

MATHEMATICS 180

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**Problem 1.** (30 pts.) Let  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x + 2$ .

- a) Compute the first derivative  $f'(x)$  and find all critical points. Determine the intervals when the function is increasing and when it is decreasing. Use the first derivative test to identify local extrema.

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 3 = 3(x^2 - 1) = 3(x-1)(x+1)$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = -1 \quad \text{OR} \quad x = +1 \quad (\text{CRITICAL POINTS})$$

$x$	$(-\infty, -1)$	$-1$	$(-1, +1)$	$+1$	$(+1, +\infty)$
$f(x)$	$\nearrow$	4	$\searrow$	0	$\nearrow$
$f'(x)$	+++	0	---	0	+++

$f(-1) = 4$  is a relative maximum

$f(+1) = 0$  is a —" — minimum

- b) Find the second derivative  $f''(x)$ , all inflection points and intervals where  $f(x)$  is concave up and intervals where it is concave down.

$$f''(x) = 6x$$

$$f''(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 6x = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0$$

$x$	$(-\infty, 0)$	0	$(0, +\infty)$
$f(x)$	DOWN	2	UP
$f''(x)$	---	0	+++

$f(0) = 2$  is an inflection point

c) Graph  $f(x)$ .

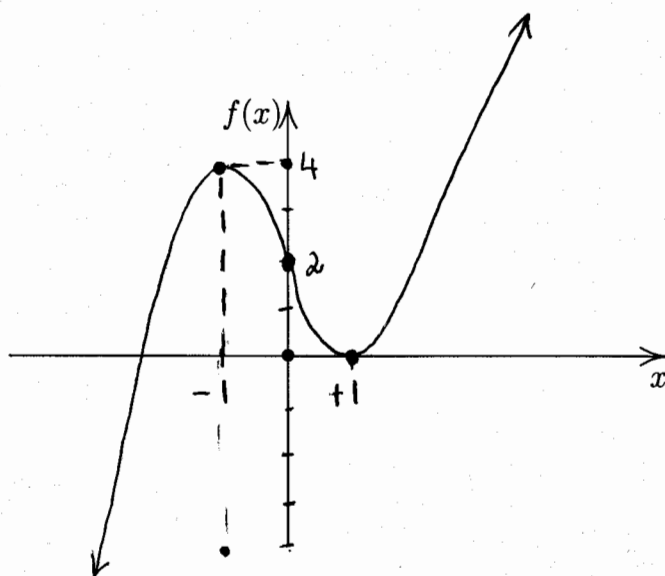


Fig. 1. The graph of  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x + 2$

**Problem 2.** (30 pts.) Let  $f(x) = 5x + \frac{35}{x}$ .

a) Compute the first derivative  $f'(x)$  and find all critical points. Determine the intervals when the function is increasing and when it is decreasing. Identify local minima and maxima using the first derivative test.

$$f'(x) = 5 - \frac{35}{x^2}$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 5 - \frac{35}{x^2} = 0 \Leftrightarrow x^2 = 7 \Leftrightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{7}$$

$x=0$   $f(x)$  is not defined.

$x$	$(-\infty, -\sqrt{7})$	$-\sqrt{7}$	$(-\sqrt{7}, 0)$	$(0, +\sqrt{7})$	$\sqrt{7}$	$(\sqrt{7}, +\infty)$
$f(x)$	$\nearrow$	$-10\sqrt{7}$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$+10\sqrt{7}$	$\nearrow$
$f'(x)$	$+++$	$0$	$---$	$---$	$0$	$+++$

$f(\sqrt{7}) = 10\sqrt{7}$  is a local minimum

$f(-\sqrt{7}) = -10\sqrt{7}$  is a local maximum

$x=0$  is a vertical asymptote

b) Find the second derivative  $f''(x)$ , all inflection points and intervals where  $f(x)$  is concave up and intervals where it is concave down.

$$f''(x) = \frac{70}{x^3}$$

$f''(x) = 0$  has no solutions

$x$	$(-\infty, 0)$	$(0, \infty)$
$f(x)$	DOWN	UP
$f''(x)$	---	+++

$f(x)$  has no inflection points but it changes its concavity through  $x=0$ .

c) Graph  $f(x)$ .

