

QUIZ ON CHAPTER 4 - SOLUTIONS

APPLICATIONS OF DERIVATIVES; MATH 150 – FALL 2016 – KUNIYUKI
105 POINTS TOTAL, BUT 100 POINTS = 100%

- 1) Consider $f(x) = \frac{x+5}{16-x^2}$ and the graph of $y = f(x)$ in the usual xy -plane in parts a) through f). If the answer to a part is none, write “NONE.” (25 points)

a) Find and box in all critical numbers of f . Show all work. (9 points)

$\text{Dom}(f) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \neq \pm 4\}$, since those are the real values for which $16 - x^2 \neq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{\text{Lo} \cdot \mathbf{D(Hi)} - \text{Hi} \cdot \mathbf{D(Lo)}}{(\text{Lo})^2} = \frac{[16-x^2] \cdot \mathbf{[D_x(x+5)]} - [x+5] \cdot \mathbf{[D_x(16-x^2)]}}{(16-x^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{[16-x^2] \cdot \mathbf{[1]} - [x+5] \cdot \mathbf{[-2x]}}{(16-x^2)^2} = \frac{(16-x^2) - (-2x^2 - 10x)}{(16-x^2)^2} = \frac{16-x^2+2x^2+10x}{(16-x^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{x^2+10x+16}{(16-x^2)^2} = \frac{(x+8)(x+2)}{(16-x^2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

The real values of x that make f' DNE (namely, ± 4) are **not** in $\text{Dom}(f)$, so they **cannot** be critical numbers (CNs) of f .

Now, solve $f'(x) = 0$ for real x in $\text{Dom}(f)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 0 \\ \frac{(x+8)(x+2)}{(16-x^2)^2} &= 0 \\ (x+8)(x+2) &= 0, \quad (16-x^2 \neq 0; \text{ that is, } x \neq \pm 4) \\ x &= -8 \text{ or } x = -2 \end{aligned}$$

Our two real solutions are in $\text{Dom}(f)$, so they are critical numbers (CNs) of f .

The critical numbers (CNs) of f are: -8 and -2 .

- b) Find the x -intercept(s) on the graph of $y = f(x)$. (2 points)

Find the real zeros of f . (We set $y = 0$, or $f(x) = 0$, and solve for x .)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x+5}{16-x^2} &= 0 \\ x+5 &= 0 \quad (\text{and } 16-x^2 \neq 0) \\ x &= -5 \end{aligned}$$

The x -intercept is at $(-5, 0)$.

c) Find the y -intercept on the graph of $y = f(x)$. (2 points)

(We set $x = 0$ and solve for y . We evaluate:)

$$f(0) = \frac{(0)+5}{16-(0)^2} = \frac{5}{16}, \text{ so the } y\text{-intercept is at } \boxed{\left(0, \frac{5}{16}\right)}.$$

d) Find the equation(s) of any horizontal asymptote(s) for the graph of $y = f(x)$. (3 points)

$\frac{x+5}{16-x^2}$ is rational and “bottom-heavy”; the degree of the denominator (2) is greater than that of the numerator (1). The horizontal asymptote is at $\boxed{y = 0}$, the x -axis.

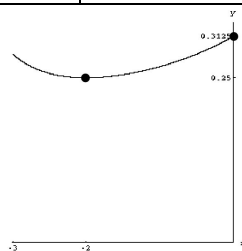
e) Find the equation(s) of any vertical asymptote(s) for the graph of $y = f(x)$. (4 points)

The denominator, $16 - x^2$, has only 4 and -4 as its real zeros. $\frac{x+5}{16-x^2}$ is simplified; the numerator and denominator have no common real zeros and no nontrivial factors in common. The vertical asymptotes are at $\boxed{x = 4 \text{ and } x = -4}$.

f) Find the absolute maximum point (x, y) and the absolute minimum point (x, y) on the graph of $y = f(x)$, if x is restricted to the interval $[-3, 0]$. Indicate which point is the absolute maximum point and which is the absolute minimum point. (5 points)

f is continuous on \mathbb{R} except at -4 and 4 . In particular, f is continuous on the closed, bounded interval $[-3, 0]$, so the Extreme Value Theorem (EVT) applies, and there exist absolute maxima and minima on $[-3, 0]$. Our candidates for x are -2 [the critical number (CN) of f in $(-3, 0)$] and the interval endpoints, -3 and 0 .

x	$f(x)$	Answers
$a = -3$	$f(-3) = \frac{2}{7} \approx 0.286$	
-2	$f(-2) = \frac{1}{4} = 0.25$	$(-2, 0.25)$ is the A.Min.Pt. on $[-3, 0]$.
$b = 0$	$f(0) = \frac{5}{16} = 0.3125$	$(0, 0.3125)$ is the A.Max.Pt. on $[-3, 0]$.



