

## 4.2 Extreme Values

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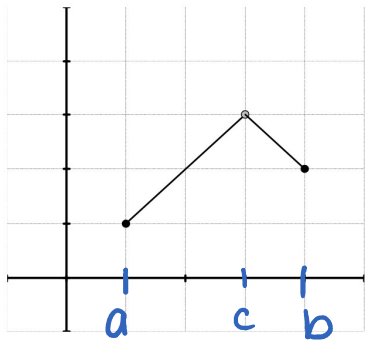
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Extreme Values on an Interval: Let  $f(x)$  be a function on an interval, let "a" be on the interval

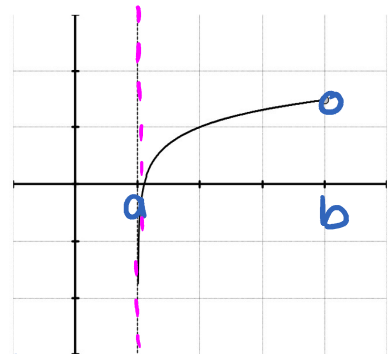
Absolute Minimum on  $f(x)$  is  $f(a)$  if  $f(a) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x$  on the interval

Absolute Maximum on  $f(x)$  is  $f(a)$  if  $f(a) \geq f(x)$  for all  $x$  on the interval

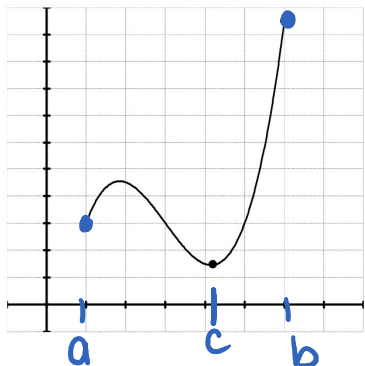
y-value  
y-value



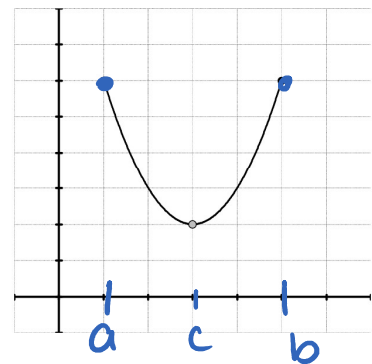
$[a, b]$   $f(a)$  Minimum  
No Maximum  
Not continuous at  $x=c$



$(a, b)$  No Max  
No Min  
Not defined at  $x=a$  or  $x=b$



$[a, b]$  Max  $f(b)$   
Min  $f(c)$



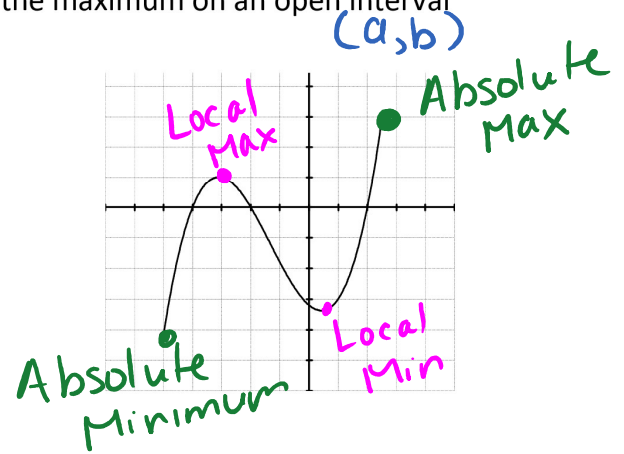
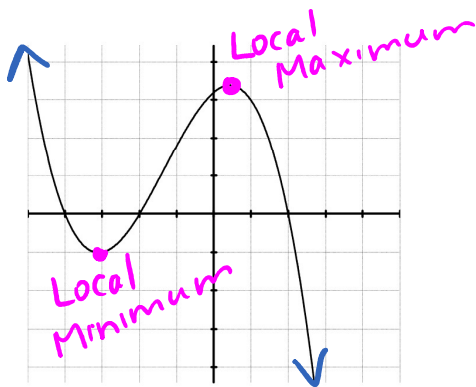
$[a, b]$  Max  $f(a) = f(b)$   
No Min  
Not continuous at  $x=c$

Existence of Extrema: A continuous function  $f$  on a closed interval  $[a,b]$  has both a maximum and a minimum.

