

LECTURE 4

- L'HOPITAL
- EXTREME VALUES
- CONCAVITY/CONVEXITY
- FUNCTION SKETCHING

$$y = f(c) + f'(c) \cdot (x - c)$$

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INDETERMINATE FORMS OF LIMITS: $\frac{0}{0}$; $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$; $0 \cdot \infty$; $\infty - \infty$; ∞^0 ; 0^0 ; 1^∞

$\underbrace{\frac{0}{0}; \frac{\infty}{\infty}}_{\text{L'HOPITAL}} \quad \underbrace{0 \cdot \infty; \infty - \infty; \infty^0; 0^0; 1^\infty}_{\text{REWRITE}}$

L'HOPITAL #1: If f, g DIFFERENTIABLE on (a, b) $(-\infty, \infty)$ WITH

$\frac{0}{0}$

$$1 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = 0 \quad \text{for some } c \in [a, b]$$

$$2 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L \quad (\text{could be } \infty \text{ or } -\infty)$$

THEN

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$$

$$\frac{f}{g} \approx \frac{f(c) + f'(c) \cdot (x - c)}{g(c) + g'(c) \cdot (x - c)}$$

Ex: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - x - 6}{x^2 - 7x + 12} \stackrel{[\frac{0}{0}]}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{2x - 1}{2x - 7} = \frac{5}{-1} = -5.$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 16} \frac{\sqrt{x} - 4}{\sqrt[4]{x} - 2} \stackrel{[\frac{0}{0}]}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 16} \frac{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}}{\frac{1}{4\sqrt[4]{x^3}}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2 \cdot 4}}{\frac{1}{4 \cdot 8}} = 4.$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^3 - 1}{\ln(x)} \stackrel{[\frac{0}{0}]}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{3x^2}{\frac{1}{x}} = 3$

L'Hôpital #2: f, g DIFFERENTIABLE ON $(a, b) \downarrow [(-\infty, \infty)]$ WITH

1 $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} g(x) = \pm \infty$

2 $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L$ (CAN BE $+\infty$ OR $-\infty$)

Then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$ (ALSO FOR $x \rightarrow b^-$)

Ex: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln(x) \stackrel{[0 \cdot \infty]}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(x)}{\frac{1}{x}} \stackrel{[\frac{\infty}{\infty}]}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{-\frac{1}{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} -x = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 \cdot e^{-x} \quad [\infty \cdot 0] = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{e^x} \quad [\frac{\infty}{\infty}] = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{e^x} \quad [\frac{\infty}{\infty}] = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{e^x} = 0. \quad (2)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^x \quad [0 \cdot 0] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{\ln(x^x)} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln(x^x)} = e^0 = 1 \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \ln(a^b) = b \cdot \ln(a) \\ e^{\ln(a)} = a \end{array} \right]$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln(x^x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \cdot \ln(x) = 0.$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x \quad [1^\infty] = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{\ln\left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x\right]} = e^1 = e.$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x\right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \cdot \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right) \quad [\infty \cdot 0] = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)}{\frac{1}{x}} \quad [\frac{0}{0}] =$$

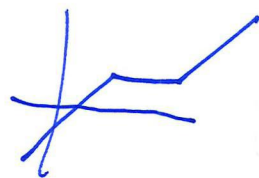
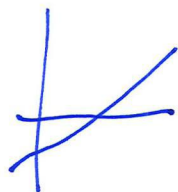
$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{x}} \cdot \cancel{\frac{1}{x^2}}}{\cancel{\frac{1}{x^2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{x}} = 1$$

FUNCTION SKETCH:

- FIND ROOTS OF f : WHEN IS f POSITIVE / ZERO / NEGATIVE?
- DOMAIN?
- INCREASING / DECREASING

f IS INCREASING ON $[a, b]$ IF $x_1 < x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) < f(x_2)$
 OR $f(x_1) > f(x_2)$

NONINCREASING IF $x_1 < x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \geq f(x_2)$
 OR $f(x_1) \leq f(x_2)$



THM: f IS CONTINUOUS ON $[a, b]$, DIFFERENTIABLE ON (a, b)

IF $f'(x) > 0$ ON (a, b) , THEN f IS INCREASING ON $[a, b]$.

f INCREASING $\nRightarrow f'(x) > 0$: $f(x) = x^3$ ON $[-1, 1]$.
 $f'(x) = 3x^2$, SO $f'(0) = 0$.

