
Exercise Set 2.2

1. $f(x) = 5 - x^2$

First, find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

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

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

Next, find the critical points of $f(x)$. Since

$f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers x , the only

critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$-2x = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

We find the function value at $x = 0$.

$$f(0) = 5 - (0)^2 = 5.$$

The critical point is $(0, 5)$.

Next, we apply the Second Derivative test.

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

$$f''(0) = -2 < 0$$

Therefore, $f(0) = 5$ is a relative maximum.

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

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

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

$f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. The only

critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$-2x = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

We find the function value at $x = 0$.

$$f(0) = 4 - (0)^2 = 4.$$

The critical point is $(0, 4)$.

Next, we apply the Second Derivative test.

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

$$f''(0) = -2 < 0$$

Therefore, $f(0) = 4$ is a relative maximum.

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

First, find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

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

$$f''(x) = 2$$

Next, find the critical points of $f(x)$. Since

$f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers x , the only

critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$2x - 1 = 0$$

$$2x = 1$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

We find the function value at $x = \frac{1}{2}$.

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{4}.$$

The critical point is $\left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$.

Next, we apply the Second Derivative test.

$$f''(x) = 2$$

$$f''\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2 > 0$$

Therefore, $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{1}{4}$ is a relative minimum.

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

$$f'(x) = 2x + 1$$

$$f''(x) = 2$$

$f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. The only

critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$2x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

We find the function value at $x = -\frac{1}{2}$.

$$f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) - 1 = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} - 1 = -\frac{5}{4}.$$

The critical point is $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{5}{4}\right)$.

Next, we apply the Second Derivative test.

$$f''(x) = 2$$

$$f''\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2 > 0$$

Therefore, $f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{5}{4}$ is a relative minimum.

5. $f(x) = -5x^2 + 8x - 7$

First, find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

$$f'(x) = -10x + 8$$

$$f''(x) = -10$$

Next, find the critical points of $f(x)$. Since

$f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers x , the only

critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$-10x + 8 = 0$$

$$-10x = -8$$

$$x = \frac{-8}{-10}$$

$$x = \frac{4}{5}$$

We find the function value at $x = \frac{4}{5}$.

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) &= -5\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2 + 8\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) - 7 \\ &= -5\left(\frac{16}{25}\right) + \frac{32}{5} - \frac{7}{1} \\ &= -\frac{16}{5} + \frac{32}{5} - \frac{35}{5} \\ &= -\frac{19}{5} \end{aligned}$$

The critical point is $\left(\frac{4}{5}, -\frac{19}{5}\right)$.

Next, we apply the Second Derivative test.

$$f''(x) = -10$$

$$f''\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = -10 < 0$$

Therefore, $f\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = -\frac{19}{5}$ is a relative maximum.

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

$$f'(x) = -8x + 3$$

$$f''(x) = -8$$

$f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. The only critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$-8x + 3 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{3}{8}$$

We find the function value at $x = \frac{3}{8}$.

$$f\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) = -4\left(\frac{3}{8}\right)^2 + 3\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) - 1 = -\frac{7}{16}$$

The critical point is $\left(\frac{3}{8}, -\frac{7}{16}\right)$.

Next, we apply the Second Derivative test.

$$f''(x) = -8$$

$$f''\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) = -8 < 0$$

Therefore, $f\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) = -\frac{7}{16}$ is a relative maximum.

7. $f(x) = 8x^3 - 6x + 1$

First, find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

$$f'(x) = 24x^2 - 6$$

$$f''(x) = 48x$$

Next, find the critical points of $f(x)$. Since

$f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers x , the only

critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$24x^2 - 6 = 0$$

$$4x^2 - 1 = 0$$

Dividing by 6

$$x^2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$x = \pm\frac{1}{2}$$

There are two critical values $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ and

$$x = \frac{1}{2}.$$

We find the function value at $x = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 8\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - 6\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1 \\ &= 8\left(-\frac{1}{8}\right) + 3 + 1 \\ &= -1 + 3 + 1 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

The critical point is $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 3\right)$.

Next, we apply the Second Derivative test.

$$f''(x) = 48x$$

$$f''\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 48\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -24 < 0$$

Therefore, $f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 3$ is a relative maximum.

Now, we find the function value at $x = \frac{1}{2}$.

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 8\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - 6\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1 \\ &= 8\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) - 3 + 1 \\ &= 1 - 3 + 1 \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

The critical point is $\left(\frac{1}{2}, -1\right)$.

Next, we apply the Second Derivative test.

$$f''(x) = 48x$$

$$f''\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 48\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 24 > 0$$

Therefore, $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -1$ is a relative minimum.

8. $f(x) = x^3 - 12x - 1$

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

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

$f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. The only critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 12 = 0$$

$$3x^2 = 12$$

$$x^2 = 4$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

There are two critical values.

First, we find the function value at $x = -2$.

$$f(-2) = (-2)^3 - 12(-2) - 1 = 15.$$

The critical point is $(-2, 15)$.

Next, we apply the Second Derivative test.

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

$$f''(-2) = 6(-2) = -12 < 0$$

Therefore, $f(-2) = 15$ is a relative maximum.

Next, we find the function value at $x = 2$.

$$f(2) = (2)^3 - 12(2) - 1 = -17.$$

The critical point is $(2, -17)$.

Next, we apply the Second Derivative test.

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

$$f''(2) = 6(2) = 12 > 0$$

Therefore, $f(2) = -17$ is a relative minimum.

9. $f(x) = x^3 - 12x$

a) Find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

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

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

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

b) Find the critical points of $f(x)$. Since

$f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers x , the only critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 12 = 0$$

$$3x^2 = 12$$

$$x^2 = 4$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

There are two critical values

$$x = -2 \text{ and } x = 2.$$

We find the function value at $x = -2$

$$f(-2) = (-2)^3 - 12(-2) = 16.$$

The critical point on the graph is $(-2, 16)$.

Next, we find the function value at $x = 2$.

$$f(2) = (2)^3 - 12(2) = -16.$$

The critical point on the graph is $(2, -16)$.

c) Apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

For $x = -2$

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

$$f''(-2) = 6(-2) = -12 < 0$$

The critical point $(-2, 16)$ is a relative maximum.

For $x = 2$

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

$$f''(2) = 6(2) = 12 > 0$$

The critical point $(2, -16)$ is a relative minimum.

If we use the critical values $x = -2$ and $x = 2$ to divide the real line into three intervals, $(-\infty, -2)$, $(-2, 2)$, and $(2, \infty)$, we know from the extrema above, that $f(x)$ is increasing over the interval $(-\infty, -2)$, decreasing over the interval $(-2, 2)$ and then increasing again over the interval $(2, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$6x = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

Therefore, a possible inflection point occurs at $x = 0$.

$$f(0) = (0)^3 - 12(0) = 0.$$

This gives the point $(0, 0)$ on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity, we use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into two intervals $A: (-\infty, 0)$ and $B: (0, \infty)$. We test a point in each interval

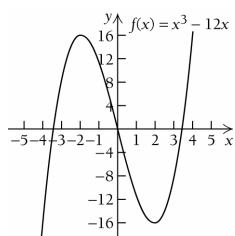
$$A: \text{Test } -1: f''(-1) = 6(-1) = -6 < 0$$

$$B: \text{Test } 1: f''(1) = 6(1) = 6 > 0$$

Then, $f(x)$ is concave down on the interval $(-\infty, 0)$ and concave up on the interval $(0, \infty)$, so $(0, 0)$ is an inflection point.

- f) Finally, we use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-3	9
-1	11
1	-11
3	-9



10. $f(x) = x^3 - 27x$

a) $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 27$

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

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve:

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 27 = 0$$

$$x^2 = 9$$

$$x = \pm 3$$

There are two critical values

$$x = -3 \text{ and } x = 3.$$

$$f(-3) = (-3)^3 - 27(-3) = 54.$$

The critical point on the graph is $(-3, 54)$.

$$f(3) = (3)^3 - 27(3) = -54.$$

The critical point on the graph is $(3, -54)$.

- c) We apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

For $x = -3$

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

$$f''(-3) = 6(-3) = -18 < 0$$

The critical point $(-3, 54)$ is a relative maximum.

For $x = 3$

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

$$f''(3) = 6(3) = 18 > 0$$

The critical point $(3, -54)$ is a relative minimum.

Therefore, $f(x)$ is increasing over the interval $(-\infty, -3)$, decreasing over the interval $(-3, 3)$ and then increasing again over the interval $(3, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$6x = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$f(0) = (0)^3 - 27(0) = 0.$$

A possible inflection point on the graph is the point $(0, 0)$.

