

Day 22 is Tuesday, October 16, 2012

Start with analytical examples involving Section 5-1  
Concepts.

Example #1  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 36x$

Find critical values.

Solution  $f'(x) = 6x^2 - 6x - 36$

Notice  $f'(x)$  is polynomial, so  $f'(x)$  always exists.

Are there any  $x$ -values that will cause  $f'(x) = 0$ ?

Set  $f'(x) = 0$  and solve for  $x$

$$6x^2 - 6x - 36 = 0$$

factor this.

Factor out 6 first

$$6(x^2 - x - 6) = 0$$

$$6(x+2)(x-3) = 0$$

Solutions:  $x = -2, x = 3$

These are partition numbers for  $f'(x)$   
 (because they cause  $f'(x) = 0$ )

Are they critical values for  $f(x)$ ?

$f(x)$  exists for every  $x$  value.

So any ~~ex~~  $x$ -value that is a partition number for  $f'(x)$  is also a critical value for  $f(x)$ .

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So critical values are  $x = -2, x = 3$ .

Harder example:  $f(x) = 4x^3 + 39x^2 - 144x + 2$

Find critical values.

Solution:  $f'(x) = 12x^2 + 78x - 144$

How do you factor that?!?

From wolfram:  $f'(x)$  factors as  $f(x) = 6(x+8)(2x-3)$

So  $f'(x) = 0$  when  $x = -8$  or  $x = \frac{3}{2}$

Example #3  $f(x) = -x^4 + 50x^2$

Find intervals where  $f(x)$  is increasing or decreasing.

Find the local max + mins (x-values)

Find the y-coordinates at local max & mins.

Solution Study the sign of  $f'(x)$ .

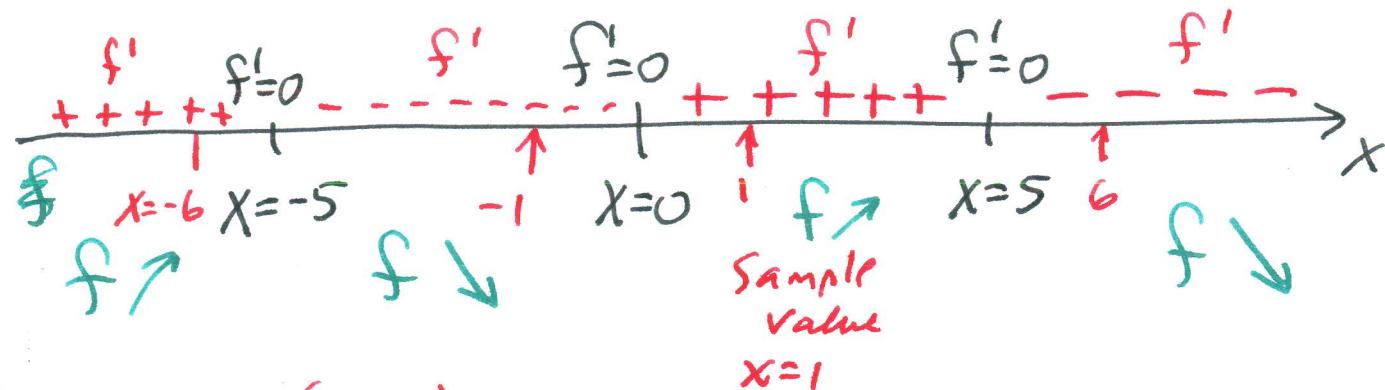
$$f'(x) = -4x^3 + 100x = -4x(x^2 - 25)$$

$$= -4x \underbrace{(x+5)(x-5)}_{\text{critical values}} \quad x=0 \quad x=-5 \quad x=5$$

These are the x-values where  $f'(x) = 0$ .

Study sign of  $f'(x)$  ~~or~~ by making  
a sign chart.

Sign chart  
 $f' = f'(x) = -4x(x+5)(x-5)$



$$\begin{aligned} f'(-6) &= -4(-6)(-6+5)(-6-5) \\ &= 24(-1)(-11) \\ &= \text{positive} \end{aligned}$$

$$f'(-1) = (-4)(-1)(-1+5)(-1-5) = 4(4)(-6) = \text{negative}$$

$$f'(1) = (-4)(1)(1+5)(1-5) = (-4)(6)(-4) = \text{positive}$$

$$f'(6) = (-4)(6)(6+5)(6-5) = (-24)(11)(1) = \text{negative}$$

Convert (translate) information about  $f'$  into information about  $f$ .  
 (use Reference 8) Show translated info in green.

Conclude that

$f$  increasing on the intervals  $(-\infty, -5)$  and  $(0, 5)$   
because  $f'$  is positive there.

$f$  decreasing on the intervals  $(-5, 0)$  and  $(5, \infty)$   
because  $f'$  is negative there.

~~too~~

$f$  has local max at  $x = -5$  and  $x = 5$   
because  $f'$  changes from pos to neg.  
at those critical values.

$f$  has local min at  $x = 0$  because  
at that critical value,  $f'$  changes from  
neg to pos.