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Ex: $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 5x - 5 = (x+1)(x^2 - 5) = (x+1)(x-\sqrt{5})(x+\sqrt{5})$

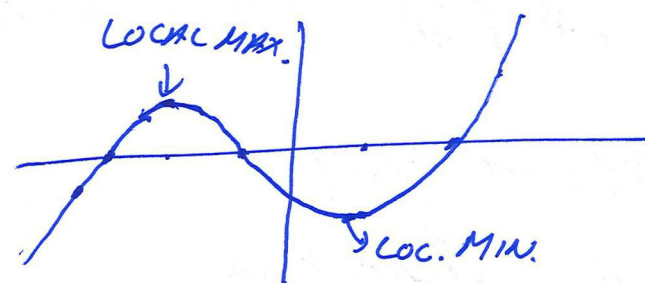
DOMAIN: \mathbb{R} , CONTINUOUS.

$f(x) = 0$ if $x = -1$

$f(x) > 0$ if $x > \sqrt{5}$

AND if $-\sqrt{5} < x < -1$

$f'(x) = 3x^2 + 2x - 5 = (x-1)(3x+5) = 0$ if $x = 1$ or $x = -\frac{5}{3}$.



MINIMA & MAXIMA (EXTREME POINTS)

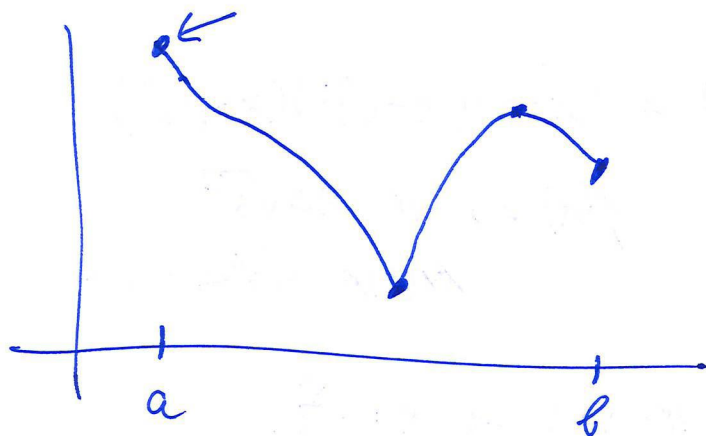
- f HAS GLOBAL/ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM AT $c \in D$ IF $f(c) \geq f(x) \forall x \in D$.
MINIMUM \leq
- f HAS LOCAL MAXIMUM AT $c \in D$ IF $f(c) \geq f(x) \forall x \in D$ "CLOSE TO c ".
MINIMUM \leq

WHERE TO LOOK: $f'(x) = 0$: CRITICAL POINTS

$f'(x)$ D.N.E. : SINGULAR POINTS

IF $D = [a, b]$, CONSIDER a & b : ENDPOINTS.

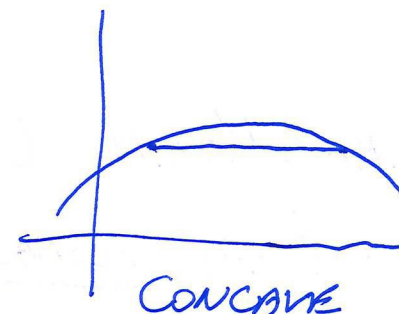
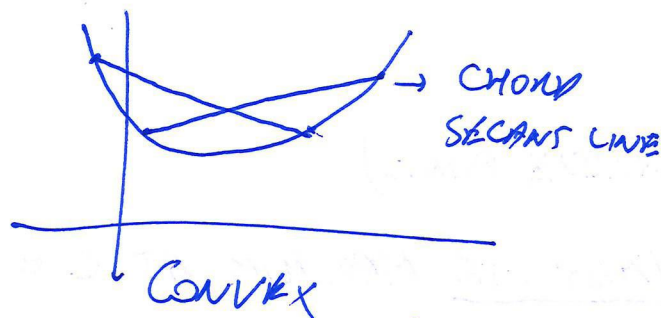
THM: If f CONTINUOUS ON $D = [a, b]$, THEN f HAS A GLOBAL MAX. & MIN.



