



Maxima and Minima 18.4 Q2

Let $f(x) = 2x^3 - 24x + 107$.

$$\therefore f'(x) = 6x^2 - 24 = 6(x^2 - 4)$$

Now,

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 6(x^2 - 4) = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = 4 \Rightarrow x = \pm 2$$

We first consider the interval $[1, 3]$.

Then, we evaluate the value of f at the critical point $x = 2 \in [1, 3]$ and at the end points of the interval $[1, 3]$.

$$f(2) = 2(8) - 24(2) + 107 = 16 - 48 + 107 = 75$$

$$f(1) = 2(1) - 24(1) + 107 = 2 - 24 + 107 = 85$$

$$f(3) = 2(27) - 24(3) + 107 = 54 - 72 + 107 = 89$$

Hence, the absolute maximum value of $f(x)$ in the interval $[1, 3]$ is 89 occurring at $x = 3$.

Next, we consider the interval $[-3, -1]$.

Evaluate the value of f at the critical point $x = -2 \in [-3, -1]$ and at the end points of the interval $[-3, -1]$.

$$f(-3) = 2(-27) - 24(-3) + 107 = -54 + 72 + 107 = 125$$

Maxima and Minima 18.4 Q3

$$f(x) = \cos^2 x + \sin x$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 2 \cos x (-\sin x) + \cos x \\ &= -2 \sin x \cos x + \cos x \end{aligned}$$

Now, $f'(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sin x \cos x = \cos x \Rightarrow \cos x (2 \sin x - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } \cos x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \text{ or } \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ as } x \in [0, \pi]$$

Now, evaluating the value of f at critical points $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$ and $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$ and at the end points of the interval $[0, \pi]$ (i.e., at $x = 0$ and $x = \pi$), we have:

$$f\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{6} + \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$f(0) = \cos^2 0 + \sin 0 = 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$f(\pi) = \cos^2 \pi + \sin \pi = (-1)^2 + 0 = 1$$

$$f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{2} + \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 0 + 1 = 1$$

Hence, the absolute maximum value of f is $\frac{5}{4}$ occurring at $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$ and the absolute minimum value of f is 1 occurring at $x = 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \text{ and } \pi$.

Maxima and Minima 18.4 Q4

We have

$$f(x) = 12x^{\frac{4}{3}} - 6x^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = 16x^{\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{2}{2x^{\frac{2}{3}}} = \frac{2(8x-1)}{x^{\frac{2}{3}}}$$

$$\text{Thus, } f'(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{8}$$

Further note that $f'(x)$ is not defined at $x = 0$.

So, the critical points are $x = 0$ and $x = \frac{1}{8}$.

Evaluating the value of f at critical points $x = 0, \frac{1}{8}$ and at end points of the interval $x = -1$ and $x = 1$

$$f(-1) = 12(-1)^{\frac{4}{3}} - 6(-1)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 18$$

$$f(0) = 12(0) - 6(0) = 0$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) = 12\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^{\frac{4}{3}} - 6\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = -\frac{9}{4}$$

$$f(1) = 12(1)^{\frac{4}{3}} - 6(1)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 6$$

Hence we conclude that absolute maximum value of f is 18 at $x = -1$

and absolute minimum value of f is $-\frac{9}{4}$ at $x = \frac{1}{8}$.

Maxima and Minima 18.4 Q5

Given,

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 15x^2 + 36x + 1$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = 6x^2 - 30x + 36 = 6(x^2 - 5x + 6) = 6(x-2)(x-3)$$

Note that $f'(x) = 0$ gives $x = 2$ and $x = 3$

We shall now evaluate the value of f at these points

and at the end points of the interval $[1, 5]$,

i.e. at $x = 1, 2, 3$ and 5

$$\text{At } x = 1, f(1) = 2(1^3) - 15(1^2) + 36(1) + 1 = 24$$

$$\text{At } x = 2, f(2) = 2(2^3) - 15(2^2) + 36(2) + 1 = 29$$

$$\text{At } x = 3, f(3) = 2(3^3) - 15(3^2) + 36(3) + 1 = 28$$

$$\text{At } x = 5, f(5) = 2(5^3) - 15(5^2) + 36(5) + 1 = 56$$

Thus we conclude that the absolute maximum value of f on $[1, 5]$ is 56, occurring at $x = 5$, and absolute minimum value of f on $[1, 5]$ is 24 which occurs at $x = 1$.

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