Now find the y-coordinates of the max & mins.

x-values  $x = -5, x = 0, x = 5$ .

Substitute these x-values into  $f(x)$ .

(Not into  $f'(x)$ , because that would give us the slopes, not the y-values.  
And we already know that the slopes are 0.)

$$\begin{aligned}f(-5) &= -(-5)^4 + 50(-5)^2 \\&= -625 + 1250 \\&= 625\end{aligned}$$

So local max at  $(x,y) = (-5, 625)$

$$f(0) = -0^4 + 50(0)^2 = 0$$

So local min at  $(x,y) = (0, 0)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(5) &= -5^4 + 50(5)^2 \\
 &= -625 + 1250 \\
 &= 625
 \end{aligned}$$

local max at  $(x, y) = (5, 625)$

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Applied example

A Drug is administered by pill

The drug concentration in the bloodstream is

described by the ~~exact~~ function  $c(t)$  (milligrams per milliliter)

$$c(t) = \frac{0.14t}{t^2 + 1} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 21$$

(A) Find intervals of increase & decrease

(B) Find  $t$ -coordinate of any local max or min

(C) Find  $c(t)$  for any local max or min.

Solution strategy: get  $c'(t)$ , study its sign behaviour.

$$c'(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{.14t}{t^2 + 1} \right) \quad \text{quotient rule!}$$

$$= \frac{\left( \frac{d}{dt} .14t \right)(t^2 + 1) - (.14t) \left( \frac{d}{dt} t^2 + 1 \right)}{(t^2 + 1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(.14)(t^2 + 1) - (.14t)(2t)}{(t^2 + 1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{.14t^2 + .14 - 2(.14t^2)}{(t^2 + 1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{- .14t^2 + .14}{(t^2 + 1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(-.14)(t^2 - 1)}{(t^2 + 1)^2} \quad \text{factored out } -.14$$

$$c'(t) = \frac{(-.14)(t+1)(t-1)}{(t^2 + 1)^2} \quad \text{factored } t^2 - 1 = (t+1)(t-1)$$

What are the partition numbers for  $c'(t)$ ?

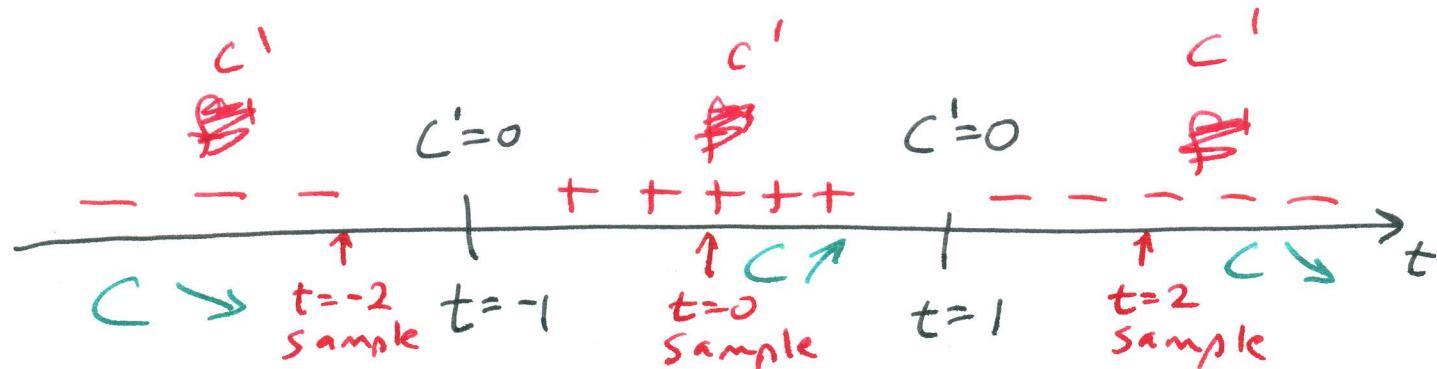
What values of  $t$  will cause  $c'(t) = 0$   
or  $c'(t)$  DNE?

Observe denominator is always  $\geq 1$  so denominator  
will never be zero. So  $c'$  will never be undefined.

Are there any values of  $t$  that will cause  $c'(t) = 0$

Yes!  $t = +1$  and  $t = -1$ ,

Make a sign chart for  $c'(t)$



$$c'(0) = \frac{(-.14)(0+1)(0-1)}{(0^2+1)^2} = \frac{(-.14)(1)(-1)}{1} = \text{pos}$$

$$c'(2) = \frac{(-.14)(2+1)(2-1)}{(2^2+1)^2} = \frac{\text{neg. pos. pos}}{\text{pos}} = \text{neg}$$

$$c'(-2) = \frac{(-.14)(-2+1)(-2-1)}{(-2^2+1)^2} = \frac{\text{neg. neg. neg}}{\text{pos}} = \text{neg}$$

