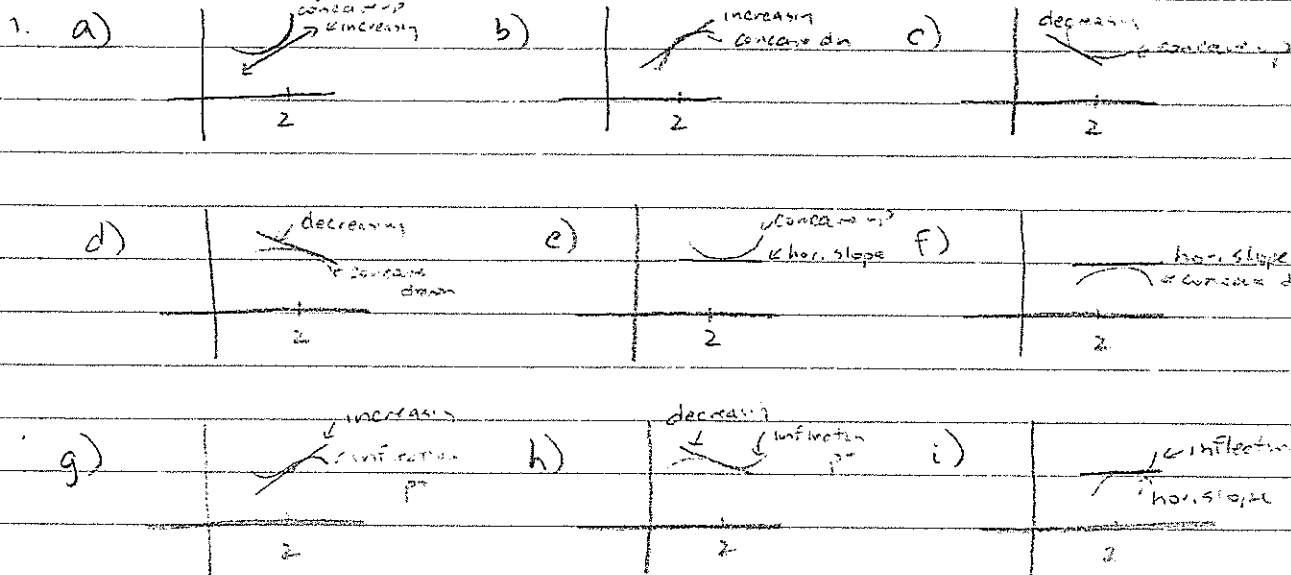


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2. a) $x \in (-2, -1) \cup (1, 3)$ since $f'(x) > 0$ (concave up)
 b) $x \in (-1, 1)$ because $f'(x) < 0$ (concave down)
 c) $x = \pm 1$ because $f''(x)$ switches sign

3. a) $x \in (-3, 1)$ since $f'(x) > 0$ and $f'(x) = 0$ only at $x = -2$.
 b) $x \in (1, 3)$ since $f'(x) < 0$
 c) relative max at $x = 1$
 d) $x \in (-2, 0) \cup (2, 3)$ since $f'(x)$ is increasing
 e) $x \in (-3, -2) \cup (0, 2)$ since $f'(x)$ is decreasing
 f) $x = -2$ and $x = 2$ since $f'(x)$ switches from increasing to decreasing

4. $f(x) = x^2 - 5x - 14$
 $f'(x) = 2x - 5$
 $f''(x) = 2$ & concave up $(-\infty, \infty)$
 no inflection pts

5. $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 2x^2$
 $f'(x) = x^2 + 4x$
 $f''(x) = 2x + 4$
 $f'''(x) = 2(x+2)$
 -----, + + + + (x+2)
 ----- - - - - 2 + 4 + +
 concave up $(-2, \infty)$
 concave down $(-\infty, -2)$
 inflection pt $(-2, \frac{16}{3})$

5.4 - continued

6. $f(x) = \frac{1}{4}x^4 - 6x^2$

$f'(x) = x^3 - 12x$

$f''(x) = 3x^2 - 12$

$f'''(x) = 3(x^2 - 4)$

$f''(x) = 3(x+2)(x-2)$

--- 0 + + + + (x+2)

- - - - 0 + + (x-2)

+ + - - - - 2 + + +

Concave up $(-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$

Concave down $(-2, 2)$

inflection p's $(2, -20)$

$(-2, -20)$

7. $f(x) = \frac{1}{12}x^4 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 - 3x^2 - 6x + 4$

