

### 3.10 Related Rates

- Two quantities  $f(t)$ ,  $g(t)$

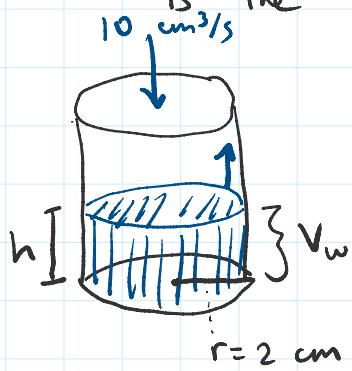
Relation between them  $F(f(t), g(t)) = 0$ .

- Steps:

- Identify variables & their rates (derivatives w.r.t. time)
- Identify the relationship between them
- Differentiate relationship to get relation between derivatives/rates
- Plug-in given info & solve unknown.

Ex Filling a cylinder with water:

- Water flows into a cylinder at  $10 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$ ; the cylinder has a radius of 2 cm. How fast is the water level rising in the cylinder?



Step 1 & 2

$$V_w = \pi r^2 h$$

rates:

$$r'(t) = 0$$

$h'(t)$  = rate of water level rising

$V'_w(t)$  = rate of change of volume of water

$$= 10 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$$

Units  $\frac{(\text{length})^3}{\text{time}}$   $\frac{dV}{dt}$

Step 3: Differentiate

$$\frac{d}{dt} V_w(t) = \frac{d}{dt} [\pi r(t)^2 h(t)]$$

$$V'_w(t) = \pi \left( \frac{d}{dt} [r(t)^2] h(t) + r(t)^2 \frac{d}{dt} h(t) \right)$$

$$V'_w(t) = \pi r(t)^2 h'(t).$$

Step 4: Plug in & solve

$$10 \text{ cm}^3 = \pi (2 \text{ cm})^2 \cdot h'(t)$$

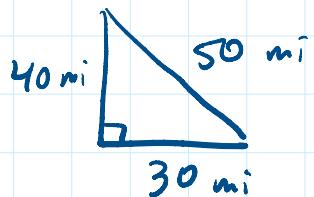
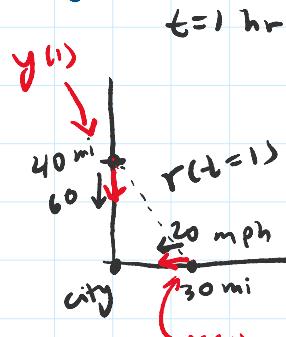
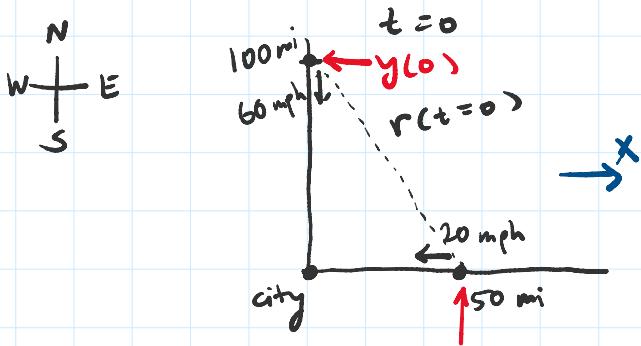
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$$10 \frac{\text{cm}^3}{\text{s}} = \pi (2 \text{ cm})^2 \cdot h'(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow h'(t) = \frac{10}{4\pi} \frac{\text{cm}^3}{\text{s}} \cdot \frac{1}{\text{cm}^2} = \frac{5}{2\pi} \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{s}} = \frac{dh}{dt}$$

ex 2 A car starts 100 mi north of the city going south 60 mph ( $= \text{mi/h}$ ); another car starts 50 mi east of the city going west 20 mph.

