

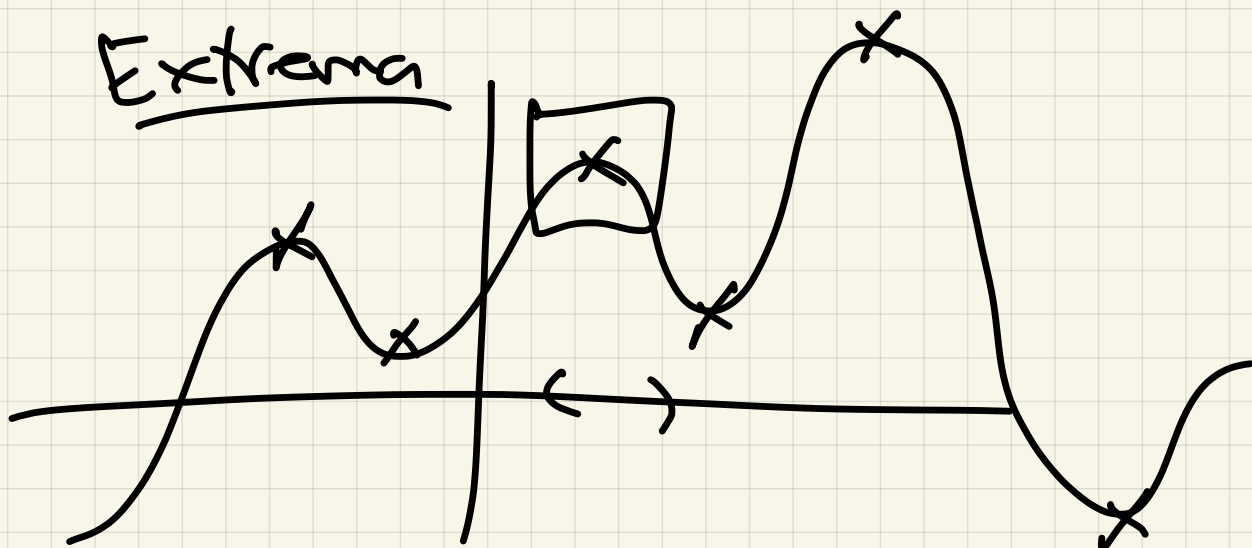
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HW 14b with exam

4.1

Extrema

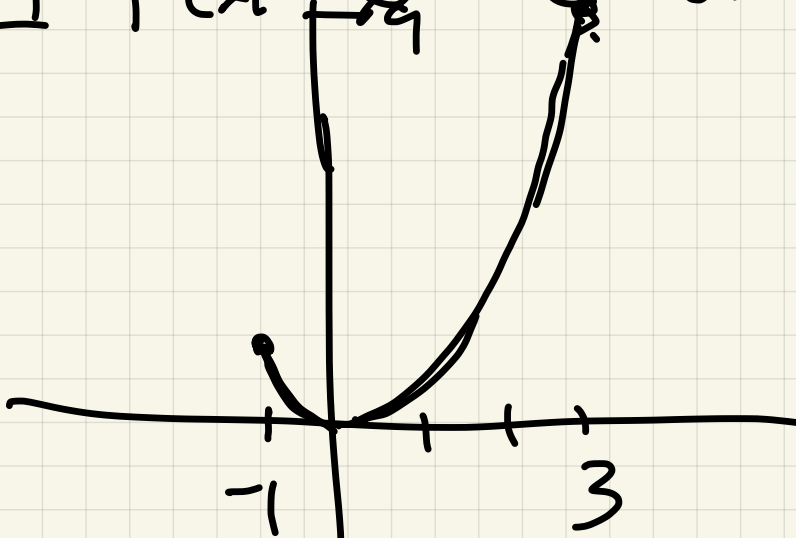


Defn If $y = f(x)$ is a function on an interval I containing c , then

- ① $f(c)$ is the absolute maximum of f on I if $f(c) \geq f(x)$ for all x in I
- ② $f(c)$ is the absolute minimum of f on I if