$f'(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - 6x - 6$

$f''(x) = x^2 + x - 6$

$f'''(x) = (x+3)(x-2)$

- - - 0 + + + + (x+3)

- - - - - 0 + + + (x-2)

+ + + - - - - 2 + + +

Concave up $(-\infty, -3) \cup (2, \infty)$

Concave down $(-3, 2)$

inflection points $(-3, -\frac{1}{4})$

$(2, -\frac{52}{3})$

8. $f(x) = 2x^3 - x^4$

$f'(x) = 6x^2 - 4x^3$

$f''(x) = 12x - 12x^2$

$f'''(x) = 12x(1-x)$

--- 0 + + + + x

+ + + + 0 --- 1-x

--- 0 + + + +

Concave up $(0, 1)$

Concave down $(-\infty, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$

inflection pts $(0, 0)$

$(1, 1)$

9. $f(x) = 3x^5 - 10x^3$

$f'(x) = 15x^4 - 30x^2$

$f''(x) = 60x^3 - 60x$

$f'''(x) = 60x(x^2 - 1)$

$f''(x) = 60x(x+1)(x-1)$

- - + - 0 + + + + x

--- 0 + + + + + x+1

- - - - - 0 + + x-1

- - - + + 0 - - - + + +

Concave up $(-1, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$

Concave down $(-\infty, -1) \cup (0, 1)$

inflection pts $(-1, 7)$

$(0, 0)$

$(1, -7)$

5.4. continued

10. $f(x) = x - 12\sqrt[3]{x}$

$f(x) = x - 12x^{1/3}$

$f'(x) = 1 - 4x^{-2/3}$

$f''(x) = \frac{8}{3}x^{-5/3}$

Concave up $(0, \infty)$

Concave down $(-\infty, 0)$

Inflection pt $(0, 0)$

--- $0 + + + \frac{8}{3}x^{-5/3}$
 --- $+$ $+++$

11. $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 9x^{2/3}$

$f'(x) = x^2 + 6x^{-1/3}$

$f''(x) = 2x - 2x^{-4/3}$

$f''(x) = 2x^{-1/3}(x^{2/3} - 1)$

$+++0++- 2x^{-4/3}$
 ----- $0++ x^{2/3}-1$
 ----- $0--1++$

Concave up $(1, \infty)$

Concave down $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, 1)$

Inflection point $(1, \frac{28}{3})$

12. $f(x) = \frac{9}{x^2+3} = 9(x^2+3)^{-1}$

$f'(x) = -9(x^2+3)^{-2}(2x)$

$f'(x) = -18x(x^2+3)^{-2} = \frac{-18x}{(x^2+3)^2}$

$f''(x) = -18(x^2+3)^{-3} - (-18x)(2)(x^2+3)^{-4}(2x)$

$\frac{(x^2+3)^4}{(x^2+3)^3} = -18 \frac{[x^2+3 - 4x^2]}{(x^2+3)^3}$

$= \frac{-18[-3x^2+3]}{(x^2+3)^3} = \frac{54(x^2-1)}{(x^2+3)^3} = \frac{54(x+1)(x-1)}{(x^2+3)^3}$

--- $0 + + + (x+1)$

--- $0 + + (x-1)$

$+++ + + + (x^2+3)^3$

$+++ - - - - + + +$

Concave up $(-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$

Concave down $(-1, 1)$

inflection pt $(1, \frac{9}{4}), (-1, \frac{9}{4})$

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

$f'(x) = 1 - 2x^{-2}$

$f''(x) = 4x^{-3}$

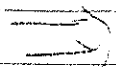
--- $+++ 4x^{-3} = \frac{4}{x^3}$
 --- $0+++$
 und

Concave up $(0, \infty)$

Concave down $(-\infty, 0)$

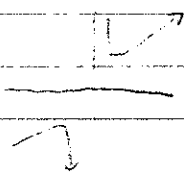
no inflection point

because undefined at $x=0$



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5.4. Continued

14. $f(x) = \sqrt{x}(6+x)$

$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}(6+x) + x^{1/2}(1)$

$f'(x) = 3x^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{2}x^{1/2} + x^{1/2}$