Local Extrema: (Relative Extrema)

Local Minimum: at  $x=c$  if  $f(c)$  is the minimum on an open interval  $(a,b)$

Local Maximum: at  $x=c$  if  $f(c)$  is the maximum on an open interval  $(a,b)$



Critical Points:

A number "c" in the domain of  $f$  is called a critical point if either:

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

Local extrema occur at critical points

Absolute extrema occur at endpoints or at critical points.

1. Find the absolute extrema of  $f(x) = 3x^4 - 4x^3$  on  $[-1, 2]$

$$f'(x) = 12x^3 - 12x^2$$

$$0 = 12x^3 - 12x^2$$

$$0 = 12x^2(x-1)$$

$$x=0$$

$$x=1$$

critical numbers

$$f(x) = 3x^4 - 4x^3$$

critical numbers

$$\begin{cases} x=0 \\ x=1 \end{cases}$$

endpoints

$$\begin{cases} x=-1 \\ x=2 \end{cases}$$

Value of f

$$f(0) = 0$$

$$f(1) = 3 - 4 = -1$$

$$f(-1) = 3(-1)^4 - 4(-1)^3 = 3 + 4 = 7$$

Absolute Max  $f(2) = 16$

$$f(2) = 3(2)^4 - 4(2)^3 = 48 - 32 = 16$$

Absolute Min  $f(1) = -1$

2. Find the absolute extrema of  $f(x) = 2x - 3x^{\frac{2}{3}}$  on  $[-1, 3]$

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

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

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

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

$$f'(x) = 0$$

Numerator = 0

$$2x^{\frac{1}{3}} - 2 = 0$$

$$x^{\frac{1}{3}} - 1 = 0$$

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

$$x = 1$$

$f'(x)$  undefined

Denominator = 0

$$x^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$f(x) = 2x - 3x^{2/3}$$

	Value of x	Value of f
critical numbers	$x = 1$	$f(1) = 2 - 3$ $f(1) = -1$
	$x = 0$	$f(0) = 0 - 0$ $f(0) = 0$
endpoints	$x = -1$	$f(-1) = 2(-1) - 3(-1)^{2/3}$ $= -2 - 3$ $= -5$
	$x = 3$	$f(3) = 2(3) - 3(3)^{2/3}$ $= -0.24$

Absolute Max  
 $f(0) = 0$

Absolute Min  
 $f(-1) = -5$

3. Find the absolute extrema of  $f(x) = 2\sin x - \cos 2x$  on  $[0, 2\pi]$

$$f'(x) = 2\cos x - (-\sin 2x) \cdot 2$$

$$f'(x) = 2\cos x + 2\sin 2x$$

$$0 = 2\cos x + 2\sin 2x$$

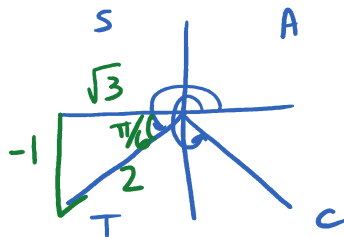
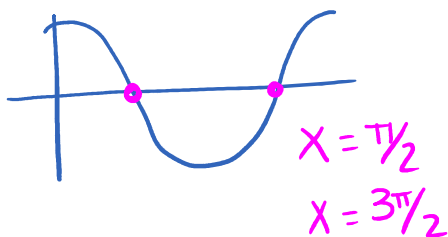
$$0 = 2\cos x + 2(2\sin x \cos x)$$

