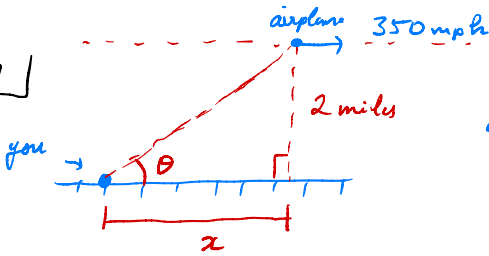


# Lecture 16: Relative extrema and critical numbers

HW 15 # 7



angle of elevation  
decreasing RoC when  
 $\theta = \pi/6$ ?

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 350$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} \Big|_{\pi/6} = ??$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$\sec^2 \theta \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dt} = -2 x^{-2} \frac{dx}{dt}$$

if  $\theta = \pi/6$ , then

$$\tan \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$x = 2\sqrt{3}$$

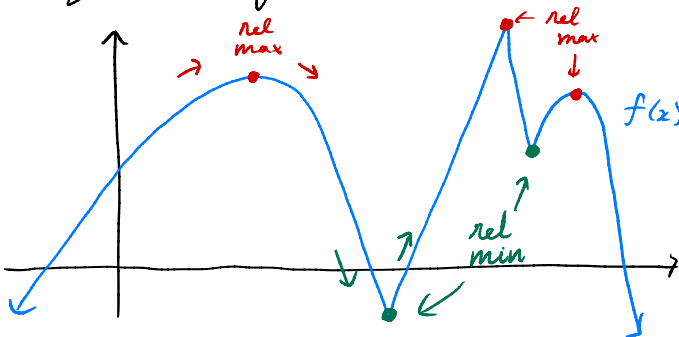
$$\sec^2\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dt} \Big|_{\theta=\pi/6} = -2(2\sqrt{3})^{-2} \cdot 350 \quad \checkmark$$

## Relative extrema

A function goes  $\nearrow$  then  $\searrow$   
or function goes  $\searrow$  then  $\nearrow$

relative max

relative min



## Critical number

A value  $x=c$  of a function  $f(x)$  is a critical number of  $f(x)$  if

1)  $x=c$  is in the domain of  $f$  ( $f(c)$  defined)

2) either  $f'(c) = 0$  OR  $f'(c)$  DNE.

## How to find relative extrema

Step 1: find all critical numbers

Step 2: use the derivative near the critical numbers to test for sign changes.

e.g. find the critical numbers of  $y = 3x^2 - 6x$

$$y' = 6x - 6$$

$$y' = 0$$

$$6x - 6 = 0$$

$$6x = 6$$

$$x = 1$$

critical number  $x = 1$

$$y' \text{ DNE}$$

X nothing here

②  $y = 9x^2 - \frac{9}{x^2}$  find all critical numbers

$$y' = 18x + \frac{18}{x^3}$$

note  $x=0$  is not in the domain

$y' = 0$	$y'$ DNE
$18x + \frac{18}{x^3} = 0$ $18x = -\frac{18}{x^3}$ $18x^4 = -18$ $x^4 = -1$ <p>no soln.</p>	$y' = 18x + \frac{18}{x^3}$ $= \frac{18x^4 + 18}{x^3}$ <p>good idea: check when denominator = 0.</p> $x^3 = 0$ $x = 0 \quad \times \text{ not a critical number because not in domain}$

No critical numbers.

③  $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$  find the critical numbers.

$$y = x^{1/3}$$

$$y' = \frac{1}{3} x^{-2/3} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$$

$y' = 0$	$y'$ DNE
$\frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}} = 0 \cdot \sqrt[3]{x^2}$ $\frac{1}{3} = 0 \quad \times$ <p>no soln</p>	$\frac{1}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}} \text{ DNE}$ <p>good idea: check when denominator = 0</p> $3\sqrt[3]{x^2} = 0 \quad \boxed{x = 0}$