- e) We use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into two intervals $A: (-\infty, 0)$ and $B: (0, \infty)$. We test a point in each interval

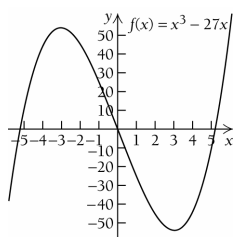
A: Test -1 : $f''(-1) = 6(-1) = -6 < 0$

B: Test 1 : $f''(1) = 6(1) = 6 > 0$

Then, $f(x)$ is concave down on the interval $(-\infty, 0)$ and concave up on the interval $(0, \infty)$, so $(0, 0)$ is an inflection point.

- f) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-4	44
-1	26
1	-26
4	-44



11. $f(x) = 3x^3 - 36x - 3$

- a) First, find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

$$f'(x) = 9x^2 - 36$$

$$f''(x) = 18x$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) Find the critical points of $f(x)$. Since $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers x , the only critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$9x^2 - 36 = 0$$

$$9x^2 = 36$$

$$x^2 = 4$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

There are two critical values $x = -2$ and $x = 2$.

We find the function value at $x = -2$

$$f(-2) = 3(-2)^3 - 36(-2) - 3 = 45.$$

The critical point on the graph is $(-2, 45)$.

Next, we find the function value at $x = 2$.

$$f(2) = 3(2)^3 - 36(2) - 3 = -51.$$

The critical point on the graph is $(2, -51)$.

- c) Apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.
For $x = -2$

$$f''(x) = 18x$$

$$f''(-2) = 18(-2) = -36 < 0$$

The critical point $(-2, 45)$ is a relative maximum.

For $x = 2$

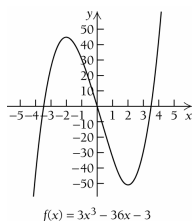
$$f''(x) = 18x$$

$$f''(2) = 18(2) = 36 > 0$$

The critical point $(2, -51)$ is a relative minimum.

- c) We use the critical values $x = -2$ and $x = 2$ to divide the real line into three intervals, A: $(-\infty, -2)$, B: $(-2, 2)$, and C: $(2, \infty)$, we know from the extrema above, that $f(x)$ is increasing over the interval $(-\infty, -2)$, decreasing over the interval $(-2, 2)$ and then increasing again over the interval $(2, \infty)$.
- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation
- $$f''(x) = 0$$
- $$18x = 0$$
- $$x = 0$$
- Therefore, a possible inflection point occurs at $x = 0$.
- $$f(0) = 3(0)^3 - 36(0) - 3 = -3.$$
- This gives the point $(0, -3)$ on the graph.
- e) To determine concavity, we use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into two intervals A: $(-\infty, 0)$ and B: $(0, \infty)$. We test a point in each interval
- A: Test -1 : $f''(-1) = 18(-1) = -18 < 0$
- B: Test 1 : $f''(1) = 18(1) = 18 > 0$
- Then, $f(x)$ is concave down on the interval $(-\infty, 0)$ and concave up on the interval $(0, \infty)$, so $(0, -3)$ is an inflection point.
- f) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-3	24
-1	30
1	-36
3	-30



12. $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 36x + 28$

a) $f'(x) = 6x^2 - 6x - 36$

$f''(x) = 12x - 6$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve:

$f'(x) = 0$

$6x^2 - 6x - 36 = 0$

$x^2 - x - 6 = 0$

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

$x-3 = 0$ or $x+2 = 0$

$x = 3$ or $x = -2$

There are two critical values $x = -2$ and $x = 3$.

$f(-2)$

$= 2(-2)^3 - 3(-2)^2 - 36(-2) + 28 = 72$

The critical point on the graph is $(-2, 72)$.

$f(3)$

$= 2(3)^3 - 3(3)^2 - 36(3) + 28 = -53$

The critical point on the graph is $(3, -53)$.

c) Apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

For $x = -2$

$f''(x) = 12x - 6$

$f''(-2) = 12(-2) - 6 = -30 < 0$

The critical point $(-2, 72)$ is a relative maximum.

For $x = 3$

$f''(x) = 12x - 6$

$f''(3) = 12(3) - 6 = 30 > 0$

The critical point $(3, -53)$ is a relative minimum.

Therefore, $f(x)$ is increasing over the interval $(-\infty, -2)$, decreasing over the interval $(-2, 3)$ and then increasing again over the interval $(3, \infty)$.

d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation

$f''(x) = 0$

$12x - 6 = 0$

$x = \frac{1}{2}$

$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 36\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 28$

$= \frac{19}{2}$

A possible inflection point on the graph is the point $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{19}{2}\right)$.

e) We use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into two

intervals $A: \left(-\infty, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ and $B: \left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$. We

test a point in each interval

A: Test 0: $f''(0) = 12(0) - 6 = -6 < 0$

B: Test 1: $f''(1) = 12(1) - 6 = 6 > 0$

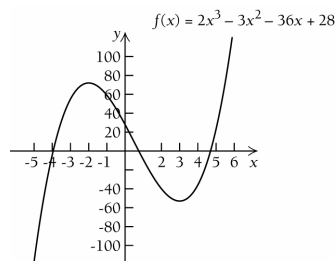
Then, $f(x)$ is concave down on the interval

$\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ and concave up on the interval

$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$, so $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{19}{2}\right)$ is an inflection point.

f) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-3	55
-1	59
0	28
1	-9
4	-36



13. $f(x) = \frac{8}{3}x^3 - 2x + \frac{1}{3}$

a) Find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

$$f'(x) = 8x^2 - 2$$

$$f''(x) = 16x$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

b) Next, find the critical points of $f(x)$. Since

$f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers x , the only

critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$8x^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$8x^2 = 2$$

$$x^2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

There are two critical values

$$x = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } x = \frac{1}{2}.$$

We find the function value at $x = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) &= \frac{8}{3}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - 2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{3} \\ &= \frac{8}{3}\left(-\frac{1}{8}\right) + 1 + \frac{1}{3} \\ &= -\frac{1}{3} + 1 + \frac{1}{3} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

The critical point on the graph is $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$.

Next, we find the function value at $x = \frac{1}{2}$.

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &= \frac{8}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{3} \\ &= \frac{8}{3}\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) - 1 + \frac{1}{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} - 1 + \frac{1}{3} \\ &= -\frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

The critical point on the graph is $\left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$.

c) Apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

$$\text{For } x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$f''(x) = 16x$$

$$f''\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 16\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -8 < 0$$

The critical point $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$ is a relative maximum.

$$\text{For } x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f''(x) = 16x$$

$$f''\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 16\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 8 > 0$$

The critical point $\left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$ is a relative minimum.

We use the critical values

$x = -\frac{1}{2}$, and $x = \frac{1}{2}$ to divide the real line into three intervals,

$$A: \left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}\right), B: \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right), \text{ and } C: \left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right),$$

we know from the extrema above, that $f(x)$ is increasing over the interval

$$\left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}\right), \text{ decreasing over the interval}$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \text{ and then increasing again over the interval } \left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right).$$

d) We find the points of inflection.

$f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$16x = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

Therefore, a possible inflection point occurs at $x = 0$.

$$f(0) = \frac{8}{3}(0)^3 - 2(0) + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

This gives the point $\left(0, \frac{1}{3}\right)$ on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity, we use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into two intervals $A: (-\infty, 0)$ and

$B: (0, \infty)$. We test a point in each interval

A: Test -1 : $f''(-1) = 16(-1) = -16 < 0$

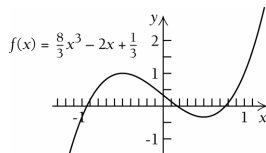
B: Test 1 : $f''(1) = 16(1) = 16 > 0$

Then, $f(x)$ is concave down on the interval $(-\infty, 0)$ and concave up on the interval

$(0, \infty)$, so $\left(0, \frac{1}{3}\right)$ is an inflection point.

- f) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-2	-17
-1	$-\frac{1}{3}$
1	1
2	$\frac{53}{3}$



14. $f(x) = 80 - 9x^2 - x^3$

a) $f'(x) = -18x - 3x^2$

$f''(x) = -18 - 6x$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve:

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$-18x - 3x^2 = 0$$

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

$$-3x = 0 \text{ or } x+6 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x = -6$$

There are two critical values $x = -6$ and $x = 0$.

$$f(-6) = 80 - 9(-6)^2 - (-6)^3 = -28.$$

The critical point on the graph is $(-6, -28)$.

$$f(0) = 80 - 9(0)^2 - (0)^3 = 80.$$

The critical point on the graph is $(0, 80)$.

