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In order to find the derivative of

$$y = \frac{(2x^3 - 3)^{\frac{5}{2}}}{(x^2 - 1)^{\frac{2}{3}} (9x^2 - 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}, \text{ we use logarithmic differentiation}$$

so that we instead take the derivative of

$$\log(y) = \frac{5}{2} \log(2x^3 - 3) - \frac{2}{3} \log(x^2 - 1) - \frac{1}{2} \log(9x^2 - 1)$$

we know that  $(\log(y))' = \frac{1}{y} \frac{d}{dx} y$ , which together with the chain and power rule enables us to write that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{y} \frac{d}{dx} y &= \frac{5}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2x^3 - 3} \right) (6x^2) - \frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{1}{x^2 - 1} \right) (2x) - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{9x^2 - 1} \right) (18x) \\ &= \frac{15x^2}{2x^3 - 3} - \frac{\frac{4}{3}x}{x^2 - 1} - \frac{9x}{9x^2 - 1} \end{aligned}$$

Combine to one fraction by having the same denominator

$$= \frac{15x^2(x^2 - 1)(9x^2 - 1) - \frac{4}{3}x \cdot (2x^3 - 3)(9x^2 - 1) - 9x(2x^3 - 3)(x^2 - 1)}{(2x^3 - 3)(x^2 - 1)(9x^2 - 1)}.$$

≡ This can be simplified to

$$\frac{15x^2 - 31x + 63x^3 - \frac{388}{3}x^4 + 93x^6}{(2x^3 - 3)(x^2 - 1)(9x^2 - 1)}$$

By finally multiplying both sides by  $y$  we get

$$\frac{d}{dx} y = \frac{15x^2 - 31x + 63x^3 - \frac{388}{3}x^4 + 93x^6}{(2x^3 - 3)^{\frac{2}{3}} (x^2 - 1)^{\frac{1}{3}} (9x^2 - 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$