

SOLUTIONS CHAPTER 6.2

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Proof. Compute the derivative:

$$f'(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2} = \frac{(x-1)(x+1)}{x^2}$$

The sign of this function is as follows: “+” in $(-\infty, -1)$, “-” in $(-1, 0)$ and $(0, 1)$, “+” in $(1, \infty)$ (mind the fact that the denominator is **always** positive). Hence we have f increasing up to -1, decreasing up to 1 (in the sense that to the left of 0 it decreases to $-\infty$ and then to the right it starts from ∞ and decreases further) and increasing afterwards; hence we have a relative max in -1, not defined (of course!) in 0 and relative minimum in 1. □

2b

Proof. Compute the derivative:

$$\frac{(x^2 + 1) - x * 2x}{(x^2 + 1)^2} = \frac{1 - x^2}{(x^2 + 1)^2} = \frac{(1 - x)(1 + x)}{(1 + x^2)^2}$$

The sign of this derivative is (again, the denominator is positive!): “-” in $(-\infty, -1)$, “+” in $(-1, 1)$ and “-” in $(1, \infty)$; hence f is decreasing up to -1, then increasing up to 1, then decreasing afterwards, with -1 being relative minimum and 1 being relative maximum. □

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Proof. By the definition of absolute value, we have that f is: $x^2 - 1$ if $x \in [-4, -1] \cup [1, 4]$; $1 - x^2$ for $x \in (-1, 1)$. Hence f' is: $2x$ if $x \in [-4, -1] \cup [1, 4]$; $-2x$ for $x \in (-1, 1)$. We notice that f' doesn't exist for $x = \pm 1$. Hence critical numbers are ± 1 and 0 (that's where the derivative is 0)¹. Let's see what happens to the sign of f' ... which is best to find relative extrema: f' is “-” for $x \in (-4, -1)$, then “+” for $x \in (-1, 0)$, “-” for $x \in (0, 1)$ and finally “+” for $x \in (1, 4)$. So we see that -1 and 1 are relative minima, and 0 is a relative maximum (why? f decreases up to -1, increases afterwards up to 0, decreases again up to 1, and decreases afterwards up to 4 ... following the behaviour of f' 's sign. □

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¹remember that critical number means the x -value where f' is 0 or doesn't exist!

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Proof. Let's find the derivative of f :

$$\begin{aligned} f' &= \sum_{i=1}^n 2(a_i - x) * (-1) = -2a_1 + 2x - 2a_2 + 2x - \cdots - 2a_n + 2x = \\ &= -2(a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n) + 2nx \end{aligned}$$

The zero of f' is $\frac{2(a_1+a_2+\cdots+a_n)}{2n} = \frac{a_1+a_2+\cdots+a_n}{n}$ and the sign of this function is as follows: "−" for $x < \frac{a_1+a_2+\cdots+a_n}{n}$ and "+" for $x > \frac{a_1+a_2+\cdots+a_n}{n}$, so $\frac{a_1+a_2+\cdots+a_n}{n}$ is a relative minimum (f decreases up to it, and increases afterwards). \square

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Proof. By MVTh we have that, since \sin is continuous and differentiable actually everywhere, for any interval $[x, y]$ there exists a $c \in (x, y)$ such that $\sin y - \sin x = \sin' c * (y - x) \iff \sin y - \sin x = \cos c * (y - x) \Rightarrow |\sin y - \sin x| = |\cos c| * |(y - x)|$. But $|\cos c| \leq 1$ for any c , hence

$$\begin{aligned} |\sin y - \sin x| &= |\cos c| * |(y - x)| \leq 1 * |(y - x)| \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow |\sin y - \sin x| \leq |y - x| \end{aligned}$$

\square

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Proof. Since \log is continuous and differentiable for $x \geq 1$ we have (by MVTh) that there's a $c \in (1, x)$ such that $\log x - \log 1 = \log' c(x - 1) \iff \log x - \log 1 = \frac{1}{c}(x - 1)$ Use now the fact that $c > 1$ (and tacitly the fact that $\log 1 = 0$):

$$\log x = \frac{x - 1}{c} < \frac{x - 1}{1} = x - 1$$

which is the second inequality that needed to be proved; secondly, $c < x$ so we have:

$$\log x = \frac{x - 1}{c} > \frac{x - 1}{x}$$

which is the first inequality. \square

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Proof. To compute $g'(0)$ we have to rely on the definition; why? let's take a look at the derivative elsewhere:

$$g' = 1 + 4x \sin \frac{1}{x} + 2x^2 * \cos \frac{1}{x} \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right) = 1 + 4x \sin \frac{1}{x} - 2 \cos \frac{1}{x}$$

and as you can see getting close to zero meeses up the third term (first is just 1, and second gets tamed by the x , which will make the second term go to 0 ... nothing helps the third term though).

$$g'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x + 2x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 1 + 2x \sin \frac{1}{x} = 1$$

(again, the x tames the wild $\sin \frac{1}{x}$). As for the multitude of signs around 0, check the following two sequences: $x_n = \frac{2}{2n\pi}$ and $y_n = \frac{1}{(2n+1)\pi}$; both converge to 0 (hence we get as close to 0 as we want, and $g'(x_n) = 1 + \frac{1}{2n\pi} \sin \frac{1}{\frac{2}{2n\pi}} - 2 \cos \frac{1}{\frac{2}{2n\pi}} = 1 + \frac{1}{2n\pi} \sin 2n\pi - 2 \cos 2n\pi = 1 - 2 = -1$ while $g'(y_n) = 1 + 2 = 3$, so one is negative while the second one is positive \Rightarrow we have both signs in any neighbourhood of 0. \square

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Proof. If such an f existed, it would be differentiable (hence continuous) hence we could use the MVTh ... but then we would have, for $x > 0$:

$$f(x) - f(0) = f'(c)(x - 0) = x \Rightarrow f(x) = x + f(0)$$

for some $0 < c < x$. Also, for $x < 0$ we could have:

$$f(0) - f(x) = f'(d)(0 - x) = 0 * (0 - x) = 0 \Rightarrow f(x) = f(0)$$

for some $x < d < 0$. So our function should look like this: $f(x) = x + f(0)$ for $x > 0$ and $f(x) = f(0)$ for $x < 0$. This function is continuous alright ... but it's not differentiable in 0!! so we reach a dead end: there's no such function.

As an example for two functions ... just make the negative part differ by a constant, while keeping the positive part fixed: $g(x) = 0$ for $x < 0$ and $g(x) = x$ for $x \geq 0$ and $h(x) = 1$ for $x < 0$ and $h(x) = x$ for $x \geq 0$ \square

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Proof. Just use MVTh: have $x < y$, $x, y \in I$, and since f is differentiable (hence continuous) in I , it is also in the interval $[x, y]$; we get:

$$f(y) - f(x) = f'(c)(y - x)$$

for some $c \in (x, y)$; but $f'(c) > 0$, $y - x > 0$ hence

$$f(y) - f(x) > 0 \Rightarrow f(y) > f(x)$$

hence we get that f is strictly increasing ($f(x) = f(y)$ would mean that there's a c such that $f'(c) = 0$, which is not true, f' being **strictly** bigger than 0). \square