- After 1 hour, at what rate is the distance between them changing?



$$r(t) = \sqrt{x(t)^2 + y(t)^2} \quad (\text{Pythag. thm.})$$

want to know

$$\frac{d}{dt} r(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \sqrt{x(t)^2 + y(t)^2}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (x(t)^2 + y(t)^2)^{1/2}$$

$$(t=1 \text{ hr}) = \frac{1}{2} (x(t)^2 + y(t)^2)^{-1/2} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} (x(t)^2 + y(t)^2)$$

↑ chain rule

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{r(t)} \cdot \left( 2x(t) \frac{dx(t)}{dt} + 2y(t) \frac{dy(t)}{dt} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{50 \text{ mi}} \left( 2(30 \text{ mi})(-20 \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{h}}) + 2(40 \text{ mi})(-60 \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{h}}) \right)$$

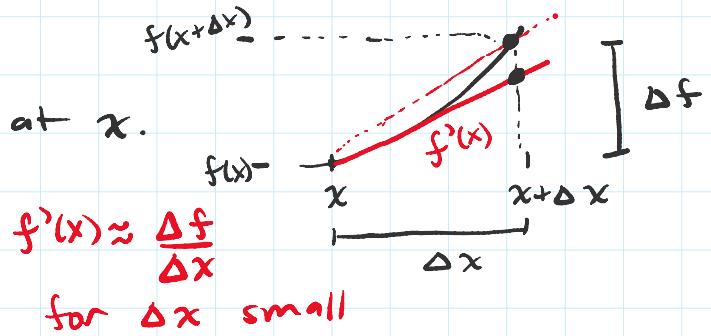
$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{at } 1 \text{ hr} \quad = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{50 \text{ mi}} \left( 2(30 \text{ mi})(-20 \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{h}}) + 2(40 \text{ mi})(-60 \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{h}}) \right) \\
 & = -\frac{1200 - 4800}{100} \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{h}} = -60 \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{h}}
 \end{aligned}$$

↗ cars are getting closer  
 at  $t=1$  hr.

#### 4.1 Linear Approximation

- Assume  $f$  is differentiable at  $x$ .

- $\Delta f = f(x+\Delta x) - f(x)$



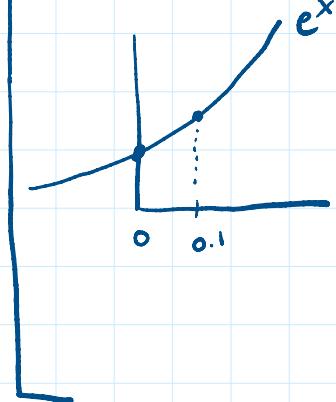
$$f'(x) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta f}{\Delta x} \approx \frac{\Delta f}{\Delta x} \text{ for } \Delta x \text{ small.}$$

$$f'(x) \Delta x \approx \Delta f = f(x+\Delta x) - f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x+\Delta x) \approx f(x) + f'(x) \Delta x \quad (\text{for } \Delta x \text{ small})$$

Linear  
 Approximation

Ex) Approximate  $e^{0.1}$  without a computer.  $f(x) = e^x$



Approximate about  $x=0$ ,  $\Delta x=0.1$ .

$$f(0.1) \approx f(0) + f'(0) \cdot \Delta x$$

$$= e^0 + e^0 \cdot (0.1)$$

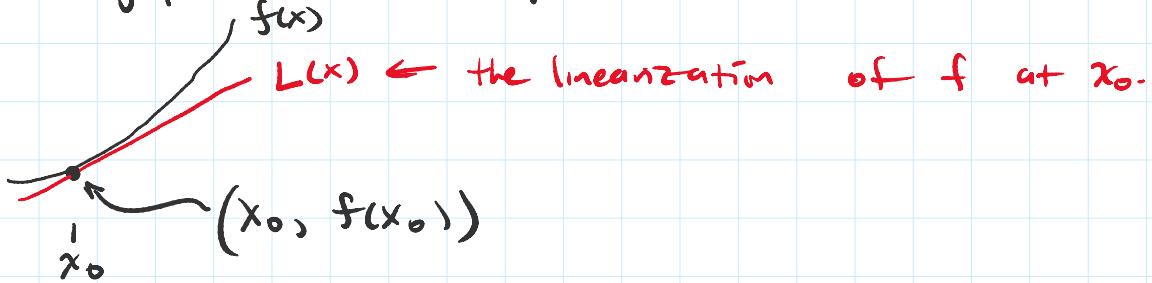
$$= 1 + 1(0.1) = 1.1.$$

$$e^{0.1} \approx 1.10517 \dots$$

↙ fairly close.

