

Applications of the First Derivative.

- 1. Find the interval where the function is increasing and the interval where it is decreasing.**

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + 4x + 2$$

- 2. Find the intervals where the function is increasing and the intervals where it is decreasing.**

$$f(x) = 1/4x^4 - 1/2x^2 + 2$$

- 3. Find the interval where the function is increasing and the intervals where it is decreasing.**

$$f(x) = 1/(x - 2)$$

- 4. Find the x - values of the relative maxima and relative minima of the function below.**

$$g(x) = (1/2)x^2 - 2x + 3$$

- 5. Find the x - values of the relative maxima and relative minima of the function below.**

$$f(x) = 25/4x^4 - 100/3x^3 + 1$$

- 6. A certain company manufactures an indoor-outdoor thermometer. Management estimates that the profit (in dollars) realizable by the company for the manufacture and sale of x - units of thermometers each week is represented by the function below, where $x \geq 0$. Find the interval where the profit function P is increasing and the interval where P is decreasing.**

$$P(x) = -0.001x^2 + 4x - 5000$$