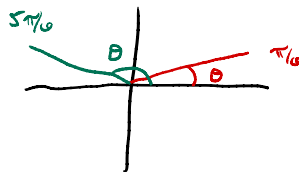
④  $y = 2\cos(8x) + 8x$  find all critical on  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$

$$y' = -16\sin(8x) + 8$$

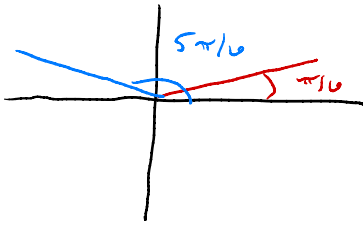
$y' \text{ DNE}$  no critical number /

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{y' = 0} \quad & -16\sin(8x) + 8 = 0 \\ & 16\sin(8x) = 8 \\ & \sin(8x) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{on } 0 \leq x \leq \pi \end{aligned}$$

Recall  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$   $\rightsquigarrow$



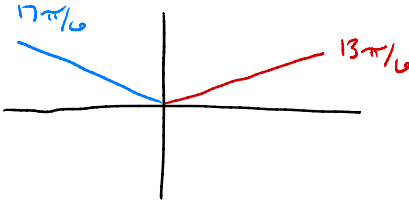
zero  
times  
around  
circle



$$\begin{aligned} 8x &= \frac{7\pi}{6} \\ x &= \frac{7\pi}{6 \cdot 8} \\ &= \frac{7\pi}{48} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8x &= \frac{5\pi}{6} \\ x &= \frac{5\pi}{6 \cdot 8} \\ &= \frac{5\pi}{48} \end{aligned}$$

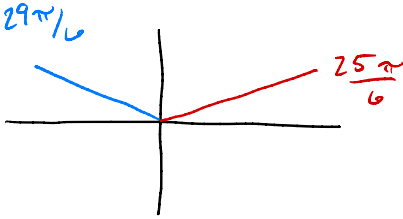
1 times  
around



$$\begin{aligned} 8x &= \frac{13\pi}{6} \\ x &= \frac{13\pi}{48} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8x &= \frac{17\pi}{6} \\ x &= \frac{17\pi}{48} \end{aligned}$$

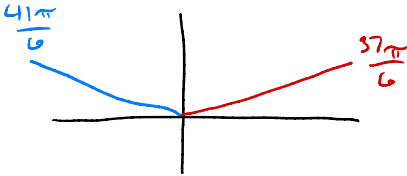
2 times  
around



$$\begin{aligned} 8x &= \frac{25\pi}{6} \\ x &= \frac{25\pi}{48} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8x &= \frac{29\pi}{6} \\ x &= \frac{29\pi}{48} \end{aligned}$$

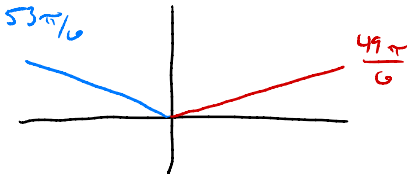
3 times  
around



$$\begin{aligned} 8x &= \frac{37\pi}{6} \\ x &= \frac{37\pi}{48} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8x &= \frac{41\pi}{6} \\ x &= \frac{41\pi}{48} \end{aligned}$$

4 times  
around



$$\begin{aligned} 8x &= \frac{49\pi}{6} \\ x &= \frac{49\pi}{48} > \pi \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8x &= \frac{53\pi}{6} \\ x &= \frac{53\pi}{48} > \pi \end{aligned}$$

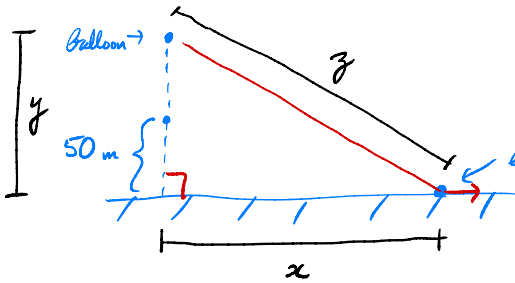
too large!

Critical points :  $\frac{\pi}{48}, \frac{5\pi}{48}, \frac{13\pi}{48}, \frac{17\pi}{48}, \frac{25\pi}{48}, \frac{29\pi}{48}$

$\frac{37\pi}{48}, \frac{41\pi}{48}.$

# Lecture 16: Relative extrema and critical numbers.

HW 15 #81



• Balloon rising at 5 m/sec

• Bike speed 10 m/sec

Bike how fast is dist b/w bike and balloon incr. 10 secs later?

