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(Avg exam grade in my class was 81)

[1] No curve on exam

[2] Check ~~the~~ Canvas Announcements.

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84.1: Max + Min Values

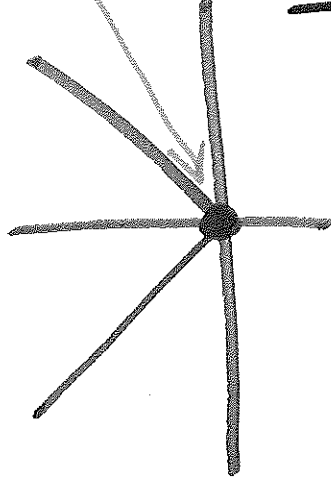
Ex: If velocity  $v(x)$  of an object is given by  $v(x) = 3x^4 - 16x^3 + 18x^2$ .

Q: When is object moving in the negative direction most quickly?

See demos, conclude

max + min values occur  
where derivative is zero!

min is  $f'(0) = 0$ .



Ex:  $f(x) = |x|$ .

Max/Min can also occur where  $f'(x)$  is not defined.

Required def<sup>n</sup>s: Say  $c$  is in domain of  $f$ .

we say  $f(c)$  is the

- absolute max if  $f(c) \geq f(x)$   
for all  $x$  in domain of  $f$ .

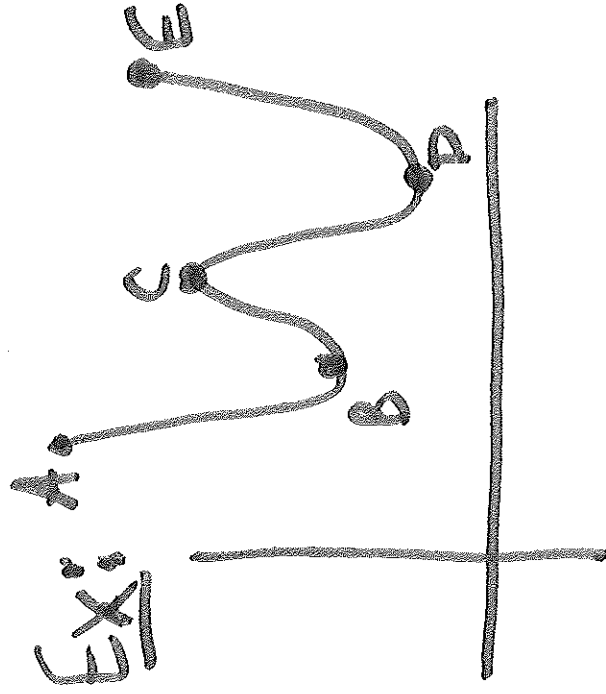
- absolute min if  $f(c) \leq f(x)$   
for all  $x$  in domain of  $f$ .

We say  $f(c)$  is a local max if  $f(c) \geq f(x)$

for all  $x$  near  $c$ .

• local min if  $f(c) \leq f(x)$

for all  $x$  near  $c$ .



A = max, abs + local

B = min, local

C = max, local

D = min, abs + local

E = max, local

Def<sup>n</sup>: A critical number of  $f$  is a number  $c$  in  $\text{domain}(f)$  such that • either

$$f'(c) = 0 \quad \text{or}$$

$f'(c)$  not defined.

Fermat's Thm: If  $f$  has a local max or a local min at  $c$ , then  $c$  is a critical number of  $f$ . Pf: See §4.1.

Extreme Value Thm: If  $f$  is cts on  $[a,b]$ , then  $f$  attains an abs. max and an abs. min on  $[a,b]$ .

[Super-tough to justify fully! To see why this is true, take MA 471G.]

First Thm says "Study  $f'$ "

Rmk: Second Thm says "abs max + mins can be found."

# Method for finding abs max & min values.

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Assume  $f$  defined on  $[a, b]$ .

1. Solve  $f'(x) = 0$  and find  $c$  in  $\text{domain}(f)$

where  $f'$  not defined. This gives a set of points to check; evaluate  $f$  on each.

2. Find values of  $f$  at endpoints of  $[a, b]$ .

3. Pick the largest + least of the values from 1. + 2.. These are abs max + min of  $f$ .

Original Ex: Consider  $v(x) = 3x^4 - 16x^3 + 18x^2$   
on  $[-1, 5]$ .

