

Mean Value Theorem:

The Mean Value Theorem Let f be a function that satisfies the following hypotheses:

1. f is continuous on the closed interval $[a, b]$.
2. f is differentiable on the open interval (a, b) .

Then there is a number c in (a, b) such that

1
$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

or, equivalently,

2
$$f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a)$$

(says something about the original funct.)

Eg of

$$y - f(a) =$$

$$L(x) = f(a) + f'(c)(x - a)$$

how the derivative is related to the original function

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

limit is complicated, but anyway gives the derivative in term of the original function

Def of increasing: A function f is (strictly) increasing on $[a, b]$ if $x_1, x_2 \in [a, b]$ with $x_1 < x_2$ implies $f(x_1) < f(x_2)$

Def of non-decreasing A function f is non-decreasing on $[a, b]$ if $x_1, x_2 \in [a, b]$ with $x_1 \leq x_2$ implies $f(x_1) \leq f(x_2)$.

Mean value theorem

$$\underbrace{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}_{\text{red arrow}} = \underbrace{f'(c)}_{\text{red arrow}} (x_2 - x_1)$$

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$$f(x_2) > f(x_1) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad f(x_2) - f(x_1) > 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$x_2 > x_1 \quad \text{if and only if} \quad x_2 - x_1 > 0$$

Suppose $f'(c) > 0$ then $f'(c)(x_2 - x_1) > 0$
and so $f(x_2) > f(x_1)$ which means
the function f is increasing...

Why are increasing functions important? Reason is because they preserve inequalities:

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

Is this derivative positive? **Yes**
because $\sqrt{x}$ means the positive root.

We infer $\sqrt{\cdot}$ is an increasing function... Thus $\sqrt{\cdot}$ preserves inequalities: Example

$$1 < 2$$

take $\sqrt{\cdot}$ on both sides

$$\sqrt{1} < \sqrt{2}$$

still less than...

Note that a decreasing function reverses an inequality

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x} \quad g'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} x^{-1} = -1 x^{-2} = \frac{-1}{x^2}$$

derivative is negative...

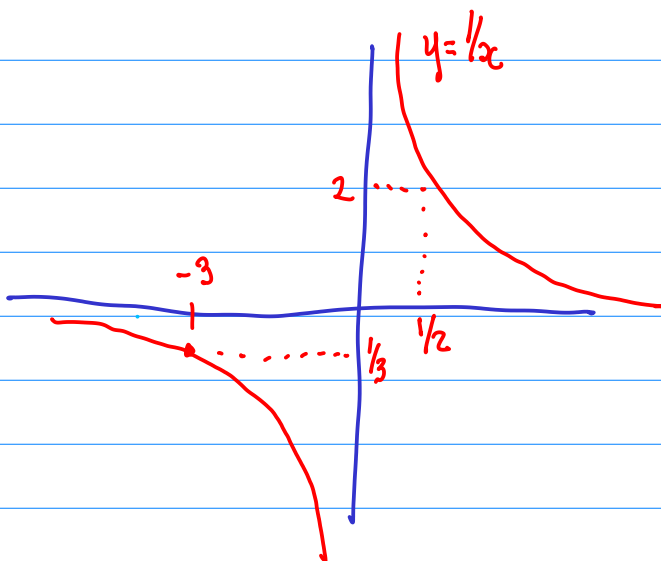
then $g(x)$ is decreasing... on any interval $[x_1, x_2]$ in its domain..

