

Big Idea #3 Application of Derivatives

Concept	Question
1. Velocity	<p>A particle moves along the x-axis so that its position at time t is given by $x(t) = t^2 - 6t + 5$. For what value of t is the velocity of the particle zero?</p> $v(t) = x'(t) = 2t - 6$ $0 = 2t - 6$ $t = 3$
2.. Acceleration	<p>What is the maximum acceleration attained on the interval $0 \leq t \leq 3$ by the particle whose velocity is given by $v(t) = t^3 - 3t^2 + 12t + 4$?</p> $a(t) = 3t^2 - 6t + 12$ $a'(t) = 6t - 6$ $0 = 6t - 6$ $t = 1$ <p>check actually a min</p> <p>max acc = 21 @ $t = 3$</p> <p>*remember endpoints*</p> $a(1) = 9$ $a(0) = 4$ $a(3) = 21$
3. Speed	<p>(Calc Active)</p> <p>A particle moves along a straight line. For $0 \leq t \leq 5$, the velocity of the particle is given by $v(t) = -2 + (t^2 + 3t)^{6/5} - t^3$, and the position of the particle is given by $s(t)$. It is known that $s(0) = 10$.</p> <p>a. Find all times t in the interval $2 \leq t \leq 4$ for which the speed of the particle is 2.</p> $ v(t) = \text{speed}$ $t = 3.128, 3.473$ <p>b. Is the speed of the particle increasing or decreasing at time $t = 4$? Give a reason for your answer.</p> $v(4) = -11.476 < 0$ $a(4) = 97.517 > 0$ <p>particle is slowing down at $t = 4$</p> <p>b/c $v(4) < 0$ and $a(4) > 0$.</p>

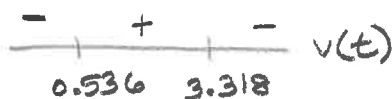
4. When a particle changes direction

(Calc Active)

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$$v(t) = 0$$

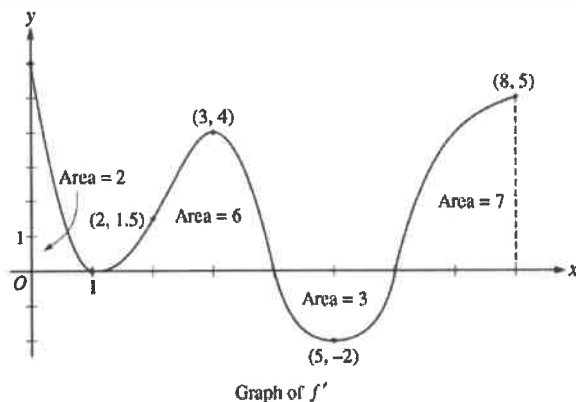
$$t = 0.536, 3.318$$



b/c $v(t)$ changed from neg to pos (left to right)
 @ $t = 0.536$ and pos to neg (right to left)
 @ $t = 3.318$

*easier to graph $v(t)$ then plug in test values

5. Absolute Extrema



The figure above shows the graph of f' , the derivative of a twice-differentiable function f , on the closed interval $0 \leq x \leq 8$. The graph of f' has horizontal tangent lines at $x = 1, x = 3, x = 5$. The areas of the regions between the graph of f' and the x-axis are labeled in the figure. The function f is defined for all real numbers and satisfies $f(8) = 4$.

a. Determine the absolute minimum value of f on the closed interval $0 \leq x \leq 8$. Justify your answer.

$$\int_0^8 f'(x) dx = f(8) - f(0)$$

$$2 + 6 - 3 + 7 = 4 - f(0)$$

$$f(0) = 4 - 12$$

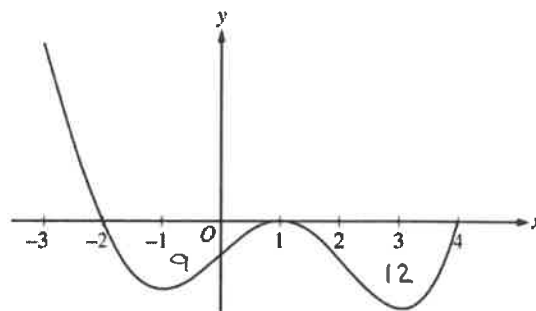
$$= -8$$

$$\int_6^8 f'(x) dx = f(8) - f(6)$$

$$7 = 4 - f(6)$$

$$f(6) = -3$$

$$f(0) = -8$$

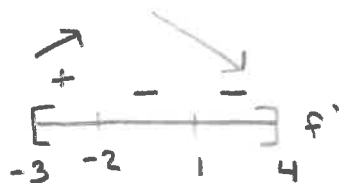


Graph of f'

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- a. Find all x -coordinates at which f has a relative maximum. Give a reason for your answer.

