

1 Power Rule

1.1 The derivative

1. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for

(i) $y = 3\sqrt{x}$

(ii) $y = \sqrt{3x}$

(iii) $y = \frac{3}{\sqrt{x}}$

(iv) $y = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{x}}$

(v) $y = x^4 - \frac{1}{x^4}$

(vi) $y = 4x^{1/6} + \pi^3$

(vii) $y = 4x^2 - 5x + 6$

(viii) $y = 2x^3 + 7x^2 + 9x - 1$

2. Find the slope of the curve $y = 5x^2 + x - 3$ at the point:

(i) $(-1, 1)$

(ii) $(2, 19)$.

3. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for

(i) $y = 2\sqrt{x}$

(ii) $y = \sqrt{2x}$

(iii) $y = \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}}$

(iv) $y = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$

(v) $y = x^3 - \frac{1}{x^2}$

(vi) $y = 6x^{2/3} + \sqrt{3}$

(vii) $y = 7x^2 - 9x + 8$

(viii) $y = 3x^3 - 7x^2 + 10x - 1$

4. Find the slope of the curve $y = 7x^2 - 4x - 6$ at the point:

(i) $(-1, 5)$

(ii) $(2, 14)$.