$$1 < 2$$

apply g to both sides

$$g(1) > g(2)$$

$$\frac{1}{1} > \frac{1}{2}$$



$$-3 < 2$$

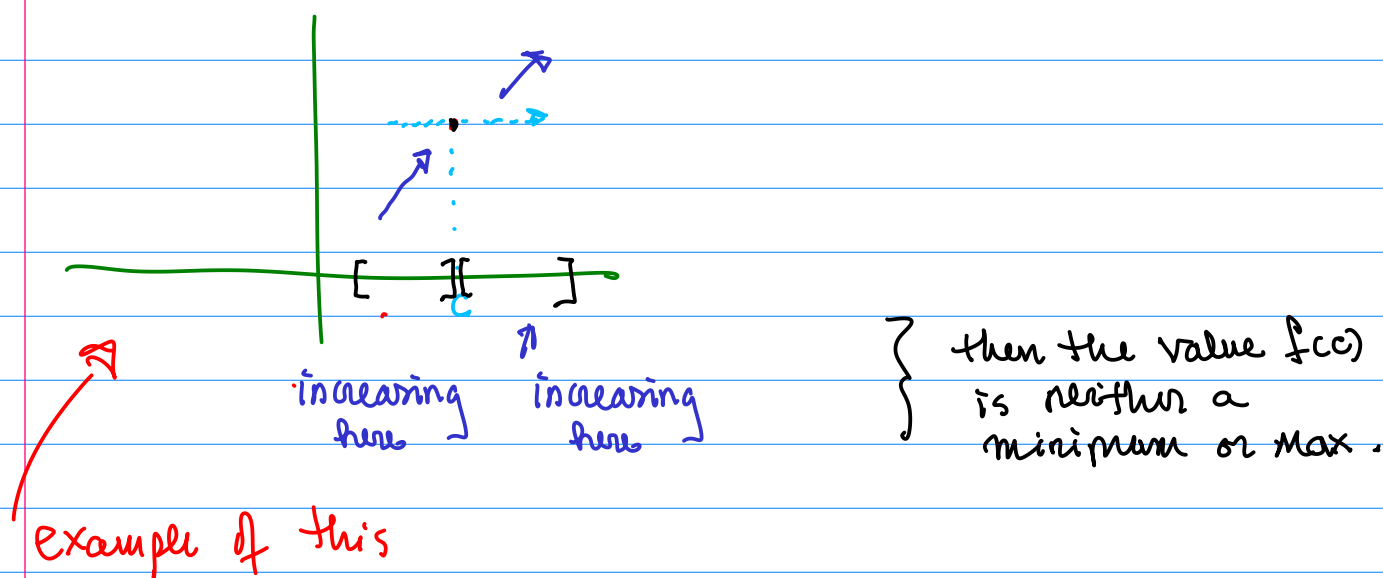
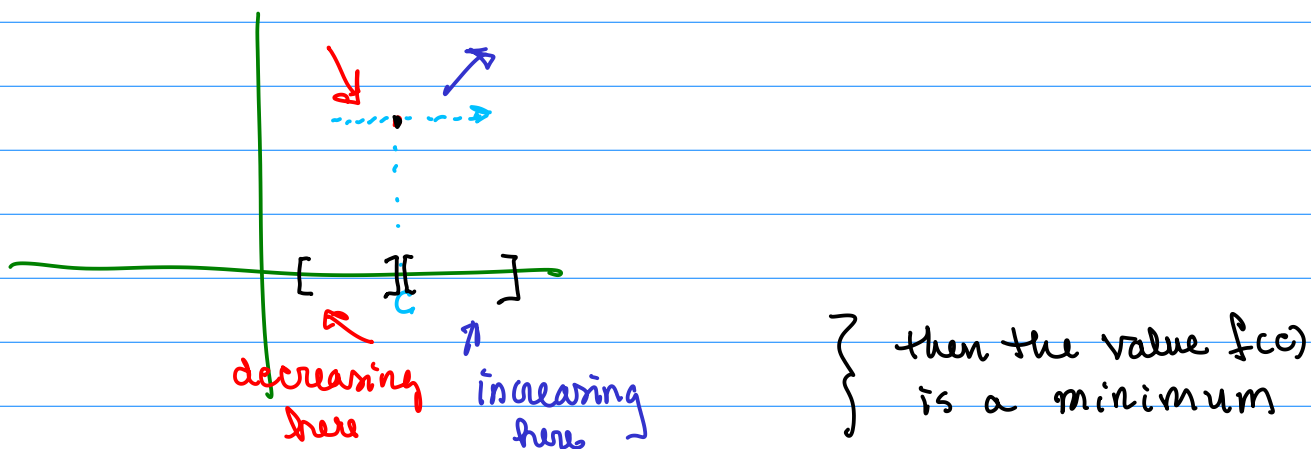
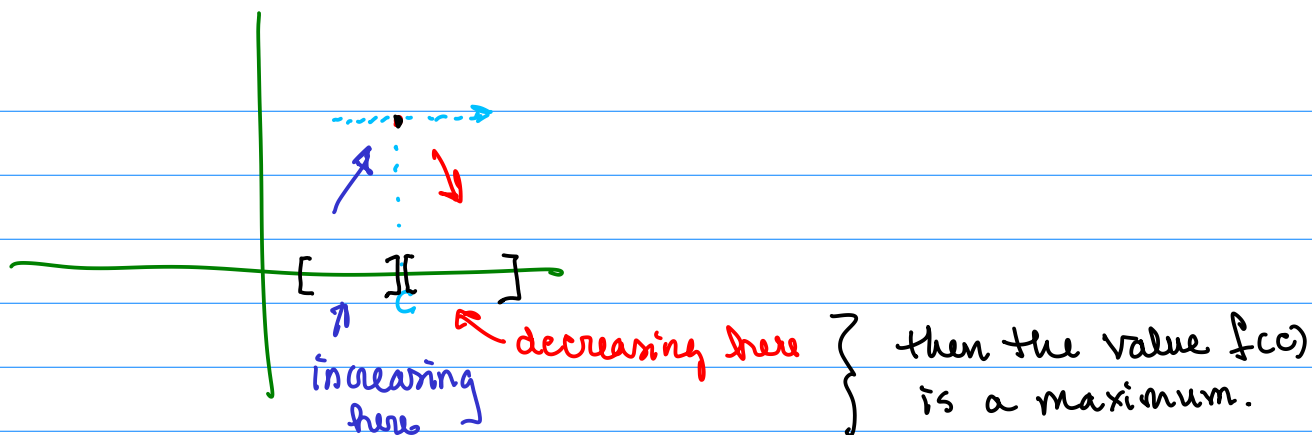
but $\frac{1}{-3} < \frac{1}{2}$

