

problem: Find $\left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}\right)'$.

Solution: $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}\right) = f(x) \cdot (g(x))^{-1}$

Therefore, using the power rule $f'(x)(g(x))^{-1} + (g'(x))^{-1} \cdot f(x)$,

and $(g'(x))^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{g(x)}\right)'$, which we

proved to equal $-\frac{g'(x)}{g(x)^2}$, so

$$f'(x) \cdot \frac{1}{g(x)} + f(x) \cdot -\frac{g'(x)}{g(x)^2},$$

which simplifies to $\frac{f'(x)}{g(x)} - \frac{g'(x)f(x)}{g(x)^2}$

Next, multiply the first term by $\frac{g(x)}{g(x)}$ to

get a common denominator of $g(x)^2$, which then gives you the final solution,

$$\left(\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}\right)' = \frac{f'(x) \cdot g(x) - g'(x) \cdot f(x)}{g(x)^2}$$