Translate into info about  $c(t)$ , write in green

Conclusion

$C(t)$  increasing on the interval  $(-1, 1)$

$C(t)$  decreasing on the intervals  $(-\infty, -1)$  and  $(1, \infty)$

But wait, our domain is  $0 \leq t \leq 21$

$C(t)$  is increasing on interval  $(0, 1)$

$C(t)$  is decreasing on interval  $(1, 21)$

(B) Local max at  $t = 1$

(C)  $C(t)$  coordinate of max is

$$C(1) = \frac{.14(1)}{1^2 + 1} = \frac{.14}{2} = .07 \text{ milligrams per milliliter.}$$

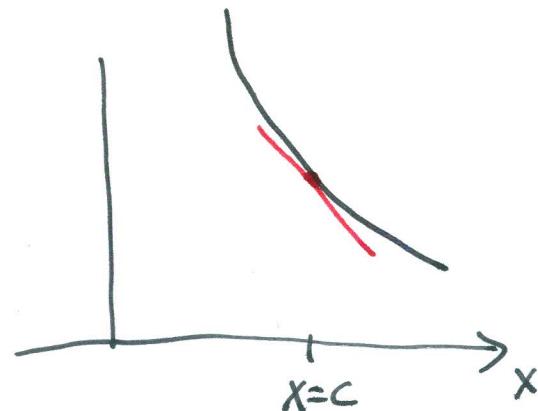
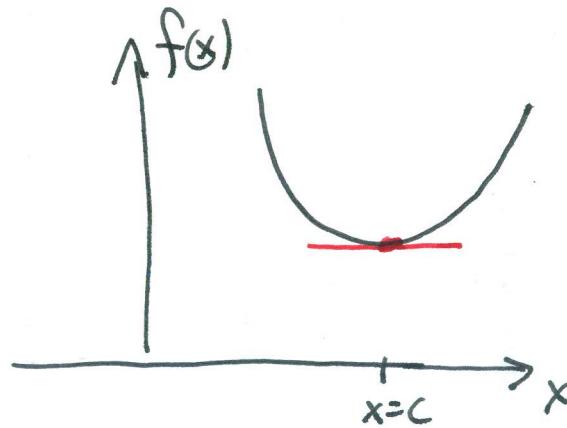
## Section 5-2 2<sup>nd</sup> Derivatives and Concavity

Define Concavity at a particular x-value

words:  $f$  is concave up at  $x=c$ .

meaning: The graph of  $f$  has a tangent line at  $x=c$  and for  $x$  values near  $x=c$ , the graph of  $f$  stays above the tangent line

pictures

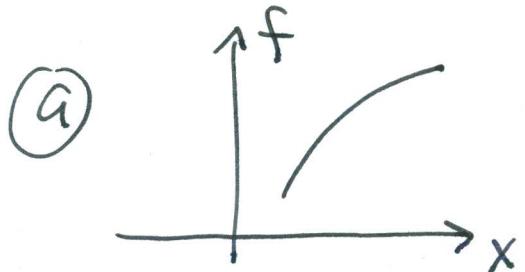


## Correspondence

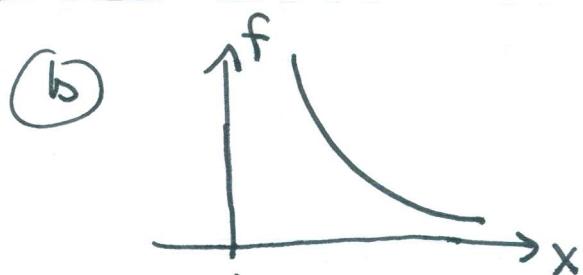
If  $f''(c)$  is positive then  $f$  is concave up at  $x=c$

If  $f''(c)$  is negative then  $f$  is concave down at  $x=c$ .

Drill For each graph, tell whether  $f, f', f''$  are pos or neg.



- $f$  + because  $f$  is above x-axis  
 $f'$  + because  $f$  is increasing  
 $f''$  - because  $f$  is concave down

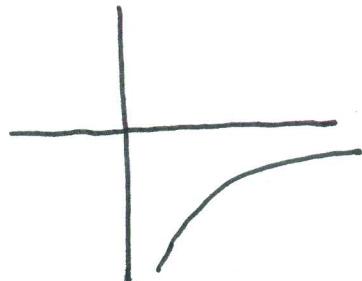


- $f$  + above x-axis  
 $f'$  -  $f$  decreasing  
 $f''$  +  $f$  concave up

Drill

For each graph, say whether  $f, f', f''$

(c)

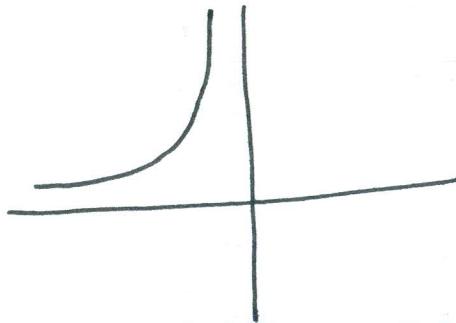


$f$  neg because graph is below x-axis

$f'$  pos because  $f$  increasing

$f''$  neg because  $f$  concave down

(d)



$f$  (+) because graph is ~~better~~ above the x-axis

$f'$  (+) because  $f$  is increasing

$f''$  (+) because  $f$  is concave up.