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Chapter 6. Application Of Derivatives

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MAXIMA AND MINIMA

- Let f be a function defined on an interval I. Then
- f is said to have a maximum value in I, if there exists a point c in I such that f(c) > f(x), for all x ∈ I.
- The number f(c) is called the maximum value in I and the point c is called a point of maximum value of f in I.
- f is said to have a minimum value in I, if there exists a point c in I such that f(c) < f(x), for all x ∈ I.
- The number f(c) is called the minimum value in I and the point c is called a point of minimum value of f in I.

- f is said to have an extreme value in I, if there exists a point c in I such that
- f(c) is either a maximum value or a minimum value of f in I.
- The number f(c), in this case, is called an extreme value of f in I and the point c is called an extreme point.



LOCAL MAXIMAAND LOCAL MINIMA

- Examine the graph of a function given(next slide). Observe that at points A, B, C and D on the graph, the function changes its nature from decreasing to increasing or vice-versa. These points may be called turning points of the given function.
- Further, observe that at turning points, the graph has either a little hill or a little valley. The function has minimum value in some neighbourhood (interval) of each of the points A and C which are at the bottom of their respective valleys.
- Similarly, the function has maximum value in some neighbourhood of points B and D which are at the top of their respective hills.
- For this reason, the points A and C may be regarded as points of local value (or relative minimum value) and points B and D may be regarded as points of local minimum values (or relative maximum value) for the function.
- The local maximum value and local minimum value of the function are referred to as local maxima and local minima, respectively of the function.

- **Definition**:- Let f be a real valued function and let c be an interior point in the domain of f. Then
- c is called a point of local maxima if there is an h > 0 such that
 f(c) > f(x), for all x in (c h, c + h)
- The value f(c) is called the local maximum value of f.
- c is called a point of local minima if there is an h > 0 such that
 f(c) < f(x), for all x in (c h, c + h)
- The value f(c) is called the local minimum value of f.



- Geometrically, the above definition states that if x = c is a point of local maxima of f, then the graph of f around c will be shown above in figure (a). Note that the function f is increasing i.e f'(x) > 0 in the interval (c − h, c) and decreasing i.e f'(x) < 0 in the interval (c, c + h).
- This suggests that f'(c) must be 0.
- Similarly, if c is a point of local minima of f, then the graph of f around c will be shown above in figure (b). Here the function f is decreasing i.e f'(x) < 0 in the interval (c − h, c) and increasing i.e f'(x) > 0 in the interval (c, c + h).
- Again this suggests that f'(c) must be 0.

Theorem (First Derivative Test):- Let f be a function defined on an open interval I. Let f be continuous at a critical point c in I. Then

- If f'(x) changes sign from positive to negative as x increases through c, i.e., if f'(x) > 0 at every point sufficiently close to and to the left of c, and f'(x) < 0 at every point sufficiently close to and to the right of c, then c is a point of local maxima.
- If f'(x) changes sign from negative to positive as x increases through c, i.e., if f'(x) < 0 at every point sufficiently close to and to the left of c, and f'(x) > 0 at every point sufficiently close to and to the right of c, then c is a point of local minima.

If f'(x) does not change sign as x increases through c, then c is neither a point of local maxima nor a point of local minima. Infact, such a point is called point of inflection.



Theorem (Second Derivative Test):- Let f be a function defined on an interval I and $c \in I$. Let f be twice differentiable at c. Then

- x = c is a point of local maxima if f'(c) = 0 and f''(c) < 0
- The value f(c) is local maximum value of f.
- x = c is a point of local minima if f'(c) = 0 and f''(c) > 0
- The value f(c) is local minimum value of f.
- The test fails if f'(c) = 0 and f''(c) = 0.
- In this case, we go back to the first derivative test and find whether c is a point of local maxima, local minima or a point of inflexion.

Example 1. Find local maximum and local minimum values of the function f given by $f(x) = 3x^4 + 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 12$.

- Solution:- We have, $f(x) = 3x^4 + 4x^3 12x^2 + 12$.
- $f'(x) = 12x^3 + 12x^2 24x = 12x(x^2 + x 2)$ = 12x(x - 1)(x + 2)
- f'(x) = 0 at x = 0, x = 1 and x = -2
- $f''(x) = 36x^2 + 24x 24 = 12(3x^2 + 2x 1)$
- f''(0) = -12 < 0, f''(1) = 48 > 0, f''(-2) = 84 > 0
- Therefore, by second derivative test, x = 0 is a point of local maxima and local maximum value of f at x = 0 is f(0) = 12.
- While x = 1 and x = -2 are the points of local minima and local minimum values of f at x = -1 and -2 are f(1) = 7 and f(-2) = -20, respectively.