- 2) State Rolle's Theorem, including the hypotheses and the conclusion. Write the conclusion using the algebraic notation we used in class; don't just refer to tangent lines or secant lines. (8 points)

If a function f is continuous on a closed, bounded interval $[a, b]$ and is differentiable on the open interval (a, b) , and if $f(a) = f(b)$, then $\exists c \in (a, b)$ such that $f'(c) = 0$ (that is, the tangent line is horizontal there). (We assume $a < b$.)

- 3) Sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$, where $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 24x + 13$, in the usual xy -plane. (27 points)

- Find all critical numbers of f and label them CNs.
- Find all points at critical numbers.
Indicate these points on your graph.
- Find all inflection points (if any) and label them IPs.
Indicate these points on your graph.
- Classify all points at critical numbers as local maximum points, local minimum points, or neither.
- Find the y -intercept. You do not have to find x -intercepts.
- Have your graph show where f is increasing / decreasing and where the graph is concave up / concave down. Justify with work, as in class.
- You may round off any non-integers to five significant digits.
- Show all steps, as we have done in class.

Step 1: f is a polynomial function. Therefore,

- $\text{Dom}(f) = \mathbb{R}$.
- f is continuous on \mathbb{R} .
- The graph has no vertical asymptotes (VAs) and no holes.
Furthermore, since f is nonconstant and nonlinear, the graph has no horizontal asymptotes (HAs) and no slant asymptotes (SAs).

For this f :

- The y -intercept is at the point $(0, 13)$. This is because $f(0) = 13$, the constant term from the given polynomial.
- f is neither even nor odd.

Step 2: Find $f'(x)$ and critical numbers (CNs) of f .

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x - 24 = 3(x^2 - 2x - 8) = 3(x+2)(x-4)$$

f' is continuous on \mathbb{R} . In particular, it is never undefined ("DNE"). The real solutions of $f'(x) = 0$ are given by $x = -2$ and $x = 4$, which are in $\text{Dom}(f)$.

The CNs are -2 and 4 .

Step 3: Do a sign diagram for f' and classify the points at the CNs.

f is continuous on \mathbb{R} , so the First Derivative Test (1st DT) should apply wherever we have CNs. Both f and f' are continuous on \mathbb{R} , so we use just the CNs as “fenceposts” on the real number line where f' could change sign.

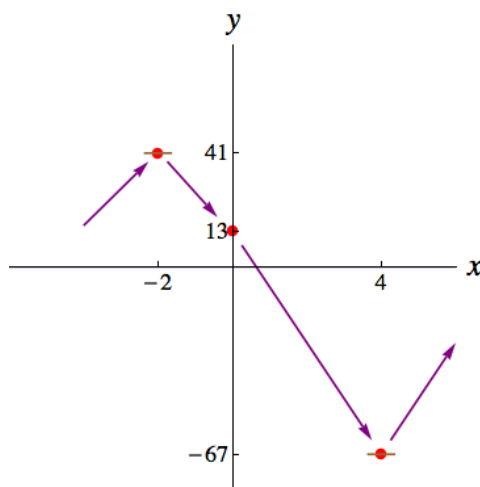
x	Test $x = -3$	-2	Test $x = 0$	4	Test $x = 5$
f' sign (see below)	+	0	−	0	+
f	\nearrow		\searrow		\nearrow
Classify Points at CNs (Use 1 st DT)		L.Max. Pt.		L.Min. Pt.	
Sub into $f(x)$ to get y		$(-2, f(-2))$ $(-2, 41)$		$(4, f(4))$ $(4, -67)$	

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= (3)(x+2)(x-4) \Rightarrow \\
 f'(-3) &= (+) (-) (-) = + \\
 f'(0) &= (+) (+) (-) = - \\
 f'(5) &= (+) (+) (+) = +
 \end{aligned}$$

The multiplicities of the zeros of f' are both odd (1), so signs alternate in our “windows.” Furthermore, the graph of $y = f'(x)$ is an upward-opening parabola.

