(x) = 6(2x-3)^2 - 6x$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = 6(2x-3)^2 - 6x$$

$$df = [6(2x-3)^2 - 6x] dx$$

Integrate

$$f = \int [6(2x-3)^2 - 6x] dx$$

$$f(x) = \frac{6}{2} \frac{(2x-3)^{2+1}}{2+1} - \frac{6x^{1+1}}{1+1} + c$$

$$f(x) = (2x-3)^3 - 3x^2 + c \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

c is constant of integration,
given condition

$$f(1) = -1$$

Equation $\textcircled{1}$ becomes

$$f(1) = (2(1)-3)^3 - 3(1)^2 + c$$

$$-1 = -1 - 3 + c \Rightarrow c = 3$$

Equation $\textcircled{1}$ becomes

$$f(x) = (2x-3)^3 - 3x^2 + 3$$