1. Compute  $v'(x) = 12x(x-1)(x-3)$ .  
↑  
power rule + factor.

So,  $v'(x) = 0$  when  $x = 0, 1, 3$ .

Also,  $v'(x)$  is defined for all  $x$ .

Evaluate  $\underline{v(0) = 0}$ ,  $\underline{v(1) = 5}$ ,  $\underline{v(3) = -27}$ .

2. Check  $v(x)$  for  $x = -1 + 5$ , i.e. endpoints.

$\underline{v(-1) = 37}$ ,  $\underline{v(5) = 325}$ .

3. Of these 5 values, min is  $-27$ , max is  $325$ . So, abs min of  $v(x)$  is  $-27$ .

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▣ See Canvas for announcement  
about Assgns this week.

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S9.2: ~~Mean~~ Mean Value Theorem (MVT.)

Ex: say  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - x$  on  $[1, 2]$ .

To get from  $(-1, f(-1)) = (-1, 2)$  to  
 $(2, f(2)) = (2, 14)$  along secant line, we  
move w/ slope  $\frac{f(2) - f(-1)}{2 - (-1)} = 4$ .

NOTE: by inspection, at  $x = \frac{-9 + \sqrt{76}}{6}$

we have slope of tangent line to  $f$

equal to  $f'(c)$ . So,

slope of secant = slope of tangent line  
line (in this case) ...

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M.V.Thm: Suppose  $f$  is

• CTS on  $[a, b]$

and • diff on  $(a, b)$ .

Then there is some value  $c$  in  $(a, b)$  where

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

slope of secant line  $\rightarrow$

$\leftarrow$  slope of tang. line.



## Application #1:

Thm: If  $f'(x) = 0$  on  $(a, b)$ , then  $f$  is constant on  $(a, b)$ .

Suppose  $x$  and  $z$  in  $(a, b)$ .

Q: How can I express using  $x$  and  $z$  that I want  $f$  to be constant?

We want to show  $f(x) = f(z)$ .

If this is true for every  $x + z$ , then  $f$  is constant.

Let's use M.V.T. to show this. Use  $[x, z]$ .

Note:  $f$  is diff on  $(a, b)$ , so it is cts on  $(a, b)$ .

Thus  $f$  is diff on  $(x, z)$  and cts ~~on~~  $[x, z]$ .

So, M.V.T. implies there is a "c" in  $(x, z)$  with

$$\frac{f(z) - f(x)}{z - x} = f'(c) = 0.$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{f(z) - f(x)}{z - x} = 0 \text{ implies } f(z) - f(x) = 0,$$

thus

$$f(z) = f(x).$$



Corollary: If  $f'(x) = g'(x)$  on  $(a, b)$ .

Then  $f = g + \text{constant}$  on  $(a, b)$ .

Why?

$$\text{Since } \frac{d}{dx} (f - g) = f'(x) - g'(x) = 0,$$

then  $f - g = \text{constant}$ .

2 more applications:

Ex: Suppose  $f(x)$  is cts on  $[6, 15]$  + diff on  $(6, 15)$ .  
If  $f(6) = -2$  and  $f'(x) \leq 10$ , what is the largest value that  $f(15)$  might take?

By M.V.T.,  $f(15) - f(6) = \frac{f(c) - f(6)}{15-6}$  for some  $c$  in  $(6, 15)$ .  
assumption in problem.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } \frac{f(15) - f(6)}{15-6} &\leq 10 \Rightarrow f(15) - f(6) \leq 10(15-6) \\ &\Rightarrow f(15) \leq 88 \end{aligned}$$

So, 88 is largest possible value.

Ex: Show that  $f(x) = 4x^5 + x^3 + 7x - 2$  has exactly one real root.

Step 1: Use I.V.T. to show  $f(x)$  has a real root.

$$\text{Observe } f(0) = -2 \text{ + } f(1) = 10.$$

Since  $-2 < 0 < 10$ , and  $f$  is c.t.s., by I.V.T. there is a soln to  $f(x) = 0$ .

Step 2: Use M.V.T. to show there are no other real roots. Suppose  $f$  has 2 real roots, call them  $a$  and  $b$ . Then

$$f(a) = 0 = f(b), \text{ so M.V.T. implies there is a } c \text{ in } (a, b) \text{ with } f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = 0.$$

But,  $f'(x) = 20x^4 + 3x^2 + 7 \geq 7$  for all  $x$ .

This is impossible!  $f$  must have only one root.