

Introduction to Optimization

Relative Extrema – Group Assignment

Directions: Find the relative minimums and maximums of the following functions on each given interval. Specify where they occur.

1) $f(x) = x^2 + 6x$ $[-5, 1]$

2) $f(x) = \cos^2 x - \sin x$ $[\pi, 2\pi]$

3) $f(x) = x^3 - 12x + 5$ $(-\infty, \infty)$

4) $f(x) = \frac{3x}{x^2 + 4}$ $[0, \infty)$