

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY College of Arts & Sciences

**Problem 1.** Find two positive numbers such that the sum of the first and thrice the second number is 60 and the product of the numbers is a maxima.

**Problem 2.** The sum of 2 positive numbers is 16. What is the smallest possible value of the sum of their squares? Show that this value is a minimum by using second derivative test.

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**Problem 3.** Find the dimensions of a rectangle which has an area of 225 square centimeters and the smallest possible perimeter. What is the perimeter of this rectangle?

**Problem 4.** What is the absolute maxima and the absolute minima of the function given below? Are there any local extremas?



**Problem 5.** Find the absolute maxima and the absolute minima for  $f(x) = x^4 - 18x^2 + 32$  on the interval [-4, 4].

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**Problem 6.** You would like to make an open rectangular box with a square base from 48  $m^2$  of material. Find the dimensions of the box that will result in it's largest possible volume.

**Problem 7.** A container, in the shape of a right circular cylinder with no top, has surface area of 3  $m^2$ . Find the height h and base radius r that will maximize the volume of this cylinder. The volume of a cylinder is  $\pi r^2 h$ .

Problem 8. Find the absolute maxima and the absolute minima of the function

 $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 2x^2 - 21x + 7$  on the interval [0, 6].

**Problem 9.** A rectangular garden needs to be fenced. There is \$320 available for this project. Three sides of the fence will be constructed with wire fencing at the cost of \$2 per foot. The fourth side will be constructed with wood fencing at a cost of \$6 per foot. Find the length of the sides as well as the area of the largest garden that can be fenced in this way.

**Problem 10.** If a function f(x) is continuous on an interval [a, b], discuss whether the following statements are true of false.

(1) f(x) must have a local maxima and a local minima on [a, b].

- (2) f(x) must have an absolute maxima and an absolute minima on [a, b].
- (3) If x = c is the only critical point on the interval [a, b], and f(c) is a local minima, then f(x) has an absolute minima at x = c.
- (4) The point x = b can be a local maxima as well as an absolute maxima of the function f(x).

**Problem 11.** Does the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  have an absolute maxima or an absolute minima on the interval  $(-\infty, \infty)$ ? What about any local externa?

**Problem 12.** Find the absolute extremas for  $f(x) = -\frac{x+4}{x-4}$  on the interval [0,3].

**Problem 13.** Find the absolute extremas for  $f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$  on the interval [1,4].