

warning $f'(c) = 0 \nRightarrow c$ is local max or min

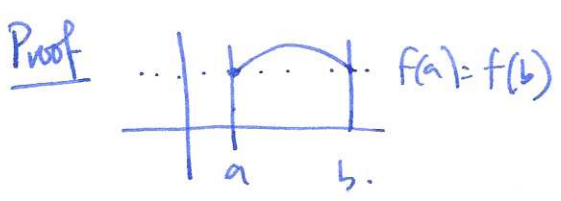
Example $y = x^3$  $f'(x) = 3x^2$ $f'(0) = 0$, but $x=0$ not local max or min.

- how to find the absolute max or min of a differentiable function on a closed interval $[a, b]$
 - ① find critical points, evaluate function there
 - ② check endpoints.

Example ① find abs max/min of $2x^3 - 15x^2 + 24x + 7$ on $[0, 3]$

② $x^2 - 8$ on $[1, 4]$ ③ $\cos(x) \sin(x)$ on $[0, \pi]$.

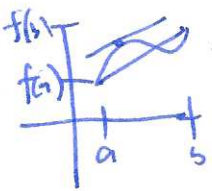
Thm (Rolle's Thm) suppose $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) . If $f(a) = f(b)$, then there is $c \in (a, b)$ s.t. $f'(c) = 0$



- if there is a local max/min at c , then $f'(c) = 0$
- if no local max/min, then $f(x) = \text{const} = f(a) = f(b)$, so $f'(c) = 0$ for all $c \in (a, b)$ $\square$.

§4.3 First derivative test

Thm (MVT) (Mean Value Theorem) Suppose f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) , then there is a $c \in (a, b)$ s.t. $f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$, i.e. there is a point where the slope is equal to the average rate of change.



Proof (Rolle's Thm turned sideways) $\square$.

Corollary If $f(x)$ is differentiable, and $f'(x) = 0$, then $f(x) = c$ constant.

Proof suppose there is $a \neq b$ with $f(a) \neq f(b)$, then there is c with $f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \neq 0$ $\square$.

Monotonicity suppose f is differentiable on (a, b) ;

If $f'(x) > 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)$ then f is increasing on (a, b)