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Week 5
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Reminder: Quiz on Fri. on MTV, critical points

This week: 1st derivative test (Ref book: sec. 3.3)

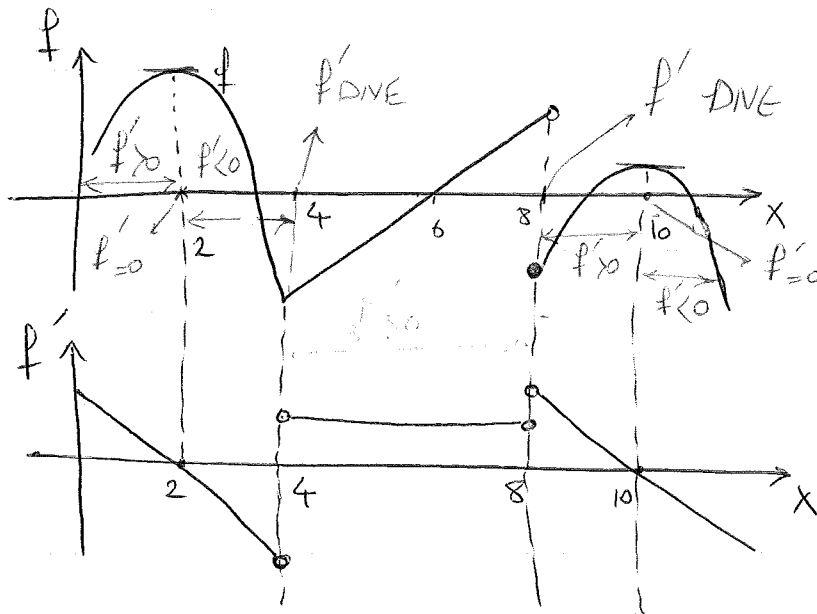
Note: lecture notes are available on section website

Recap: f differentiable on for $a < x < b$

and $\begin{cases} \text{increasing} & \Rightarrow f' \geq 0 \\ \text{decreasing} & \Rightarrow f' \leq 0 \\ \text{constant} & \Rightarrow f' = 0 \end{cases}$

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Now can you sketch the graph of f' given the graph of f



Critical numbers:
2, 4, 8, 10

How about sketching f given the graph of f' ?

Theorem 2nd shape theorem

For a function f which is differentiable on an interval I

- i) if $f'(x) > 0$ for all x in the interval I , then f is increasing on I
- ii) if $f'(x) < 0$ for all x in the interval I , then f is decreasing on I
- iii) if $f'(x) = 0$ for all x in the interval I , then f is constant on I .

