1. (10 points) This problem concerns the function $f(x)=\sqrt[3]{8-x^{3}}$.
(a) Find the critical points of $f$.
(b) Find the intervals on which $f$ increases and on which it decreases.
(c) Use your answer from part (a) to identify the locations ( $x$ values) of any local extrema of $f$.
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2. (10 points) This problem concerns the function $f(x)=\tan ^{-1}\left(x^{2}+x-2\right)$.
(a) Find the critical points of $f$.
(b) Find the intervals on which $f$ increases and on which it decreases.
(c) Use your answer from part (a) to identify the locations ( $x$ values) of any local extrema of $f$.