<u>Maximum and Minimum Values of a Function in a</u> <u>Closed Interval</u>

- Theorem:-Let f be a continuous function on an interval I = [a, b]. Then f has the absolute maximum value and f attains it at least once in I. Also, f has the absolute minimum value and attains it at least once in I.
- Theorem:- Let f be a differentiable function on a closed interval I and let c be any interior point of I. Then
- f'(c) = 0 if f attains its absolute maximum value at c.
- f'(c) = 0 if f attains its absolute minimum value at c.

WORKING RULE:-

- Step 1: Find all critical points of f in the interval, i.e find points x where either f'(x) = 0 or f is not differentiable.
- Step 2: Take the end points of the interval.
- Step 3: At all these points, calculate the values of f.
- Step 4: Identify the maximum and minimum values of f out of the values calculated in step 3.
- The maximum value will be the absolute maximum (greatest) value of f and the minimum value will be the absolute minimum (least) value of f.

Example 2. Find the absolute maximum and minimum values of $f(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 12x - 5$ in [0,3]

Solution:- Given f(x) = 2x³ - 9x² + 12x - 5 in [0,3](i)
 It is differentiable for all x in [0,3].

• Differentiating (i) w.r.t.x, we get

• $f'(x) = 2.3x^2 - 9.2x + 12 = 6x^2 - 18x + 12 = 6(x^2 - 3x + 2)$

• Now
$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 6(x^2 - 3x + 2) = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$$
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• $(x - 1)(x - 2) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1,2$.

- Also 1, 2 both are in [0, 3], therefore, 1 and 2 both are turning points.
- Further, $f(1) = 2 \cdot 1^3 9 \cdot 1^2 + 12 \cdot 1 5 = 2 9 + 12 5 = 0$, • $f(2) = 2 \cdot 2^3 - 9 \cdot 2^2 + 12 \cdot 2 - 5 = 16 - 36 + 24 - 5 = -1$, • f(0) = -5
- and $f(3) = 2 \cdot 3^3 9 \cdot 3^2 + 12 \cdot 3 5 = 54 81 + 36 5 = 4$
- Therefore, the absolute maximum value = 4 and the absolute minimum value = -5. The point of maxima is 3 and the point of minima is 0.

Example 3. Show that the height of a cylinder of maximum volume that can be inscribed in a sphere of radius R is $\frac{2R}{3}$. Also find the maximum volume.

Solution:- Let h be the height and x be the diameter of the inscribed cylinder, then
 h² + x² = (2R)² ⇒ h² + x² = 4R² x² = 4R² - h².....(i)

Radius of the cylinder $=\frac{x}{2}$

Let V be the Volume of the inscribed cylinder,

Then $V = \pi \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2$. $h = \frac{\pi}{4} x^2 h$

 $V = \frac{\pi}{4} (4R^2 - h^2)h \Rightarrow V = \frac{\pi}{4} (4R^2h - h^3) \dots (ii) \text{ (using (i))}$



- Differentiating (ii) w.r.t.h, we get
- $\frac{dv}{dh} = \frac{\pi}{4} (4R^2 \cdot 1 3h^2)$ and $\frac{d^2v}{dh^2} = \frac{\pi}{4} (0 6h) = -\frac{3}{2}\pi h.$
- Now $\frac{dv}{dh} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}(4R^2 3h^2) = 0 \Rightarrow 3h^2 = 4R^2$
- $\Rightarrow h^2 = \frac{4R^2}{3} \Rightarrow \qquad h = \frac{2R}{\sqrt{3}} \qquad (h > 0)$
- Also when $h = \frac{2R}{\sqrt{3}}$, $\frac{d^2v}{dh^2} = -\frac{3}{2}\pi \cdot \frac{2R}{\sqrt{3}} = -\frac{3\pi R}{\sqrt{3}} < 0$
- \Rightarrow V is maximum when $h = \frac{2R}{\sqrt{2}}$.
- Also when $h = \frac{2R}{\sqrt{3}}$, $V = \frac{\pi}{4} \left(4R^2 \frac{4R^2}{3} \right) \cdot \frac{2R}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{4\pi R^3}{3\sqrt{3}}$.
- Therefore, the volume of the inscribed cylinder is maximum when the height of cylinder $=\frac{2R}{\sqrt{3}}$ and its maximum volume $=\frac{4\pi R^3}{3\sqrt{3}}$.

THANK YOU

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