→ Proof on page 12

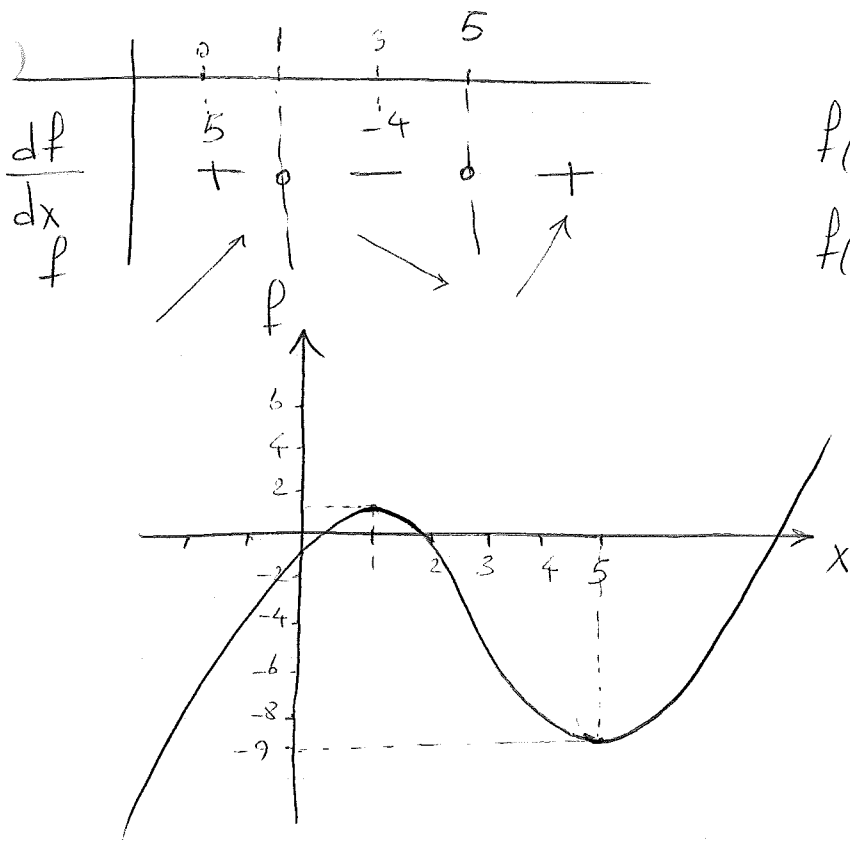
Example: Use information about f' to help graph $f(x) = \frac{x^3}{3} - 3x^2 + 5x - 1$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = x^2 - 6x + 5$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 20}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{16}}{2}$$

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$$f(1) = \frac{1}{3} - 3 + 5 - 1 = \frac{4}{3}$$

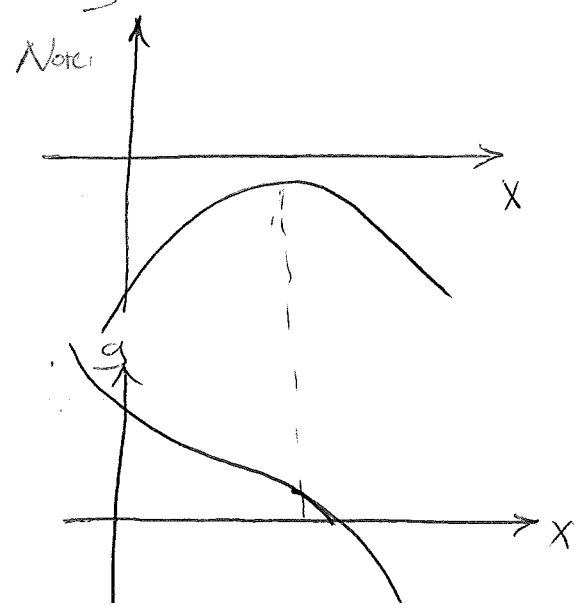
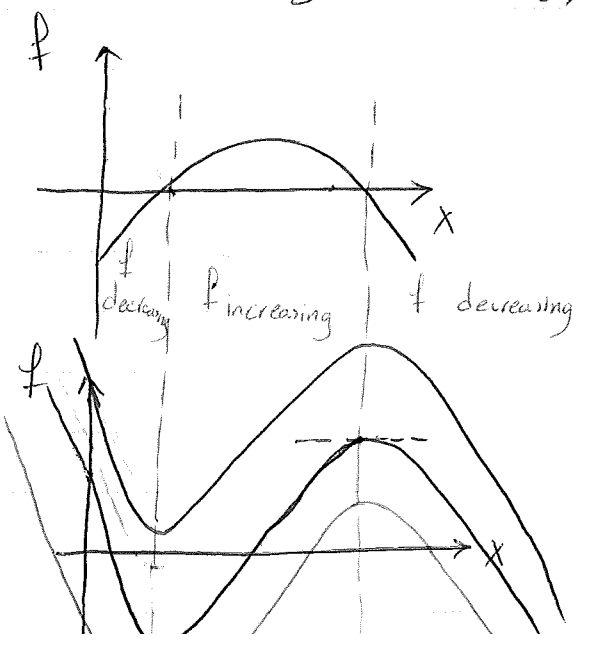
$$f(5) = \frac{5^3}{3} - 3 \times 25 + 5 \times 5 - 1$$

$$= 5^2 \left(\frac{5}{3} - 3 + 1 \right) - 1$$

$$= 5^2 \left(\frac{5-3}{3} \right) - 1 = \frac{-25}{3} - 1 = -\frac{28}{3} \approx -9.33$$

