

Lecture 28

Today's topics:-

- Second derivative test
- Optimisation.

Read Ch 5.7

Ex. 5.7.1 - 5.7.14 (optimisation)

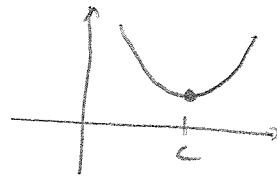
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Second Derivative Test

- Another test for properties of local extrema
- Use when f'' easy to compute (or use 1st deriv test)

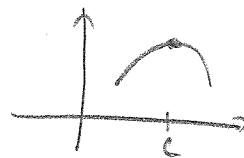
Cases:

a) If $f'(c) = 0$
and $f''(c) > 0$



local min
(concave up)

b) If $f'(c) = 0$
and $f''(c) < 0$



local max.
(concave down)

c) If $f''(c) = 0$, test is inconclusive.

→ use 1st deriv test.

(check f' on left and right).

Examples:

a) $f(x) = x^3 - 9x^2 + 24x$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 18x + 24$$

$$= 3(x^2 - 6x + 8)$$

$$= 3(x-4)(x-2)$$

critical points : $x=2, 4$

$$f''(x) = 6x - 18$$

$$f''(2) = -6 \rightarrow \text{local max at } x=2 \quad \wedge$$

$$f''(4) = 6 \rightarrow \text{local min at } x=4 \quad \vee$$

b) $f(x) = x^4$

$$f'(x) = 4x^3$$

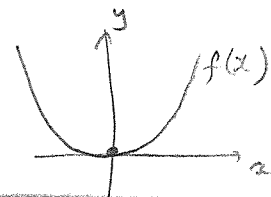
critical points

$$x=0$$

$$f''(x) = 12x^2$$

$$f''(0) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{inconclusive}$$

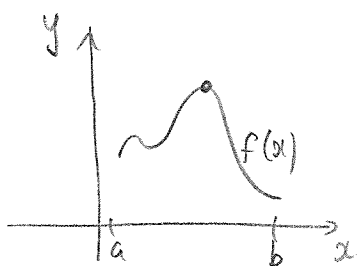
1st deriv
test \Rightarrow local
min



Optimisation:

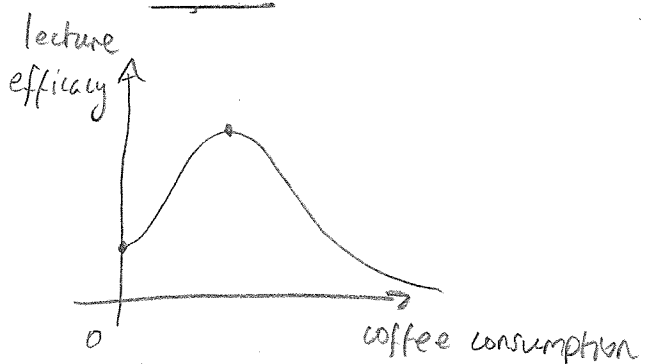
→ Closed interval method disguised in an application.

Before



Find the global max of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$.

Now

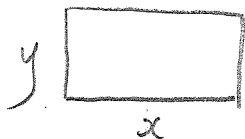


Find coffee consumption that maximises lecture efficacy.

Example 1

Given 100 metres of fence, what is the largest rectangular area that can be contained within the fence? What dimensions does this rectangle have?

Set up.



$$\text{constraint} = 2x + 2y = 100. \quad (\text{total fence})$$

$$\text{maximise area: } A = xy.$$

↑
want as a function of a single variable.

→ Use constraint to eliminate a variable.

$$2x + 2y = 100$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{100 - 2x}{2} = 50 - x$$

Now $A(x) = x(50 - x)$

↑

area as a

function of x . - use CIM to find global max.

domain?

$$0 \leq x \leq 50$$

area must be ≥ 0 .

$$A(x) = 50x - x^2$$

$$A'(x) = 50 - 2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 25 \leftarrow \text{critical point}$$

Test end points

$$A(0) = A(50) = 0$$

Test critical point

$$A(25) = 25^2 = 625 \text{ m}^2 \Rightarrow \text{max area} = 625 \text{ m}^2$$

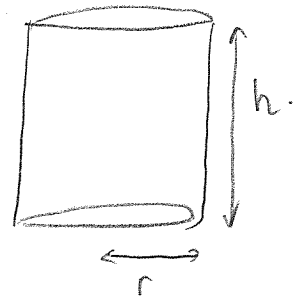
dimensions: $x = 25$

$$y = 50 - 25 = 25$$

$25 \text{ m} \times 25 \text{ m} = \text{a square!}$

Example 2.

For a cylinder with a fixed surface area S , find the base radius that maximises the volume V .



$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

$$S = \underbrace{2\pi r^2}_{\text{top \& bottom}} + \underbrace{2\pi r h}_{\text{side}}$$

→ Write in terms of one variable.

→ Use the fact that S is fixed

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

$$S = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r h$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{S - 2\pi r^2}{2\pi r}$$

$$\Rightarrow V(r) = \pi r^2 \left(\frac{S - 2\pi r^2}{2\pi r} \right) = \frac{1}{2} r (S - 2\pi r^2) \quad 0 \leq r \leq \sqrt{\frac{S}{2\pi}}$$

Critical pts.

$$V'(r) = \frac{1}{2} S - \pi (3r^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r^2 = \frac{S}{6\pi} \Rightarrow r = \sqrt{\frac{S}{6\pi}}$$

Since at end pts $V=0$ and $V\left(\sqrt{\frac{S}{6\pi}}\right) > 0$,

$r = \sqrt{\frac{S}{6\pi}}$ maximises the volume

Next time: Antiderivatives

→ Reversing the differentiation procedure.

Eg. $f(x) = x^2$

The antiderivative $F(x)$ satisfies $\frac{dF}{dx} = f(x)$.

$$F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 \text{ works ...}$$

$$\text{So does } F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + C$$

↑
arbitrary constant

This is the general antiderivative.