

Year 11 Chapter 7G Question 11

Q11 (a) Suppose $y = \frac{u}{x}$, where u is a function of x . Show that $y + x \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{du}{dx}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= y + x \frac{dy}{dx} \\ &= y + x \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{u}{x} \right) \\ &= y + \cancel{x} \cdot \frac{x \frac{du}{dx} - u \frac{d\cancel{x}}{dx}}{\cancel{x}^2} \\ &= y + \frac{\cancel{x}}{\cancel{x}} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} - \frac{u}{x} \\ &= y + \frac{du}{dx} - y \\ &= \text{RHS}. \end{aligned}$$