$f'(x) = 3x^{-1/2} + \frac{3}{2}x^{1/2}$

$f'(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^{-1/2}(2+x)$

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

$f''(x) = -\frac{3}{4}x^{-3/2}[(2+x) - 2x]$

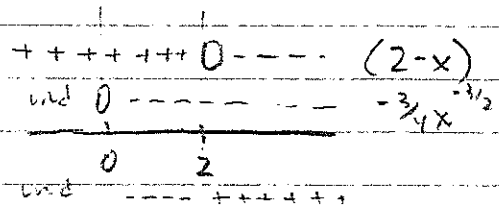
$f''(x) = -\frac{3}{4}x^{-3/2}(2-x)$

Concave up $(2, \infty)$

Concave down $(0, 2)$

inflection pt

$(2, 8\sqrt{2})$



15. $f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x-3}}$

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

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

Concave up $(3, 12)$

Concave down $(12, \infty)$

$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x-3)^{-3/2}(2x-6-x)$

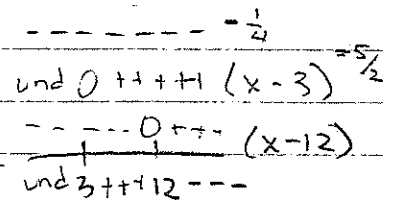
$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x-3)^{-3/2}(x-6) = \frac{1}{2}(x-6)(x-3)^{-3/2}$

$f''(x) = (\frac{1}{2})(x-3)^{-3/2} + (\frac{1}{2})(x-6)(-\frac{3}{2})(x-3)^{-5/2} (1)$

$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4}(x-3)^{-5/2}[-2(x-3) + 3(x-6)]$

$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4}(x-3)^{-5/2}[-2x+6+3x-18]$

$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4}(x-3)^{-5/2}(x-12)$



16. $f(x) = 2x^3 - 15x^2 + 9$

$f'(x) = 6x^2 - 30x$

$f'(x) = 6x(x-5)$

$f'(x) = 0$ at $\{0, 5\}$

$f''(x) = 12x - 30$

$f''(x) = 6(x-5)$

$f''(x) = 6(x-5)$

$f''(x) = 6(x-5)$

$f''(0) = 12(0) - 30$

$= -30 < 0$ so $x=0$

Concave down

local maximum

$f''(5) = 12(5) - 30$

$= 30 > 0$ so $x=5$

Concave up

local minimum



local maximum

local minimum

5.4 - Continued

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

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

$f'(x) = (x+1)(x-1)(x-3)$

$f''(x) = 3x^2 - 6x - 1$

critical #'s

$x=1, x=-1, x=3$

$f''(1) = 3(1)^2 - 6(1) - 1 = -4$ (concave down) $f''(-1) = 3(-1)^2 - 6(-1) - 1 = 8$ (concave up) $f''(3) = 3(3)^2 - 6(3) - 1 = 8$ (concave up)

\wedge relative max

\cup relative min

\cup rel. min

18. $f(x) = x^5 - 5x^3$

$f'(x) = 5x^4 - 15x^2$

$f'(x) = 5x^2(x^2 - 3)$

$f'(x) = 5x^2(x + \sqrt{3})(x - \sqrt{3})$

$f''(x) = 20x^3 - 30x$

$f''(0) = 20(0)^3 - 30(0) = 0$ (inflection point) $f''(\sqrt{3}) = 20(\sqrt{3})^3 - 30(\sqrt{3}) = 60\sqrt{3} - 30\sqrt{3} = 30\sqrt{3}$ (rel. min) $f''(-\sqrt{3}) = 20(-\sqrt{3})^3 - 30(-\sqrt{3}) = -60\sqrt{3} + 30\sqrt{3} = -30\sqrt{3}$ (rel. max)

second derivative test fails

$= 30\sqrt{3}$ (rel. min)

$= -30\sqrt{3}$ (rel. max)

second derivative test fails

\cup concave up

\wedge concave down

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

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

$f'(x) = \frac{3x^3 + 6x^2 - x^3}{(x+2)^2}$

$f'(x) = \frac{2x^3 + 6x^2}{(x+2)^2}$

$f'(x) = \frac{2x^2(x+3)}{(x+2)^2} = \frac{2x^3 + 6x^2}{(x+2)^2}$

$f''(x) = \frac{(6x^2 + 12x)(x+2)^2 - (2x^3 + 6x^2)(2)(x+2)}{(x+2)^4}$

$f''(x) = \frac{6x(x+2)(x+2)^2 - 4x^2(x+3)(x+2)}{(x+2)^4}$

$f''(x) = \frac{6x(x+2)^3 - 4x^2(x+3)}{(x+2)^4}$

$f''(3) = \frac{6(3)(3+2)^3 - 4(3)^2(3+3)}{(3+2)^4} = \frac{6(3)(125) - 4(9)(6)}{5^4} = \frac{2250 - 216}{625} = \frac{2034}{625}$ (rel. min) $f''(0) = 0$ (inflection point)