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

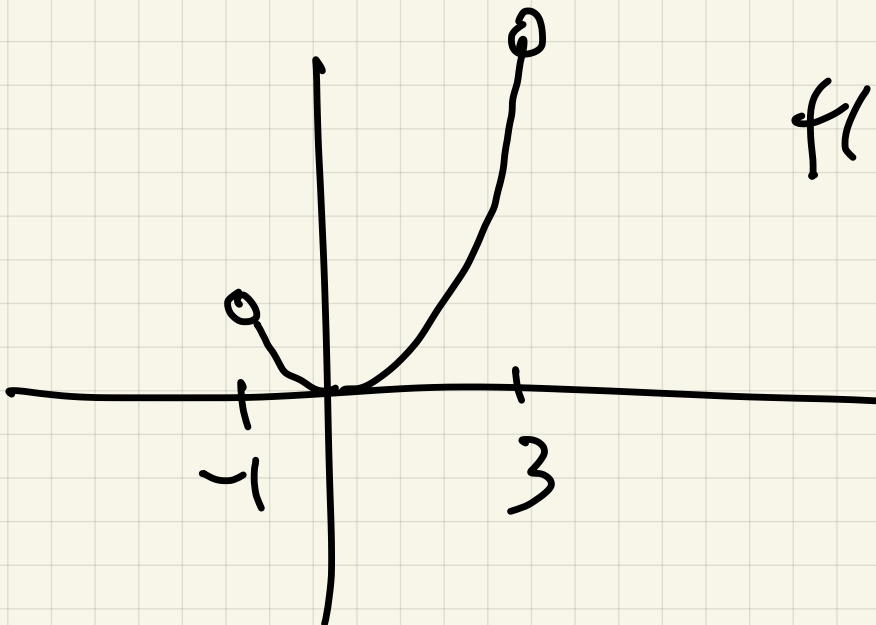
Ex 1 $f(x) = x^2 = y$ on $I = [-1, 3]$



$f(0) = 0$ is abs min

$f(3) = 9$ is abs max

Ex 2 $f(x) = x^2$ on $(-1, 3)$

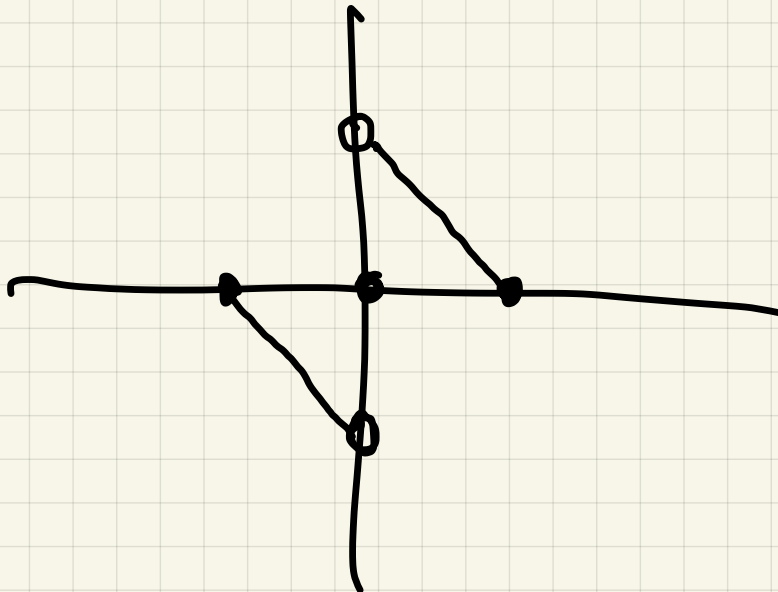


$f(0) = 0$
abs min

No
abs max!!

Ex 3

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x-1 & -1 \leq x < 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1-x & 0 < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$



No abs min!
No abs max!

Thm 1 If $y = f(x)$ is continuous
on a closed interval

$I = [a, b]$, then $f(x)$ has
both abs max and abs min.

