

Differentiation

1. $x^n \rightarrow nx^{n-1}$

e.g. $x^3 \rightarrow 3x^2$

2. $x \rightarrow 1$

e.g. $3x \rightarrow 3$

3. number $\rightarrow 0$

e.g. $5 \rightarrow 0$

4. $\frac{1}{x^n} \rightarrow -nx^{-n-1}$

e.g. $\frac{3}{x^2} \rightarrow -6x^{-3}$

example

differentiate $y = 4x^5 + 7x + 3$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 20x^4 + 7$$

differentiate $y = 7 + 6x + 3x^4 + 2 + \frac{4}{5x^3}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6 + 12x^3 + 20x^{-3}$$

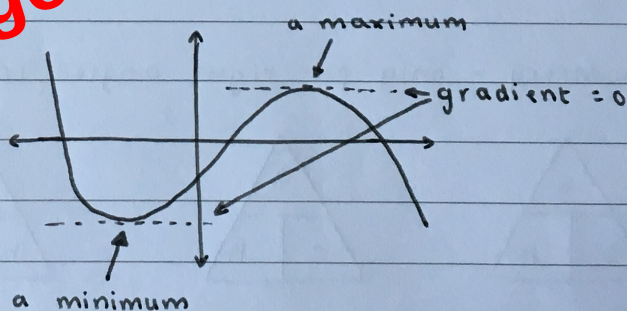
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Maximum and Minimum

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

• work out x

• input x to work out y



example

find the maximum of $\frac{dy}{dx} = 20x - 10$

$$0 = 20x - 10$$

$$y = x^{21} - 10x$$

$$\text{maximum} = (0.5, 4.9)$$

$$10 = 20x$$

$$y = 0.5^{21} - (10 \times 0.5)$$

$$x = 0.5$$

$$y = -4.9$$