

Increasing and Decreasing Functions, Local Extreme values

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General rules

1) The function is increasing when $f'(x) > 0$.

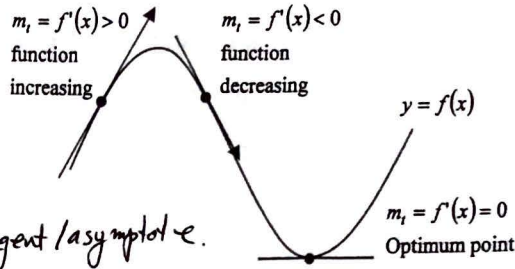
The function is decreasing when $f'(x) < 0$.

First Derivative Test

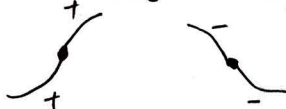
2) The critical numbers are values of x when

i) $f'(x) = 0$, or

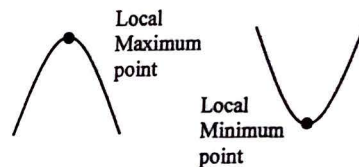
ii) $f'(x) = DNE$ (denominator of $f'(x) = 0$). \hookrightarrow cusp / v. tangent / asymptote.



3) The Local maximum/minimum points are turning points occurring between increasing and decreasing function or vice versa.



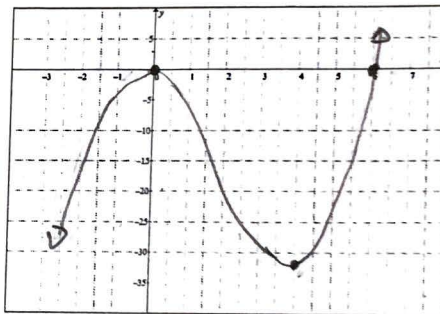
no L. MAX / Min



Example 1: Increasing and decreasing function and its local extreme values

Given $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 \Rightarrow y = x^2(x-6)$

- a) Find the critical numbers.
- b) Find the intervals of increase and decrease.
- c) Find the local maximum and local minimum points.
- d) Sketch the graph



a) $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 12x$, set $f' = 0$
 $0 = 3x(x-4)$
 critical #'s are: $x = 0, 4$

b)	$x < 0$	$x = 0$	$0 < x < 4$	$x = 4$	$x > 4$
f'	+	0	-	0	+
graph f	\nearrow	L. Max	\searrow	L. Min	\nearrow

IOI: $x < 0, x > 4$
 IO D: $0 < x < 4$

c) $f(0) = 0$, $f(4) = -32$
 \therefore L. Max $(0, 0)$, L. Min $(4, -32)$
 x -intercepts $(0, 0), (6, 0)$

Vertical Tangents and Cusps

There are four possibilities for unbounded behavior of a derivative $f'(x)$ around a given real number C , all of them occur when the critical numbers x are obtained from $f'(x) DNE$. The four possible cases are:

Cases 1 & 2: Vertical Tangents (limits have same sign)

$f' > 0$

$x = c$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f'(x) = +\infty$

$f' < 0$

$x = c$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f'(x) = -\infty$

Cases 3 & 4: Cusps (limits differ in sign)

cusp (min)

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f'(x) = +\infty$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f'(x) = -\infty$

cusp (max)

$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f'(x) = -\infty$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f'(x) = +\infty$

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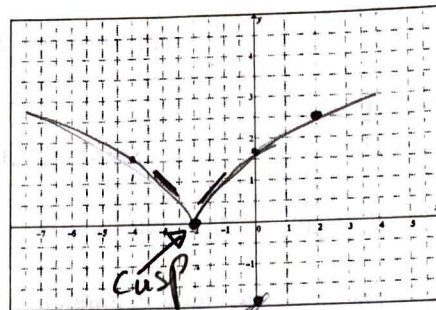
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Example 2: Vertical Tangent or CuspsRepeat example 1 for $f(x) = (x+2)^{\frac{2}{3}}$

a) $f'(x) = \frac{2}{3}(x+2)^{-\frac{1}{3}}$, set $f' = 0$

$$0 = \frac{2}{3(x+2)^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$f' \neq 0, f' = \text{DNE when } x = -2$$



	$x < -2$	$x = -2$	$x > -2$
f'	-	DNE	+
f	↘	cusp	↗

$$y\text{-int: } (0, 1.6)$$

$$f(-4) = 1.6$$

$$(-4+2)^{\frac{2}{3}} = [(-2)^{\frac{1}{3}}]^2$$

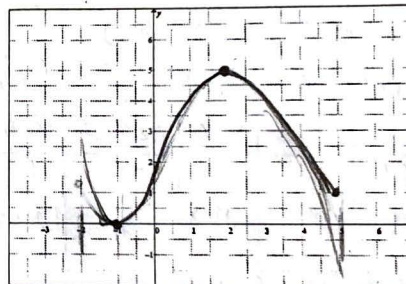
IOI: $x > -2$

IOD: $x < -2$

L.Min(cusp) @ $(-2, 0)$

Example 3: Sketching a graph with given informationSketch a graph of a function that is differentiable on the interval $-2 \leq x \leq 5$ and satisfies the following.

- graph of f passes through points $(-1, 0)$ and $(2, 5)$;
- function f decreasing on $-2 < x < -1$, increasing on $-1 < x < 2$, decreasing again on $2 < x < 5$.

**Example 4: Determine the function**Find values for a , b , and c such that the graph of $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ has a relative maximum at $(3, 12)$ and crosses the y -axis at $(0, 1)$.

Given: $f'(3) = 0 \rightarrow f'(x) = 2ax + b \rightarrow 0 = 2a(3) + b$

$$0 = 6a + b$$

$$f(0) = 1 \rightarrow 1 = 0 + 0 + c$$

$$c = 1$$

$$f(3) = 12$$

$$\rightarrow 12 = a(9) + b(3) + 1$$

$$11 = 9a + 3b \quad \textcircled{2}$$

sub $\textcircled{1} \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

$$11 = 9a + 3(-6a)$$

$$11 = 9a - 18a$$

$$11 = -9a$$

$$a = -\frac{11}{9}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad b = -\frac{2}{3} \left(-\frac{11}{9} \right)$$

$$b = \frac{22}{3}$$

Homework:

P. 169 #1,3,5,7,8

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