didn't change direction

What went wrong?
The interval $[-3, 2]$ is not in the domain of $\frac{1}{x}$. And the derivative $g'(x)$ wasn't negative on that whole interval, or even defined.

The First Derivative Test Suppose that c is a critical number of a continuous function f .

- (a) If f' changes from positive to negative at c , then f has a local maximum at c .
- (b) If f' changes from negative to positive at c , then f has a local minimum at c .
- (c) If f' is positive to the left and right of c , or negative to the left and right of c , then f has no local maximum or minimum at c .



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

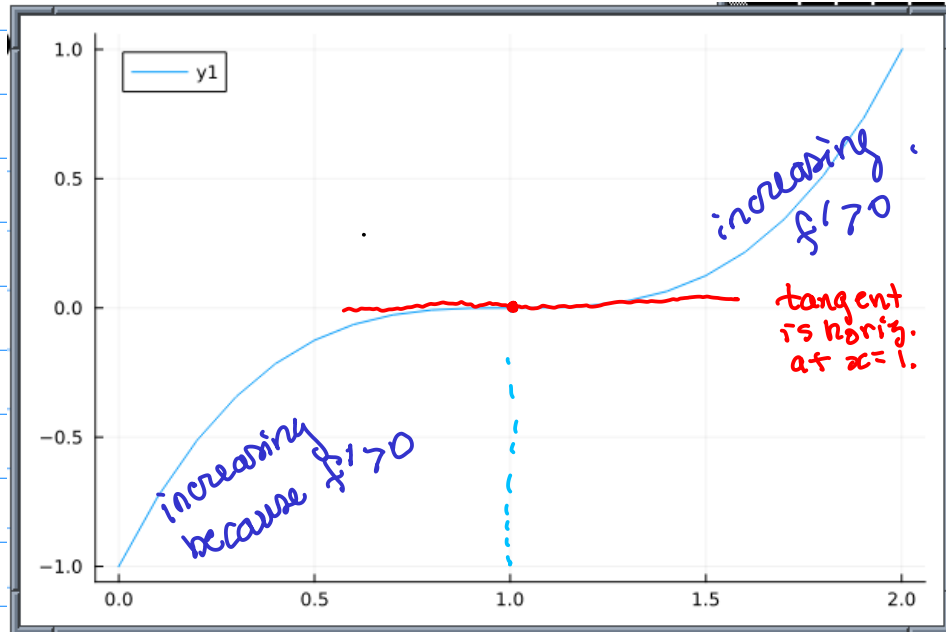
$$f'(x) = 3(x-1)^2 \frac{d}{dx}(x-1) = 3(x-1)^2$$

positive derivative...

$f'(x) = 0$ means $3(x-1)^2 = 0$ so $x=1$
is a critical value of f .

But neither a minimum or maximum.

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julia> using Plots
julia> f(x)=(x-1)^3
f (generic function with 1 method)
julia> plot(f, 0:0.1:2)
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Idea ... don't plot accurate graphs with a computer but draw a sketch (cartoon) of the graph which exaggerates and draws attention to essential features.

- min and max
- where increasing and decreasing.
- horiz. and vert. asymptotes

one more thing

- concavity.

Definition If the graph of f lies above all of its tangents on an interval I , then it is called **concave upward** on I . If the graph of f lies below all of its tangents on I , it is called **concave downward** on I .

Figure 7 shows the graph of a function that is concave upward (abbreviated CU) on the intervals (b, c) , (d, e) , and (e, p) and concave downward (CD) on the intervals (a, b) , (c, d) , and (p, q) .