Definition: (Assume  $f$  is differentiable at  $x_0$ )

- The linearization of  $f$  at  $x_0$  is the function whose graph is the tangent line to  $f$  at  $x_0$ .



$$\begin{aligned} y - y_0 &= m(x - x_0) \Rightarrow L(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0) \cdot (x - x_0) \\ \text{or } L(x) &= f(x_0) + f'(x_0) \cdot x \quad \text{For } x \approx x_0, f(x) \approx L(x). \\ &\quad (L(x_0) = f(x_0)) \end{aligned}$$

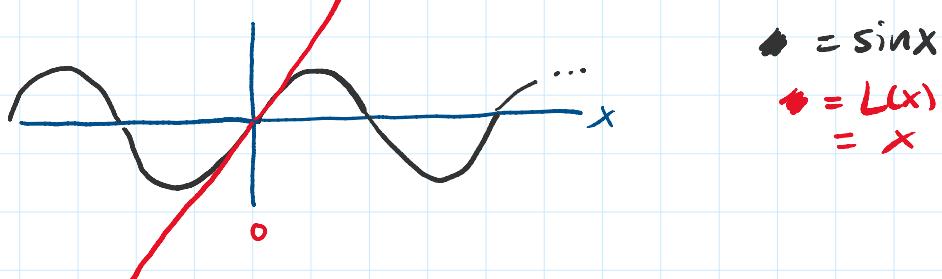
eg Linearize  $f(x) = \sin(x)$  about  $x=0$ .

$$f(0) = \sin(0) = 0.$$

$$f'(0) = \left. \frac{d}{dx} \sin(x) \right|_{x=0} = \cos(x) \Big|_{x=0} = \cos(0) = 1.$$

$$L(x) = f(0) + f'(0) \cdot (x - 0) = x.$$

$\sin x \approx x$  for  $x$  small



ex Newton's Law of Gravity:

potential

$$U(r) = -\frac{GMm}{r}$$

$$F = -\frac{d}{dr} U(r)$$

$$\text{acceleration on mass } m: F = ma \quad \underbrace{\ddot{a}}_{=} = \frac{F}{m} = -\frac{1}{m} \frac{d}{dr} U(r)$$

$G$  Newton's constant  
 $M$  mass body 1  
 $m$  mass body 2

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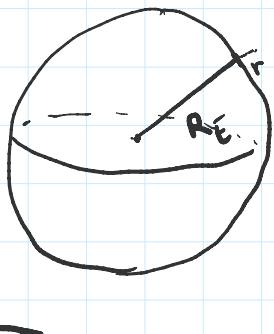
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gravity on surface of Earth:



$$U(R_{\text{Earth}} + r) \approx U(R_{\text{Earth}}) + U'(R_{\text{Earth}}) \cdot r$$
$$= U(R_{\text{Earth}}) + \underbrace{\frac{GMm}{R_{\text{Earth}}^2} \cdot r}_{\text{a}}$$

$$a = \frac{F}{m} = -\frac{1}{m} \frac{d}{dr} U(r) = -\frac{GM}{R_{\text{Earth}}^2} = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2.$$

gravity on surface of Earth is approx. constant.

## 4.2 Extreme Values

We often care about extreme values of functions

[e.g. optimization  $\rightarrow$  machine learning.]

[e.g. space missions, cost function  $\sim$  rocket fuel.]

Definition (Extreme Value)

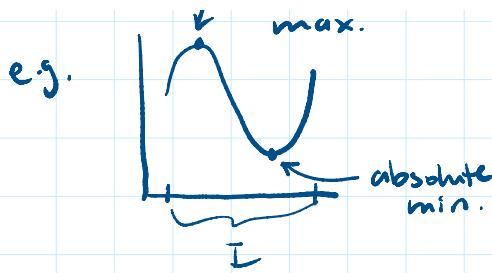
Let  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  ( $I$  some interval).