6. Local Extrema



f has a relative max at $x = -2$
 b/c f' changes from pos to neg
 at $x = -2$

7. Mean Value Theorem

x	-2	$-2 < x < -1$	-1	$-1 < x < 1$	1	$1 < x < 3$	3
$f(x)$	12	Positive	8	Positive	2	Positive	7
$f'(x)$	-5	Negative	0	Negative	0	Positive	$\frac{1}{2}$
$g(x)$	-1	Negative	0	Positive	3	Positive	1
$g'(x)$	2	Positive	$\frac{3}{2}$	Positive	0	Negative	-2

The twice-differentiable functions f and g are defined for all real numbers x . Values of f , f' , g , and g' for various values are given in the table above.

- a. Explain why there must be a value c , for $-1 < c < 1$, such that $f''(c) = 0$.

$$\frac{f'(1) - f'(-1)}{1 - (-1)} = f''(c)$$

$$\frac{0 - 0}{2} = f''(c)$$

$$0 = f''(c)$$

8. Function Increasing or Decreasing

What are all values of x for which the function f defined by $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 9x + 7$ is increasing?

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 + 6x - 9$$

$$0 = 3x^2 + 6x - 9$$

$$0 = x^2 + 2x - 3$$

$$0 = (x+3)(x-1)$$

$$x = 1, -3$$

$$\begin{array}{c} + \quad - \quad + \\ | \quad | \quad | \\ -3 \quad 1 \end{array} f'$$

$$(-\infty, -3) \cup (1, \infty)$$

9. First Derivative Test

For what value of x does the function $f(x) = (x-2)(x-3)^2$ have a relative maximum?

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

$$= (x-3)[(x-3) + (x-2)2]$$

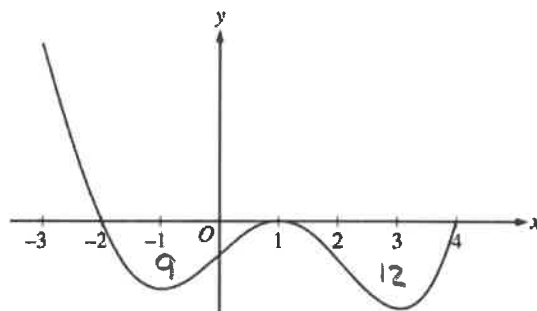
$$= (x-3)(3x-7)$$

$$0 = (x-3)(3x-7)$$

$$x = 3, \frac{7}{3}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} + \quad - \quad + \\ | \quad | \quad | \\ \frac{7}{3} \quad 3 \end{array} f'(x)$$

$$\text{max @ } x = \frac{7}{3}$$

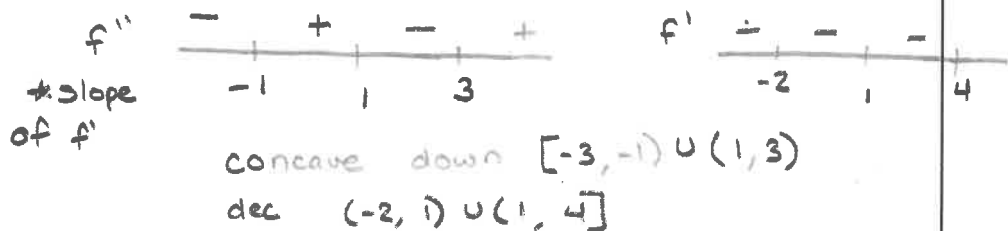


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- a. On what open intervals contained in $-3 < x < 4$ is the graph of f both concave down and decreasing? Give a reason for your answer.

10. Concavity -
concave up or down



concave down & dec on $(-2, -1) \cup (1, 3)$ b/c $f'' < 0$

The graph of $y = 3x^4 - 16x^3 + 24x^2 + 48$ is concave down for and $f' < 0$

- a. $x < 0$
 b. $x > 0$
 c. $x < -2$ or $x > -\frac{2}{3}$
 d. $x < \frac{2}{3}$ or $x > 2$
 e. $\frac{2}{3} < x < 2$



$$y' = 12x^3 - 48x^2 + 48x$$

$$y'' = 36x^2 - 96x + 48$$

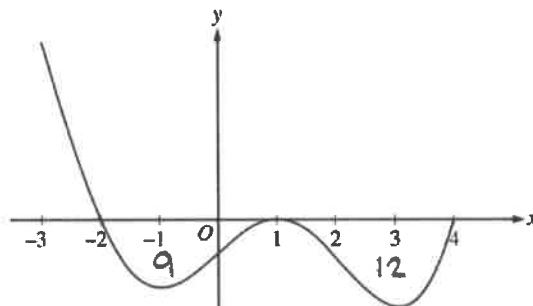
$$0 = 36x^2 - 96x + 48$$

$$0 = 3x^2 - 8x + 4$$

$$0 = (3x - 2)(x - 2)$$

$$x = 2, \frac{2}{3}$$

11. Points of Inflection



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- a. Find the x -coordinates for all points of inflection for the graph of f . Give a reason for your answer.

$x = -1, 1, 3$ candidates

$f'' = 0$ and changes sign

f'' (slope of f')

$x = -1$ and 3 are pts of inflection

b/c $f'' = 0$ and f' changes from dec to inc

$x = 1$ is a pt of inflection b/c $f'' = 0$ and f' changes from inc to dec

12. Second Derivative Test

What values of x does $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 12$ have a maximum on the closed interval $[-2, 4]$?