Step 4: Sketch a “skeleton graph” for $y = f(x)$ (optional).

Horizontal tangent lines are indicated in brown.



Step 5: Find $f''(x)$ and possible inflection numbers (PINs).

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(x) &= 3x^2 - 6x - 24 \Rightarrow \\
 f''(x) &= 6x - 6 = 6(x-1)
 \end{aligned}$$

f'' is continuous on \mathbb{R} . In particular, it is never undefined (“DNE”).

The real solution of $f''(x) = 0$ is given by $x = 1$, which is in $\text{Dom}(f)$.

The PIN is 1.

Step 6: Do a sign diagram for f'' and find inflection points (IPs).

f , f' , and f'' are continuous on \mathbb{R} , so we use just the PINs as “fenceposts” on the real number line where f'' could change sign.

x	Test $x = 0$	1	Test $x = 2$
f'' sign (see below)	–		+
f graph	CD (\cap)		CU (\cup)
Inflection Points (IPs)?		Yes, IP (f cont. here, concavity changes)	
Sub into $f(x)$ to get y		$(1, f(1))$ $(1, -13)$	

$$f''(x) = (6)(x-1) \Rightarrow$$

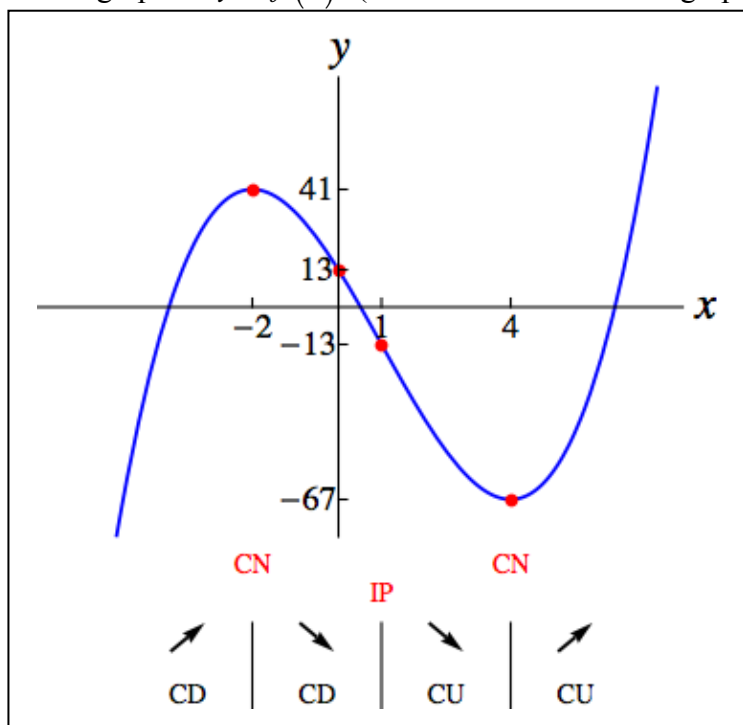
$$f''(0) = (+) (-) = -$$

$$f''(2) = (+) (+) = +$$

The multiplicity of $x = 1$ as a zero of f'' is 1 (odd), so f'' changes signs.

Also, the graph of $y = f''(x)$ is a rising line with x -intercept at $(1, 0)$.

Step 7: Sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$. (Remember our skeleton graph!)



“Zooming out (in the long run),” the graph will resemble a “rising snake.” The leading term of $x^3 - 3x^2 - 24x + 13$ is x^3 , which has odd degree and a positive leading coefficient.

4) You do not have to show work for these problems. (9 points total)

a) The following is true of the polynomial function f :

$f(3)=4$, $f'(3)=0$, $f''(3)=5$. True or False: The point $(3, 4)$ must be a local maximum point for the graph of $y = f(x)$. Box in one:

True

☒ False

The point $(3, 4)$ is a local minimum point by the Second Derivative Test. $f'(3)=0$.

The graph of $y = f(x)$ is concave up “at” [actually, “on a neighborhood of”] $x = 3$.

b) The following is true of the polynomial function g :

$g(6)=-2$, $g'(6)=3$, $g''(6)=-2$. True or False: The point $(6, -2)$ must be a local maximum point for the graph of $y = g(x)$. Box in one:

True

☒ False

6 is **not** a critical number (CN) of g , since $g'(6)$ is neither 0 nor undefined (“DNE”).