$$0 = 2\cos x + 4\sin x \cos x$$

$$0 = 2\cos x(1 + 2\sin x)$$

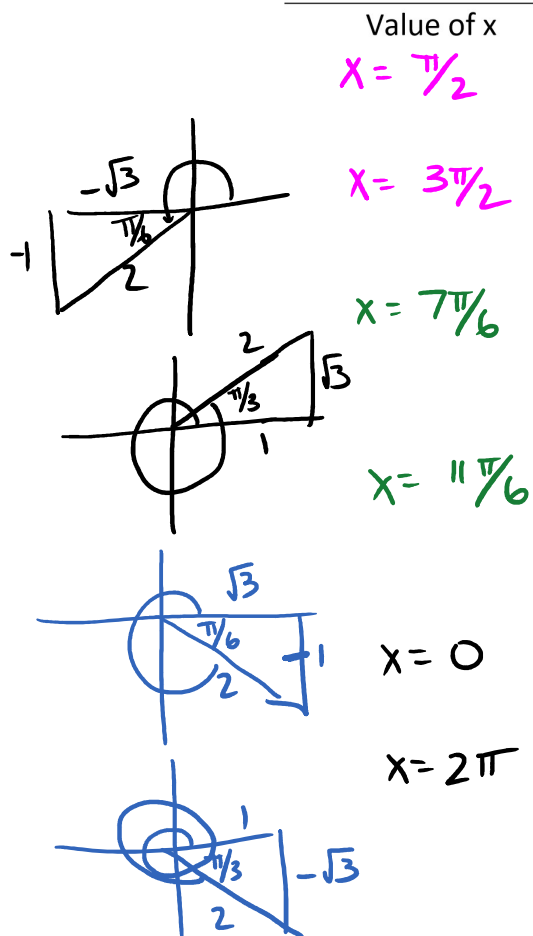
$$\begin{aligned} 2\cos x &= 0 \\ \cos x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + 2\sin x &= 0 \\ \sin x &= -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$



$$\sin 2x = 2\sin x \cos x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ref } \angle &= \pi/6 \\ \theta &= \pi + \pi/6 \\ \theta &= 7\pi/6 \\ \theta &= 2\pi - \pi/6 \\ \theta &= 11\pi/6 \end{aligned}$$



Absolute Max  
 $f(\pi/2) = 3$

	Value of f
$f(\pi/2) = 2\sin \pi/2 - \cos(2 \cdot \pi/2)$ $= 2\sin \pi/2 - \cos \pi$ $= 2(1) - (-1) = 3$	
$f(3\pi/2) = 2\sin 3\pi/2 - \cos(2 \cdot 3\pi/2)$ $= 2\sin 3\pi/2 - \cos(3\pi)$ $= 2(-1) - (-1) = -1$	
$f(7\pi/6) = 2\sin 7\pi/6 - \cos(2 \cdot 7\pi/6)$ $= 2\sin 7\pi/6 - \cos 7\pi/3$ $= 2(-1/2) - 1/2 = -1 - 1/2 = -3/2$	
$f(11\pi/6) = 2\sin 11\pi/6 - \cos(2 \cdot 11\pi/6)$ $= 2\sin 11\pi/6 - \cos 11\pi/3$ $= 2(-1/2) - (1/2)$ $= -1 - 1/2 = -3/2$	
$f(0) = 2\sin(0) - \cos(2(0))$ $= 2(0) - (1)$ $= -1$	
$f(2\pi) = -1$	

Absolute Min  
 $f(7\pi/6) = f(11\pi/6) = -\frac{3}{2}$

Rolle's Theorem:

$f(x)$  is continuous on  $[a,b]$  and differentiable on  $(a,b)$ .

If  $f(a) = f(b)$  then there is a number "c" such that  $f'(c) = 0$

4. Find all values of c on  $[-2,2]$  such that  $f'(c) = 0$   $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^2$

$f(x)$  is continuous and differentiable

$$\begin{aligned} a &= -2 \\ f(-2) &= (-2)^4 - 2(-2)^2 \\ &= 16 - 8 \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b &= 2 \\ f(2) &= (2)^4 - 2(2)^2 \\ &= 16 - 8 \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(-2) = f(2)$$

∴ There exists a point c where  $f'(c) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 4x^3 - 4x \\ 0 &= 4x^3 - 4x \\ 0 &= 4x(x^2 - 1) \\ x &= 0 \quad x = 1 \quad x = -1 \end{aligned}$$