

Section 5.4 Additional Curve Sketching

Graphing Strategy:

- (a) Analyze $f(x)$
 - i. Find the domain of f .
 - ii. Find the intercepts.
 - iii. Find asymptotes.
- (b) Analyze $f'(x)$
 - i. Find the critical values.
 - ii. Use sign chart for $f'(x)$ and determine intervals of increasing/decreasing.
 - iii. Find all relative(local) extrema.
- (c) Analyze $f''(x)$
 - i. Use sign chart for $f''(x)$ and find intervals where the graph of the function is concave up and concave down.
 - ii. Find all inflection values.
- (d) Sketch the graph of f using all of the above information. Plot additional points as needed.

Ex.11) Use the graphing strategy to sketch a graph of $f(x) = x^3 - 27x$.

Ex.12) Use the graphing strategy to sketch a graph of $f(x) = \frac{2x^2 + 11x + 14}{x^2 - 4}$.

$$\text{Step 1)} \quad f(x) = \frac{2x^2 + 11x + 14}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{(x+2)(2x+7)}{(x+2)(x-2)}$$

Domain: $\mathbb{R}$ except $x = -2, 2$

$$x\text{-intercept } (y=0): 0 = \frac{(x+2)(2x+7)}{(x+2)(x-2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x+7=0 \\ \therefore x = -\frac{7}{2} : x\text{-intercept}$$

$$y\text{-intercept } (x=0): y = \frac{2(0)^2 + 11(0) + 14}{(0)^2 - 4} = \frac{14}{-4} = -\frac{7}{2} : y\text{-intercept}$$

$$V.A: x = 2$$

$$hole: (-2, \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} f(x)) = (-2, -\frac{3}{4})$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{(x+2)(2x+7)}{(x+2)(x-2)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -2} \frac{2x+7}{x-2} = \frac{2(-2)+7}{(-2)-2} = \frac{-4+7}{-4} = \frac{3}{-4}$$

$$H.A: \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 + 11x + 14}{x^2 - 4} \stackrel{H.O}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{x} = \frac{2}{1} = 2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x^2 + 11x + 14}{x^2 - 4} \stackrel{H.O}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{2x}{x} = \frac{2}{1} = 2$$

$$\therefore H.A: y = 2$$

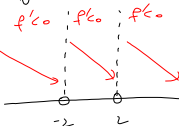
$$\text{Step 2)} \quad f(x) = \frac{(x+2)(2x+7)}{(x+2)(x-2)}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{(2)(x-2) - (2x+7)(1)}{(x-2)^2} = \frac{2x-4-2x-7}{(x-2)^2} = \frac{-11}{(x-2)^2} = 0$$

$\therefore$ No C.N

$$\therefore P.N: x = -2, 2$$

sign chart for f'



$$\therefore \text{dec. } (-\infty, -2), (-2, 2), (2, \infty)$$

No local extrema.

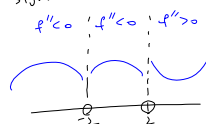
$$\text{Step 3)} \quad f' = \frac{-11}{(x-2)^2} = -11(x-2)^{-2}$$

$$f''(x) = 22(x-2)^{-3} (1) = \frac{22}{(x-2)^3} = 0$$

$\therefore$ No C.N

$$P.N: x = -2, 2$$

sign chart for f''

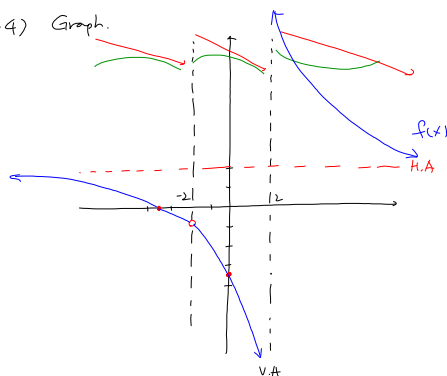


$$\therefore \text{C.D: } (-\infty, -2), (-2, 2)$$

$$\text{C.U: } (2, \infty)$$

$\therefore$ No Inf.

Step 4) Graph.



Ex.13) Use the graphing strategy to sketch a graph of $f(x) = (x-2)e^x$.

