

$$= e^{-1/x^2} \cdot (2x^{-3})$$

$$= \frac{2e^{-1/x^2}}{x^3}$$

Later! :

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Recall  $\log_b = B^{-1}$  for  $B(x) = b^x$ .

Let  $\log_e = \exp^{-1} = \log$  (also denoted  $\ln$ ).

Then  $(\log x)' = \frac{1}{x}$  for  $x > 0$ .

If By the inverse function theorem,

$$(\log x)' = \frac{1}{\exp(\log x)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x} . \quad \square$$

After learning about implicit differentiation, we will show

$$(\log_b x)' = \frac{1}{(\log b)x} ,$$

$$(b^x)' = (\log b) b^x .$$

## Optimization

"absolute"

$x \in A$

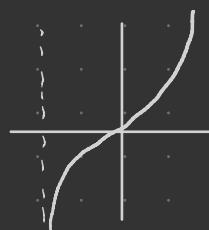
" $x$  is in  $A$ "

Let  $I$  be an interval and  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a function.

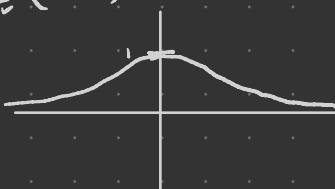
Defn We say  $f$  has a global maximum on  $I$  at  $c$  when  $f(c) \geq f(x)$  for all  $x \in I$ . We say it has a global minimum on  $I$  at  $c$  when  $f(c) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x \in I$ . A global max/min is called a global extremum.

E.g. •  $f(x) = \tan x$  on  $(-\pi/2, \pi/2)$

no global extrema



•  $g(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$  on  $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$



Global max at  $x=0$

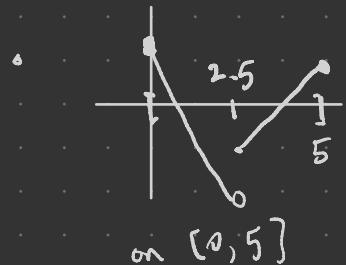
No global min.

- $h(x) = \cos x$  on  $\mathbb{R}$



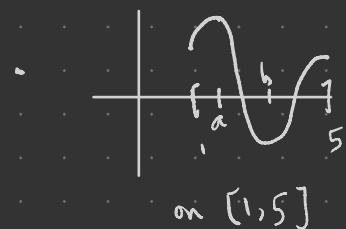
Global maxima at  $x = 0, \pm 2\pi, \pm 4\pi, \dots$

Global minima at  $x = \pm\pi, \pm 3\pi, \pm 5\pi, \dots$



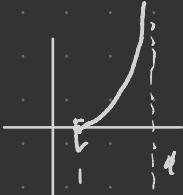
Global max at  $x=0$

No global min



Global max at  $x=a$

Global min at  $x=b$



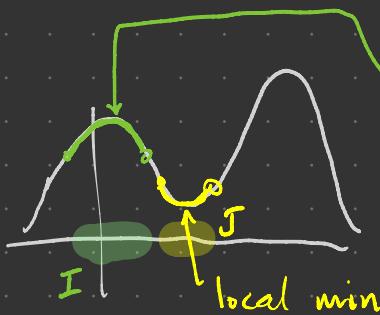
Global min at  $x=3$

No global max

on  $[1, 4)$

Extreme Value Theorem If  $f$  is a continuous function on a closed bounded interval  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  has a global max and a global min on  $[a, b]$ .

Local extrema



not a global  
max, but a local one

local min

Defn A function  $f$  has a local max/min at  $c$  if there exists an open interval  $I$  containing  $c$  on which  $f$  has a global max/min at  $c$ . These points are called local extrema.

Defn Let  $c$  be an interior point in the domain of  $f$ . Call  $c$  a critical point of  $f$  when  $f'(c) = 0$  or  $f'(c)$  undefined.

• { horizontal  
or undefined  
tangent line at  $c$

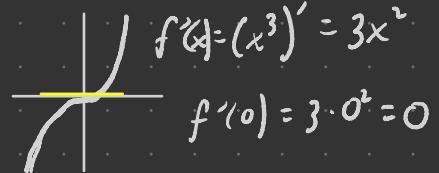
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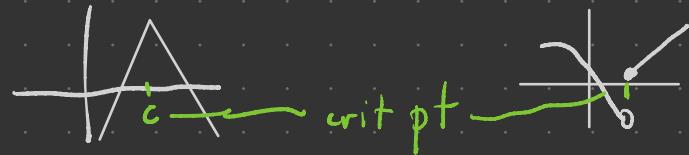
Thm If  $f$  has a local extremum at  $c$ , then  $c$  is a critical point of  $f$ .