- c) We Apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

For $x = -6$

$$f''(x) = -18 - 6x$$

$$f''(-6) = -18 - 6(-6) = 18 > 0$$

The critical point $(-6, -28)$ is a relative minimum.

For $x = 0$

$$f''(x) = -18 - 6x$$

$$f''(0) = -18 - 6(0) = -18 < 0$$

The critical point $(0, 80)$ is a relative maximum.

Therefore, $f(x)$ is decreasing over the interval $(-\infty, -6)$, increasing over the interval $(-6, 0)$ and then decreasing again over the interval $(0, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$-18 - 6x = 0$$

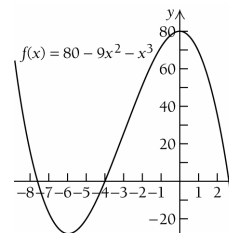
$$x = -3$$

$$f(-3) = 80 - 9(-3)^2 - (-3)^3 = 26.$$

A possible inflection point on the graph is the point $(-3, 26)$.

- e) We use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into two intervals $A: (-\infty, -3)$ and $B: (-3, \infty)$. We test a point in each interval
- A: Test -4 : $f''(-4) = -18 - 6(-4) = 6 > 0$
- B: Test 0 : $f''(0) = -18 - 6(0) = -18 < 0$
- Then, $f(x)$ is concave up on the interval $(-\infty, -3)$ and concave down on the interval $(-3, \infty)$, so $(-3, 26)$ is an inflection point.
- f) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-9	80
-4	0
-2	52
0	80
2	36
3	-28



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

- a) First, find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

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

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

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) Find the critical points of $f(x)$. Since $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers x , the only critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$-3x^2 + 6x = 0$$

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

$$-3x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x - 2 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 2$$

There are two critical values $x = 0$ and $x = 2$.

We find the function value at $x = 0$

$$f(0) = -(0)^3 + 3(0)^2 - 4 = -4$$

The critical point on the graph is $(0, -4)$.

Next, we find the function value at $x = 2$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(2) &= -(2)^3 + 3(2)^2 - 4 \\ &= -8 + 12 - 4 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

The critical point on the graph is $(2, 0)$.

- c) Apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

For $x = 0$

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

$$f''(0) = -6(0) + 6 = 6 > 0$$

The critical point $(0, -4)$ is a relative minimum.

For $x = 2$

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

$$f''(2) = -6(2) + 6 = -6 < 0$$

The critical point $(2, 0)$ is a relative maximum.

We use the critical values $x = 0$ and $x = 2$ to divide the real line into three intervals,

A: $(-\infty, 0)$, B: $(0, 2)$, and C: $(2, \infty)$, we

know from the extrema above, that $f(x)$ is decreasing over the interval $(-\infty, 0)$,

increasing over the interval $(0, 2)$ and then

decreasing again over the interval $(2, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$-6x + 6 = 0$$

$$-6x = -6$$

$$x = 1$$

Therefore, a possible inflection point occurs at $x = 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= -(1)^3 + 3(1)^2 - 4 \\ &= -1 + 3 - 4 \\ &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

This gives the point $(1, -2)$ on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity, we use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into two intervals A: $(-\infty, 1)$ and

B: $(1, \infty)$. We test a point in each interval

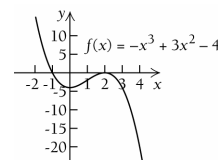
$$\text{A: Test } 0: f''(0) = -6(0) + 6 = 6 > 0$$

$$\text{B: Test } 2: f''(2) = -6(2) + 6 = -2 < 0$$

Then, $f(x)$ is concave up on the interval $(-\infty, 1)$ and concave down on the interval $(1, \infty)$, so $(1, -2)$ is an inflection point.

- f) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-2	16
-1	0
3	-4
4	-20



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

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

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

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve:

$$f'(x) = 0$$

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

$$-3(x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$x^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$x = \pm 1$$

There are two critical values

$$x = -1 \text{ and } x = 1.$$

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

The critical point on the graph is $(-1, -4)$.

$$f(1) = -(1)^3 + 3(1) - 2 = 0.$$

The critical point on the graph is $(1, 0)$.

- c) We apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

For $x = -1$

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

$$f''(-1) = -6(-1) = 6 > 0$$

The critical point $(-1, -4)$ is a relative minimum.

For $x = 1$

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

$$f''(1) = -6(1) = -6 < 0$$

The critical point $(1, 0)$ is a relative maximum.

Therefore, $f(x)$ is decreasing over the

interval $(-\infty, -1)$, increasing over the

interval $(-1, 1)$ and then decreasing again

over the interval $(1, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$-6x = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$f(0) = -(0)^3 + 3(0) - 2 = -2.$$

A possible inflection point on the graph is the point $(0, -2)$.

- f) We use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into two intervals $A: (-\infty, 0)$ and $B: (0, \infty)$. We test a point in each interval

$$\text{A: Test } -1: f''(-1) = -6(-1) = 6 > 0$$

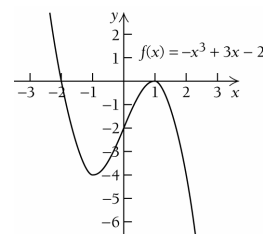
$$\text{B: Test } 1: f''(1) = -6(1) = -6 < 0$$

Then, $f(x)$ is concave up on the interval $(-\infty, 0)$ and concave down on the

interval $(0, \infty)$, so $(0, -2)$ is an inflection point.

- e) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-3	16
-2	0
2	-4
3	-20



17. $f(x) = 3x^4 - 16x^3 + 18x^2$

- a) First, find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

$$f'(x) = 12x^3 - 48x^2 + 36x$$

$$f''(x) = 36x^2 - 96x + 36$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) Next, find the critical points of $f(x)$. Since $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers x , the only critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$12x^3 - 48x^2 + 36x = 0$$

$$12x(x^2 - 4x + 3) = 0$$

$$12x(x-1)(x-3) = 0$$

$$12x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x-1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x-3 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 3$$

There are three critical values $x = 0$, $x = 1$, and $x = 3$.

Then

$$f(0) = 3(0)^4 - 16(0)^3 + 18(0)^2 = 0$$

$$f(1) = 3(1)^4 - 16(1)^3 + 18(1)^2 = 5$$

$$f(3) = 3(3)^4 - 16(3)^3 + 18(3)^2 = -27$$

Thus, the critical points $(0, 0)$, $(1, 5)$, and $(3, -27)$ are on the graph.

- c) Apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

$$f''(0) = 36(0)^2 - 96(0) + 36 = 36 > 0$$

The critical point $(0, 0)$ is a relative minimum.

$$f''(1) = 36(1)^2 - 96(1) + 36 = -24 < 0$$

The critical point $(1, 5)$ is a relative maximum.

$$f''(3) = 36(3)^2 - 96(3) + 36 = 72 > 0$$

The critical point $(3, -27)$ is a relative minimum.

We use the critical values 0, 1, and 3 to divide the real line into four intervals, $A: (-\infty, 0)$, $B: (0, 1)$, $C: (1, 3)$ and $D: (3, \infty)$, we know from the extrema above, that $f(x)$ is decreasing over the intervals $(-\infty, 0]$ and $[1, 3]$ and $f(x)$ increasing over the intervals $[0, 1]$ and $[3, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation $f''(x) = 0$.

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$36x^2 - 96x + 36 = 0$$

$$12(3x^2 - 8x + 3) = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 8x + 3 = 0$$

Using the quadratic formula, we find that

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{7}}{3}, \text{ so } x \approx 0.451 \text{ or } x \approx 2.215 \text{ are}$$

possible inflection points.

$$f(0.451) \approx 2.321$$

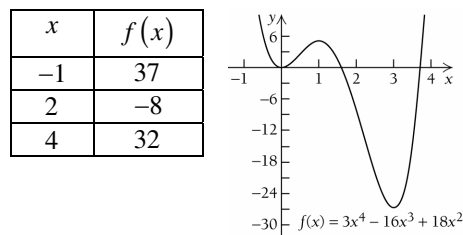
$$f(2.215) \approx -13.358$$

So, $(0.451, 2.321)$ and $(2.215, -13.358)$ are two more points on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity, we use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into three intervals $A: (-\infty, 0.451)$, $B: (0.451, 2.215)$, and $C: (2.215, \infty)$. We test a point in each interval
- A: Test 0:
- $$f''(0) = 36(0)^2 - 96(0) + 36 = 36 > 0$$
- B: Test 1:
- $$f''(1) = 36(1)^2 - 96(1) + 36 = -24 < 0$$
- C: Test 3:
- $$f''(3) = 36(3)^2 - 96(3) + 36 = 72 > 0$$

Then, $f(x)$ is concave up on the interval $(-\infty, 0.451)$ and concave down on the interval $(0.451, 2.215)$ and concave up on the interval $(2.215, \infty)$, so $(0.451, 2.321)$ and $(2.215, -13.358)$ are inflection points.