Step 1) $f(x) = (x-2) \cdot e^x$

· Domain: $\mathbb{R}$

· X-Intcp ($y=0$): $0 = (x-2) \cdot \overset{\neq 0}{e^x}$
 $\therefore x=2 : \text{X-intcp.}$

· Y-Intcp ($x=0$): $y = (0-2) \cdot \overset{=1}{e^0} = -2$
 $\therefore y=-2 : \text{Y-intcp.}$

· V.A: None

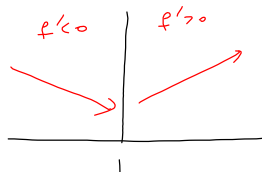
· H.A: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x-2) \cdot e^x = \infty$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (x-2) \cdot e^x = 0$ ← we will learn later

Step 2) $f'(x) = (1) \cdot e^x + (x-2) \cdot e^x$

$= e^x (1 + (x-2)) = \overset{\neq 0}{e^x} (x-1) = 0$
 $\therefore x=1 : \text{C.N.}$

sign chart for f'



$\therefore \text{dec.: } (-\infty, 1)$

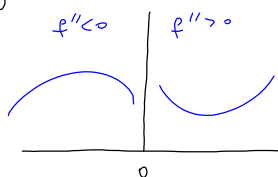
$\text{inc.: } (1, \infty)$

local min: $(1, f(1)) = (1, -e)$

Step 3) $f'' = e^x \cdot (x-1) + e^x \cdot (1)$

$= e^x ((x-1) + (1)) = \overset{\neq 0}{e^x} \cdot x = 0$
 $\therefore x=0 : \text{C.N.}$

sign chart for f''

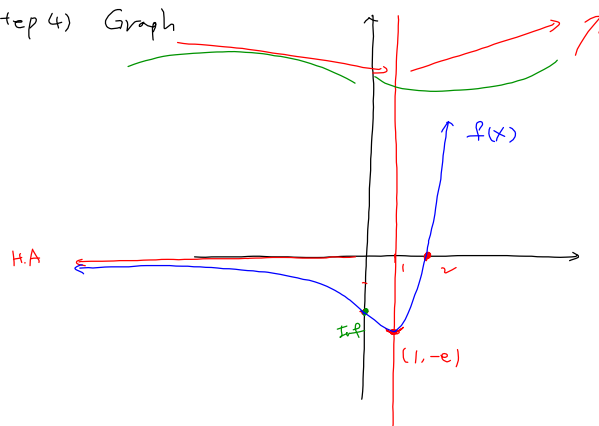


$\therefore \text{C.D.: } (-\infty, 0)$

$\text{C.U.: } (0, \infty)$

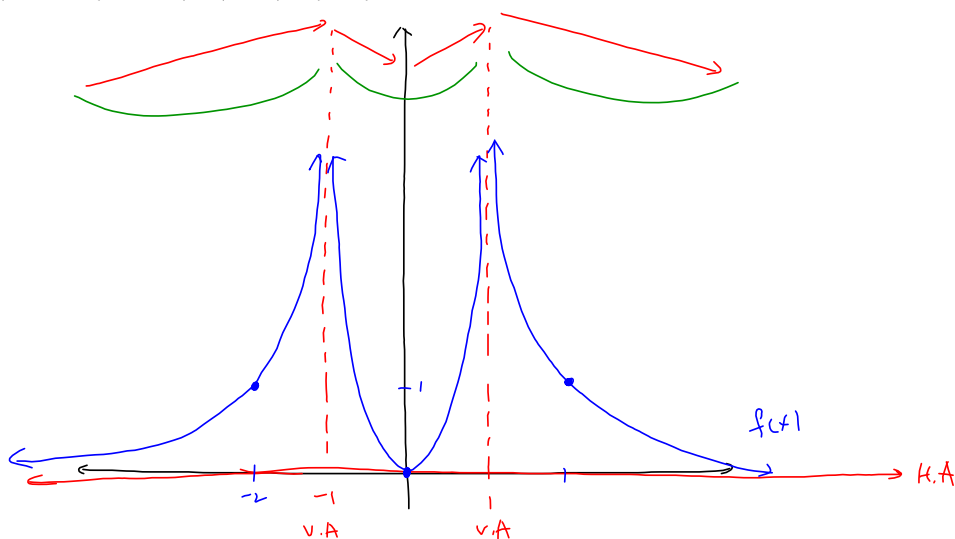
Inf: $(0, f(0)) = (0, -2)$

Step 4) Graph



Ex.14) Use the given information to sketch the graph of f .