$f(x) = x$ HAS NO MAX/MIN
ON (a, b)

THM: If f HAS LOCL/GLOB EXTN. AT c AND $f'(c)$ EXISTS, THEN $f'(c) = 0$

CONVEXITY / CONCAVITY :
 \downarrow
 CONCAVE UP CONCAVE DOWN



INFLECTION POINTS: POINTS WHERE CONCAVITY OF f CHANGES

THM: LET f CONTINUOUS ON $[a, b]$ AND DIFFERENTIABLE ON (a, b) .

If $f''(x) > 0$ ON (a, b) , THEN f IS CONVEX ON $[a, b]$
 CONCAVE UP

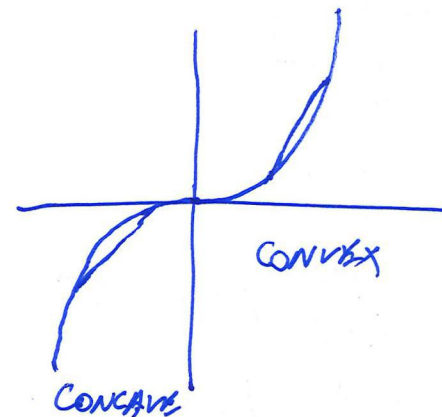
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CONCAVE (DOWN)

IN AN INFLECTION POINT WE HAVE $f''(c) = 0$.

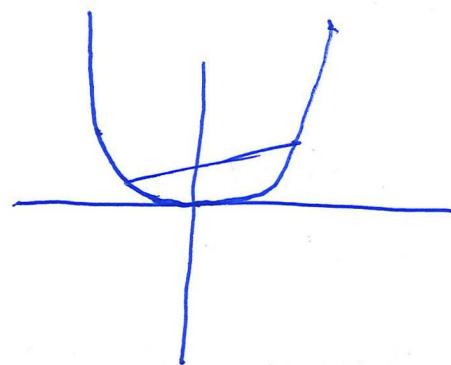
$f(x) = x^3$ HAS INF. POINTS AT $x=0$.

$$f'(x) = 3x^2, \quad f''(x) = 6x < 0 \quad \text{if } x < 0 \\ = 0 \quad \text{if } x = 0 \\ > 0 \quad \text{if } x > 0$$

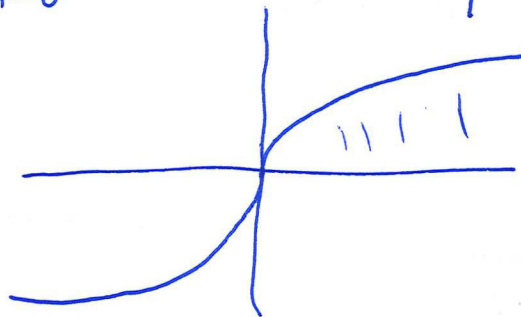


$$f(x) = x^4$$

$$f'(x) = 4x^3, \quad f'' = 12x^2 = 0 \quad \text{if } x = 0. \\ > 0 \text{ FOR ALL } x \neq 0.$$



$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$ HAS INFLECTION POINTS AT $x=0$



