

Lecture 5: June 04, 2014.

- TODAY:
- Logarithmic differentiation (end of 3.3)
 - Derivatives of Algebraic fns. (3.4)
 - Maxima/minima & applied optimization (3.5, 3.6)
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Logarithmic Differentiation.

Recall: (1) $\log_a(xy) = \log_a(x) + \log_a(y)$

(2) $\log_a(x^y) = y \log_a(x)$

* Consequence: (3) $\log_a\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \log_a(x^{-1}) = -\log_a(x)$

* Consequence: (4) $\log_a\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log_a(x y^{-1})$
 $= \log_a(x) + \log_a(y^{-1})$
 $= \log_a(x) - \log_a(y)$

> (5) $\log_e(x) =: \ln(x)$

(6) $\frac{d}{dx} \log_a(x) = \frac{1}{x \ln(a)}$

* Consequence: (7) $\frac{d}{dx} [\ln(x)] = \frac{d}{dx} [\log_e(x)]$
 $= \frac{1}{x \ln(e)}$
 $= \frac{1}{x}$

* Consequence: (8) $\frac{d}{dx} [\log_a(f(x))] = \frac{f'(x)}{f(x) \ln(a)}$
(chain rule)

These rules are very handy ...

Ex.
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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln \sqrt{\frac{2x+3}{4x+5}} \right] &= \frac{\frac{d}{dx} \left[\sqrt{\frac{2x+3}{4x+5}} \right]}{\sqrt{\frac{2x+3}{4x+5}}} && \text{Rule (8)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2x+3}{4x+5} \right)^{-1/2} \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{2x+3}{4x+5} \right)}{\sqrt{\frac{2x+3}{4x+5}}} && \text{Chain rule} \\ &= \frac{\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{2x+3}{4x+5} \right] (4x+5)}{2(2x+3)} && \text{Arithmetic} \\ &= \frac{(4x+5) \frac{d}{dx} (2x+3) - (2x+3) \frac{d}{dx} (4x+5)}{(4x+5)^2} \cdot \frac{4x+5}{2(2x+3)} && \text{Quotient rule} \\ &= \frac{2(4x+5) - 4(2x+3)}{2(2x+3)(4x+5)} && \text{Differentiating the polynomials} \\ &= \frac{4x+5 - 4x-6}{(2x+3)(4x+5)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{(2x+3)(4x+5)} \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand...

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln \sqrt{\frac{2x+3}{4x+5}} \right] &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{2x+3}{4x+5} \right) \right] && \left(\ln(x^y) = y \cdot \ln(x) \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{2} (\ln(2x+3) - \ln(4x+5)) \right] && \text{Rule (2)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} (2x+3)}{2x+3} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} (4x+5)}{4x+5} && \text{Rule (4)} \\ &= \frac{2}{2(2x+3)} - \frac{4}{2(4x+5)} && \text{Rule (8)} \\ &= \frac{2(4x+5) - 4(2x+3)}{2(2x+3)(4x+5)} && \text{Polynomial derivs} \\ &= \frac{2(4x+5) - 4(2x+3)}{2(2x+3)(4x+5)} && \leftarrow \text{same as before, so get same result.} \end{aligned}$$

Using the log rules really made life simpler!

Logarithmic differentiation exploits this idea!

STEPS: ① Given $y = f(x)$

② Take natural log of both sides: $\ln y = \ln f(x)$

— SIMPLIFY —

③ Differentiate: $\frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} [\ln f(x)]$

④ Multiply by y : $\frac{dy}{dx} = y \frac{d}{dx} [\ln f(x)]$

$$= f(x) \frac{d}{dx} [\ln f(x)]$$

Careful if f has
negative values!

This might look like a more complicated process for now, but...

Ex. 14
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Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$, given $y = x^{x-1}$; $x > 0$.

NOTE: We can't do this using the rules we have now!

STEP 2 $y = x^{x-1} \Rightarrow \ln(y) = \ln(x^{x-1}) \quad \ln(x^y) = y \ln(x)$
 $= (x-1) \ln(x) \quad \text{Rule (2)}$

STEP 3 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [\ln(y)] = \frac{d}{dx} [(x-1) \ln(x)]$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \underbrace{(x-1) \frac{d}{dx} [\ln(x)]}_{\text{Rule (8)}} + \underbrace{\frac{d}{dx} [x-1]}_{\text{Prod. rule}} (\ln(x))$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x-1}{x} + \ln(x) = \frac{x-1 + x \ln x}{x}$$
$$= \frac{x(1 + \ln x) - 1}{x}$$

STEP 4

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = y \left(\frac{x(1 + \ln x) - 1}{x} \right) = \frac{x^{x-1}}{x} (x(1 + \ln x) - 1)$$

$$= x^{x-2} [x(1 + \ln x) - 1]$$

Section 3.4: Algebraic fns.

