

You must show your work to get full credit.

1. (a) What does it mean for $x = x_0$ to be a critical point of $f(x)$.

$$f'(x_0) = 0 \text{ or } f'(x_0) \text{ does not exist}$$

- (b) What are the critical points of $f(x) = x^2 e^{-x}$?

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

The critical points are 0, 2

$$= x(2 - x) e^{-x} = 0$$

$$\text{Implies } x = 0 \text{ or } x = 2$$

2. For the function

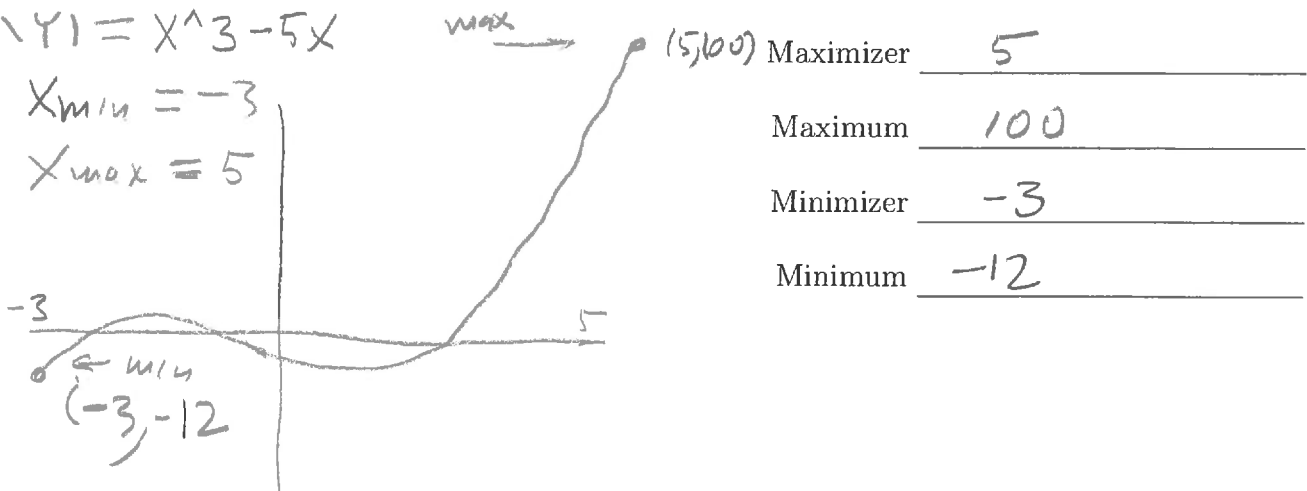
$$f(x) = x^3 - 5x$$

with $-3 \leq x \leq 5$ what are (and say what you did on calculator)

$$Y = X^3 - 5X$$

$$x_{\min} = -3$$

$$x_{\max} = 5$$



Maximizer 5

Maximum 100

Minimizer -3

Minimum -12

From graph we see minimum is at the left end point and the maximum is at the right end point.

At left endpoint do 2nd CALC 1:value $x = -3$ to set $y = -12$

At right endpoint do 2nd CALC 1:value $x = 5$ to set $y = 100$