

Solution

MATH 1231 Quiz 5 (50pts)
Fall 2014

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$$R(x) = x \cdot D(x) = x(10 - x)$$

$$P(x) = R(x) - C(x) = 10x - x^2 - (20 - 2x)$$

$$C(x) = 2 \cdot D(x) = 20 - 2x$$

$$= -x^2 + 12x - 20 \text{ hundred \$}$$

(b) (3 points) Use the derivatives and algebra to find the price that maximizes profit.

$$P'(x) = -2x + 12 = 0 \quad x = 6 \text{ \$}$$

(c) (5 points) Use the first derivative test and the second derivative test show that the price you found in (b) gives the maximum profit.

1st derivative test

x	5	7
$f'(x)$	2	-2

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2nd derivative test

$$P''(x) = -2$$

$$P''(6) = -2 < 0 \quad \text{concave down} \quad \cap$$

So $x=6$ is a relative maximum.

2. Find the second derivative of each function: (6 points each)

(a) $g(x) = 2x^3 - \frac{2}{x} + 3 \ln x + 5e^x = 2x^3 - 2x^{-1} + 3 \ln x + 5e^x$

$$g'(x) = 6x^2 + 2x^{-2} + \frac{3}{x} + 5e^x$$

$$g''(x) = 12x - 4x^{-3} - 3x^{-2} + 5e^x$$

(b) $h(x) = \ln(x^2 + 3)$

$$h'(x) = \frac{2x}{x^2 + 3} \quad (\text{chain rule})$$

$$= (2x)(x^2 + 3)^{-1}$$

$$h''(x) = 2x \left(-(x^2 + 3)^{-2} \cdot 2x \right) + 2(x^2 + 3)^{-1}$$

(c) $h(x) = 3x \cdot e^x$

$$h'(x) = 3xe^x + 3e^x$$

$$h''(x) = 3xe^x + 3e^x + 3e^x = (3x + 6)e^x$$

$$\frac{2x}{(x^2 + 3)^{-1}} \times \frac{2}{-(x^2 + 3)^{-2} \cdot 2x}$$

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3. The cubic function $j(x)$ has critical points at $x = 13$ and $x = 18$. Values of $j''(x)$, the second derivative of $j(x)$ are given in the table below.

x	10	13	15	18	22
$j''(x)$	10	4	0	-6	-14

(a) (5 points) Which (if any) of the critical points of $j(x)$ are relative **maxima** of $j(x)$? Explain your reasoning.

$x=18$ is a relative maximum, since $j''(18) = -6 < 0$, concave down. it follows by the second derivative Test.

(b) (5 points) Which (if any) of the critical points of $j(x)$ are relative **minima** of $j(x)$? Explain your reasoning.

$x=13$ is a relative minimum, since $j''(13) = 4 > 0$, concave up. the result follows by the second derivative Test.

4. Suppose that for a certain function $f(x)$, you are told the derivative is $f'(x) = x^3 - 2x^2$. (Circle the correct result, and show work)

(a) (5 points) The critical point $x = 0$ is a (A) relative max (B) relative min (C) neither

Work:
$$\begin{array}{c|cc} x & -1 & 1 \\ \hline f'(x) & -3 & -1 \end{array}$$

There is no sign change at $x=0$ for $f'(x)$. So the result follows by the first derivative Test.

(b) (5 points) The critical point $x = 2$ is a (A) relative max (B) relative min (C) neither

Work:

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} x & 1 & 3 \\ \hline f'(x) & -1 & 9 \end{array}$$

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By the first derivative Test.

5. The function $f(x) = x^2 + \frac{b}{x}$, where b is a positive constant, and the domain of $f(x)$ is $x > 0$. Suppose that $f(x)$ has a critical point at $x = 1$. $f'(1) = 0$

(a) (3 points) Find the value of b . Show work.

$$f'(x) = 2x - b x^{-2}$$

$$b = 2$$

$$f'(1) = 2 - b = 0$$

(b) (2 points) The critical point $x = 1$ is a

(A) relative max (B) relative min (C) neither (Circle the correct result)

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x) &= 2 + 2b x^{-3} \\ &= 2 + 4x^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

$$f''(1) = 6 > 0 \quad \cup$$

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3. The cubic function $j(x)$ has critical points at $x = 12$ and $x = 17$. Values of $j''(x)$, the second derivative of $j(x)$ are given in the table below.

x	10	12	15	17	21
$j''(x)$	10	7	0	-5	-12

(a) (5 points) Which (if any) of the critical points of $j(x)$ are relative **minima** of $j(x)$? Explain your reasoning.

$x=12$ Since $j''(12)=7 > 0$, so $j(x)$ is concave up at $x=12$ \cup

so $x=12$ is a relative minimum by the 2nd derivative test

(b) (5 points) Which (if any) of the critical points of $j(x)$ are relative **maxima** of $j(x)$? Explain your reasoning.

$x=17$ Since $j''(17)=-5 < 0$, so $j(x)$ is concave down at $x=17$ \cap

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(c) $h(x) = 2x e^x$ $2x e^x = 2x^1 e^x$

$$h'(x) = 2x e^x + 2e^x$$

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$$= (x + 4)e^x$$