

Closing Tues: HW 9.7(2), 9.8, 9.9

Exam 1 is Thur, Jan. 25th covers 9.3 - 9.9.

9.9 Applications *(continued)*

Recall from last class (and Math 111):

If $p(x)$ = selling price per item (demand)

$AC(x)$ = average cost per item

then $TR(x) = p(x) \cdot x$

$$TC(x) = AC(x) \cdot x.$$

Entry Task (directly from HW 9.9/5)

The price of a certain product is \$400.

The cost per unit of producing the product is $130 + 0.5x$ dollars/item.

Give the functions $TR(x)$, $TC(x)$, $MR(x)$ and $MC(x)$.

Recall from Math 111:

Profit and marginal profit are given by

$$P(x) = TR(x) - TC(x)$$

$$MP(x) = MR(x) - MC(x)$$

When profit is maximized

$$MR(x) = MC(x)$$

Specifically, where it switches
from $MR > MC$ to $MR < MC$.

Continuing example from the entry task:

How many units should the firm
produce and sell to maximize its profits?

Another example
(*directly* from an old midterm):

You sell items.

If q is in **hundred items**, then $TR(q)$ and $TC(q)$ in **hundred dollars** are given by

$$TR(q) = 30q$$

$$TC(q) = q^3 - 15q^2 + 78q + 10$$

a. Find marginal cost at 2 hundred items

b. Find the longest interval over which marginal revenue exceeds marginal cost.

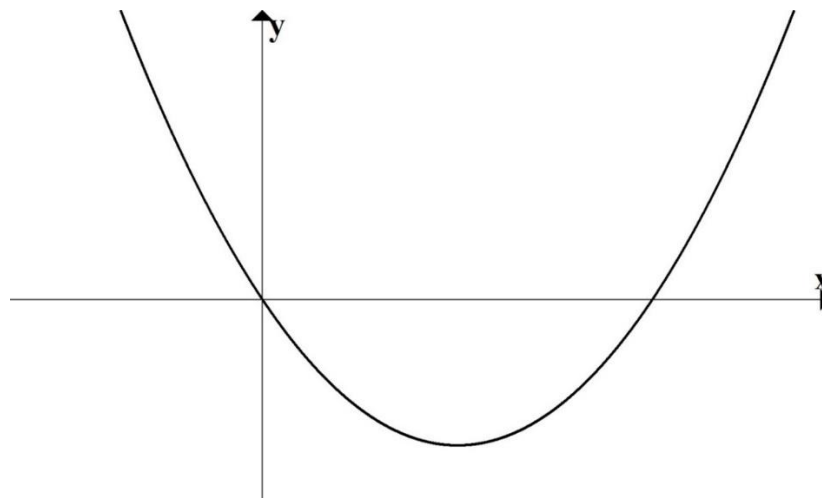
c. What is the maximum value of profit?

Graphs and Derivatives

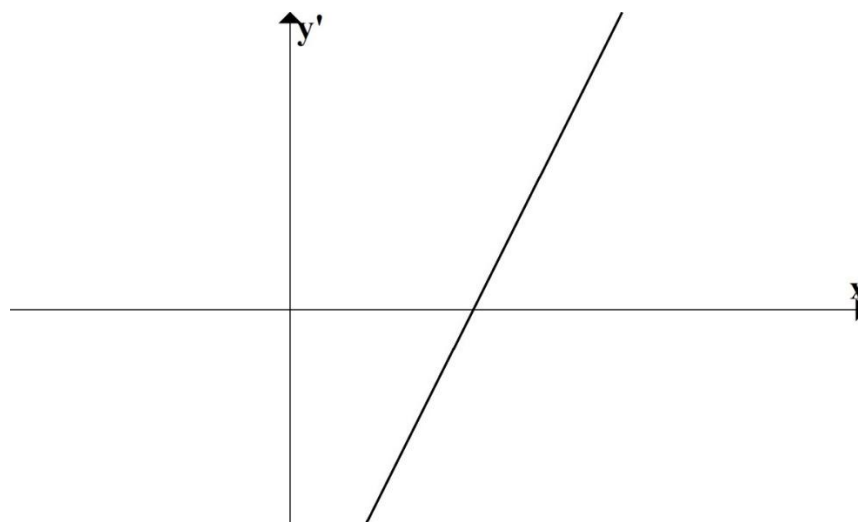
Example: Let $f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x$

Find $f'(x)$.