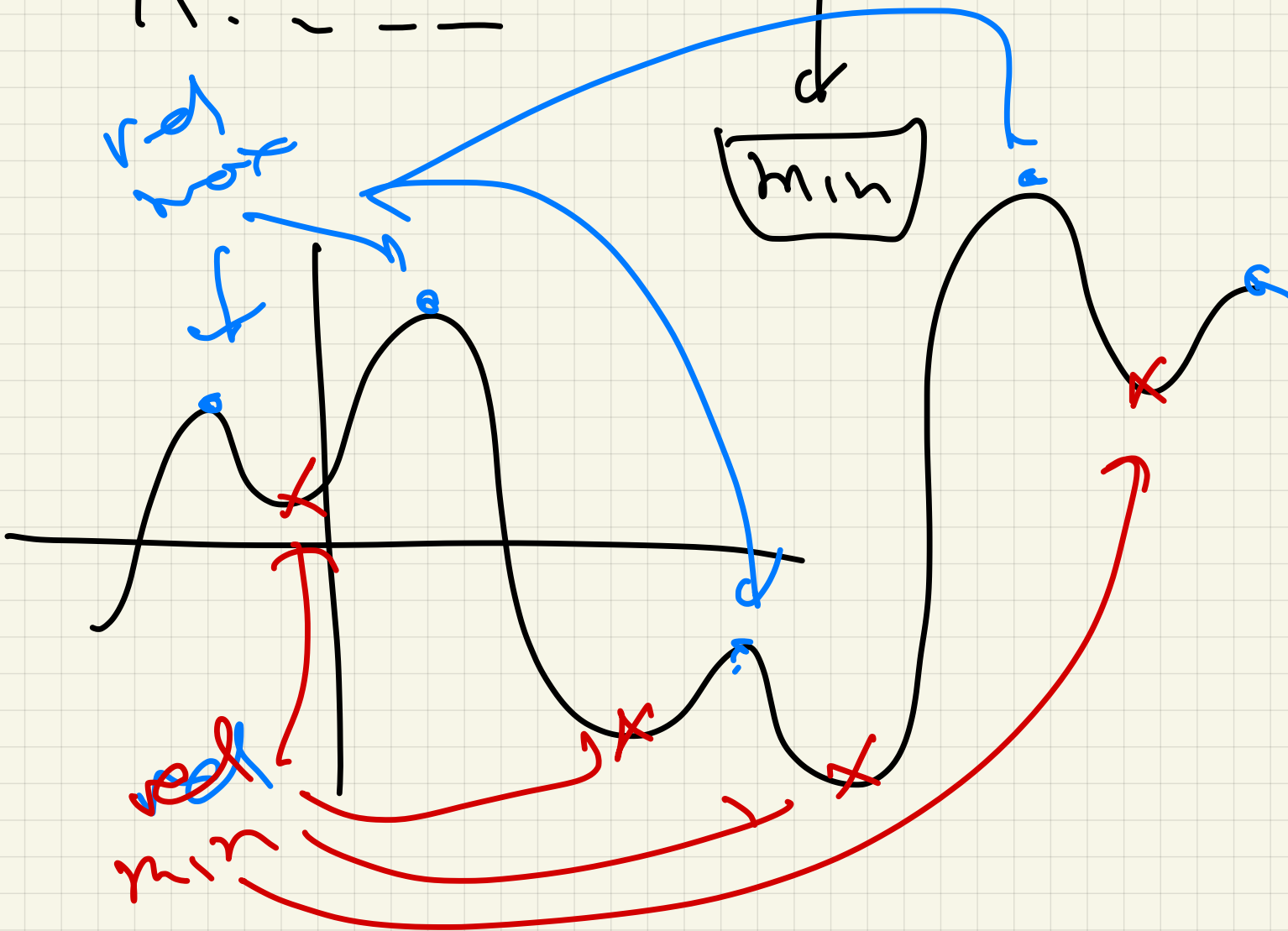
Defn:

① $f(c)$ is a relative maximum
(local max) if there is

an open interval I
containing c so that
 $f(c)$ is abs max in I

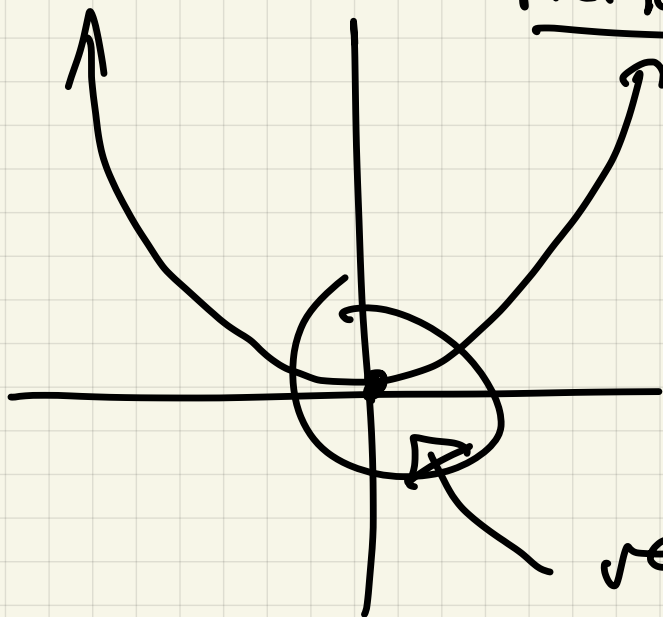
(2) Similarly, $f(c)$ is a
relative minimum (local min)

if. ---



Ex 4

$f(x) = x^2$ has rel
min at $x = 0$

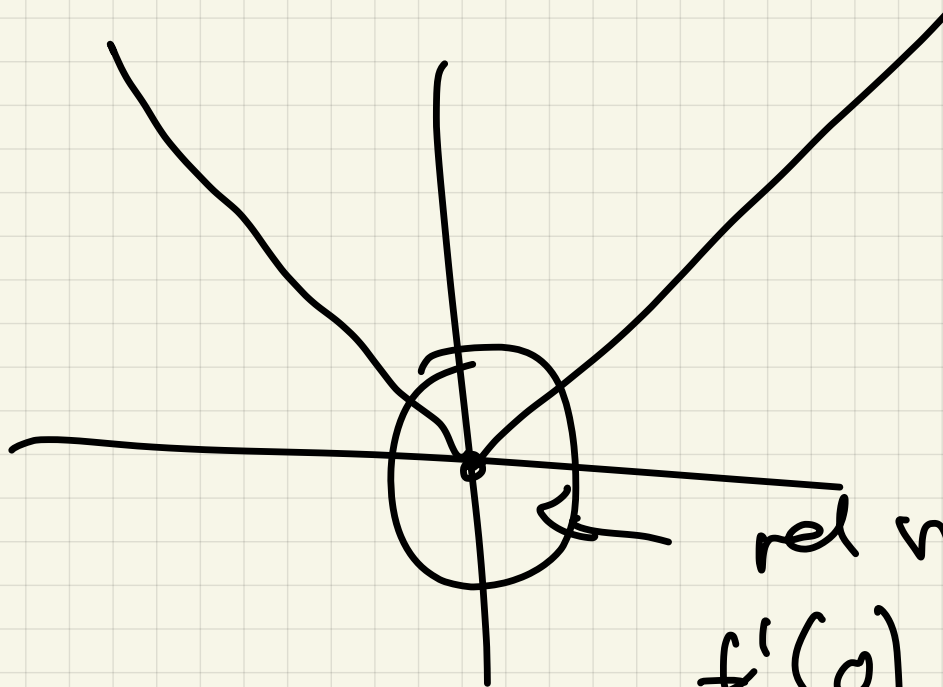


no rel
max

rel min
 $f'(0) = 0$

Ex 5

$f(x) = |x|$



rel min
 $f'(0) = \text{DNE}$

Defn c is a critical point
for $y = f(x)$ if
 $f'(c) = 0$ or $f'(c)$ DNE

Thm If $f(x)$ has a rel max/
rel min at $x = c$, then
 c is a critical point
for $f(x)$.