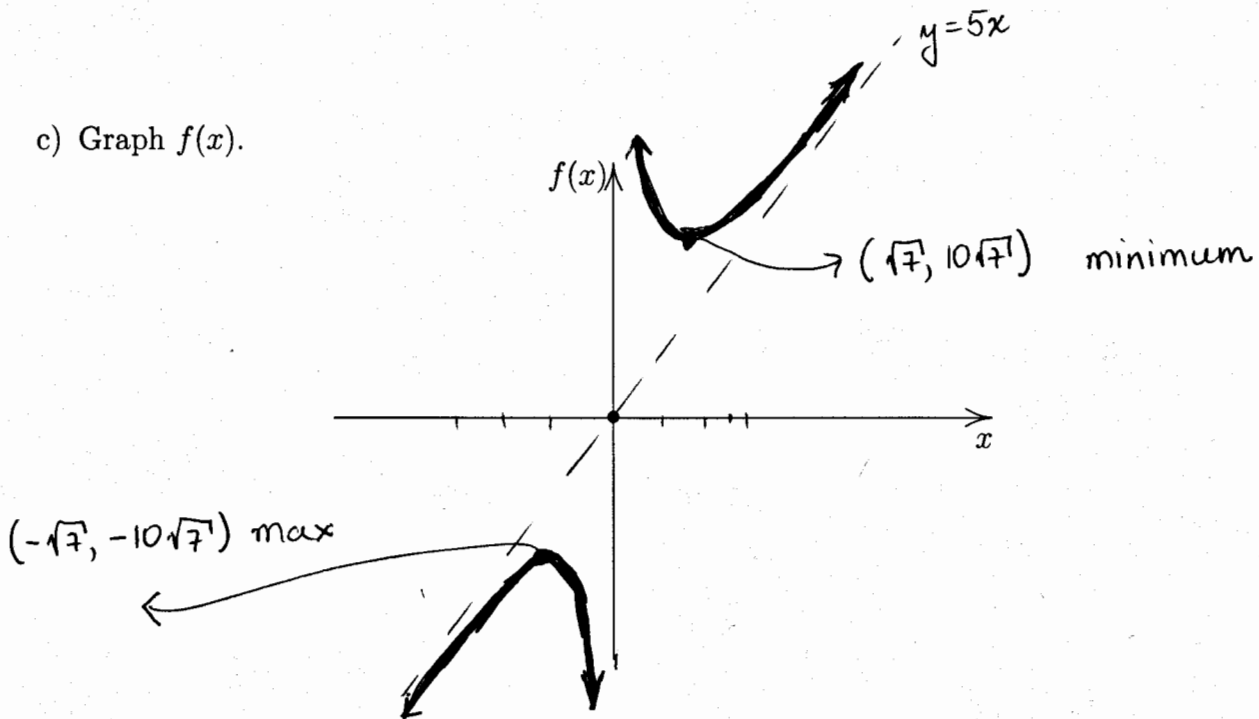


Fig. 2. The graph of  $f(x) = 5x + \frac{35}{x}$

Problem 3. (20 pts.) Let  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2+1}$ . Determine the absolute minimum and the absolute minimum of  $f(x)$  on the interval  $[-3, 3]$ .

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

$$f'(x) = 0 \iff 2x = 0 \iff x = 0$$

$x = 0$  is the only critical point of  $f(x)$

Since

$$f(-3) = f(3) = \frac{9}{10}$$

$$f(0) = 0$$

We get:

$$f(-3) = 9/10$$

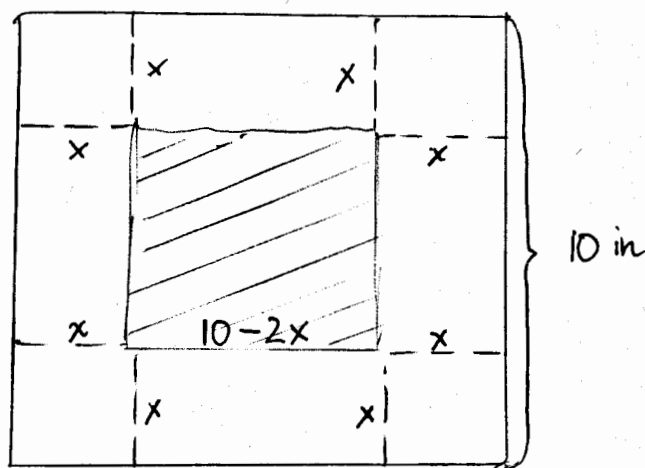
$$f(3) = 9/10$$

are both absolute maxima

$f(0) = 0$  is the absolute minimum

(and relative minimum).

