

# Chapter 33

# MATH 200

② Find global extrema of  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x$  on  $[0, 2]$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 3 = 3(x^2 - 1) = 3(x-1)(x+1) = 0$$

$\leftarrow \quad \rightarrow$   
Critical pts:  $x=1$     $x=-1$

The only critical point in  $[0, 2]$  is  $x=1$

$$f(0) = 0^3 - 3 \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$f(1) = 1^3 - 3 \cdot 1 = -2$$

$$f(2) = 2^3 - 3 \cdot 2 = 2$$

Global minimum is  $f(1) = -2$  at  $x=1$

Global maximum is  $f(2) = 2$  at  $x=2$ .

④ Find global extrema of  $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}(x-8)$  on  $[-1, 27]$

$$f(x) = x^{1/3}(x-8) = x^{4/3} - 8x^{1/3}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{4}{3}x^{1/3} - \frac{8}{3}x^{-2/3} = \frac{4}{3}\sqrt[3]{x} - \frac{8}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}} = \frac{4}{3}\left(\sqrt[3]{x} - \frac{2}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} \frac{x-2}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$$

← Critical points are 0, 2

$$f(-1) = \sqrt[3]{-1}(-1-8) = 9$$

$$f(0) = \sqrt[3]{0}(0-8) = 0$$

$$f(2) = \sqrt[3]{2}(2-8) = -6\sqrt[3]{2} \quad \leftarrow \text{global min.}$$

$$f(27) = \sqrt[3]{27}(27-8) = 3 \cdot 19 = 57 \quad \leftarrow \text{global max.}$$

Global minimum is  $f(2) = -6\sqrt[3]{2}$  at  $x=2$

Global maximum is  $f(27) = 57$  at  $x=27$

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⑧ Find the global extrema of  $f(x) = 2\sqrt{x} - x$  on the open interval  $(0, 4)$ .

$$f(x) = 2x^{\frac{1}{2}} - x$$

$$f'(x) = x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - 1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} - 1$$

$f'(x)$  is not defined at  $x=0$ , but this critical point is not in  $(0, 4)$ .

To find other critical points, solve

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} - 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = 1$$

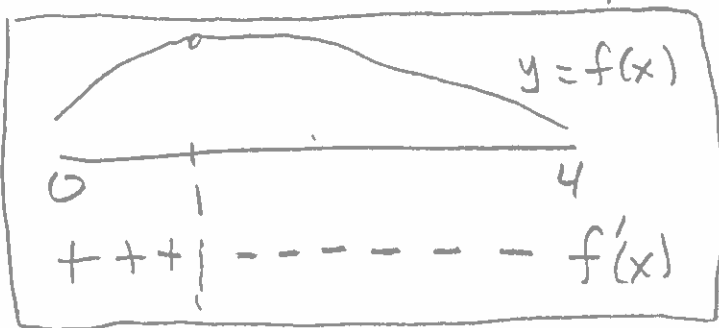
$$1 = \sqrt{x}$$

$$x = 1$$

critical point.

Thus there is only one critical point  $x=1$  in the interval  $(0, 4)$ .

By the 1<sup>st</sup> derivative test, there is a local max at  $x=1$



Thus  $f(x)$  has a global max at  $x=1$ .  
No global minimum