(I) Graphs of the Form $y = [f(x)]^n$ where n>1 and an integer

The graph of $y = [f(x)]^n$ can be sketched by first drawing y = f(x) and noticing;

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$$\frac{dy}{dx} = n[f(x)]^{n-1} \times f'(x)$$

- all stationary points must still be stationary points
- all points where the curve cuts the x axis are also stationary points
- if |f(x)| > 1 then $|[f(x)]^n| > f(x)$
- if |f(x)| < 1 then $|[f(x)]^n| < f(x)$
- if *n* is even then $[f(x)]^n \ge 0$
- if n is odd then $[f(x)]^n$ is the same sign of f(x) for any given value of x