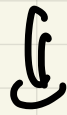
Ex 6 Find all critical points
for $f(x) = x^4 - x^2$, on \mathbb{R}
and all rel max/min,
and abs max/mins.
 $f'(x) = 4x^3 - 2x$ (always
exists)

$$4x^3 - 2x = 0$$

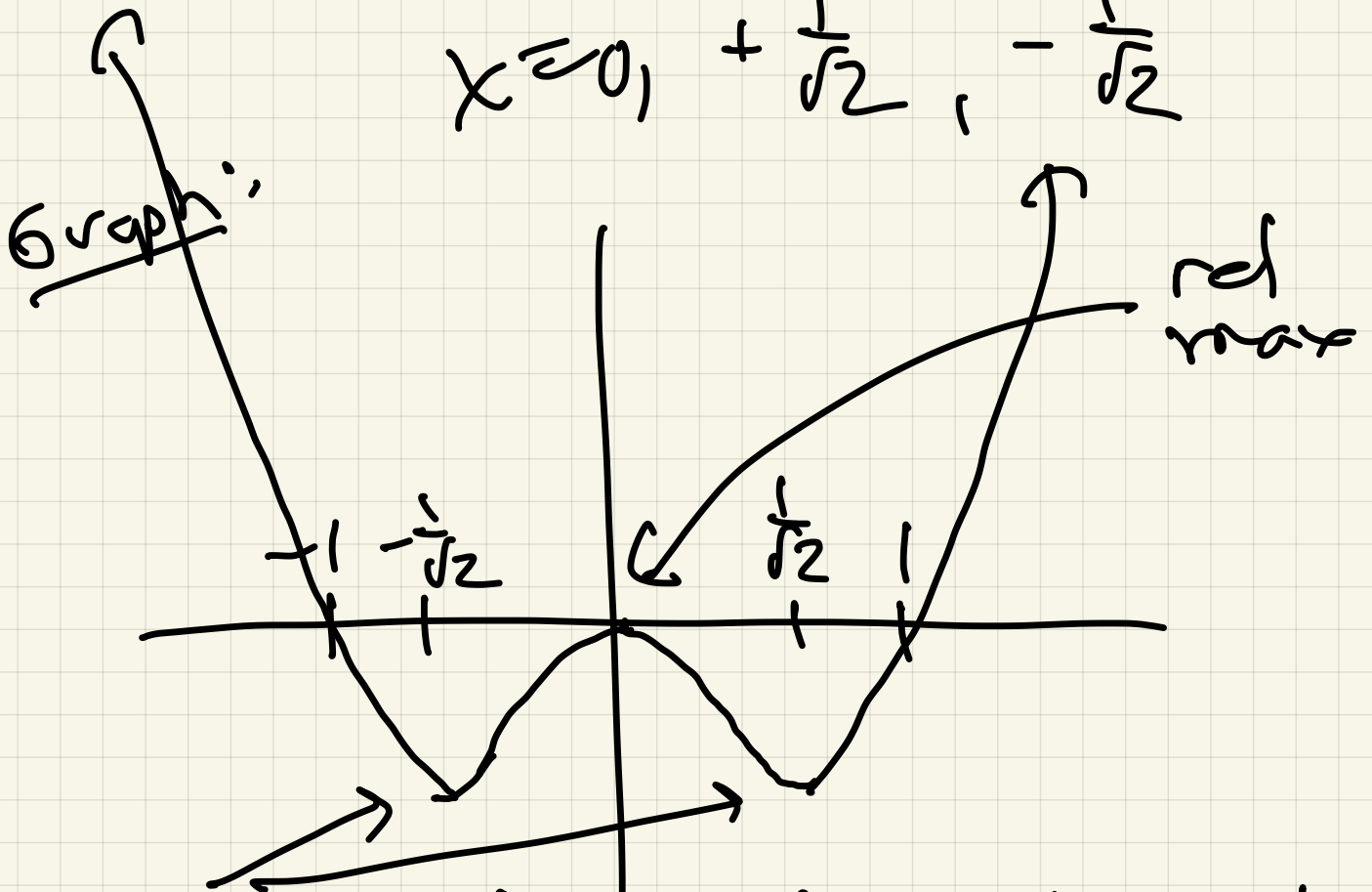
$$2x(2x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$4x \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$4x \left(x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = 0$$



$$x = 0, +\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$



$x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ abs min and
rel min

The abs min value is $f\left(\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = -\frac{1}{4}$