- f) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.



18. $f(x) = 3x^4 + 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 5$

a) $f'(x) = 12x^3 + 12x^2 - 24x$

$$f''(x) = 36x^2 + 24x - 24$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$12x^3 + 12x^2 - 24x = 0$$

$$12x(x^2 + x - 2) = 0$$

$$12x(x+2)(x-1) = 0$$

$$12x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x+2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x-1 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -2 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 1$$

There are three critical values $x = -2$, $x = 0$, and $x = 1$.

Then

$$f(-2) = 3(-2)^4 + 4(-2)^3 - 12(-2)^2 + 5 = -27$$

$$f(0) = 3(0)^4 + 4(0)^3 - 12(0)^2 + 5 = 5$$

$$f(1) = 3(1)^4 + 4(1)^3 - 12(1)^2 + 5 = 0$$

Thus, the critical points $(-2, -27)$, $(0, 5)$, and $(1, 0)$ are on the graph.

- c) Apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

$$f''(-2) = 36(-2)^2 + 24(-2) - 24 = 72 > 0$$

The critical point $(-2, -27)$ is a relative minimum.

$$f''(0) = 36(0)^2 + 24(0) - 24 = -24 < 0$$

The critical point $(0, 5)$ is a relative maximum.

$$f''(1) = 36(1)^2 + 24(1) - 24 = 36 > 0$$

The critical point $(1, 0)$ is a relative minimum.

Then $f(x)$ is decreasing over the intervals $(-\infty, -2)$ and $(0, 1)$ and $f(x)$ increasing over the intervals $(-2, 0)$ and $(1, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$36x^2 + 24x - 24 = 0$$

Using the quadratic formula, we find that

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{7}}{3}, \text{ so}$$

$x \approx -1.215$ or $x \approx 0.549$ are possible inflection points.

$$f(-1.215) \approx -13.358$$

$$f(0.549) \approx 2.321$$

So, $(-1.215, -13.358)$ and $(0.549, 2.321)$ are two more points on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity, we use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into three intervals $A: (-\infty, -1.215)$, $B: (-1.215, 0.549)$, and $C: (0.549, \infty)$.

We test a point in each interval

$$\text{A: Test } -2: f''(-2) = 72 > 0$$

$$\text{B: Test } 0: f''(0) = -24 < 0$$

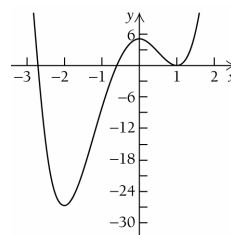
$$\text{C: Test } 1: f''(1) = 36 > 0$$

Then, $f(x)$ is concave up on the interval $(-\infty, -1.215)$ and concave down on the interval $(-1.215, 0.549)$ and concave up on the interval $(0.549, \infty)$, so

$(-1.215, -13.358)$ and $(0.549, 2.321)$ are inflection points.

- f) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-3	32
-1	-8
2	37



$$f(x) = 3x^4 + 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 5$$

19. $f(x) = x^4 - 6x^2$

- a) First, find $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$.

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 - 12x$$

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

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) Find the critical points of $f(x)$. Since $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers x , the only critical points occur when $f'(x) = 0$.

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$4x^3 - 12x = 0$$

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

$$4x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x^2 - 3 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

There are three critical values $-\sqrt{3}$, 0 , and $\sqrt{3}$.

Then

$$f(-\sqrt{3}) = (-\sqrt{3})^4 - 6(-\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$= 9 - 6(3)$$

$$= -9$$

$$f(0) = (0)^4 - 6(0)^2 = 0$$

$$f(\sqrt{3}) = (\sqrt{3})^4 - 6(\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$= 9 - 6(3)$$

$$= -9$$

Thus, the critical points $(-\sqrt{3}, -9)$, $(0, 0)$, $(\sqrt{3}, -9)$ and are on the graph.

- c) Apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

$$f''(-\sqrt{3}) = 12(-\sqrt{3})^2 - 12$$

$$= 12(3) - 12 = 24 > 0$$

The critical point $(-\sqrt{3}, -9)$ is a relative minimum.

$$f''(0) = 12(0)^2 - 12 = -12 < 0$$

The critical point $(0, 0)$ is a relative maximum.

$$\begin{aligned} f''(\sqrt{3}) &= 12(\sqrt{3})^2 - 12 \\ &= 12(3) - 12 = 24 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

The critical point $(\sqrt{3}, -9)$ is a relative minimum.

If we use the critical values $-\sqrt{3}$, 0 , and $\sqrt{3}$ to divide the real line into four intervals,

A: $(-\infty, -\sqrt{3})$, B: $(-\sqrt{3}, 0)$, C: $(0, \sqrt{3})$,

and D: $(\sqrt{3}, \infty)$

Then $f(x)$ is decreasing over the intervals $(-\infty, -\sqrt{3})$ and $(0, \sqrt{3})$, and

$f(x)$ increasing over the intervals $(-\sqrt{3}, 0)$ and $(\sqrt{3}, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$12x^2 - 12 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$x^2 = 1$$

$$x = \pm 1$$

So $x = -1$ or $x = 1$ are possible inflection points.

$$f(-1) = (-1)^4 - 6(-1)^2 = 1 - 6 = -5$$

$$f(1) = (1)^4 - 6(1)^2 = 1 - 6 = -5$$

So, $(-1, -5)$ and $(1, -5)$ are two more points on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity, we use the possible inflection point to divide the real number line into three intervals A: $(-\infty, -1)$,

B: $(-1, 1)$, and C: $(1, \infty)$. We test a point in each interval

A: Test -2 :

$$f''(-2) = 12(-2)^2 - 12 = 36 > 0$$

B: Test 0 :

$$f''(0) = 12(0)^2 - 12 = -12 < 0$$

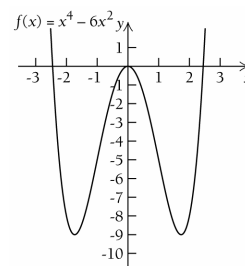
C: Test 2 :

$$f''(2) = 12(2)^2 - 12 = 36 > 0$$

Then, $f(x)$ is concave up on the intervals $(-\infty, -1)$ and $(1, \infty)$ and concave down on the interval $(-1, 1)$, so $(-1, -5)$ and $(1, -5)$ are inflection points.

- f) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-3	27
-2	-8
2	-8
3	27



20. $f(x) = 2x^2 - x^4$

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

$$f''(x) = 4 - 12x^2$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve

$$f'(x) = 0$$

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

$$4x(1 - x^2) = 0$$

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

$$4x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 1 - x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 1 + x = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -1$$

There are three critical values $x = -1$, $x = 0$, and $x = 1$.

Then

$$f(-1) = 2(-1)^2 - (-1)^4 = 1$$

$$f(0) = 2(0)^2 - (0)^4 = 0$$

$$f(1) = 2(1)^2 - (1)^4 = 1$$

Thus, the critical points $(-1, 1)$, $(0, 0)$, and $(1, 1)$ are on the graph.

- c) Apply the Second Derivative test to the critical points.

$$f''(-1) = 4 - 12(-1)^2 = -8 < 0$$

The critical point $(-1, 1)$ is a relative maximum.

$$f''(0) = 4 - 12(0)^2 = 4 > 0$$

The critical point $(0,0)$ is a relative minimum.

$$f''(1) = 4 - 12(1)^2 = -8 < 0$$

The critical point $(1,1)$ is a relative maximum.

Then $f(x)$ is increasing over the intervals $(-\infty, -1)$ and $(0,1)$, and $f(x)$ is decreasing over the intervals $(-1,0)$ and $(1,\infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, so we solve the equation

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$4 - 12x^2 = 0$$

$$x^2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} = \pm\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

So at $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ and $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ are possible inflection points.

$$f\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \frac{5}{9}$$

So, $\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{5}{9}\right)$ and $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{5}{9}\right)$ are two more points on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity, we use the possible inflection point to divide the real number

line into three intervals $A: \left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$,

$B: \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$, and $C: \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \infty\right)$.

We test a point in each interval

A: Test -1 : $f''(-1) = -8 < 0$

B: Test 0 : $f''(0) = 4 > 0$

C: Test 1 : $f''(1) = -8 < 0$

Therefore, $f(x)$ is concave down on the

intervals $\left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$ and $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \infty\right)$ and

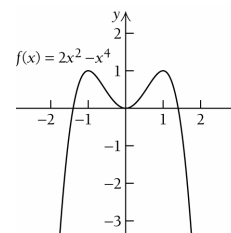
$f(x)$ is concave up on the interval

$$\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right), \text{ so } \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{5}{9}\right)$$

and $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{5}{9}\right)$ are inflection points.