If there is some  $b \in I$  such that  $f(b) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x \in I$ , we call  $b$  the minimizer of  $f$  and  $f(b)$  the absolute minimum of  $f$  on  $I$ .

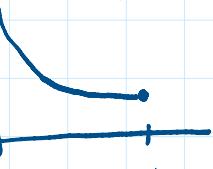
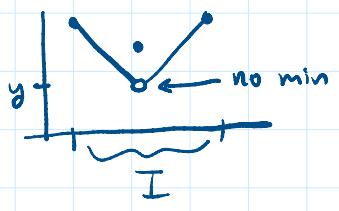
If there is some  $b \in I$  such that  $f(b) \geq f(x)$  for all  $x \in I$ , we call  $b$  the maximizer of  $f$  and  $f(b)$  the absolute maximum of  $f$  on  $I$ .



Functions aren't guaranteed to have min/max.  $f(x) = 1/x$ ,  $I = (0, 1]$



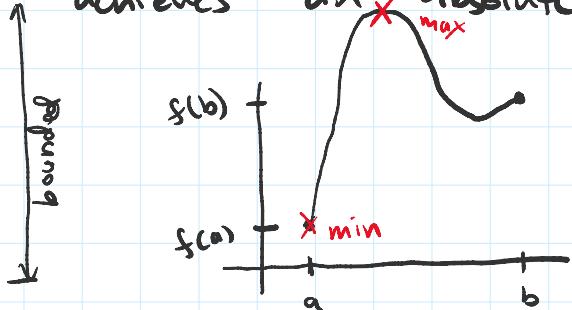
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no max,  
interval is not  
closed.

### Thm:

A continuous function on a closed interval,  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , achieves an absolute min. & max.



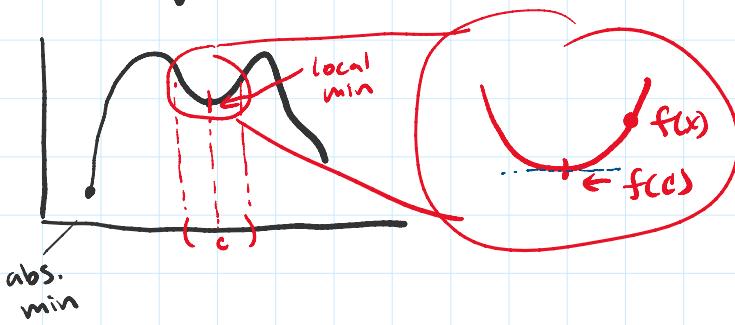
### Corollary:

Continuous functions on closed intervals are bounded.

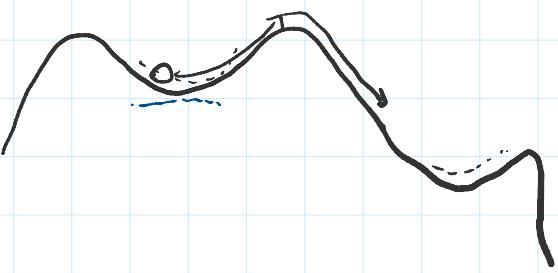
$$\min \leq f(x) \leq \max$$

minimizer,  $f(c)$  local minimum

Def: Say  $c$  is a local  $\min$  of  $f$  if there is an open interval  $I$  containing  $c$  s.t.  $f(c) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x \in I$   
(similarly for local max)



$$f(c) \leq f(x) \text{ for all } x \in I.$$



### Def:

A critical point  $c$  in the domain of  $f$  is a point where either  $f'(c) = 0$  or  $f'(c) = \text{DNE}$ .





$$f'(c) = \text{DNE}$$

of  $f$

Thm: If  $c$  is a local minimizer/maximizer, then  $c$  is a critical point of  $f$ .

pf: If  $f'(c)$  DNE  $\Rightarrow c$  is a critical point.

So, assume  $f'(c)$  does exist.

Local minimizer;

$$h > 0 \text{ small}, \quad \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} > 0 \Rightarrow f'(c) \geq 0$$

$$h < 0 \text{ small}, \quad \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} < 0 \Rightarrow f'(c) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(c) = 0$$

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Today: OH in 10 mins.

Tmrw: review, bring questions.

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