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



$$f'(x) = 4x - 3$$



Notes/Observations: Given $y = f(x)$.

- $y = f(x)$ is a new function.
- $f(x)$ = “height of the graph at x ”
- $f'(x)$ = “slope of $f(x)$ at x ”
- $f'(x)$ is “instantaneous rate of change” (speedometer speed)
- The units of $f'(x)$ are $\frac{y\text{-units}}{x\text{-units}}$.

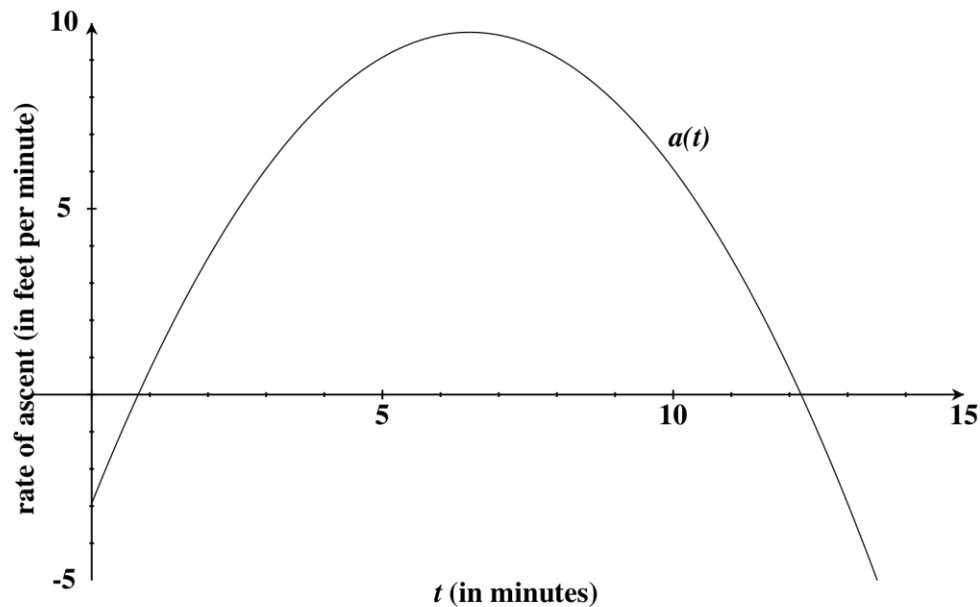
Fundamental to all applications:

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
horiz. tangent	zero
increasing	positive
decreasing	negative

9.9 HW Problem 8:

Rate of ascent for a balloon (in feet per minute) is given by

$$a(t) = -0.3t^2 + 3.9t - 2.928$$



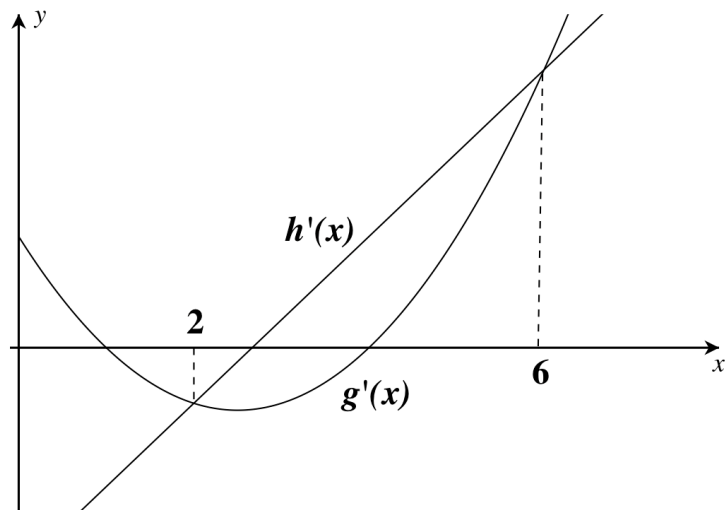
How will you answer these:

- (a) Find the longest interval over which Balloon A is rising.
- (d) Find the time at which the balloon is rising the fastest?

HW 9.9/1:

Given $g'(x) = 2x^2 - 10x + 8$

$$h'(x) = 6x - 16$$



What does it mean when...

- (a) ... $g'(x)$ crosses the x -axis?
... $h'(x)$ crosses the x -axis?

- (b) ... $g'(x)$ has a horizontal tangent
(and how do you find it)?

- (c) ... $h'(x)$ intersects $g'(x)$?