- f) We use the preceding information to sketch the graph of the function. Additional function values can also be calculated as needed.

x	$f(x)$
-2	-8
-1	1
0	0
1	1
2	-8



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

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

$$f''(x) = 6x - 4$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only critical points of f are where $f'(x) = 0$.

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

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

$$3x+2=0 \quad \text{or} \quad x-2=0$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad x = 2$$

The critical values are $-\frac{2}{3}$ and 2 .

$$f\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 - 2\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 - 4\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + 3$$

$$= -\frac{8}{27} - \frac{8}{9} + \frac{8}{3} + 3$$

$$= -\frac{8}{27} - \frac{24}{27} + \frac{72}{27} + \frac{81}{27}$$

$$= \frac{121}{27}$$

$$f(2) = (2)^3 - 2(2)^2 - 4(2) + 3$$

$$= 8 - 8 - 8 + 3$$

$$= -5$$

The critical points $\left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{121}{27}\right)$ and

$(2, -5)$ are on the graph.

- c) Applying the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$f''\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = 6\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) - 4 = -4 - 4 = -8 < 0$$

So $\left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{121}{7}\right)$ is a relative maximum.

$$f''(2) = 6(2) - 4 = 12 - 4 = 8 > 0$$

So $(2, -5)$ is a relative minimum.

Then, if we use the points $-\frac{2}{3}$ and 2 to

divide the real number line into three

intervals, $\left(-\infty, -\frac{2}{3}\right)$, $\left(-\frac{2}{3}, 2\right)$, and $(2, \infty)$,

we know that f is increasing on $\left(-\infty, -\frac{2}{3}\right]$

and on $[2, \infty)$ and f is decreasing on

$$\left[-\frac{2}{3}, 2\right].$$

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only possible inflection points occur when $f''(x) = 0$.

$$6x - 4 = 0$$

$$6x = 4$$

$$x = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

There is a possible inflection point at $x = \frac{2}{3}$.

$$f\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 - 2\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 - 4\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + 3$$

$$= \frac{8}{27} - \frac{8}{9} - \frac{8}{3} + 3$$

$$= \frac{8}{27} - \frac{24}{27} - \frac{72}{27} + \frac{81}{27}$$

$$= -\frac{7}{27}$$

Another point on the graph is $\left(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{7}{27}\right)$.

- e) To determine concavity we use $\frac{2}{3}$ to divide the real number line into two intervals, A: $\left(-\infty, \frac{2}{3}\right)$ and B: $\left(\frac{2}{3}, \infty\right)$. Then test a point in each interval.

A: Test 0, $f''(0) = 6(0) - 4 = -4 < 0$

B: Test 1, $f''(1) = 6(1) - 4 = 2 > 0$

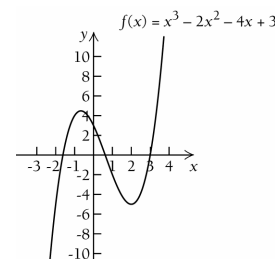
We see that f is concave down on

$\left(-\infty, \frac{2}{3}\right)$ and concave up on $\left(\frac{2}{3}, \infty\right)$, so

$\left(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{7}{27}\right)$ is an inflection point.

- f) We sketch the graph using the preceding information. Additional function values may also be calculated as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-2	-5
-1	4
0	3
1	-2
3	0
4	19



22. $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x + 1$

a) $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 12x + 9$

$$f''(x) = 6x - 12$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 12x + 9 = 0$$

$$3(x^2 - 4x + 3) = 0$$

$$3(x-1)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x-1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x-3 = 0$$

$$x = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 3$$

The critical values are 1 and 3.

$$f(1) = (1)^3 - 6(1)^2 + 9(1) + 1 = 5$$

$$f(3) = (3)^3 - 6(3)^2 + 9(3) + 1 = 1$$

So, $(1, 5)$ and $(3, 1)$ are on the graph.

- c) Applying the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$f''(1) = 6(1) - 12 = -6 < 0$$

$$f''(3) = 6(3) - 12 = 6 > 0$$

Therefore, $(1, 5)$ is a relative maximum and

$(3, 1)$ is a relative minimum. Furthermore,

$f(x)$ is increasing on the intervals $(-\infty, 1)$

and $(3, \infty)$, and $f(x)$ is decreasing on the interval $(1, 3)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$6x - 12 = 0$$

$$6x = 12$$

$$x = 2$$

$$f(2) = (2)^3 - 6(2)^2 + 9(2) + 1 = 3$$

Thus, the point $(2, 3)$ on the graph is a possible inflection point.

- e) Use 2 to divide the real number line into two intervals, A: $(-\infty, 2)$ and B: $(2, \infty)$.

Then test a point in each interval.

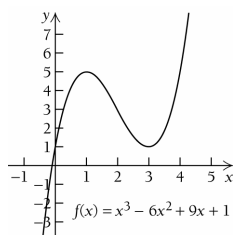
A: Test 0, $f''(0) = 6(0) - 12 = -12 < 0$

B: Test 3, $f''(3) = 6(3) - 12 = 6 > 0$

Thus, $f(x)$ is concave down on the interval $(-\infty, 2)$ and concave up on the interval $(2, \infty)$ and $(2, 3)$ is an inflection point.

- f) We sketch the graph. Additional points may be found as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-2	-49
-1	-15
0	1
4	5
5	21



23. $f(x) = 3x^4 + 4x^3$

a) $f'(x) = 12x^3 + 12x^2$

$$f''(x) = 36x^2 + 24x$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only critical points of f are where $f'(x) = 0$.

$$12x^3 + 12x^2 = 0$$

$$12x^2(x+1) = 0$$

$$12x^2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x+1 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -1$$

The critical values are -1 and 0 .

$$f(-1) = 3(-1)^4 + 4(-1)^3 = -1$$

$$f(0) = 3(0)^4 + 4(0)^3 = 0$$

The critical points $(-1, -1)$ and $(0, 0)$ are on the graph.

- c) Applying the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} f''(-1) &= 36(-1)^2 + 24(-1) = 36 - 24 \\ &= 12 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

So $(-1, -1)$ is a relative minimum.

$$f''(0) = 36(0)^2 + 24(0) = 0$$

The test fails. We will use the First Derivative Test. We use 0 to divide the interval $(-1, \infty)$ into two intervals,

A: $(-1, 0)$ and B: $(0, \infty)$, and test a point in each interval.

A: Test $-\frac{1}{2}$,

$$\begin{aligned} f'\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 12\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 12\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{3}{2} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

B: Test 2,

$$f'(2) = 12(2)^3 + 12(2)^2 = 144 > 0$$

f is increasing on both intervals $[-1, 0]$ and $[0, \infty)$. Therefore, $(0, 0)$ is not a relative extremum. Since $(-1, -1)$ is a relative minimum, we know that f is decreasing on $(-\infty, -1]$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only possible inflection points occur when $f''(x) = 0$.

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$36x^2 + 24x = 0$$

$$12x(3x+2) = 0$$

$$12x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 3x+2 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -\frac{2}{3}$$

There are a possible inflection points at

$$x = -\frac{2}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad x = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) &= 3\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 + 4\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 \\ &= 3\left(\frac{16}{81}\right) + 4\left(-\frac{8}{27}\right) \\ &= \frac{16}{27} - \frac{32}{27} \\ &= -\frac{16}{27} \end{aligned}$$

$$f(0) = 3(0)^4 + 4(0)^3 = 0$$

This gives one additional point

$$\left(-\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{16}{27}\right) \text{ on the graph.}$$

- e) To determine concavity we use $-\frac{2}{3}$ and 0 to divide the real number line into three intervals, A: $(-\infty, -\frac{2}{3})$, B: $(-\frac{2}{3}, 0)$, and C: $(0, \infty)$. Then test a point in each interval.

A: Test -1 ,

$$f''(-1) = 36(-1)^2 + 24(-1) = 12 > 0$$

B: Test $-\frac{1}{2}$,

$$f''\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 36\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 24\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -3 < 0$$

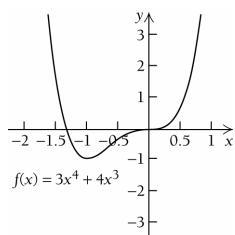
C: Test 1,

$$f''(1) = 36(1)^2 + 24(1) = 60 > 0$$

We see that f is concave up on the intervals $(-\infty, -\frac{2}{3})$ and $(0, \infty)$, and concave down on the interval $(-\frac{2}{3}, 0)$, so both $(-\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{16}{27})$ and $(0, 0)$ are inflection points.