Example: Does a graph of f' completely determine the graph of f ?

ie is your answer, f , unique? a) yes (b) no



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Proof of i. (Contradiction proof)

Let's assume that f is not increasing on I , then there exist $a < b$ in I so that $f(b) < f(a)$.

Since f' is defined for all x in I , f must be continuous for $a \leq x \leq b$ and differentiable for $a < x < b$.

So MVT states that there is at least one number c so that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}, \quad a < c < b$$

However, since $a < b$, we have $b - a > 0$. Also, $f(b) < f(a)$; therefore $f(b) - f(a) < 0$. So we have

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} < 0$$

This contradicts the statement that $f' > 0$ for all x in I .

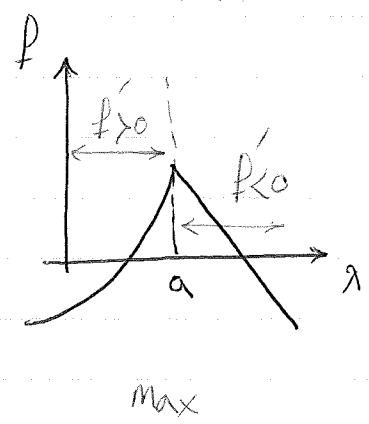
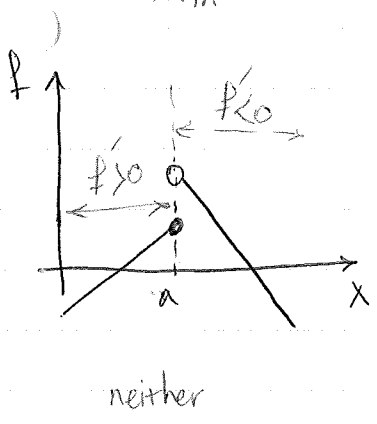
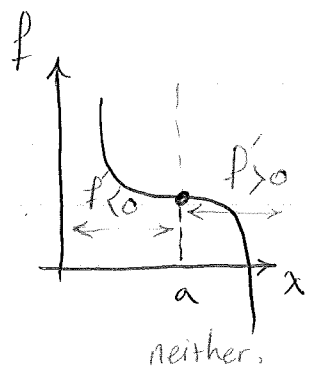
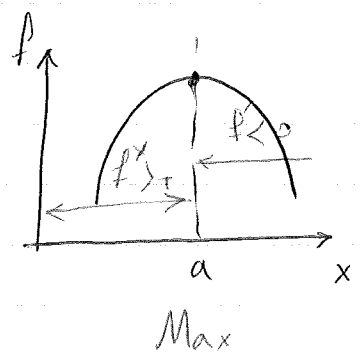
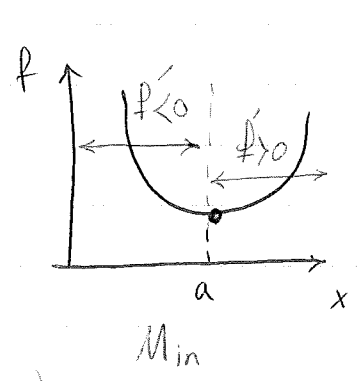
So the assumption that f is not increasing on I must be false.

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Last time: if f diff on I then

- (f increasing on $I \Rightarrow f' \geq 0$ on I)
- (f decreasing on $I \Rightarrow f' \leq 0$ on I)
- (f is constant on $I \Rightarrow f' = 0$ on I)



Don't forget to email me ^{the} questions you want me to solve in the review. Wed. Feb 10th.

