

9 Lesson 9

9.1 The Quotient Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \frac{f'(x)g(x) - g'(x)f(x)}{(g(x))^2}.$$

Example 1: Suppose

$$y = \frac{4x - \cos(x)}{9x + 2}.$$

Find y' .

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 4x - \cos(x) \\ g(x) &= 9x + 2 \\ f'(x) &= 4 + \sin(x) \\ g'(x) &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= \frac{(4 + \sin(x))(9x + 2) - 9(4x - \cos(x))}{(9x + 2)^2} \\ &= \frac{36x + 8 + 9x\sin(x) + 2\sin(x) - 36x + 9\cos(x)}{81x^2 + 36x + 4} \\ &= \frac{8 + \sin(x)(9x + 2) + 9\cos(x)}{81x^2 + 36x + 4} \end{aligned}$$

Example 2: Suppose

$$y = \frac{a\sqrt[3]{x}}{a^2e^x + ax},$$

where a is a constant. Find y' .

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= a\sqrt[3]{x} = ax^{1/3} \\ g(x) &= a^2e^x + ax \\ f'(x) &= \frac{a}{3}x^{-2/3} \\ g'(x) &= a^2e^x + a \end{aligned}$$

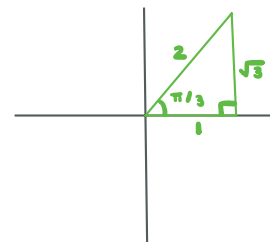
$$\begin{aligned} y' &= \frac{\frac{a}{3}x^{-2/3}(a^2e^x + ax) - (a^2e^x + a)ax^{1/3}}{(a^2e^x + ax)^2} \\ &= \frac{\frac{a^3e^x}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}} + \frac{a^2\sqrt[3]{x}}{3} - a^3e^x\sqrt[3]{x} - a^2\sqrt[3]{x}}{(a^2e^x + ax)^2} \\ &= \frac{a^3e^x}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}} + \frac{\sqrt[3]{x}\sqrt[3]{x} = x}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}} - \frac{3a^3e^x\sqrt[3]{x}\sqrt[3]{x} = x}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}} - \frac{3\sqrt[3]{x}\sqrt[3]{x} = x}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}} \\ &= \frac{a^3e^x(1 - 3x) - 2x}{3x^{2/3}(a^2e^x + x)^2} \end{aligned}$$

9.2 Derivatives of the Other Trigonometric Functions

- $\frac{d}{dx} [\tan(x)] = \sec^2(x)$
- $\frac{d}{dx} [\cot(x)] = -\csc^2(x)$
- $\frac{d}{dx} [\sec(x)] = \sec(x) \tan(x)$
- $\frac{d}{dx} [\csc(x)] = -\csc(x) \cot(x)$

Example 3: Suppose $y = 11 \sin(x) \tan(x)$. Find $y' \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= 11 \sin(x) & y' &= 11 \cos(x) \tan(x) + 11 \sec^2(x) \sin(x) \\
 g(x) &= \tan(x) & & \\
 f'(x) &= 11 \cos(x) & & \\
 g'(x) &= \sec^2(x) & & \\
 y'(\pi/3) &= 11 \underbrace{\cos(\pi/3)}_{1/2} + \underbrace{11 \sec^2(\pi/3) \sin(\pi/3)}_{\substack{(2/1)^2 \cdot \sqrt{3}/2}} = \frac{11\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{44\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{55\sqrt{3}}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$



Example 4: Find the equation of the tangent line to the graph of $y = 6x^8 \sec(x)$ at $x = \pi$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 y' &= 48x^7 \sec(x) + 6x^8 \sec(x) \tan(x) \\
 y'(\pi) &= 48(\pi)^7 \underbrace{\sec(\pi)}_{-1} + 6(\pi)^8 \underbrace{\sec(\pi)}_{-1} \underbrace{\tan(\pi)}_0 = -48\pi^7 \\
 y(\pi) &= 6\pi^8 \underbrace{\sec(\pi)}_{-1} = -6\pi^8 \\
 y - (-6\pi^8) &= -48\pi^7(x - \pi) \\
 \Rightarrow y &= -48\pi^7 x + 48\pi^8 - 6\pi^8 \\
 \Rightarrow y &= -48\pi^7 x + 42\pi^8
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 5: Suppose

$$y = \frac{4 \cot(x)}{5 + 8 \cos(x)}.$$

Find $y' \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right)$.

$$y' = \frac{4 \overbrace{(-\csc^2(x))}^{\frac{1}{\sin^2(x)}} (5 + 8 \cos(x)) - (-8 \sin(x)) \overbrace{(4 \cot(x))}^{\frac{1}{\tan(x)}}}{(5 + 8 \cos(x))^2}$$

$$y'(\pi/2) = \frac{4 \cdot (-1) \overbrace{(5 + 8 \cdot 0)}^5 + 8 \cdot 1 \cdot \overbrace{4 \cdot 0}^0}{(5 + 8 \cdot 0)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-20}{25}$$

$$= -\frac{4}{5}$$