- f) We sketch the graph using the preceding information. Additional function values may also be calculated as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-2	16
1	7
2	80



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

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

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

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$4x^3 - 6x^2 = 0$$

$$2x^2(2x - 3) = 0$$

$$2x^2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{3}{2}$$

The critical values are 0 and $\frac{3}{2}$.

$$f(0) = (0)^4 - 2(0)^3 = 0$$

$$f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4 - 2\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 = -\frac{27}{16}$$

So, $(0, 0)$ and $(\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{27}{16})$ are on the graph.

- c) Applying the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$f''(0) = 12(0)^2 - 12(0) = 0$$

The Second Derivative Test fails, we will have to use the First Derivative Test for

$x = 0$. Divide $(-\infty, \frac{3}{2})$ into two intervals,

A: $(-\infty, 0)$ and B: $(0, \frac{3}{2})$, and test a point in each interval.

A: Test -1 ,

$$f'(-1) = 4(-1)^3 - 6(-1)^2 = -10 < 0$$

B: Test 1,

$$f'(1) = 4(1)^3 - 6(1)^2 = -2 < 0$$

Since, f is decreasing on both intervals, $(0, 0)$ is not a relative extremum.

We use the Second Derivative Test for

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

$$f''\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 12\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - 12\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 9 > 0$$

Therefore, $(\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{27}{16})$ is a relative minimum.

Furthermore, $f(x)$ is increasing on the

interval $(\frac{3}{2}, \infty)$, and $f(x)$ is decreasing on

the intervals $(-\infty, 0)$ and $(0, \frac{3}{2})$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$12x^2 - 12x = 0$$

$$12x(x-1) = 0$$

$$12x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x-1 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 1$$

$$f(0) = 0 \quad \text{found earlier}$$

$$f(1) = (1)^4 - 2(1)^3 = -1$$

Thus, the points $(0,0)$ and $(1,-1)$ on the graph are possible inflection points.

- e) Use 0 and 1 to divide the real number line into two intervals, A: $(-\infty, 0)$, B: $(0, 1)$, and C: $(1, \infty)$. Then test a point in each interval.

A: Test -1 ,

$$f''(-1) = 12(-1)^2 - 12(-1) = 24 > 0$$

B: Test $\frac{1}{2}$,

$$f''\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 12\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 12\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -3 < 0$$

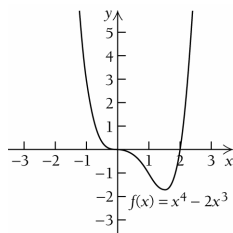
C: Test 2,

$$f''(2) = 12(2)^2 - 12(2) = 24 > 0$$

Thus, $f(x)$ is concave up on the intervals $(-\infty, 0)$ and $(1, \infty)$ and concave down on the interval $(0, 1)$. Also, the points $(0,0)$ and $(1,-1)$ are inflection points.

- f) Using the preceding information, we sketch the graph. Additional points may be found as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-2	32
-1	3
2	0
3	27



25. $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 - 135x$

a) $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 12x - 135$

$$f''(x) = 6x - 12$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only critical points of f are where $f'(x) = 0$.

$$3x^2 - 12x - 135 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 4x - 45 = 0$$

$$(x-9)(x+5) = 0$$

$$x-9 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x+5 = 0$$

$$x = 9 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -5$$

The critical values are -5 and 9 .

$$f(-5) = (-5)^3 - 6(-5)^2 - 135(-5)$$

$$= -125 - 150 + 675$$

$$= 400$$

$$f(9) = (9)^3 - 6(9)^2 - 135(9)$$

$$= 729 - 486 - 1215$$

$$= -972$$

The critical points $(-5, 400)$ and

$(9, -972)$ are on the graph.

- c) Applying the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$f''(-5) = 6(-5) - 12 = -30 - 12$$

$$= -42 < 0$$

The critical point $(-5, 400)$ is a relative maximum.

$$f''(9) = 6(9) - 12 = 54 - 12$$

$$= 42 > 0$$

The critical point $(9, -972)$ is a relative minimum.

If we use the points -5 and 9 to divide the real number line into three intervals

$(-\infty, -5)$, $(-5, 9)$, and $(9, \infty)$ we see that

$f(x)$ is increasing on the intervals

$(-\infty, -5)$ and $(9, \infty)$ and $f(x)$ is decreasing

on the interval $(-5, 9)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only possible inflection points occur when $f''(x) = 0$.

$$6x - 12 = 0$$

$$6x = 12$$

$$x = 2$$

The only possible inflection point is 2 .

$$f(2) = (2)^3 - (2)^2 - 135(2)$$

$$= 8 - 24 - 270$$

$$= -286$$

The point $(2, -286)$ is a possible inflection point on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity we use 2 to divide the real number line into two intervals,
 $A : (-\infty, 2)$ and $B : (2, \infty)$, Then test a point in each interval.

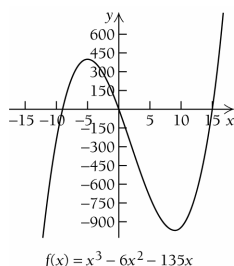
A: Test 0, $f''(0) = 6(0) - 12 = -12 < 0$

B: Test 3, $f''(3) = 6(3) - 12 = 6 > 0$

We see that f is concave down on the interval $(-\infty, 2)$ and concave up on the interval $(2, \infty)$, Therefore $(2, -286)$ is an inflection point.

- f) We sketch the graph using the preceding information. Additional function values may also be calculated as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-11	-572
-10	-250
-3	324
0	0
2	-286
5	-700
15	0
16	400



26. $f'(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 144x - 140$

a) $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x - 144$

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

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve:

$f'(x) = 0$

$3x^2 - 6x - 144 = 0$

$x^2 - 2x - 48 = 0$

$(x+6)(x-8) = 0$

$x+6 = 0$ or $x-8 = 0$

$x = -6$ or $x = 8$ Critical Values

$f(-6) = 400$

$f(8) = -972$

So the critical points $(-6, 400)$ and

$(8, -972)$ are on the graph.

- c) Using the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$f''(-6) = -42 < 0$

$f''(8) = 42 > 0$

So, $(-6, 400)$ is a relative maximum and

$(8, -972)$ is a relative minimum. Therefore,

$f(x)$ is increasing on the intervals $(-\infty, -6)$

and $(8, \infty)$ and $f(x)$ is decreasing on the

interval $(-6, 8)$.

- d) Find the inflection points. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve:

$f''(x) = 0$

$6x - 6 = 0$

$x = 1$

$f(1) = -286$

The possible inflection point $(1, -286)$ is on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity, use 1 to divide the real number line into two intervals,
 $A : (-\infty, 1)$ and $B : (1, \infty)$ and test a point in each interval.

A: Test 0, $f''(0) = 6(0) - 6 = -6 < 0$

B: Test 2, $f''(2) = 6(2) - 6 = 6 > 0$

Therefore, $f(x)$ is concave down on the

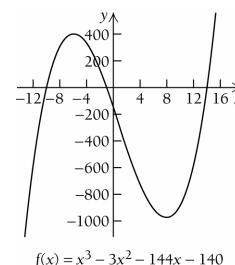
interval $(-\infty, 1)$ and concave up on the

interval $(1, \infty)$. The point $(1, -286)$ is an

inflection point.

- f) We sketch the graph using the preceding information. Additional function values may also be calculated as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-12	-572
-10	0
-3	238
0	-140
4	-700
14	0
15	400



27. $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 + 10$

a) $f'(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2$

$f''(x) = 12x^2 - 24x$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only critical points of f are where $f'(x) = 0$.

$$4x^3 - 12x^2 = 0$$

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

$$4x^2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x - 3 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 3$$

The critical values are 0 and 3.

$$f(0) = (0)^4 - 4(0)^3 + 10 = 10$$

$$f(3) = (3)^4 - 4(3)^3 + 10 = -17$$

The critical points $(0, 10)$ and $(3, -17)$ are on the graph.

- c) Applying the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$f''(0) = 12(0)^2 - 24(0) = 0$$

The test fails, we will use the First Derivative Test.

Divide $(-\infty, 3)$ into two intervals,

A: $(-\infty, 0)$ and B: $(0, 3)$, and test a point in each interval.

A: Test -1 ,

$$f'(-1) = 4(-1)^3 - 12(-1)^2 = -16 < 0$$

B: Test 1, $f'(1) = 4(1)^3 - 12(1)^2 = -8 < 0$

Since f is decreasing on both intervals, $(0, 10)$ is not a relative extremum.