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = +5 \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = +10 \quad \frac{dz}{dt} \Big|_{t=10} = ??$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = z^2$$

$$2x \frac{dx}{dt} + 2y \frac{dy}{dt} = 2z \frac{dz}{dt}$$

find  $x, y, z$  when  $t=10$ .

$t=0$



$t=10$



$x = 100$  m since bike moving 10 m/sec

$y = 50$  m + 50 m since we started at 50 m and rose at 5 m/sec

$$z = \sqrt{100^2 + 100^2} = 100\sqrt{2}$$

$$2(100) \cdot 10 + 2(100)5 = 2(100\sqrt{2}) \left. \frac{dz}{dt} \right|_{t=10}$$

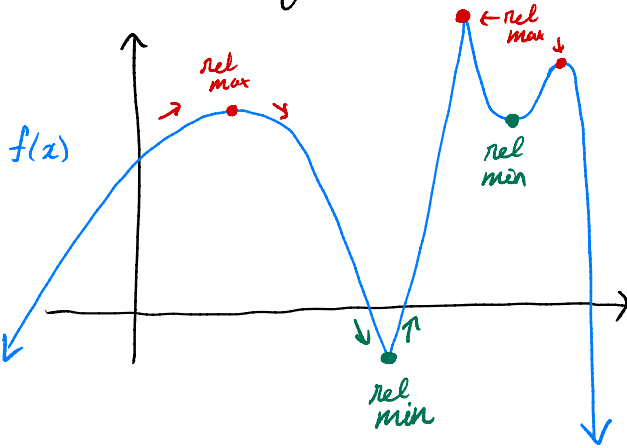
$$\left. \frac{dz}{dt} \right|_{t=10} = \frac{15}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ m/sec.}$$

### Relative extrema

a function goes  $\nearrow$  then  $\searrow$   
 or goes  $\searrow$  then  $\nearrow$

relative max

relative min



- $x=c$  is a **critical number** of a function  $f(x)$  if
- 1)  $x=c$  is in the domain of  $f$  ( $f(c)$  exists)
  - 2)  $f'(c) = 0$  or  $f'(c)$  DNE.

### How to find relative extrema:

Step 1: find all critical numbers

Step 2: determine if the sign of the derivative changes near the critical numbers.

e.g.  $y = 3x^2 - 6x$  find all critical numbers.

$$y' = 6x - 6$$

$y' = 0$	$y'$ DNE
$6x - 6 = 0$ $6x = 6$ $x = 1$	Nothing! $6x - 6$ always exists for real $x$ .

critical number:  $x = 1$

②  $y = 9x^2 - \frac{9}{x^2}$  find all critical numbers.

$$y' = 18x + \frac{18}{x^3}$$

Note:  $y$  is not defined at  $x = 0$

$y' = 0$	$y'$ DNE
$18x + \frac{18}{x^3} = 0$ $18x = -\frac{18}{x^3}$ $18x^4 = -18$ $x^4 = -1$ no soln.	$y' = \frac{18x^4 + 18}{x^3}$ good idea: when is denominator = 0? $x^3 = 0$ $x = 0$ ← not in domain of $y$ .

No critical numbers



③  $y = \frac{4x^2+8}{7x}$  find all critical numbers.

Note:  $x=0$  is not in domain of  $y$ .

$$y' = \frac{8x(7x) - (4x^2+8)(7)}{(7x)^2}$$
$$= \frac{56x^2 - 28x^2 - 56}{49x^2}$$

$$y' = \frac{28x^2 - 56}{49x^2}$$

$y' = 0$	$y'$ DNE
$\frac{28x^2 - 56}{49x^2} = 0$	denominator = 0
$28x^2 - 56 = 0$	$49x^2 = 0$
$x^2 = 2$	<del><math>x = 0</math></del>
$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$	not in domain

Critical numbers:  $x = \sqrt{2}$   $x = -\sqrt{2}$ .