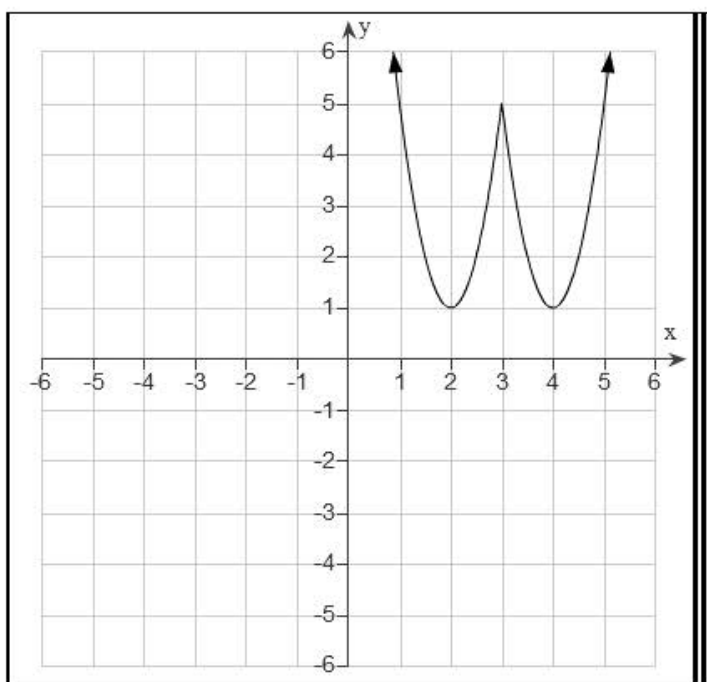


Definitions of Relative Maximum and Relative Minimum

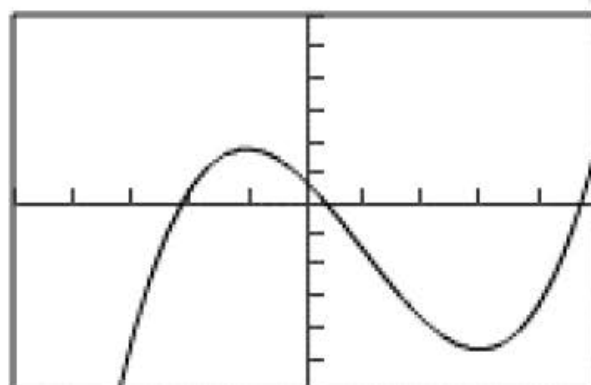
1. A function value $f(a)$ is a relative maximum of f if there exists an open interval containing a such that $f(a) > f(x)$ for all $x \neq a$ in open interval.
2. A function value $f(b)$ is a relative minimum of f if there exists an open interval containing b such that $f(b) < f(x)$ for all $x \neq b$ in the open interval.

The word local is sometimes used instead of relative when describing maxima or minima.

Example 2: Use the graph to find each of the following, a) The numbers, if any, at which f has a relative maximum. What are these relative maxima? B) The numbers, if any, at which f has a relative minimum. What are these relative minima?



$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 6x^2 - 18x + 7$$



$[-5, 5, 1]$ by $[-60, 60, 10]$