Local maxima must be at critical numbers.

c) The function h has the interval $[6, 10]$ as its domain, and h is continuous on that interval. True or False: On the interval $[6, 10]$, there is an absolute minimum point for the graph of $y = h(x)$ in the usual xy -plane. Box in one:

☒ True

False

This is true by the Extreme Value Theorem (EVT), because h is continuous on the closed, bounded interval $[6, 10]$.

5) Let $s(t)$ be the height in feet (at time t in seconds) of a particle that is moving

along a vertical line. If $s'(4) = 3 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}}$, and $s''(4) = -5 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}^2}$, what is the particle doing “at” (really, on a neighborhood of) $t = 4$ seconds? Box in one: (3 points)

a) The particle is rising and is speeding up.

☒ b) The particle is rising and is slowing down.

c) The particle is falling and is speeding up.

d) The particle is falling and is slowing down.

$s'(4) = v(4) > 0$, so the particle’s height is increasing, and the particle is rising.

Because $s'(4) = v(4) > 0$ and $s''(4) = a(4) < 0$, the height is increasing at a decreasing rate, and the particle is slowing down. (v is velocity; a is acceleration.)

6) We want to approximate a root (or zero) of $2x^4 + x - 1$ using Newton's Method with $x_1 = -2$ as our "seed" (our first approximation). (12 points total)

a) Find x_2 , which is our second approximation using Newton's Method.

When rounding, use five significant digits; round off your answer to four decimal places.

Let $f(x) = 2x^4 + x - 1$. Then, $f'(x) = 8x^3 + 1$.

$$x_1 = -2 \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)} = -2 - \frac{f(-2)}{f'(-2)} = -2 - \frac{2(-2)^4 + (-2) - 1}{8(-2)^3 + 1} \\ &= -2 - \frac{29}{-63} = -\frac{97}{63} \approx \boxed{-1.5397} \end{aligned}$$

b) Find x_3 , which is our third approximation using Newton's Method.

When rounding, use five significant digits; round off your answer to four decimal places.

$$\begin{aligned} x_3 &= x_2 - \frac{f(x_2)}{f'(x_2)} = -1.5397 - \frac{f(-1.5397)}{f'(-1.5397)} \\ &= -1.5397 - \frac{2(-1.5397)^4 + (-1.5397) - 1}{8(-1.5397)^3 + 1} \approx \boxed{-1.2312} \end{aligned}$$

Note 1: The real roots (zeros) of f are -1 and about 0.647799 . The two other complex roots are imaginary.

Note 2: $x_4 \approx -1.0615$, $x_5 \approx -1.0057$, $x_6 \approx -1.0001$, $x_7 \approx -1.0000$, $x_8 \approx -1.0000$.

The last two iterates are equal to four decimal places, so we would take -1.0000 as our final approximation.

Note 3: We could have simplified the iteration formula (for $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$):

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{2x_n^4 + x_n - 1}{8x_n^3 + 1} = \frac{x_n(8x_n^3 + 1)}{8x_n^3 + 1} - \frac{2x_n^4 + x_n - 1}{8x_n^3 + 1} = \frac{6x_n^4 + 1}{8x_n^3 + 1}$$

7) Prove that, among all rectangles with fixed perimeter p , where $p > 0$, the largest in area is a square. (Keep p in your work; don't just pick a numerical value for p .)

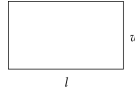
- Show all work, and verify that a square is, in fact, the rectangle with the **absolute** maximum area, as in class.
- Do not use any shortcut precalculus formulas or methods when methods from calculus can be used instead.

(21 points)

Step 1: Read the problem.

Step 2: Set up a diagram, a table, etc.

Let l and w be the dimensions of a rectangle with perimeter p .

**Step 3: Write the primary equation.**

Maximize A , the area of the rectangle.

$$A = lw$$

Step 4: Write any relevant secondary (constraint) equations.

$$\text{Perimeter } p = 2l + 2w$$

Step 5: Express A in terms of only one variable, say l .

Solve the constraint equation $p = 2l + 2w$ for w in terms of l , say:

$$2l + 2w = p$$

$$2w = p - 2l$$

$$w = \frac{p}{2} - l \quad (\text{Revised Secondary / Constraint equation})$$

Express A in terms of l . Incorporate the constraint into the primary equation:

$$A = lw$$

$$A = l \left(\frac{p}{2} - l \right)$$

$$A = \frac{p}{2} l - l^2$$

Let $f(l) = \frac{p}{2} l - l^2$. f is our objective function.