$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3x - 4}{x - 2}$$

$$\text{DOMAIN: } \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = \frac{6}{0^-} = -\infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = +\infty$$

$$f(x) = 0 \text{ if } x^2 + 3x - 4 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x = 1 \vee x = -4.$$

$$f(x) > 0 \text{ if } -4 < x < 1 \text{ or } x > 2.$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4x - 10}{(x-2)^2}$$

$$= 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 2 \pm \sqrt{14}$$

$$f''(x) = \dots = \frac{20}{(x-2)^3} > 0 \text{ if } x > 2$$

$$< 0 \text{ if } x < 2$$

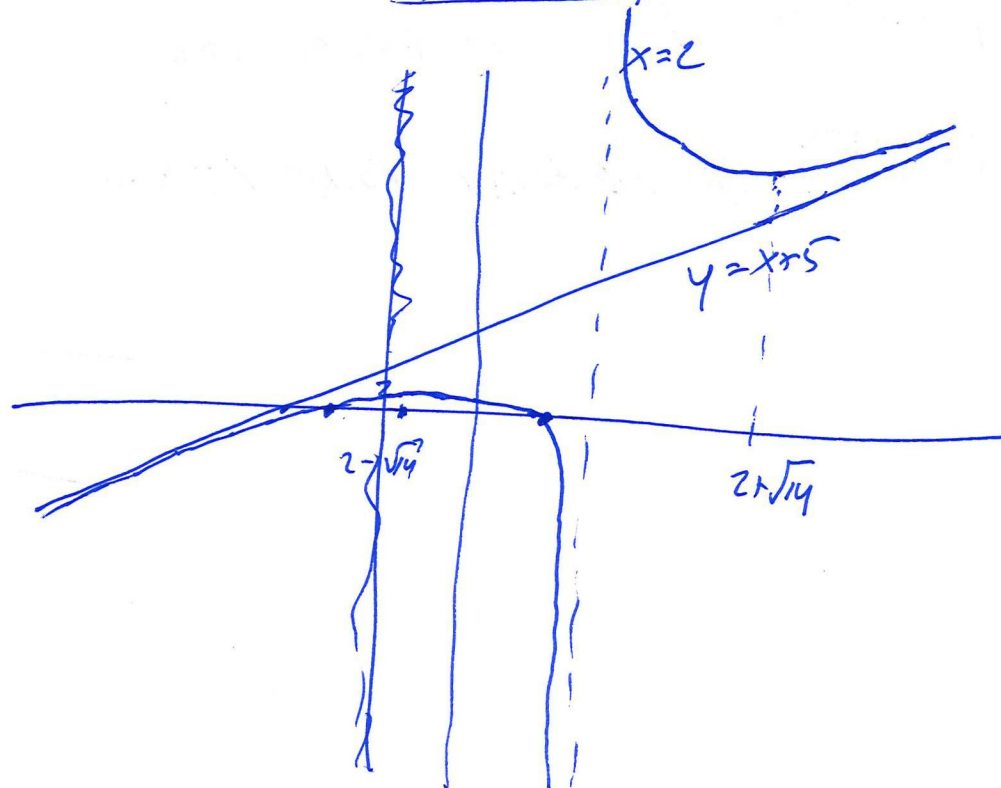
$$\boxed{\text{V.A.: } x = 2}$$

$$y = ax + b$$

$$\text{O.A. } \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{x^2 + 3x - 4}{x^2 - 2x} = \dots = 1$$

$$\underline{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) - ax = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{5x - 4}{x - 2} = 5$$

$$\text{O.A. } \boxed{y = x + 5}$$



$$f(x) = x^2 \cdot e^{-x}$$

$H.A.: y=0 \text{ for } x \rightarrow \infty$

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• DOMAIN: \mathbb{R}

• $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 e^{-x} = 0$

• $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} x^2 \cdot e^{-x} = \infty$

$f(x) \geq 0$ AND $f(0)=0$: GLOBAL MIN. AT $x=0$.

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

$= 0$ IF $x=0 \vee x=2$.

$f'(x) > 0$ IF $0 < x < 2$

$$f(2) = \frac{4}{e^2}$$

• $f''(x) = (x^2 - 4x + 2) \cdot e^{-x}$

$$f''(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 2 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

$f''(x) < 0$ IF $2 - \sqrt{2} < x < 2 + \sqrt{2}$ (CONCAVE)

$f''(x) > 0$ ELSEWHERE. (CONVEX)