Recall Power rule: $\frac{d}{dx} [x^m] = mx^{m-1}$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$. $= \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

We've been a little bold by using this rule not only for $m \in \mathbb{N}$, but for $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and even $m \in \mathbb{Q}$.

ex. $\frac{d}{dx} [x^{-2}] = -2x^{-3}$, $\frac{d}{dx} [\sqrt{x}] = \frac{d}{dx} [x^{1/2}] = \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$.

note, $\mathbb{N} \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$

The Generalized power rule. If $n \in \mathbb{Q}$, then
 Thm. 1, p. 140 $\rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [(f(x))^n] = n [f(x)]^{n-1} f'(x)$,
 for those x where the RHS is defined.

ex. $\frac{d}{dx} [\sqrt{4-x^2}] = \frac{d}{dx} [(4-x^2)^{1/2}]$
 $= \frac{1}{2} (4-x^2)^{-1/2} \frac{d}{dx} [4-x^2]$ G.P.L.
 $= \frac{1}{2} (4-x^2)^{-1/2} (-2x)$ polynomial
 $= \frac{-2x}{2\sqrt{4-x^2}}$
 $= \frac{-x}{\sqrt{4-x^2}}$

This value does not exist when $4-x^2 \leq 0$,
 i.e., when $x^2 \geq 4$.

So the derivative is defined only for $x \in (-2, 2)$

↑ OPEN INTERVAL

So, we just saw a function whose derivative did not exist outside $(-2, 2)$.

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This is what makes algebraic fns. different from polynomial and rational fns. — the algebraic fns. might still be continuous at points where the derivatives don't exist.

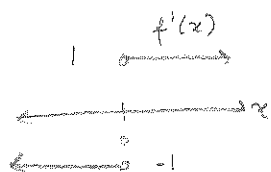
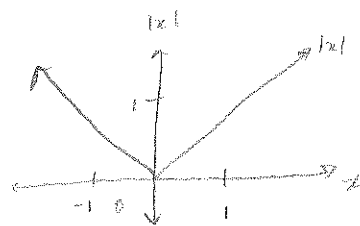
[N.B. — The converse is actually false — we'll shortly have a theorem stating that differentiability \Rightarrow continuity.]

→ Ex. $f(x) = |x| = \sqrt{x^2}$ is an algebraic fn.

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} (x^2)^{-1/2} \frac{d}{dx} (x^2) \quad \text{G.P.L.}$$

$$= \frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2}} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{x}{|x|} = \begin{cases} -1, & x < 0 \\ +1, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$



f is diff'ble everywhere, except POSSIBLY at $x=0$.

[N.B. — If the RHS of the GPL does not exist, note that the GPL doesn't guarantee the function is diff'ble — and this is different from guaranteeing the fn. is not diff'ble!

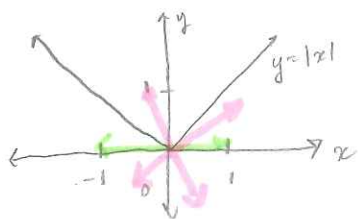
See: If an animal is a beagle, then it is a dog.

I give you an animal that's not a beagle; then this statement can't guarantee I've given you a dog — but it also can't guarantee I've not given you a dog (since I might have given you a dalmatian).

This might remind you of the inverse fn. theorem from Monday?]

The trouble with $|x|$ at $x=0$ is the sharp angle!

$$= \begin{cases} x, & x > 0 \\ -x, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

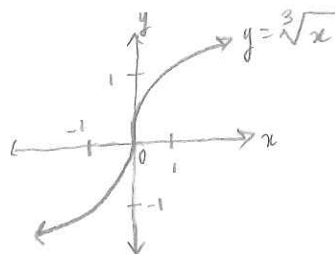


... But sharp ∇ 's aren't the only place we have trouble.