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

$$f''(x) = 6x - 6$$

$$0 = 3x^2 - 6x$$

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

$$0 = 3x(x - 2)$$

concave down

$$x = 0, 2$$

↳ max

$$f''(2) = 6$$

concave up

↳ min

$$\boxed{x = 0}$$

A gardener wants to make a rectangular enclosure using a wall as one side and 120 m of fencing for the other three sides. Express the area in terms of x , and find the value of x that gives the greatest area.



$$A = xy$$

$$P = x + 2y$$

$$120 = x + 2y$$

$$120 - x = 2y$$

$$60 - \frac{1}{2}x = y$$

$$A = x(60 - \frac{1}{2}x)$$

$$A = 60x - \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$A' = 60 - x$$

$$0 = 60 - x$$

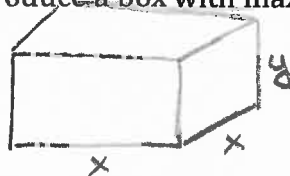
$$x = 60 \text{ m}$$

13. Optimization

*Open Box

*Area of a field and fencing

A manufacturer wants to design an open box having a square base and a surface area of 108 square inches. What dimensions will produce a box with maximum volume?



$$V = x \cdot x \cdot y$$

$$= x^2 y$$

$$S = x^2 + 4xy$$

$$108 = x^2 + 4xy$$

$$\frac{108 - x^2}{4x} = y$$

$$V = x^2 \left(\frac{108 - x^2}{4x} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} x (108 - x^2)$$

$$= 27x - \frac{1}{4} x^3$$

$$V' = 27 - \frac{3}{4} x^2$$

$$0 = 27 - \frac{3}{4} x^2$$

$$6 = x$$

$$\frac{108 - 6^2}{4 \cdot 6} = y$$

$$3 = y$$

$$6 \text{ in by } 6 \text{ in by } 3 \text{ in}$$

14. Linear
Approximation
*using a tangent
line to approximate
a function value

(Calc Active)

Grass clippings are placed in a bin, where they decompose. For $0 \leq t \leq 30$, the amount of grass clippings remaining in the bin is modeled by $A(t) = 6.687(0.931)^t$, where $A(t)$ is measured in pounds and t is measured in days.

- a. For $t > 30$, $L(t)$, the linear approximation to A at $t = 30$, is a better model for the amount of grass clippings remaining in the bin. Use $L(t)$ to predict the time at which there will be 0.5 pound of grass clippings remaining in the bin. Show the work that leads to your answer.

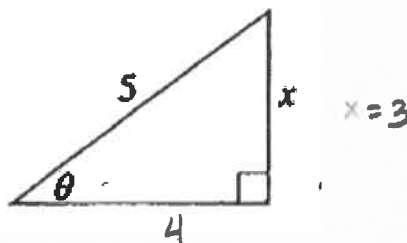
$$A(30) = 0.782927 \quad A'(30) = -0.055976$$

$$L(t) - 0.782927 = -0.055976(t - 30)$$

$$0.5 - 0.782927 = -0.055976(t - 30)$$

$$t = 35.054$$

15. Related Rates
*Similar
Triangles (lamp
post)
*Sliding Ladder
*Cone of water
with a leak



In the triangle shown above, if θ increases at a constant rate of 3 radians per minutes, at what rate is x increasing in units per minute when $x = 3$ units.

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = 3$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{x}{5}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = ?$$

$$x = 3$$

$$\cos \theta \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{1}{5} \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$\frac{4}{5} (3) = \frac{1}{5} \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$12 = dx/dt$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 12 \text{ units/min}$$

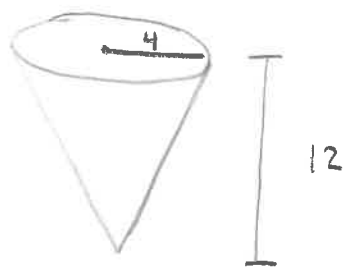
Water is draining from a right conical tank with height 12 feet and diameter 8 feet into a cylindrical tank that has a base with area 400π square feet. The depth h , in feet, of the water in the conical tank is changing at the rate of $(h - 12)$ feet per minute. (The volume V of a cone with radius r and height h is $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$)

- a. Write an expression for the volume of water in the conical tank as a function of h .

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h \\ &= \frac{1}{3}\pi \left(\frac{1}{3}h\right)^2 h \\ &= \frac{1}{27}\pi h^3 \end{aligned}$$

- b. At what rate is the volume of water in the conical tank changing when $h = 3$?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dV}{dt} &= \frac{3}{27}\pi h^2 \frac{dh}{dt} \\ &= \frac{1}{9}\pi (3)^2 (-9) \\ &= -9\pi \text{ ft}^3/\text{min} \end{aligned}$$



$$\frac{dh}{dt} = h - 12$$

$$\left. \frac{dh}{dt} \right|_{h=3} = -9$$

$$\frac{r}{h} = \frac{4}{12}$$

$$r = \frac{1}{3}h$$

