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If f and g are differentiable, then

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

This is simply the product rule for rational functions!

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Write

$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = f(x)[g(x)]^{-1}$$

and show that the quotient rule is the product rule for rational functions.

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