**Problem 4.** (20 pts.) From a thin piece of cardboard 10 in. by 10 in., square corners are cut out so that the sides can be folded up to make a box. What dimensions will yield a box of maximum volume? What is the maximum volume?



$$\begin{cases} \text{base} : & 10 - 2x \\ \text{height} : & x \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Volume} = V(x) = (10 - 2x)^2 \cdot x = 4x^3 - 40x^2 + 100x$$

$$V'(x) = 12x^2 - 80x + 100 = 4(3x^2 - 20x + 25)$$

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{80 \pm \sqrt{80^2 - 4 \cdot 12 \cdot 25}}{24} = \frac{80 \pm 40}{24}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 40/24 = 10/6 = 5/3 \text{ in} \\ 120/24 = 5 \text{ in} \end{cases}$$

$$V''(x) = 24x - 80$$

$$V''(5) > 0 \quad x=5 \text{ is a minimum, } V(5) = 0$$

$$V''(5/3) = \frac{120}{3} - 80 < 0, \quad x = 5/3 \text{ is a maximum}$$

$$\text{Dimensions} : 6\frac{2}{3} \times 6\frac{2}{3} \times 1\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Volume} \quad V\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{20}{3}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{5}{3} = \frac{2000}{27} [\text{in}^3]$$

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Problem 1. (25 pts.) Let  $f(x) = -x^3 + 3x^2 + 1$ .

- a) Compute the first derivative  $f'(x)$  and find all critical points. Determine the intervals when the function is increasing and when it is decreasing. Use the first derivative test to identify local extrema.

$$f'(x) = -3x^2 + 6x = 3x(2-x)$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0 \quad \text{OR} \quad x = 2$$

$x$	$(-\infty, 0)$	$0$	$(0, 2)$	$2$	$(2, \infty)$
$f(x)$	$\searrow$	$1$	$\nearrow$	$5$	$\searrow$
$f'(x)$	$---$	$0$	$+++$	$0$	$---$

$f(0) = 1$  is a relative minimum

$f(2) = 5$  is a relative maximum

- b) Find the second derivative  $f''(x)$ , all inflection points and intervals where  $f(x)$  is concave up and intervals where it is concave down.

$$f''(x) = -6x + 6 = 6(1-x)$$

$$f''(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 1$$

$x$	$(-\infty, 1)$	$1$	$(1, \infty)$
$f(x)$	UP	$3$	DOWN
$f''(x)$	$+++$	$0$	$---$

~~3~~  $f(1) = 3$  is an inflection point



c) Graph  $f(x)$ .

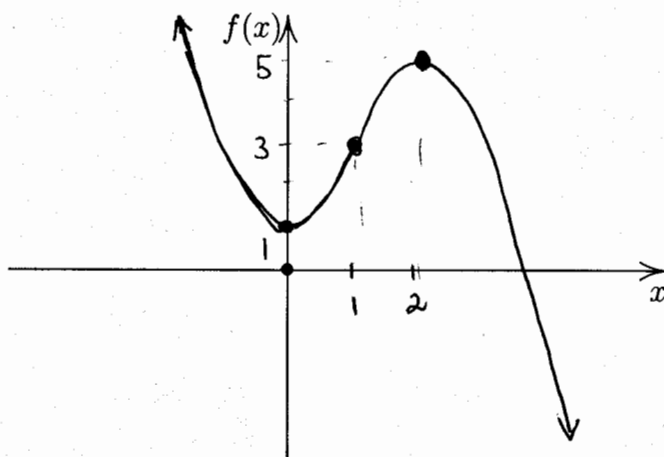


Fig. 1. The graph of  $f(x) = -x^3 + 3x^2 + 1$

Problem 2. (25 pts.) Find the following derivatives

a)

$$\frac{d}{dx}[(x^2 + 3)(x^2 - 3)^{10}] = 2x(x^2 - 3)^{10} + 20x(x^2 - 3)^9(x^2 + 3)$$

b)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{x^2 + 2x}{x + 1} \right] = \frac{(2x + 2)(x + 1) - x^2 - 2x}{(x + 1)^2} = \frac{x^2 + 2x + 2}{(x + 1)^2}$$

c)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{x^4 - 4x^2 + 3}{x} \right] = \frac{(4x^3 - 8x)x - x^4 + 4x^2 - 3}{x^2} = \frac{3x^4 - 4x^2 - 3}{x^2}$$

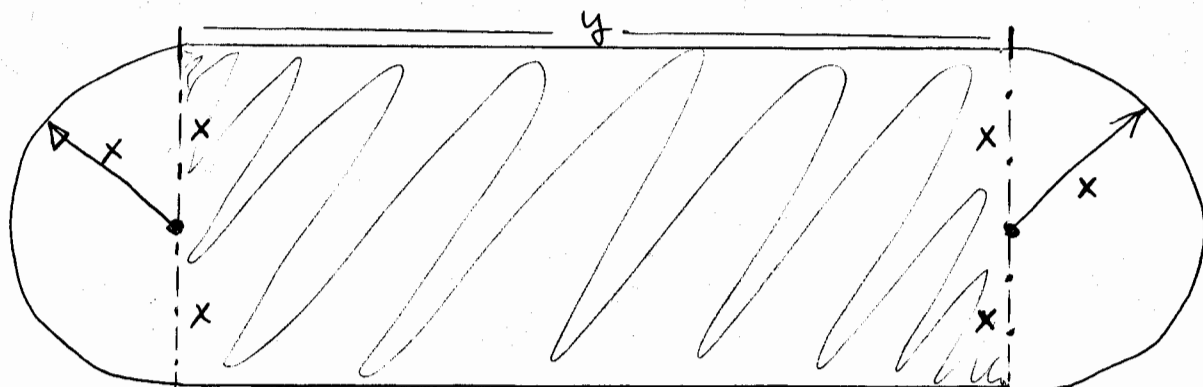
d)

