

Analyzing Functions Using Derivatives

Name key

Find the intervals on which f is increasing or decreasing. Find the local (relative) maximum and minimum values of f . Find the intervals of concavity and the inflection points.

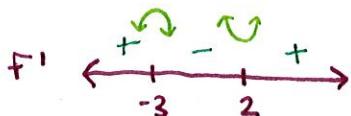
$$1. f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 36x$$

$$f'(x) = 6x^2 + 6x - 36 = 0 / \text{DNE} \quad f''(x) = 12x + 6 = 0 / \text{DNE}$$

$$6(x^2 + x - 6) = 0$$

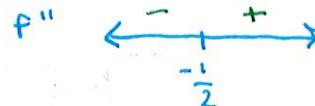
$$6(x+3)(x-2) = 0$$

$$x = -3, 2 \text{ CPs}$$



$$6(2x+1) = 0$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ POSSIBLE IP}$$



$$\text{critical pt(s): } x = -3, 2$$

$$\text{int. of inc: } (-\infty, -3) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$\text{int. of dec: } (-3, 2)$$

$$\text{extrema: } x = -3 : \text{relative max}$$

$$x = 2 : \text{relative min}$$

$$\text{inf. pt(s): } x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{int. conv. up: } (-\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$$

$$\text{int. conv. down: } (-\infty, -\frac{1}{2})$$

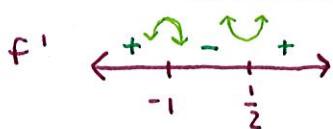
$$2. f(x) = 4x^3 + 3x^2 - 6x + 1$$

$$f'(x) = 12x^2 + bx - b = 0 / \text{DNE}$$

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

$$b(2x-1)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}, -1 \text{ CPs}$$



$$f''(x) = 24x + b = 0 / \text{DNE}$$

$$b(4x+1) = 0$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{4} \text{ POSSIBLE IP}$$



$$\text{critical pt(s): } x = -1, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{int. of inc: } (-\infty, -1) \cup (\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$$

$$\text{int. of dec: } (-1, \frac{1}{2})$$

$$\text{extrema: } x = -1 : \text{relative max}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} : \text{relative min}$$

$$\text{inf. pt(s): } x = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{int. conv. up: } (-\frac{1}{4}, \infty)$$

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$$3. f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 + 1}$$

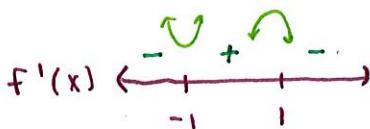
$$f'(x) = \frac{(x^2+1)(1) - (x)(2x)}{(x^2+1)^2} = 0 / \text{DNE}$$

$$\frac{x^2 + 1 - 2x^2}{(x^2+1)^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{-x^2 + 1}{(x^2+1)^2} = 0$$

in this case, no values will come from denominator

$$x = \pm 1 \text{ CPs}$$



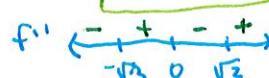
$$f''(x) = \frac{(x^2+1)^2(-2x) - (-x^2+1)(2(x^2+1)\cdot 2x)}{(x^2+1)^4} = 0 / \text{DNE}$$

$$\frac{(x^2+1)[(x^2+1)(-2x) - (x^2+1)(2)(2x)]}{(x^2+1)^4} = 0$$

$$\frac{-2x^3 - 2x - 4x + 4x^3}{(x^2+1)^3} = 0$$

$$\frac{2x(x^2-3)}{(x^2+1)^3} = 0$$

$$x = 0, \pm \sqrt{3} \text{ POSSIBLE IPs}$$



$$\text{critical pt(s): } x = \pm 1$$

$$\text{int. of inc: } (-1, 1)$$

$$\text{int. of dec: } (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

$$\text{extrema: }$$

$$x = -1 : \text{relative min}$$

$$x = 1 : \text{relative max}$$

$$\text{inf. pt(s): } x = 0, \pm \sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{int. conv. up: } (\sqrt{3}, \infty)$$

$$\text{int. conv. down: } (-\infty, -\sqrt{3}) \cup (\sqrt{3}, \infty)$$

$$4. f(x) = \cos^2(x) - 2\sin(x) \quad [-\pi, \pi]$$

$$f'(x) = 2\cos x - \sin x - 2\cos x = 0 / \text{DNE} \quad f''(x) = (\sin x + 1)(2\sin x) + (-2\cos x)(\cos x) = 0 / \text{DNE}$$

$$-2\cos x(\sin x + 1) = 0$$

$$-2\cos x = 0$$

$$\cos x = 0$$

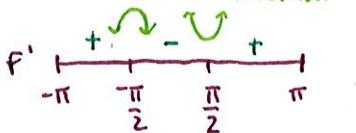
$$x = \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\sin x + 1 = 0$$

$$\sin x = -1$$

$$x = 3\frac{\pi}{2} = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

not in interval



$$f(-\pi) = 1$$

$$f(\pi/2) = -2$$

$$f(-\pi/2) = 2$$

$$f(\pi) = 1$$

$$2\sin^2 x + 2\sin x - 2\cos^2 x = 0$$

$$2(\sin^2 x + \sin x - (1 - \sin^2 x)) = 0$$

$$2(\sin^2 x + \sin x - 1 + \sin^2 x) = 0$$

$$2(2\sin^2 x + \sin x - 1) = 0$$

$$2(\sin x + 1)(2\sin x - 1) = 0$$

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