Step 6: Write the “feasible domain” of f .

We require $l \geq 0$. We also require $w \geq 0$, but we will rewrite this in terms of l :

$$w \geq 0$$

$$\frac{p}{2} - l \geq 0 \quad (\text{From the Revised Constraint Equation})$$

$$\frac{p}{2} \geq l$$

$$l \leq \frac{p}{2}$$

$$\text{Dom}(f) = \left[0, \frac{p}{2} \right].$$

Note: $l = 0$ and $w = 0$ may not make practical sense, but they are permissible, and it is convenient to have a closed interval as our feasible domain.

Maximize A ; that is, Maximize f

Find critical numbers (CNs) of f in $\left(0, \frac{p}{2} \right)$. Remember that p is a constant!

$$f(l) = \frac{p}{2} l - l^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$f'(l) = \frac{p}{2} - 2l \quad \left[\text{never undefined ("DNE")} \text{ on } \left(0, \frac{p}{2} \right) \right]$$

Solve $f'(l) = 0$ for l in $\left(0, \frac{p}{2}\right)$:

$$\frac{p}{2} - 2l = 0$$

$$\frac{p}{2} = 2l$$

$$2l = \frac{p}{2}$$

$$l = \frac{p}{4}$$

Now, $\frac{p}{4} \in \left(0, \frac{p}{2}\right)$, so it is a critical number (CN).

If $l = \frac{p}{4}$, then, by the [Revised Constraint Equation](#):

$$w = \frac{p}{2} - l = \frac{p}{2} - \frac{p}{4} = \frac{p}{4} \text{ and thus } l = w.$$

The corresponding rectangle is a square.

Verify that this CN leads to the absolute maximum of f on the feasible domain.

Method 1: Extreme Value Theorem (EVT) Method

f is continuous on the closed, bounded domain $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$, so the Extreme Value Theorem (EVT) applies. There exists an absolute maximum of f on $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$. Our candidates for l are $\frac{p}{4}$, which is the critical number (CN) of f in $\left(0, \frac{p}{2}\right)$, and the endpoints of the interval $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$.

l	$f(l)$	Comments
$a = 0$	$f(0) = 0$	
$\frac{p}{4}$	$f\left(\frac{p}{4}\right) = \frac{p^2}{16}$	There is an absolute maximum of f on $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$ at $\frac{p}{4}$.
$b = \frac{p}{2}$	$f\left(\frac{p}{2}\right) = 0$	

Method 2a: General Second Derivative approach

$$f'(l) = \frac{p}{2} - 2l \Rightarrow$$

$$f''(l) = -2 \Rightarrow f''(l) < 0, \quad \forall l \in \left(0, \frac{p}{2}\right), \text{ including } l = \frac{p}{4}.$$

The graph of $y = f(l)$ is concave down on $\left(0, \frac{p}{2}\right)$, and f is continuous on $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$, so there must be an absolute maximum on $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$ at $l = \frac{p}{4}$, the sole critical number (CN) of f .

Method 2b: Second Derivative Test approach

• $f'\left(\frac{p}{4}\right) = 0$, so we may apply the Second Derivative Test at $l = \frac{p}{4}$.

• $f''\left(\frac{p}{4}\right) = -2 < 0$, so the graph of $y = f(l)$ is concave down “at”

(actually, “on a neighborhood of”) $l = \frac{p}{4}$, and there must be a local maximum there.

• Also, f is continuous on the feasible domain, $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$, and

• $\frac{p}{4}$ is the only critical number (CN) of f in $\left(0, \frac{p}{2}\right)$.

Therefore, the local maximum of f at $l = \frac{p}{4}$ must also be an absolute maximum on $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$.

Method 3: First Derivative approach



$$f'(l) = \frac{p}{2} - 2l$$

• $f'(l) > 0$ on the l -interval $\left(0, \frac{p}{4}\right)$,

• $f'(l) < 0$ on the l -interval $\left(\frac{p}{4}, \frac{p}{2}\right)$, and

• f is continuous on $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$.

Therefore, there must be an absolute maximum on $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$ at $l = \frac{p}{4}$.

l	$\left(0, \frac{p}{4}\right)$	$\frac{p}{4}$	$\left(\frac{p}{4}, \frac{p}{2}\right)$
f' sign	+	0	−
f			
f is cont. on $\left[0, \frac{p}{2}\right]$.		A.Max.	