We use the Second Derivative Test for $x = 3$.

$$f''(3) = 12(3)^2 - 24(3) = 36 > 0$$

The critical point $(3, -17)$ is a relative minimum.

When we applied the First Derivative Test, we saw that $f(x)$ was decreasing on the intervals $(-\infty, 0]$ and $[0, 3]$. Since $(3, -17)$ is a relative minimum, we know that $f(x)$ is increasing on $[3, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only possible inflection points occur when $f''(x) = 0$.

$$12x^2 - 24x = 0$$

$$12x(x - 2) = 0$$

$$12x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x - 2 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 2$$

$$f(0) = (0)^4 - 4(0)^3 + 10 = 10$$

$$f(2) = (2)^4 - 4(2)^3 + 10 = -6$$

The points $(0, 10)$ and $(2, -6)$ are possible inflection points on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity we use 0 and 2 to divide the real number line into three intervals,

A: $(-\infty, 0)$, B: $(0, 2)$, and C: $(2, \infty)$, Then test a point in each interval.

A: Test -1 ,

$$f''(-1) = 12(-1)^2 - 24(-1) = 36 > 0$$

B: Test 1,

$$f''(1) = 12(1)^2 - 24(1) = -12 < 0$$

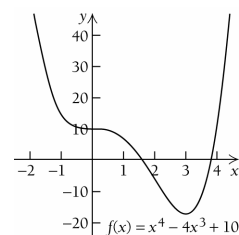
C: Test 3,

$$f''(3) = 12(3)^2 - 24(3) = 36 > 0$$

We see that f is concave up on the intervals $(-\infty, 0)$ and $(2, \infty)$ and concave down on the interval $(0, 2)$. Therefore both $(0, 10)$ and $(2, -6)$ are inflection points.

- f) We sketch the graph using the preceding information. Additional function values may also be calculated as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-2	58
-1	15
1	7
4	10
5	135



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

a) $f'(x) = 4x^2 - 4x + 1$

$$f''(x) = 8x - 4$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve:

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$4x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$$

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

$$2x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{Critical Value}$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{6}$$

So the critical point $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6}\right)$ is on the graph.

- c) Using the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$f''\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0 \text{ and the test fails. We will use}$$

the First Derivative Test.

Divide the real number line into two

intervals, A: $\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ and B: $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$, and

test a point in each interval.

$$\text{A: Test } 0, f'(0) = 4(0)^2 - 4(0) + 1 = 1 > 0$$

$$\text{B: Test } 1, f'(1) = 4(1)^2 - 4(1) + 1 = 1 > 0$$

Since, f is increasing on both intervals,

$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6}\right)$ is not a relative extremum. However,

we now know that $f(x)$ is increasing over

the intervals $\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ and $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$.

- d) Find the inflection points. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve:

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$8x - 4 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{6}$$

The possible inflection point is $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6}\right)$.

- e) To determine concavity, use $\frac{1}{2}$ to divide the real number line into two intervals,

A: $\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ and B: $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$ and test a point in each interval.

$$\text{A: Test } 0, f''(0) = 8(0) - 4 = -4 < 0$$

$$\text{B: Test } 1, f''(1) = 8(1) - 4 = 4 > 0$$

Therefore, $f(x)$ is concave down on the

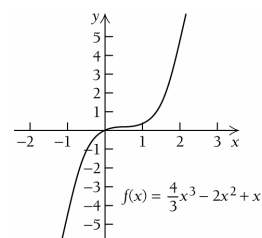
interval $\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ and concave up on the

interval $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$. The point $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{6}\right)$ is an

inflection point.

- f) We sketch the graph using the preceding information. Additional function values may also be calculated as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-6	-366
-3	-57
-1	$-\frac{13}{3}$
0	0
1	$\frac{1}{3}$
3	21
6	222



29. $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 6$

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

$$f''(x) = 6x - 12$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only critical points of f are where $f'(x) = 0$.

$$3x^2 - 12x + 12 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0 \quad \text{Dividing by 3}$$

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

$$x - 2 = 0$$

$$x = 2$$

The critical value is 2.

$$f(2) = (2)^3 - 6(2)^2 + 12(2) - 6 = 2$$

The critical point $(2, 2)$ is on the graph.

- c) Applying the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$f''(2) = 6(2) - 12 = 0$$

The test fails, we will use the First Derivative Test.

Divide the real line into two intervals,

A: $(-\infty, 2)$ and B: $(2, \infty)$, and test a point in each interval.

A: Test 0,

$$f'(0) = 3(0)^2 - 12(0) + 12 = 12 > 0$$

B: Test 3,

$$f'(3) = 3(3)^2 - 12(3) + 12 = 3 > 0$$

Since, f is increasing on both intervals, $(2, 2)$ is not a relative extremum.

When we applied the First Derivative Test, we saw that $f(x)$ was increasing on the intervals $(-\infty, 2)$ and $(2, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only possible inflection points occur when $f''(x) = 0$.

$$6x - 12 = 0$$

$$6x = 12$$

$$x = 2$$

We have already seen that $f(2) = 2$, so the point $(2, 2)$ is a possible inflection point on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity we use 2 to divide the real number line into two intervals, $A: (-\infty, 2)$ and $B: (2, \infty)$, Then test a point in each interval.

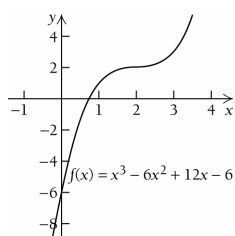
$$A: \text{Test } 0, f''(0) = 6(0) - 12 = -12 < 0$$

$$B: \text{Test } 3, f''(3) = 6(3) - 12 = 6 > 0$$

We see that $f(x)$ is concave down on the interval $(-\infty, 2)$ and concave up on the interval $(2, \infty)$. Therefore, the point $(2, 2)$ is an inflection point.

- f) We sketch the graph using the preceding information. Additional function values may also be calculated as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-1	-25
0	-6
1	1
3	3
4	10



30. $f(x) = x^3 + 3x + 1$

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

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

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers, and the equation $f'(x) = 0$ has no real solution. $[3x^2 + 3 > 0 \text{ for all } x]$. Thus, $f(x)$ has no critical points.

- c) Since $f'(x) > 0$ for all real numbers, $f(x)$ is increasing over the entire domain, $(-\infty, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. Since $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers, solve:

$$f''(x) = 0$$

$$6x = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$f(0) = 1$$

So the point $(0, 1)$ is a possible inflection point on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity, we use 0 to divide the real number line into two intervals.

$A: (-\infty, 0)$ and $B: (0, \infty)$, Then test a point in each interval.

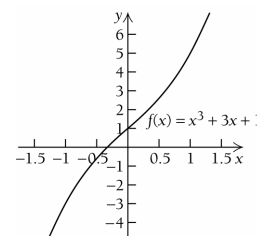
$$A: \text{Test } -1, f''(-1) = 6(-1) = -6 < 0$$

$$B: \text{Test } 1, f''(1) = 6(1) = 6 > 0$$

We see that $f(x)$ is concave down on the interval $(-\infty, 0)$ and concave up on the interval $(0, \infty)$. Therefore, the point $(0, 1)$ is an inflection point.

- f) We sketch the graph using the preceding information. Additional function values may also be calculated as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-2	-13
-1	-3
1	5
2	15



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

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

$$f''(x) = 30x - 60x^3$$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only critical points of f are where $f'(x) = 0$.

$$15x^2 - 15x^4 = 0$$

$$15x^2(1 - x^2) = 0$$

$$15x^2 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 1 - x^2 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \pm 1$$

The critical values are -1 , 0 , and 1 .

$$f(-1) = 5(-1)^3 - 3(-1)^5 = -2$$

$$f(0) = 5(0)^3 - 3(0)^5 = 0$$

$$f(1) = 5(1)^3 - 3(1)^5 = 2$$

The critical points $(-1, -2)$, $(0, 0)$ and $(1, 2)$ are on the graph.

- c) Applying the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$f''(-1) = 30(-1) - 60(-1)^3 = 30 > 0$$

So, the critical point $(-1, -2)$ is a relative minimum.

$$f''(0) = 30(0) - 60(0)^3 = 0$$

The test fails, we will use the First Derivative Test.

Divide $(-1, 1)$ into two intervals, A: $(-1, 0)$ and B: $(0, 1)$, and test a point in each interval.

A: Test $-\frac{1}{2}$,

$$\begin{aligned} f'\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 15\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 15\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \\ &= \frac{45}{16} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

B: Test $\frac{1}{2}$,

$$\begin{aligned} f'\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 15\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 15\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \\ &= \frac{45}{16} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since, f is increasing on both intervals, $(0, 0)$ is not a relative extremum.