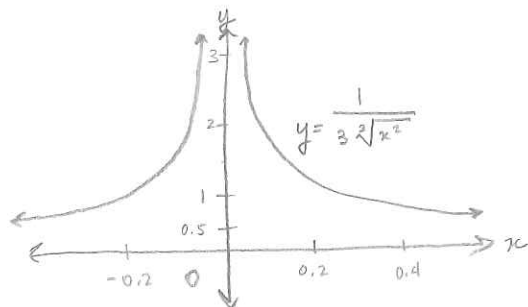
ex.
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$$y = \sqrt[3]{x} = x^{1/3}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{3} x^{-2/3} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$$



Let's look at the behavior of $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$ around $x=0$:



See that the derivative has no value at $x=0$.

Looking at the graph of f , the tan. line at $x=0$ is just a vertical line.

Recall: $\text{slope} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$

For a vertical line, though, all points on the line have the same x -value — so

$$\text{slope} = \frac{\Delta y}{0} \quad ??$$

We saw even back in middle school that the slope of a vertical line is not defined.

Let's make a connection to tan. lines and fns. like $x^{1/3}$.

DEFINITION. $y = f(x)$ has a vertical tangent line at the point $(a, f(a))$ provided that f is cts. at a , and:

$$|f'(x)| \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow a} +\infty.$$

Example
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Find all points on the curve

$$y = f(x) := x\sqrt{1-x^2}, \quad -1 \leq x \leq 1,$$

where the tangent line is either vertical or horizontal.

[N.B. - Such points are called critical points, and indeed, they are very important!]

(The tangent line is horizontal when $f'(x) = 0$
vertical when $|f'(x)| \rightarrow +\infty$.

So we need to calculate $f'(x)$.

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} [x\sqrt{1-x^2}] = x \frac{d}{dx} [\sqrt{1-x^2}] + \sqrt{1-x^2} \frac{d}{dx} [x] \quad \text{PROD.}$$

$$= \frac{x \frac{d}{dx} [1-x^2]}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}} + \sqrt{1-x^2} \quad \text{GPL}$$

$$= \frac{x(-2x)}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}} + \sqrt{1-x^2}$$

$$= \frac{-x^2 + 1-x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = \boxed{\frac{1-2x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}}$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \quad \text{when} \quad 1-2x^2 = 0, \quad \text{i.e., when } x = \pm\sqrt{1/2}.$$

We were asked for points on the curve, so we calculate $f(\pm\sqrt{1/2})$ to find the two points $(-\sqrt{1/2}, -\frac{1}{2})$ and $(\sqrt{1/2}, \frac{1}{2})$.

→ CONTINUED →

$$\text{So, } f'(x) = \frac{1-2x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

Let's see where $f'(x)$ is undefined — that's where either

① the denominator is zero

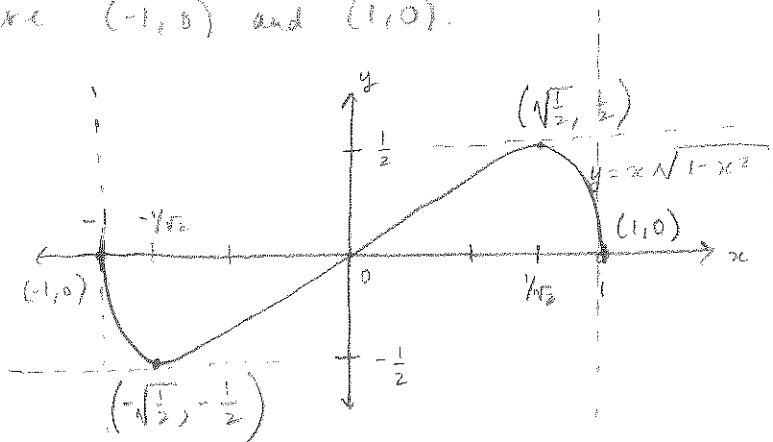
or

② the argument of the radical is negative.

For ①, this happens when $1-x^2=0$, i.e., when $x=\pm 1$.

For ②, this happens when $1-x^2 < 0$, i.e., when $|x| > 1$. But those points were excluded from the domain by the problem statement.

So we need to look only at $x = \pm 1$. Note, $f(1) = f(-1) = 0$, so the points where the tangent line is vertical are $(-1, 0)$ and $(1, 0)$.