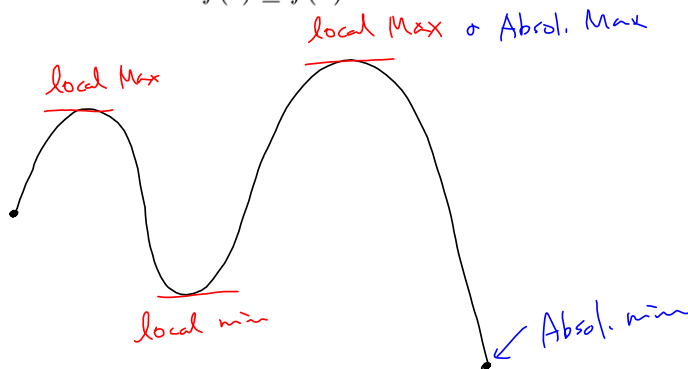
- Domain: $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$
- Asymptotes: $x = -1$, $x = 1$, $y = 0$
- $f(-2) = 1$, $f(0) = 0$, $f(2) = 1$
- $f'(x) > 0$ on $(-\infty, -1) \cup (0, 1)$
- $f'(x) < 0$ on $(-1, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$
- $f''(x) > 0$ on $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$



Section 5.5 Absolute Extrema

Definition. Maximum, Minimum. A function f has an **absolute maximum** at c if $f(c) \geq f(x)$ for all x in the domain of f . A function f has an **absolute minimum** at c if $f(c) \leq f(x)$ for all x in the domain of f . In this case, we call $f(c)$ the maximum value or minimum value, respectively.

cf) A function f has a **local maximum** at c if $f(c) \geq f(x)$ when x is near c . A function f has a **local minimum** at c if $f(c) \leq f(x)$ when x is near c .



Extreme Value Theorem. A function f that is continuous on a closed interval $[a, b]$ has both an absolute maximum value and an absolute minimum value on that interval.

Candidates: C.Ns + endpoints

Finding Absolute Extrema on a Closed Interval

1. Check to make certain that f is continuous over $[a, b]$.
2. Find the critical values in the interval (a, b) .
3. Evaluate f at the endpoints a and b and at the critical values found in step 2.
4. The largest value obtained from the previous step is the absolute maximum of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$ and the smallest value obtained is the absolute minimum of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$.

Ex.1) Find the absolute extrema of the following functions on the given intervals.

a) $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 12x + 24$ on $[1, 4]$

Step 1) C.N

$$f'(x) = 6x^2 - 6x - 12$$

$$= 6(x^2 - x - 2)$$

$$= 6(x+1)(x-2) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = -1, 2 : \text{C.Ns}$$

$\therefore$ Candidates : $x = 1, 2, 4$

$$f(1) = 2(1)^3 - 3(1)^2 - 12(1) + 24 = 11$$

$$f(2) = 2(2)^3 - 3(2)^2 - 12(2) + 24 = 4 \quad : \text{Absol. min}$$

$$f(4) = 2(4)^3 - 3(4)^2 - 12(4) + 24 = 56 \quad : \text{Absol. Max}$$

$$b) g(x) = x + \frac{4}{x} \text{ on } [1, 8]$$

$= x + 4x^{-1}$

C.N.:

$$g'(x) = 1 - 4x^{-2} = 1 - \frac{4}{x^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2} = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (x+2)(x-2) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \cancel{-2}, 2 : \text{C.N.s}$$

$\therefore$ candidates: $x = 1, 2, 8$

$$g(1) = 1 + \frac{4}{1} = 5$$

$$g(2) = 2 + \frac{4}{2} = 4 : \text{Absol. min}$$

$$g(8) = 8 + \frac{4}{8} = 8.5 : \text{Absol. Max}$$

c) $h(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 9x - 7$ on $[-4, 0]$

C.N.: $h'(x) = 3x^2 + 6x - 9$

$$= 3(x^2 + 2x - 3)$$

$$= 3(x-1)(x+3) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \cancel{-1}, -3 : \text{C.N.s}$$