We use the Second Derivative Test for $x = 1$.

$$f''(1) = 30(1) - 60(1)^3 = -30 < 0$$

The critical point $(1, 2)$ is a relative maximum.

When we applied the First Derivative Test, we saw that $f(x)$ was increasing on the intervals $(-1, 0)$ and $(0, 1)$. Since $(-1, -2)$ is a relative minimum, we know that $f(x)$ is decreasing on $(-\infty, -1)$. Since $(1, 2)$ is a relative maximum, we know that $f(x)$ is decreasing on $(1, \infty)$.

- d) Find the points of inflection. $f''(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only possible inflection points occur when $f''(x) = 0$.

$$30x - 60x^3 = 0$$

$$30x(1 - 2x^2) = 0$$

$$30x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 1 - 2x^2 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} = \pm\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) &= 5\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^3 - 3\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^5 \\ &= -1.237 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(0) = 5(0)^3 - 3(0)^5 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) &= 5\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^3 - 3\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^5 \\ &= 1.237 \end{aligned}$$

The points $\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, -1.237\right)$, $(0, 0)$ and

$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 1.237\right)$ are possible inflection points on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity we use

$$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \text{ and } \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ to divide the real number}$$

line into four intervals, A: $\left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$,

B: $\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0\right)$, C: $\left(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$, and

D: $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \infty\right)$.

Then test a point in each interval.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A: Test } -1, \quad f''(-1) &= 30(-1) - 60(-1)^3 \\ &= 30 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

B: Test $-\frac{1}{2}$,

$$\begin{aligned} f''\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 30\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) - 60\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \\ &= -\frac{15}{2} < 0 \end{aligned}$$

C: Test $\frac{1}{2}$,

$$\begin{aligned} f''\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 30\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 60\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \\ &= \frac{15}{2} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

D: Test 1,

$$\begin{aligned} f''(1) &= 30(1) - 60(1)^3 \\ &= -30 < 0 \end{aligned}$$

We see that f is concave up on the intervals

$\left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$ and $\left(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$ and concave

down on the intervals

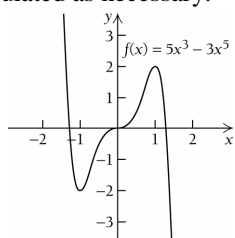
$\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0\right)$ and $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \infty\right)$. Therefore, the

points $\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, -1.237\right)$, $(0, 0)$ and

$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 1.237\right)$ are inflection points.

- e) We sketch the graph using the preceding information. Additional function values may also be calculated as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-2	56
$-\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{17}{32}$
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{17}{32}$
2	-56



32. $f(x) = 20x^3 - 3x^5$

a) $f'(x) = 60x^2 - 15x^4$
 $f''(x) = 120x - 60x^3$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 0 \\ 60x^2 - 15x^4 &= 0 \\ 15x^2(4 - x^2) &= 0 \\ 15x^2 &= 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 4 - x^2 = 0 \\ x &= 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \pm 2 \\ f(-2) &= -64 \\ f(0) &= 0 \\ f(2) &= 64 \end{aligned}$$

So the critical points $(-2, -64)$, $(0, 0)$, and $(2, 64)$ are on the graph.

- c) Applying the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$f''(-2) = 120(-2) - 60(-2)^3 = 240 > 0$$

So, the critical point $(-2, -64)$ is a relative minimum.

$$f''(0) = 120(0) - 60(0)^3 = 0$$

The test fails, we will use the First Derivative Test.

Divide $(-2, 2)$ into two intervals,

A: $(-2, 0)$ and B: $(0, 2)$, and test a point in each interval.

A: Test -1,

$$f'(-1) = 60(-1)^2 - 15(-1)^4 = 45 > 0$$

B: Test 1,

$$f'(1) = 60(1)^2 - 15(1)^4 = 45 > 0$$

Since, f is increasing on both intervals, $(0, 0)$ is not a relative extremum.

We use the Second Derivative Test for $x = 2$.

$$f''(2) = 120(2) - 60(2)^3 = -240 < 0$$

The critical point $(2, 64)$ is a relative maximum.

- c) When we applied the First Derivative Test, we saw that $f(x)$ was increasing on the intervals $(-2, 0)$ and $(0, 2)$. Since $(-2, -64)$ is a relative minimum, we know that $f(x)$ is decreasing on $(-\infty, -2)$. Since $(2, 64)$ is a relative maximum, we know that $f(x)$ is decreasing on $(2, \infty)$.

- d) Find the inflection points. $f''(x)$ exists for all real numbers. Solve:

$$\begin{aligned} 120x - 60x^3 &= 0 \\ 60x(2 - x^2) &= 0 \\ 60x &= 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 2 - x^2 = 0 \\ x &= 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x^2 = 2 \\ x &= 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \pm\sqrt{2} \\ f(-\sqrt{2}) &= -28\sqrt{2} \\ f(0) &= 0 \\ f(\sqrt{2}) &= 28\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

The points $(-\sqrt{2}, -28\sqrt{2})$, $(0, 0)$ and $(\sqrt{2}, 28\sqrt{2})$ are possible inflection points on the graph.

- e) To determine concavity we use $-\sqrt{2}$, 0 , and $\sqrt{2}$ to divide the real number line into four intervals,
 A: $(-\infty, -\sqrt{2})$, B: $(-\sqrt{2}, 0)$, C: $(0, \sqrt{2})$,
 and D: $(\sqrt{2}, \infty)$

Then test a point in each interval.

A: Test -2 , $f''(-2) = 120(-2) - 60(-2)^3$
 $= 240 > 0$

B: Test -1 , $f''(-1) = 120(-1) - 60(-1)^3$
 $= -60 < 0$

C: Test 1 , $f''(1) = 120(1) - 60(1)^3$
 $= 60 > 0$

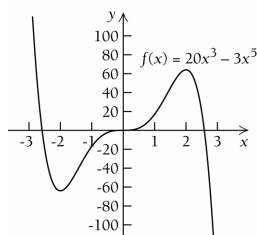
D: Test 2 , $f''(2) = 120(2) - 60(2)^3$
 $= -240 < 0$

We see that f is concave up on the intervals $(-\infty, -\sqrt{2})$ and $(0, \sqrt{2})$ and concave down on the intervals $(-\sqrt{2}, 0)$ and $(\sqrt{2}, \infty)$.

Therefore, the points $(-\sqrt{2}, -28\sqrt{2})$, $(0, 0)$ and $(\sqrt{2}, 28\sqrt{2})$ are inflection points.

- f) We sketch the graph using the preceding information. Additional function values may also be calculated as necessary.

x	$f(x)$
-3	189
-1	-17
1	17
3	-189



33. $f(x) = x^2(3-x)^2$
 $= x^2(9-6x+x^2)$
 $= 9x^2-6x^3+x^4$

a) $f'(x) = 18x - 18x^2 + 4x^3$
 $f''(x) = 18 - 36x + 12x^2$

The domain of f is \mathbb{R} .

- b) $f'(x)$ exists for all values of x , so the only critical points of f are where $f'(x) = 0$.

$$18x - 18x^2 + 4x^3 = 0$$

$$2x(9 - 9x + 2x^2) = 0$$

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

$$2x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 3 - 2x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 3 + x = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad x = -3$$

The critical values are 0 , $\frac{3}{2}$, and -3 .

$$f(0) = (0)^2(3 - (0))^2 = 0$$

$$f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2\left(3 - \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\right)^2 = \frac{81}{16}$$

$$f(-3) = (-3)^2(3 - (-3))^2 = 0$$

The critical points $(0, 0)$, $\left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{81}{16}\right)$, and

$(-3, 0)$ are on the graph.

- c) Applying the Second Derivative Test, we have:

$$f''(0) = 18 - 36(0) + 12(0)^2 = 18 > 0$$

So, the critical point $(0, 0)$ is a relative minimum.

$$f''\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 18 - 36\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + 12\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = -9 < 0$$

So, the critical point $\left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{81}{16}\right)$ is a relative maximum.

$$f''(-3) = 18 - 36(-3) + 12(-3)^2 = 18 > 0$$

So, the critical point $(-3, 0)$ is a relative minimum.

We use the points 0 , $\frac{3}{2}$, and -3 to divide the real number line into four intervals,

$(-\infty, -3)$, $(-3, \frac{3}{2})$, $(\frac{3}{2}, 0)$, and $(0, \infty)$, we

know that $f(x)$ is decreasing on the

intervals $(-\infty, 0]$ and $[\frac{3}{2}, 3]$, and $f(x)$ is

increasing on the intervals

$[0, \frac{3}{2}]$ and $[3, \infty)$.