Ex 7 Same for $f(x) = \underline{x}^{2/3} - \underline{x}^{5/3}$
 (domain) \mathbb{R}

~~f(x)~~

$$f' = \frac{2}{3} x^{-1/3} - \frac{5}{3} x^{2/3}$$

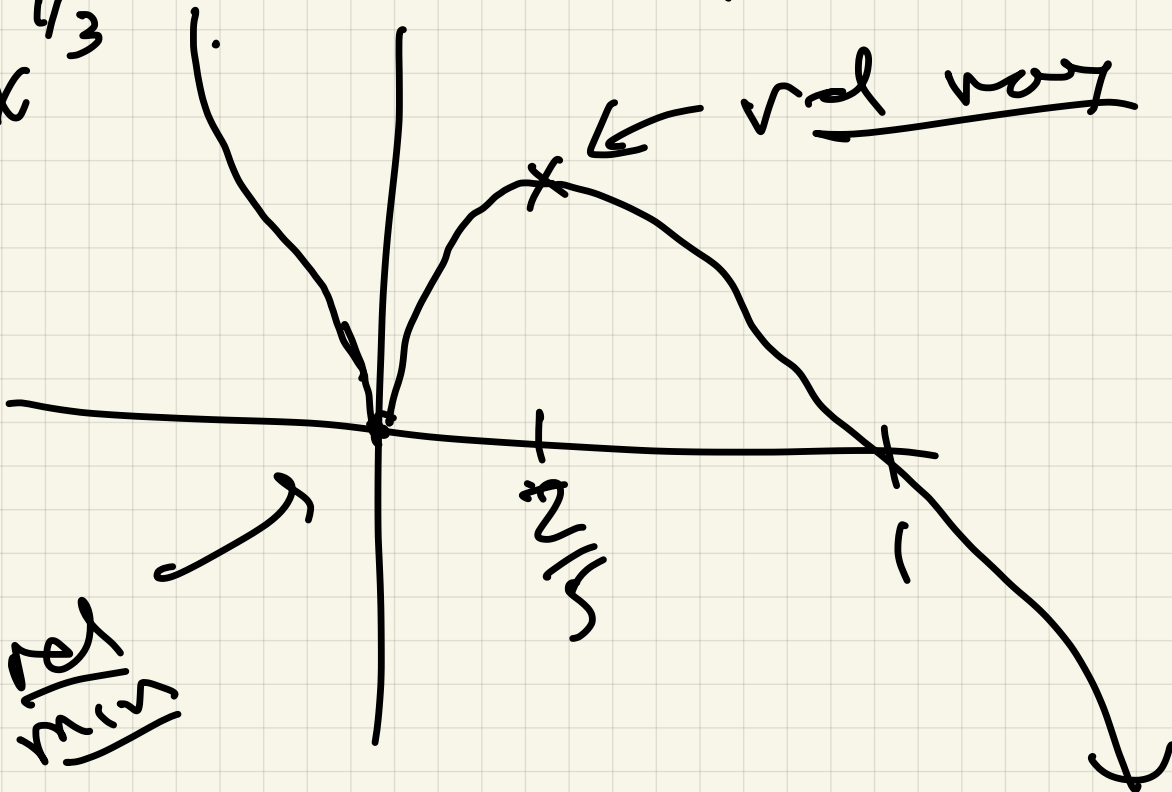
$$= \frac{1}{3} x^{-1/3} (2 - 5x)$$

cut points:

$$x = \frac{2}{5} \quad f' = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad f' \text{ DNE}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} x^{1/3}$$



rel min at $x=0$ ($f=0$)

rel max at $x=\frac{2}{5}$ ($f(\frac{2}{5})$)