By Second Derivative Test

$$h''(x) = 6x + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow h''(-3) = 6(-3) + 6 < 0 : \text{concave down}$$

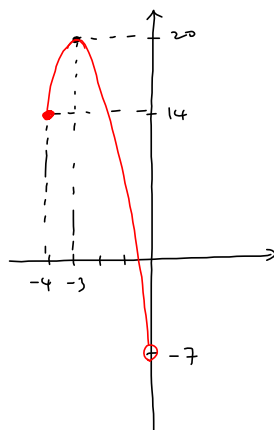
$\therefore h$ has a local Max at $x = -3$

$$\therefore \text{local Max} : (-3, h(-3)) = (-3, 20)$$

end point:

$$h(-4) = 14$$

$$h(0) = -7$$



$\therefore$ Absol. Max.: $y = 20$ at $x = -3$

No Absol. min.

Ex.2) Find the absolute extrema of each function on the given interval.

a) $f(x) = 6x - x^2 + 4$ on $(0, \infty)$

C.N: $f'(x) = 6 - 2x = 0$

$\therefore x = 3$: C.N

By the Second Deriv. Test

$f'' = -2$

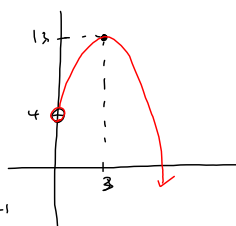
$\Rightarrow f''(3) = -2 < 0$: 

$\therefore f$ has a local Max at $x=3$

$\therefore$ local Max: $(3, f(3)) = (3, 13)$

end points

$f(0) = 4$



$\therefore$ Absol. Max: $y=13$ at $x=3$

Absol. min: None

b) $g(x) = 2x + \frac{8}{x}$ on $(0, 10)$

C.N: $g'(x) = 2 - 8x^{-2} = 2 - \frac{8}{x^2} = 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{2x^2 - 8}{x^2} = 0$

$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 8 = 0$

$\Rightarrow 2(x^2 - 4) = 0$

$\Rightarrow 2(x+2)(x-2) = 0$

$\therefore x = \cancel{2}, 2$: C.Ns

By the Second Deriv. Test

$g'' = 16x^{-3} = \frac{16}{x^3}$

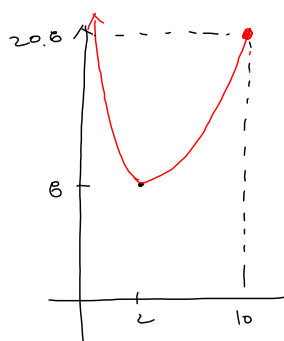
$\Rightarrow g''(2) = \frac{16}{(2)^3} > 0$: 

$\therefore g$ has a local min at $x=2$

$\therefore$ local min: $(2, g(2)) = (2, 8)$

end points

$g(10) = 2(10) + \frac{8}{10} = 20 + \frac{8}{10} = 20.8$



$\therefore$ Absol. min: $y=8$ at $x=2$

Absol. Max: None

Section 5.6 Optimization and Modeling

Strategy for solving Optimization Problems

- Introduce variables, look for relationships among these variables, and construct a mathematical model of the form.
- Find the critical values of $f(x)$.
- Use the procedures developed in Section 5.5 to find the absolute maximum (or minimum) value of $f(x)$ on the interval I and the value(s) of x where this occurs.
- Use the solution to answer all questions asked in the problem.

Ex.3) Find two positive numbers whose sum is 60 and whose product is a maximum.

x, y

$$x + y = 60$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 60 - x$$

Q: max product

$$\Rightarrow P = x \cdot y$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x) = x \cdot (60 - x) = 60x - x^2$$

Find Max of P

$$C.N: P' = 60 - 2x = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 30 : C.N$$

By the Second Deriv. Test

$$P'' = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow P''(30) = -2 < 0 : \text{concave down}$$

$\therefore P$ has a local Max at $x = 30$

$\therefore$ Absol. Max

$\therefore$ Two positive numbers for Max product

$$: 30, 30$$