- a) I never have had a question in class that I didn't ask
- b) sometimes I don't ask my questions
- c) In most classes I have ~~at~~ at least one question that I didn't ask.

Question: f is continuous on I and $f'(a) = 0$, $a \in I$.

Assuming that $f'(x) < 0$ for $x < a$ and $f'(x) > 0$ for $x > a$,

Which statement is true?

- (a) f has a local min at a
- b) f has a local max at a
- c) f does not have a local min or max at a

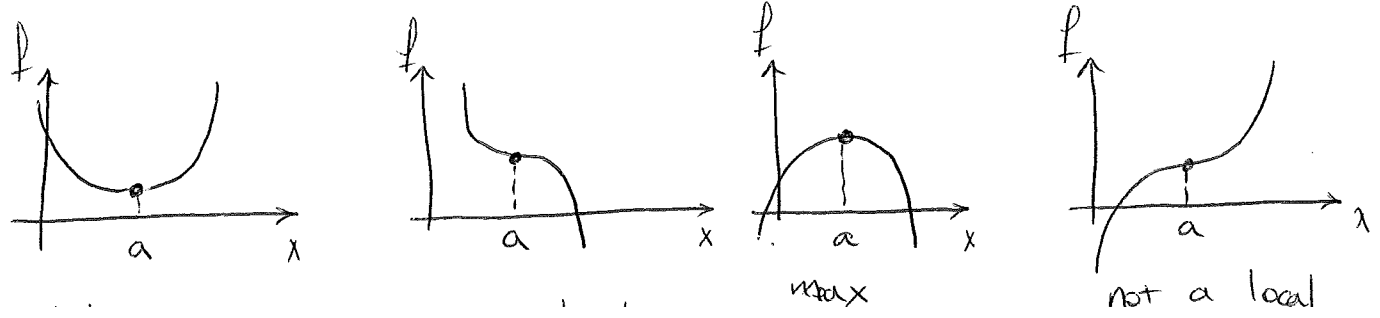
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What if $f'(a)$ does not exist? (a) b) c) Graded her

First derivative test for local extrema

Let f be a continuous function with $f'(a) = 0$ or $f'(a)$ is undefined

- i) if $f'(x \rightarrow a^-) < 0$ and $f'(x \rightarrow a^+) > 0$, then $(a, f(a))$ is a local minimum
- ii) if $f'(x \rightarrow a^-) > 0$ and $f'(x \rightarrow a^+) < 0$, then $(a, f(a))$ is a local maximum
- iii) if $f'(x)$ does not change sign at $x = a$, then a is not a local extremum.



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Example: find all the local extrema of $f(x) = x^4 + x - \frac{x^2}{2} + 1$
and use the 1st derivative test to determine if they are maximum
minimums or neither.

looking for local extrema \rightarrow have to find critical points
 \rightarrow find numbers where $f' = 0$ or f' DNE

$$f'(x) = \frac{df}{dx} = 4x^3 + 3x^2 - \frac{2x}{2} = 4x^3 + 3x^2 - x$$

f' is a polynomial $\Rightarrow f'$ exists/is defined everywhere. So let's find
 x so that $f'(x) = 0$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 4x^3 + 3x^2 - x = 0 \Rightarrow x(4x^2 + 3x - 1) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ is a critical number} \end{array} \right.$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 4x^2 + 3x - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 + 16}}{8} = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{25}}{8} = \frac{-3 \pm 5}{8} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -\frac{8}{8} = -1 \Rightarrow x = -1 \text{ is a critical number} \end{array} \right.$$

Easiest (not fastest) approach

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{4} \text{ is a critical number} \end{array} \right.$$