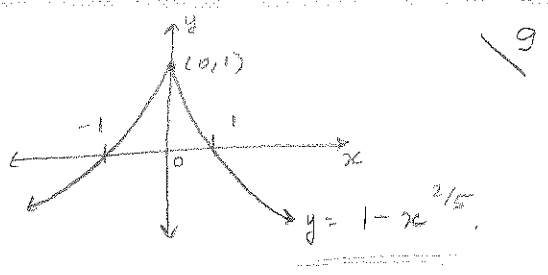


Ex. 10
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$$f(x) = 1 - \sqrt[5]{x^2}$$

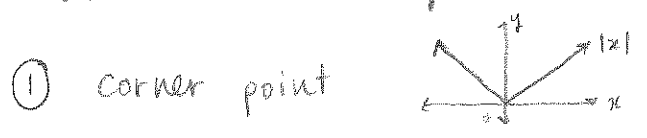
$$f'(x) = -\frac{2}{5} x^{-3/5}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{5 \sqrt[5]{x^3}}$$

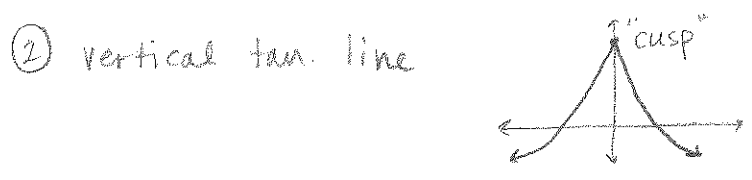


Note, $\left| f'(x) \right| \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 0} +\infty$, and since f is cts. at $x=0$, we have, by def'n, a vertical tan. line at $x=0$.

So, we saw a few examples of non-diff'ble, but cts., fns:



fn. is not diff'ble at $x=0$ because $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x)$ DNE



fn. is not diff'ble at $x=0$ because $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left| f'(x) \right| = +\infty$

So continuity $\not\Rightarrow$ diff'bility. But, actually:
diff'bility \Rightarrow continuity:

THEOREM 2
p. 143

If f is defined in a neighborhood of a , and if f is diff'ble at a , then f is cts. at a .

Proof: $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) - f(a)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x-a}{x-a} (f(x) - f(a))$

PRODUCT LAW — $\xrightarrow{=0}$ can use only because we know right-hand limit exists — this is where diff'bility comes in!

$$= \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (x-a) \right] \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a} \right]$$

$$= 0 \cdot f'(a) = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a).$$

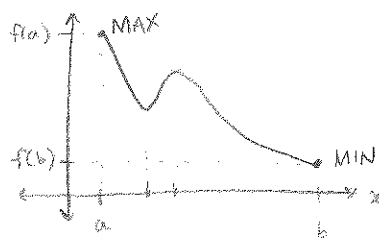
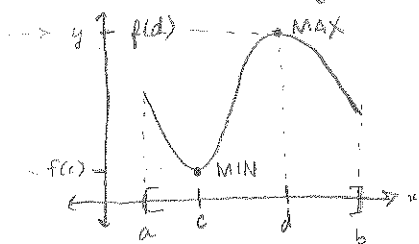
3.5 : Maxima & minima.

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Def. For f a function, $[a, b]$ a closed interval— we say $f(c)$ is the minimum value of f over $[a, b]$ and $f(d)$ is the maximum value of f over $[a, b]$ if

$$\forall x \in [a, b], \quad f(c) \leq f(x) \leq f(d).$$

It's just what you would expect!

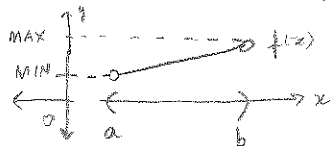


$$(a=d, b=c)$$

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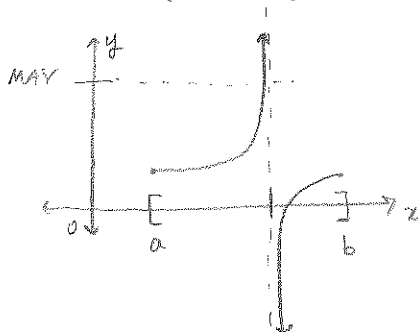
A cts. fn. on a closed interval assumes (takes on) minimum and maximum values.

