First Derivative Test and Newton's Method Practice

- 1. Find all maximum and minimums for the following functions:
 - a. $f(x) = x^3 3x^2 + 5$

b. $g(x) = -2x^3 + 24x$ on [-1, 3]

c.
$$h(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^4 + 8x - 5$$

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2. Use Newton's method to find the zeros to the slope so you can find the local extremas. (Note: This function was made so the slope has zeros at very recognizable fractions in the interval [-7, 4])

$$k(x) = \frac{1}{1000} \left(14.4x^5 + 169.5x^4 + 391.667x^3 - 2050x^2 - 10500x \right)$$

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3. Use Newton's method to find the zeros of the slope so you can find ALL extremas of the function on the interval [-2, 1] (This function was made so the coefficients look pretty and that was it)

 $L(x) = x^5 + 2x^4 - 3x^3 - 4x^2 + 5x$

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4. Why does Newton's method fail to find zeros of the following function?

$$M(x) = x^4 + x + 0.5$$

5. What zeros will the different choices of z_0 find using Newton's method? (the circled points labeled in Greek letters). Some tangent lines are given.



What would happen if $z_0 = \delta$ but the entire graph was shifted down very slightly so that there was no zero at *B*?

Solutions:

- 1.
- a. Local Max: f(0) = 5; Local Min: g(2) = 1
- b. Absolute Max: g(2) = 32; Absolute Min: g(-1) = -22; Local Min: g(3) = 18 (endpoint)
- c. Absolute Min: $h(-\sqrt[3]{4}) = -14.524$; No maximums
- 2. Local Max: k(-5.25) = 13.281; Local Min: k(2.5) = -24.915; Note that x = -3.33 is not a critical point since k'(x) does not change signs around it
- 3. Absolute Max: L(0.507) = 1.281; Absolute Min: L(-1.071) = -5.035; Local Min: L(0.934) = 0.969; Local Min: L(-2) = -2 (endpoint); Local Max: L(-1.971) = -1.986; Local Max: L(1) = 1 (endpoint)
- 4. Hint: Think about the extremas of the curve. Another hint is in the next problem.
- 5. *A* is found by: α and η
 - B is found by: γ , δ , ε , and ζ
 - C is found by: β , θ , and λ

If the graph is shifted down then using $z_0 = \delta$ will result in what happens with the previous question.