	-1	0	1/4	
x	-	-	+	+
$4x^2 + 3x - 1$	+	0	-	+

$$4x^2 + 3x - 1 = (x+1)\left(x - \frac{1}{4}\right) 4$$

f has local min at $x = -1, \frac{1}{4}$

Example:

find all the local min and max of $f(x) = \frac{|x^2 - 4|}{x^3}$

Reminder: $|a| = a$ if $a \geq 0$
 $|a| = -a$ if $a < 0$

before I can easily diff., I need to deal with the abs.

$$x^2 - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm 2$$

$x^2 - 4$	-2	0	2
	+	-	+

 OR

$x - 2$	-2	2	
	+	-	+
$x + 2$	-	+	+
$x^2 - 4$	+	-	+

So...

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^3} & x \leq -2 \text{ or } x \geq 2 \\ \frac{-x^2 + 4}{x^3} & -2 < x < 2 \end{cases}$$

for $(x \leq -2 \text{ or } x \geq 2)$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^3} \Rightarrow \frac{df}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x^2 - 4}{x^3} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{could also use quotient rule}} \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{4}{x^3} \right) = \frac{-1}{x^2} - \frac{4 \cdot (-3)}{x^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{df}{dx} = \frac{-x^2 + 12}{x^4}$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{12}$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} \text{ DNE} \Rightarrow x = 0$$

for $-2 < x < 2$

$$f(x) = \frac{-x^2 + 4}{x^3} \Rightarrow \frac{df}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(-\frac{x^2 - 4}{x^3} \right) = -\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x^2 - 4}{x^3} \right) = -\frac{-x^2 + 12}{x^4} = \frac{x^2 - 12}{x^4}$$

Fri. class started here



What numbers should I be careful about? $x=0, \pm 2, \pm\sqrt{12}$

Note $x^4 \geq 0$

	$-\sqrt{12}$	-2	0	2	$\sqrt{12}$	
$x^2 - 12$	+	-	-	-	-	+
f'	-	+	-	-	+	-
f	↘	↗	↘	↘	↗	↘

local min: $x = -\sqrt{12}, 2$

local max: $x = -2, \sqrt{12}$

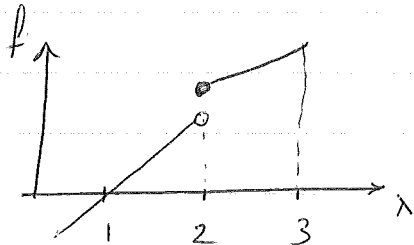
Is $x=0$ a critical point of f ? no. $x=0$ is not in the domain

a) yes **b) no**

Question: a) True OR b) False

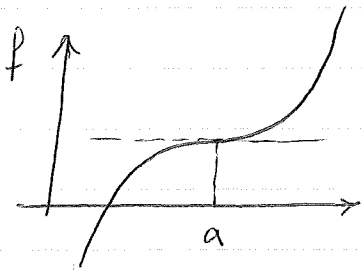
1) if f is increasing on an interval then $f'(x) > 0$ for all x in I

Nope. f may not be diff. for all x in I False



2) if f is increasing and differentiable on I , then $f'(x) > 0$ for all x in I . False

It is possible that $f' = 0$ for some x in I



Assuming that Fig 1 shows the graph of derivative of a function f , which statement is true?

a) f has a local min at 2 and a local max at 5

b) f has a local min at 3 and two local max

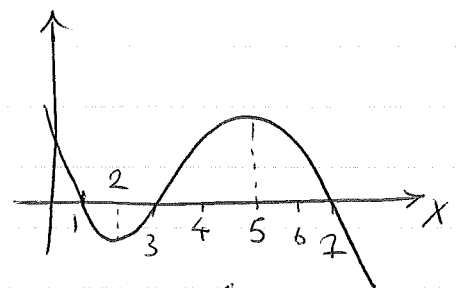


Fig. 1

c) f has two local min at $x=1$, $x=7$ and a local max at $x=$

d) One can't find the local extrema of f using this fig. as a gra
of f'

e) None of the above