Directions for Larson Section 3-4 #27-40

"In exercises 27-40, find all relative extrema. Use the Second Derivative Test where applicable."

f'(x) and Step 1: Demonstrate determine the critical values $(f'(x) = 0 \text{ or DNE when } x = c_1, c_2, ... c_n)$

Step 2: Depends on whether $f'(c_i) = 0$ or $f'(c_i)$ DNE

| If $f'(c_i) = 0$ | | If $f'(c_i)$ DNE |
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| Demonstrate $f''(x)$ and demonstrate the value of $f''(c_i)$ | | MUST make a sign chart for $f'(x)$ and use the First |
| If $f''(c_i) \neq 0$ | $f''(c_i) = 0$ | Derivative Test |
| If $f'(c_i) = 0$ and $f''(c_i) > 0$, then $f(x)$ has a relative minimum at $x = c_i$ If $f'(c_i) = 0$ and $f''(c_i) < 0$, then $f(x)$ has a relative maximum at $x = c_i$ | MUST make a sign chart for $f'(x)$ and use the First Derivative Test | |

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$$f(x) = x^2(x-3)^3$$

$$f'(x) = x(x-3)^2(5x-6)$$

$$f''(x) = 0 \text{ when } x = 0, 3, \frac{6}{5}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{486}{25} = 19.44 \leftarrow \text{Must use Second Derivative Test}$$

$$f''(x) = -54 \leftarrow \text{Must use Second Derivative Test}$$

f(x) has a relative minimum at $x = \frac{6}{5}$ because $f'\left(\frac{6}{5}\right) = 0$ and $f''\left(\frac{6}{5}\right) = 19.44 > 0$.

$$f'(x)$$
 (+) 0 (-) 0 (+) 0 (+)
0 $\frac{6}{5}$ 3

f(x) has neither a min nor a max at x=3 because f'(x) does not change sign.

Extrema Decision Tree

