

12.3) Differentiating x^n

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$x^2$$

$$x^3$$

$$x^4$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$x^5$$

$$5x^4$$

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$3x^2$$

$$-2x^3$$

$$5x^4$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$-3x^5$$

$$-15x^4$$

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\sqrt{x}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{x}$$

$$\sqrt[4]{x}$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\sqrt[5]{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{5}x^{-\frac{4}{5}}$$

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{x^3}$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\frac{1}{x^4}$$

$$-4x^{-5} = -\frac{4}{x^5}$$

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\frac{2}{x}$$

$$\frac{3}{4x^2}$$

$$\frac{6}{5x^3}$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\frac{7}{8x^4}$$

$$-\frac{7}{2}x^{-5} = -\frac{7}{2x^5}$$

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{x}$$

$$\frac{4}{7}\sqrt[3]{x}$$

$$\frac{5}{6}\sqrt[4]{x}$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\frac{3}{5}\sqrt{x}$$

$$\frac{3}{10}x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3}{10\sqrt{x}}$$

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\frac{2}{3\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\frac{4}{7\sqrt[3]{x}}$$

$$\frac{5}{6\sqrt[4]{x}}$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\frac{3}{5\sqrt{x}}$$

$$-\frac{3}{10}x^{-\frac{3}{2}} = -\frac{3}{10x\sqrt{x}}$$

Worked example

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\sqrt{36x^7}$$

$$\sqrt{25x^7}$$

Your turn

Differentiate with respect to x :

$$\sqrt{16x^8}$$

$$16x^3$$

$$\sqrt{9x^8}$$

$$24x^7$$