

9.5) The quotient rule

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$y = \frac{3x}{5x - 2}$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$y = \frac{x}{2x + 5}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{5}{(2x + 5)^2}$$

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$y = \frac{x^2}{\ln 5x}$$

$$y = \frac{\ln 4x}{x^4}$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$y = \frac{x^3}{\ln 3x}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x^2(3 \ln 3x - 1)}{(\ln 3x)^2}$$

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$y = \frac{\cos 3x}{x^4}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^4}{\cos 3x}$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$y = \frac{\sin 4x}{x^3}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4x \cos 4x - 3 \sin 4x}{x^4}$$

Worked example

Find the stationary point of

$$y = \frac{\cos x}{e^{3x}}, 0 < x < \pi$$

Your turn

Find the stationary point of

$$y = \frac{\sin x}{e^{2x}}, 0 < x < \pi$$

(0.464, 0.177) (3 dp)

Worked example

Find the equation of the tangent to the curve $y = \frac{e^{\frac{1}{4}x}}{x}$ at the point $(4, \frac{1}{4}e)$

Your turn

Find the equation of the tangent to the curve $y = \frac{e^{\frac{1}{2}x}}{x}$ at the point $(2, \frac{1}{2}e)$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}e$$