Comparing the values of C at the critical number and at the endpoints, we see that the maximum value of the BAC in the first hour was about 0.177 mg/mL and this occurred about 21 minutes after consumption. (See the graph of C in Figure 15.) Notice that the maximum value of 0.177 mg/mL was well above the legal driving limit of 0.08 mg/mL and occurred after just one drink. ■

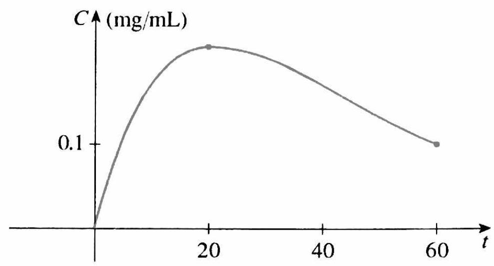

FIGURE 15

EXERCISES 4.1

1. Explain the difference between an absolute minimum and a local minimum.

2. Suppose f is a continuous function defined on a closed interval $[a, b]$.
   (a) What theorem guarantees the existence of an absolute maximum value and an absolute minimum value for f?
   (b) What steps would you take to find those maximum and minimum values?

3–4 For each of the numbers a, b, c, d, r, and s, state whether the function whose graph is shown has an absolute maximum or minimum, a local maximum or minimum, or neither a maximum nor a minimum.

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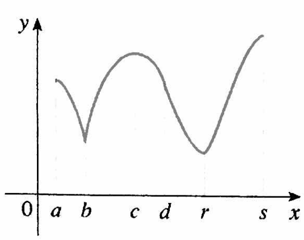

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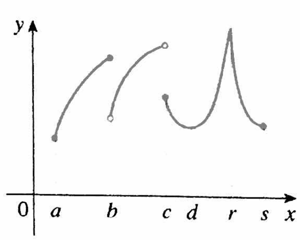
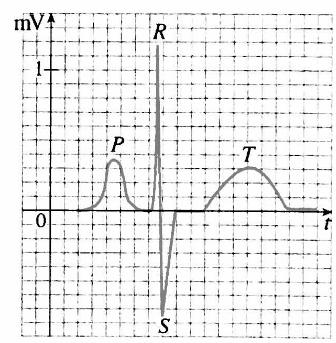
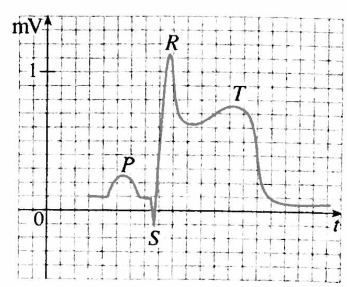


5. **Electrocardiogram** A cardiologist looking at the rhythm strip shown might suspect *right atrial hypertrophy* because of the relatively tall peaked wave at P (compare with Figure 6). State the local and absolute maximum and minimum values of the electric potential function $f(t)$.



1 square = 0.04 s × 0.1 mV

6. **Electrocardiogram** A cardiologist looking at this rhythm strip might suspect *infarction* because of the elevation of the graph near S and T (compare with Figure 6). State the local and absolute maximum and minimum values of the electric potential function $f(t)$.



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61. Between 0°C and 30°C the volume V (in cubic centimeters) of 1 kg of water at a temperature T is given approximately by the formula

$$V = 999.87 - 0.06426T + 0.0085043T^2 - 0.0000679T^3$$

Find the temperature at which water has its maximum density.

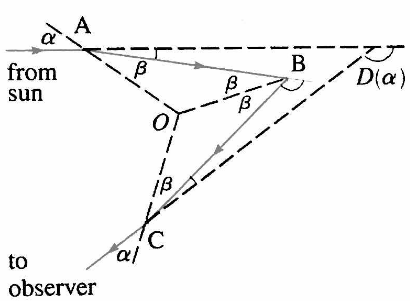
62. A cubic function is a polynomial of degree 3; that is, it has the form $f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$, where $a \neq 0$.

(a) Show that a cubic function can have two, one, or no critical number(s). Give examples and sketches to illustrate the three possibilities.

(b) How many local extreme values can a cubic function have?

PROJECT The Calculus of Rainbows

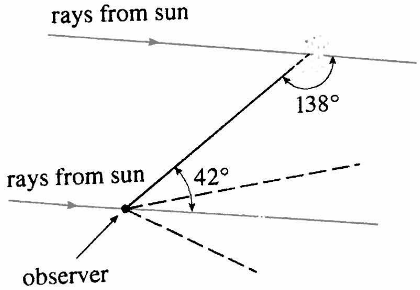
Rainbows are created when raindrops scatter sunlight. They have fascinated humankind since ancient times and have inspired attempts at scientific explanation since the time of Aristotle. In this project we use the ideas of Descartes and Newton to explain the shape, location, and colors of rainbows.



Formation of the primary rainbow

1. The figure shows a ray of sunlight entering a spherical raindrop at A. Some of the light is reflected, but the line AB shows the path of the part that enters the drop. Notice that the light is refracted toward the normal line AO and in fact Snell's Law says that $\sin \alpha = k \sin \beta$, where α is the angle of incidence, β is the angle of refraction, and $k \approx \frac{4}{3}$ is the index of refraction for water. At B some of the light passes through the drop and is refracted into the air, but the line BC shows the part that is reflected. (The angle of incidence equals the angle of reflection.) When the ray reaches C, part of it is reflected, but for the time being we are more interested in the part that leaves the raindrop at C. (Notice that it is refracted away from the normal line.) The *angle of deviation* $D(\alpha)$ is the amount of clockwise rotation that the ray has undergone during this three-stage process. Thus

$$D(\alpha) = (\alpha - \beta) + (\pi - 2\beta) + (\alpha - \beta) = \pi + 2\alpha - 4\beta$$



Show that the minimum value of the deviation is $D(\alpha) \approx 138°$ and occurs when $\alpha \approx 59.4°$.

The significance of the minimum deviation is that when $\alpha \approx 59.4°$ we have $D'(\alpha) \approx 0$, so $\Delta D/\Delta\alpha \approx 0$. This means that many rays with $\alpha \approx 59.4°$ become deviated by approximately the same amount. It is the *concentration* of rays coming from near the direction of minimum deviation that creates the brightness of the primary rainbow. The figure at the left shows that the angle of elevation from the observer up to the highest point on the rainbow is $180° - 138° = 42°$. (This angle is called the *rainbow angle*.)

2. Problem 1 explains the location of the primary rainbow, but how do we explain the colors? Sunlight comprises a range of wavelengths, from the red range through orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, and violet. As Newton discovered in his prism experiments of 1666, the index of refraction is different for each color. (The effect is called *dispersion*.) For red light the refractive index is $k \approx 1.3318$ whereas for violet light it is $k \approx 1.3435$. By repeating the calculation of Problem 1 for these values of k, show that the rainbow angle is about 42.3° for the red bow and 40.6° for the violet bow. So the rainbow really consists of seven individual bows corresponding to the seven colors.