Closed intervals are important!



f is cts., but the max & min are at the endpoints and aren't in (a, b)

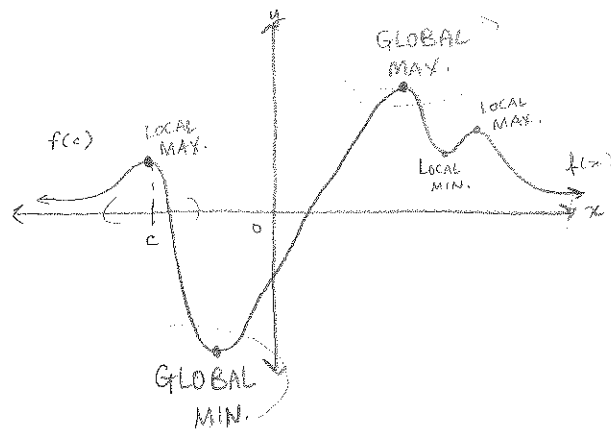
Continuity is important!



$[a, b]$ is closed, but f has no max or min. at all!

Finding the extrema.) — extrema are max. or min. values //

First — the difference btwn. local and global extrema:



• f has a LOCAL $\begin{cases} \text{min.} \\ \text{max.} \end{cases}$ at $f(c)$ if for all x in

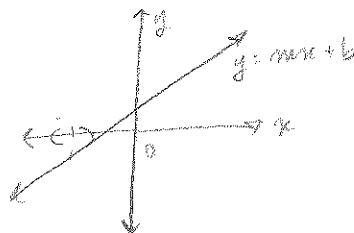
some open interval containing c , $f(x) \begin{cases} \geq \\ \leq \end{cases} f(c)$.
"neighborhood of"
("nbd. of")

• f has a GLOBAL $\begin{cases} \text{min.} \\ \text{max.} \end{cases}$ at $f(c)$ if for all

$x \in \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) \begin{cases} \geq \\ \leq \end{cases} f(c)$.

Some functions have neither local nor global extrema.

$$y = mx + b$$



We already had an intuitive guess about where we might find local extrema — recall HW 1.

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Let's make this rigorous — THIS IS THE BIG IDEA FOR TODAY —

THEOREM 2

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Suppose f is diff'ble at c and is defined in a nbd. of c . If $f(c)$ is a local extremum of f , then $f'(c) = 0$.

(Proof in text.)

N.B. : This is a statement of the form $a \Rightarrow b$.
(ie., $f(c)$ is a local extremum $\Rightarrow f'(c) = 0$.)

Recall that if $a \Rightarrow b$ is true, then the contrapositive NOT $b \Rightarrow$ NOT a is true as well.

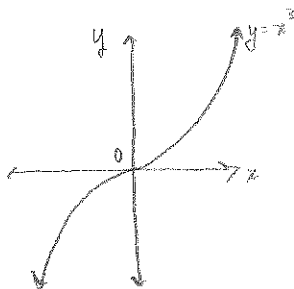
(For us, this means $f'(c) \neq 0 \Rightarrow f(c)$ is NOT a local extremum.)

Also recall — the converse $b \Rightarrow a$ is not necessarily true!

In particular, the converse of Thm. 2 is untrue.

A proof that the converse is not true would consist of exhibiting a case where b holds but a does not — for us, this means we need to show a function and a value $f(c)$ such that $f'(c) = 0$, but $f(c)$ is not a local extremum.

Here it is: $f(x) = x^3$, $c = f(c) = 0$.



$f'(x) = 3x^2 \Rightarrow f'(0) = 0$, but check out the graph — obviously, $f(0) = 0$ is not a local extremum.

So, we say that $f'(c) = 0$ is a necessary condition for $f(x)$ to be a local extremum — but it is NOT a sufficient condition.

IN PRACTICE...

Def. The number c in the domain of f is called a CRITICAL POINT of f if either:

- ① $f'(c) = 0$
- or
- ② $f'(c)$ does not exist.

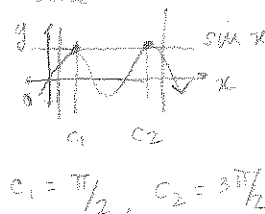
<p><u>THEOREM.</u> 3, p. 159</p>	<p>Suppose $f(x)$ is the absolute max. or min. of the cts. fn. f over the closed interval $[a, b]$. Then either: ① c is a critical point of f ② c is an endpoint: $c = a$ or $c = b$.</p>
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A. procedure for finding minima & maxima

- ① Differentiate f and find its critical points — where $f'(c) = 0$ or $f'(c)$ doesn't exist.
- ② evaluate f at the critical pts. and the endpoints
- ③ The maximum is the largest among these fn. values; the minimum is the smallest.