Critical point  $\Rightarrow$  local extremum.

Consider  $f(x) = x^3$  at  $x = 0$ :





Pf of Thm Suppose  $f$  has a local extremum at  $c$ . We need to show that  $f$  diff'l at  $c \Rightarrow f'(c) = 0$ .

Assume  $f$  has a local max at  $c$  (local min case similar). Take an open interval  $I$  containing  $c$  on which  $f(c) \geq f(x)$  for all  $x \in I$ .

Since  $f$  diff'l at  $c$ ,  $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}$  exists.

For  $x \leq c$  near  $c$  and in  $I$ ,  $f(x) \leq f(c)$  so  $f(x) - f(c) \leq 0$  and  $x - c < 0$  so  $\frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \geq 0$ . ①

For  $x \geq c$  near  $c$  and in  $I$ , still have  $f'(x) - f(c) \leq 0$

but  $x - c > 0$  so  $\frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \leq 0$

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By (1),  $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \geq 0$ .



By (2),  $f'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \leq 0$ .

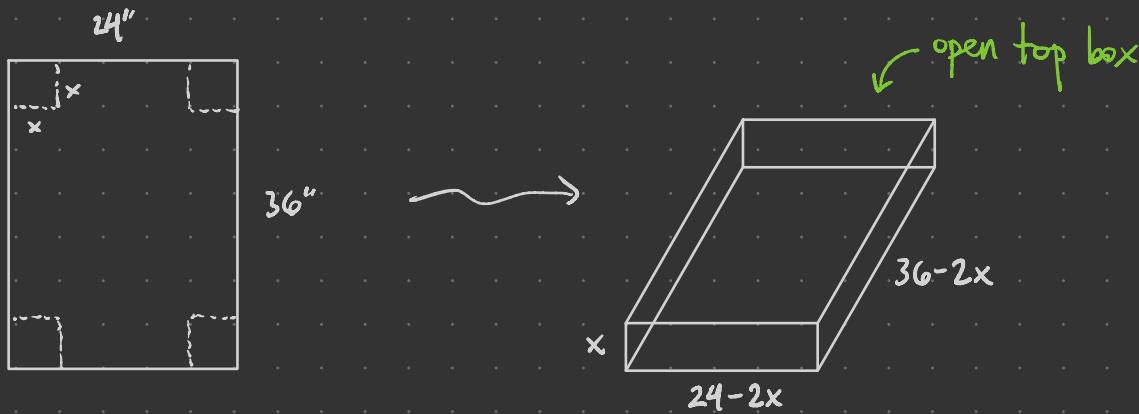
Since  $0 \leq f'(c) \leq 0$ ,  $f'(c) = 0$ .  $\square$



$f'(c) = 0 \Rightarrow f$  has a local extremum at  $c$ .

To find absolute extrema : compare values at crit pts + endpts.

E.g. Construct a box as follows :



What choice of  $x$  maximizes the volume of the box?

$$V = x(24-2x)(36-2x) = 4x^3 - 120x^2 + 864x \text{ in}^3$$

Need to maximize  $V$  over  $[0, 12]$ .

Know max at  $x=0$ ,  $x=12$ , or a critical pt  $c$  where  $\boxed{V'(c) = 0}$  (or  $V'(c)$  undefined).

Compute  $V'(x) = 12x^2 - 240x + 864$   
 $= 12(x^2 - 20x + 72)$

Find  $c$  such that  $0 = V'(c) = 12(c^2 - 20c + 72)$

Via quadratic formula,

$$c = \frac{20 \pm \sqrt{(20)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 72}}{2 \cdot 1}$$

$$= \frac{20 \pm \sqrt{112}}{2} = 10 \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{112}$$

{  
won't happen  
as  $V$  is polynomial}

$$\begin{array}{r} & 72 \\ 12 & \overline{)864} \\ & 84 \\ & \hline & 24 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 72 \\ 4 \\ \hline 288 \end{array}$$

$\approx 15.3$  or  $4.7$   
not in  
 $[0, 12]$

unique crit pt in  $[0, 12]$ .