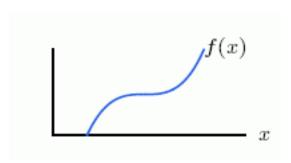
Section 003/S03

# Part Three: Applications to Derivatives

## **Brendan Kelly, Critical Points**

1) How many critical points are there? How many are local maxima? How many are local minima?



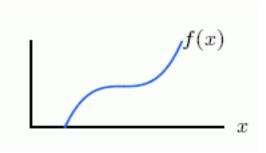
- 2)  $f(x) = x^4-3x^3+17x$  Critical point at x=2. Use the Second Derivative test to identify it as a local max or min.
- 3) Use the first derivative to find all critical points.

$$f(x) = (4x^3) + (2x^2) - 90x + 6$$

Identify each critical point as a local maximum, minimum, or neither.

## Jeremy Kleinwaks, Inflection Points

1) How many inflection points are there?



2) Use the second derivative test to find all inflection points of the function

$$f(x) = (2x^4)+(x^3)-(35x^2)+6$$

3) Make a sign chart to decide whether this is an actual inflection point.

Find the inflection points of  $f(x) = (4x^3)-(9x^2)+18$ 

#### Jenn Colter, Logistic Growth

- 1) If t is the year since 2001, the one model for the population of the world. Population (P), in billions, is  $P=40/(1+11e^{-0.09t})$ 
  - a. What does this model predict for the maximum substance population of the world?
  - b. Plot this function including P-intersect, inflection, and carrying concavity.
  - c. According to this model when will the population of the world reach 20 billion?

#### Jenn Colter, Interpretations in terms of the Concavity / 2nd Derivative

- 1) Use the second derivative test to find where the function  $f(x) = (x^6)-(24x^5)+12$  is concave up.
- 2) Given the same function  $f(x) = (x^6)-(24x^5)+12$ . Use the second derivative to find the point of inflection.

## William Hansen, Global Max/Min

- 1) Find global max and min values of:  $f(x) = (1/3x^2)-(x^2)+16$  over the interval [-1,1].
- 2) The demand curve for a product is given by  $q = 1100-6p^2$ . Find the price that maximizes revenue for sales of this product.
- 3) Plot the graph of  $f(x) = (5x^3)-(4e^x)$  over the intercal [-1,5]. Find all global max and min.

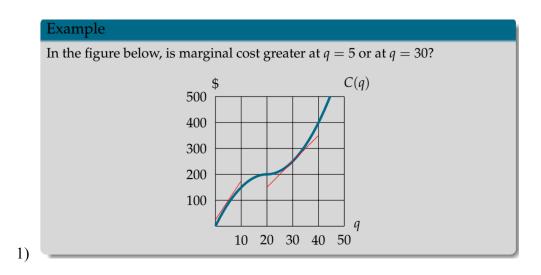
#### Jared Gulden, Maximizing Revenue

- 1) At a price of \$80 for a half day trip, a white water rafting company attracts 300 customers. Every \$5 decreases in price attracts an additional 30 customers.
  - a. Find demand equation.
  - b. Show revenue as function of price.
  - c. What price will maximize revenue?

#### Samuel Hanna, Elasticity of Demand

- 1) The demand curve for a product is given by  $q=1000-2p^2$ , where p is the price. Find the elasticity of demand at p=10 and p=15.
- 2) The demand of a product is given by p= 90-10q. Find the elasticity of demand when p=80.
- 3) Raising the price of a hotel room from \$75-\$80 per night reduces weekly sales from 100 rooms to 90 rooms.
  - a. Should we raise the price?
  - b. Complete (an approximation) to the elasticity of demand in this situation.

# **Amanda Murphy, Finding Marginal Cost Functions**



- 2) A company manufactures fuel tanks for automobiles. The total weekly cost (in dollars) of producing x tanks is given by  $C(x)=10,000+90x-0.05x^2$ .
  - a. Find the marginal cost function.
  - b. Find the marginal cost at a production level of 500 tanks per week and interpret the results.

- c. Find the exact cost of producing the 501st item.
- 3) For a company that sells kids' toys, the total cost of production x is given by the function  $C(x)=2350+80x-0.04x^2$  and that all x toys are sold when the price is equal to p(x)=-2x+35p
  - a. Estimate the marginal cost of producing the 6th unit.
  - b. Calculate the actual cost of producing the 6th unit.

### Jeffrey Hill, Relative Rate of Change

- 1) The annual production of peanuts in the world is represented by w= f(t), in million tons, and is a function of t years since the start of the 1990.
  - a. Interpret the statements f(15)=545 and f'(15)=36 in terms of peanut production.
  - b. Calculate the Relative Rate of Change of w at t=15; interpret it in terms of peanut production.
- 2) Compute the Relative Rate of Change of the following functions:
  - a. f(x)=20x+37
  - b.  $f(x)=8x^2+\sqrt{x}$
  - c. f(x)=ln(12x-3)
  - d.  $f(x)=7e^4x$

# **Jeffrey Hill, Marginal Cost Functions**

1) The cost of producing q items is given by  $C(q)=1100+140q-0.2q^2$ .

- a. Find the Marginal Cost Function
- b. Find C(105) and MC(105). Give units and explain what it means about cost of production.
- Assume that C(q) and R(q) represent the cost and revenue in dollars, of producing q items.
  - a. If C(100)=8600 and MC(100)=48, estimate C(104).
  - b. If MC(100)=48 and MR(100)=70, approximately how much profit is earned by the 101st item?
- 3) Assume that C(q) and R(q) represent the cost and revenue in dollars, of producing (q) items.
  - a. If C(400)=412,800 and MC(400)=211, estimate C(402).
  - b. If MC(400)=211 and MR(400)=251, approximate how much profit is earned by the 401st item.

## Ryan Chenette, Marginal Cost and Revenue

- 1) If C(35)=4200 and MC(35)=6,
  - a. Estimate C(40)
  - b. If MC(35)=24 and MR(35)=40, approximately how much profit is earned by the 36th item?

- 2) An industrial car manufacturer process costs c(q) in billions to produce q million cars; these cars then sell for R(q) billion dollars. If C(4.0)=9, R(4.0)=11, MC(4.0)=3, and MR(4.0)=4, calculate:
  - a. The profit producing 4 billion units.
  - b. The approximate change in revenue from 4.0 to 7.0 billion units.

## **Nicole Bellows, Second Derivatives**

- 1) Find the second derivative of the function  $f(x)=x^3+11x^2-52x$ .
- 2) Use the second derivative test to determine whether there is a local maximum or minimum at x=1 for the function  $f(x)=x^3-3x+10$ .