$$\frac{d}{dx} [(x + 3)\sqrt{2x - 3}] \Big|_{x=6} = \sqrt{2x - 3} + (x + 3) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x - 3}} \Big|_{x=6} = 3 + \frac{9}{3} = 6$$

e)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [(x + 1)\sqrt{x^2 + 3}] &= \sqrt{x^2 + 3} + (x + 1) \frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2 + 3}} \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + 3} + \frac{x(x + 1)}{\sqrt{x^2 + 3}} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 3.** (25 pts.) An athletic field consists of a rectangular region with semi-circular regions at each end. The perimeter will be used for a 440 yard track. Find the value of  $x$  for which the area of the **rectangular region** is as large as possible.



The perimeter  $P = 2\pi x + 2y = 440$

the area of the rectangular region:

$$A = 2x \cdot y = x \cdot 2y = x(440 - 2\pi x)$$

$$A(x) = -2\pi x^2 + 440x$$

$$A'(x) = -4\pi x + 440$$

$$A'(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{440}{4\pi} = \frac{110}{\pi} \text{ yards}$$

$$A''(x) = -4\pi < 0 \quad \text{so} \quad x = \frac{110}{\pi} \text{ is}$$

a maximum.

**Problem 4.** (20 pts.) A one product firm estimates its total cost function is  $C(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 13x + 15$  (in suitable units) and its total revenue function is  $R(x) = 28x$ . Find the value of  $x$  that maximizes the daily profit.

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= R(x) - C(x) \\ &= 28x - (x^3 - 6x^2 + 13x + 15) \\ &= -x^3 + 6x^2 + 15x - 15 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P'(x) &= -3x^2 + 12x + 15 \\ &= -3(x^2 - 4x + 3) = -3(x-1)(x-3) \end{aligned}$$

$$P'(x) = 0 \iff x = 1 \text{ or } x = 3$$

But  $P''(x) = -6x + 12$

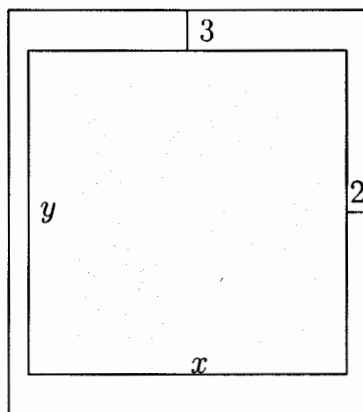
$$P''(1) = -6 + 12 > 0 \quad \text{minimum}$$

$$P''(3) = -18 + 12 = -6 < 0 \quad \text{maximum}$$

Hence  $x = 3$  is a local maximum

$$\begin{aligned} P(3) &= -3^3 + 6 \cdot 9 + 45 - 15 = \\ &= 3 \cdot 9 + 30 = 57. \end{aligned}$$

**Bonus Problem** (10 pts.) A mathematics book is to contain 90 square inches of printed matter per page, with margins of 2 inch along the sides and 3 inches along the top and bottom. Find the dimension of the page that will require the minimum amount of paper.



$$x \cdot y = 90 \quad (\text{PRINTED AREA})$$

$$A = (y+6)(x+4) \quad (\text{WHOLE PAGE})$$

$$A = 6x + 4y + xy + 24$$

$$= 6x + 4 \frac{90}{x} + 90 + 24$$

$$A(x) = 6x + \frac{360}{x} + 114$$

$$A'(x) = 6 - \frac{360}{x^2}, \quad A'(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x^2 = \frac{360}{6} = 60$$

$$x = +\sqrt{60} \quad (x = -\sqrt{60} \text{ DOES NOT MAKE SENSE})$$

$$A''(x) = \frac{720}{x^3} \quad A''(+\sqrt{60}) > 0 \quad \text{so } x = \sqrt{60} \text{ is a minimum}$$

$$\text{Dimensions: } x = \sqrt{60} \quad y = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{60} \quad (\text{PRINTED AREA})$$

$$x+4 = 4+\sqrt{60} \quad y+6 = 6+\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{60} \quad (\text{WHOLE PAGE})$$