(Note: the min/max. might not be unique — could

have $f(c_1) = f(c_2)$ be extrema of f :



ex.

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 12x + 15 \quad \text{over } [0, 3].$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad f'(x) &= 6x^2 - 6x - 12 \\ &= 6(x^2 - x - 2) = 6(x-2)(x+1). \end{aligned}$$

$f'(x) = 0$ when $x = 2$ or $x = -1$, and is never undefined.

So the critical points are $x = -1$ and $x = 2$.

$\textcircled{2}$ Only one of the critical points is in $[0, 3]$, so we evaluate:

$$\rightarrow f(0) = 15$$

$$\rightarrow f(2) = -5$$

$$\rightarrow f(3) = 6.$$

$\textcircled{3}$ The max. value is $f(0) = 15$; the min. is $f(2) = -5$.

$(0, 15)$

$(2, -5)$

ex. $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 12x + 15$ over $[-2, 3]$.

$\textcircled{1}$ is the same.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad f(-2) = 11$$

$$f(-1) = 22 \quad \leftarrow \text{max} \quad (-1, 22)$$

$$f(2) = -5 \quad \leftarrow \text{min} \quad (2, -5)$$

$$f(3) = 6$$

A similar procedure works for finding global extrema. /15

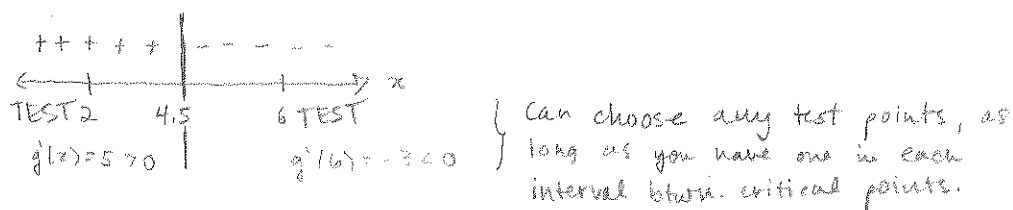
Ex. $g(x) = 9x - x^2 - 1$. Domain = \mathbb{R} .

$g'(x) = 9 - 2x$, so $g'(x) = 0$ when $x = 4.5$.

So $x = 4.5$ is the only critical point of g .

Is it a max, a min, or neither?

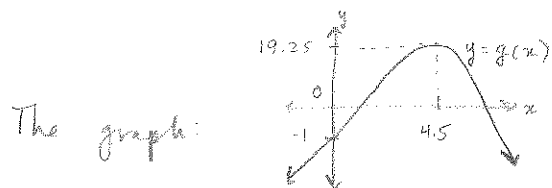
N.B. — We can't compare function values — so
it's easiest to inspect the derivative:



See — the derivative is positive for $x < 4.5$ and negative for $x > 4.5$, so the function has a local max, at $x = 4.5$ (the max. value is $g(4.5) = 19.25$).

Is the local max. a global one?

For this case, yes — see that $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} g(x) = -\infty = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} g(x)$



The global max is at $(4.5, 19.25)$.

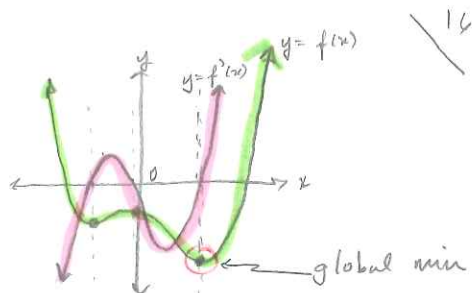
The fn. has no global min.

Using the derivative to find extrema.

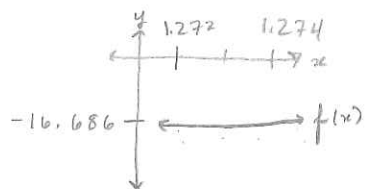
Ex 7
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$$f(x) = 4x^4 - 11x^2 - 5x - 3$$

$$f'(x) = 16x^3 - 22x - 5$$



Say we want to find the x -value of the global minimum of f . Zooming in a lot on f doesn't really help;



because f looks just like its (horizontal) tangent line when you get really, really close.

But zooming in on $f'(x)$:
makes it clear that the critical point corresponding to the minimum is $x \approx 1.273$.

