

## W2-11-3 The total differential of a function S 3

Consider the function  $S = S(U, V) = -2U^3 - U^{-2} - 3V^5 + 8V$ . Calculate for which value of  $V$  the function  $S$  has an extreme value.  $V_{extreme} = \dots\dots$

For an extreme value of  $S$ ,  $dS$  should be zero.

This is only possible if and only if  $\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_U = 0$ .

$$-15V^4 + 8 = 0 \rightarrow V_{extreme} = \pm \left(\frac{8}{15}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}.$$