

Panel 1

$$f(x) = x^5 \cdot \sin(|3x+2|^4)$$

$$f'(x) = (5x^4) \cdot \sin(|3x+2|^4) + (x^5) \cdot \left( \frac{d}{dx} \sin(|3x+2|^4) \right)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin(|3x+2|^4) = \cos(|3x+2|^4) \cdot 4|3x+2|^3 \cdot 3$$

Panel 2

## Finding relative extrema

- ① Find  $f'(x)$
- ② Solve  $f'(x) = 0$ , and  $f'(x)$  does not exist  
 $\Rightarrow$  critical points

- ③ Create table

$f'$	+	-	+	-	
$f$					

critical points

test numbers to find sign of  $f'$

←  $f$  increasing or decreasing

Panel 3

Ex: Find local extrema for  $f(x) = 3x^4 - 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 5$   
and identify all intervals where  $f$  is increasing.

①  $f'(x) = 12x^3 - 12x^2 - 24x$

②  $f'(x) = 0 = 12x(x^2 - x - 2) = 12x(x-2)(x+1)$   
critical:  $x = 0, 2, -1$

③

	$x < -1$	$-1 < x < 0$	$0 < x < 2$	$x > 2$
$f'$	-	+	-	+
$f$	↘	↗	↘	↗

$x = -1$ : rel. min  
 $x = 0$ : rel. max  
 $x = 2$ : rel. min

answer:  $(-1, 0) \cup (2, \infty)$

Panel 4

Ex: Find relative extrema of  $f(x) = x^3(1-x^2)$   
 $x^3 - x^5$

$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 5x^4 = x^2(3-5x^2) = 0$

$x = 0$ ,  $x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$

	$x < -\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$	$-\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} < x < 0$	$0 < x < \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$	$x > \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$
$f'$	-	+	+	-
$f$	↘	↗	↗	↘

$x = 0$ : neither  
 $x = -\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$ : min  
 $x = +\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$ : max

Panel 5

Ex. Rel. extrema of  $f(x) = x^{2/3}(2-x)$

$f(x) = 2x^{1/3} - x^{4/3}$  2.09   -0.6

①  $f'(x) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} x^{-2/3} - \frac{4}{3} x^{1/3} = 0$ ,  $f''(x) = \frac{2}{3} x^{-5/3} - \frac{4}{3} x^{-2/3}$

$$\frac{2}{3} x^{-2/3} = \frac{4}{3} x^{1/3} \quad | \cdot 3$$

$$2x^{-2/3} = 4x^{1/3}$$

$$\frac{2}{x^{2/3}} = 4x^{1/3} \quad | \cdot x^{4/3}$$

$$2 = 4x$$

$\frac{1}{2} = x$ ,  $x=0$

↪ as rel. max

because  $f'$  is undefined at  $x=0$

Panel 6

What does  $f''$  say about  $f$ ? ( $f'$  tells if  $f$  inc./dec.)

$f''$  is deriv. of  $f'$

$\Rightarrow f''$  tells if  $f'$  inc./dec.!

$f'$  is inc.  
 $\Rightarrow f''$  positive

$f'$  is dec.  
 $\Rightarrow f''$  negative

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Panel 7

Concavity: (which way road curves, which way to steer)

If  $f''(x) > 0$  then  $f$  is concave up ☺

If  $f''(x) < 0$  then  $f$  is concave down ☹

If  $f''(c) = 0$  and  $f$  changes concavity at  $x=c$ :  $c$  is inflection point

Ex:  $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3$  - discuss concavity

$f'(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2$

①  $f''(x) = 12x^2 - 24x = 0$

$12x(x-2) = 0$

②  $x=0, x=2$  possible inf. pts

	-∞	0	2	∞
f''	+	-	+	
f	☺	☹	☺	

$f$  is concave up on  $(-\infty, 0)$  and  $(2, \infty)$ , concave down on  $(0, 2)$

Panel 8

Ex  $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^2 + 3$  Discuss inc/dec/concavity

$f'(x) = 4x^3 - 4x = 4x(x^2 - 1) = 0$  ① Find  $f'$  and  $f''$

$f''(x) = 12x^2 - 4 = 4(3x^2 - 1) = 0$  ② Set them equal to zero, or where they don't exist

critical points:  $x=0, x=+1, x=-1$  ③ Make a sign table with signs of  $f'$  and  $f''$

poss. inf. pts:  $x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$

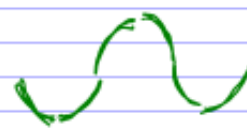
	-∞	-1/√3	0	1/√3	∞	
f'	-	+	+	-	-	+
f''	+	+	-	-	+	+
f	↘	↗	↘	↗	↘	↗

$x = -1$  min  
 $x = -1/\sqrt{3}$ : inf  
 $x = 0$ : max  
 $x = 1/\sqrt{3}$ : inf  
 $x = 1$ : min

Panel 9

	↓	-1	-1/3	0	1/3	1	↓
$f'$	-	+	+	-	-	+	
$f''$	+	+	-	-	+	+	
$f$	↘	↗	↘	↗	↘	↗	

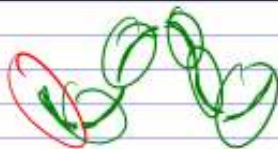
It is now easy to find the graph:  
 $0.114 = 0.006 + 3$   
 $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^2 + 3 = 2.4$

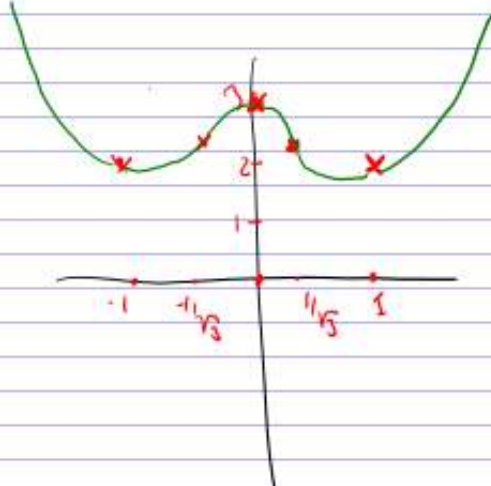
	↓	-1	-1/3	0	1/3	1	↓
$f'$	-	+	+	-	-	+	
$f''$	+	+	-	-	+	+	
$f$	↘	↗	↘	↗	↘	↗	

Eval  $f$  at all special points:  
 $f(-1) = 2$        $f(1/\sqrt{3}) = 2.4$   
 $f(0) = 3$        $f(-1/\sqrt{3}) = 2.4$   
 $f(1) = 2$

Panel 10



Eval  $f$  at all special points:  
 $f(-1) = 2$        $f(1/\sqrt{3}) = 2.4$   
 $f(0) = 3$        $f(-1/\sqrt{3}) = 2.4$   
 $f(1) = 2$



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