

ANSWERS

All

DAY 61

6) Find the relative extrema of $f(x) = \frac{x^3}{3} - x^2 - 3x$. Use the 2nd Derivative Test. No calculator.

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

$$f'(x) = (x-3)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x = 3, -1$$

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

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

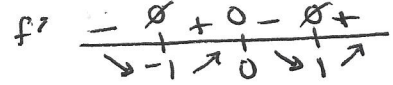
CRITICAL POINTS
 $x = 3, -1$

$f''(3) = 2(3-1) = 4 > 0 \therefore f(3)$ is a Rel. MIN.
 $f''(-1) = 2(-1-1) = -4 < 0 \therefore f(-1)$ is a Rel. MAX.

7) Find the relative extrema of $f(x) = (x^2 - 1)^{\frac{2}{3}}$. Use the 1st Derivative Test. No Calculator.

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

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

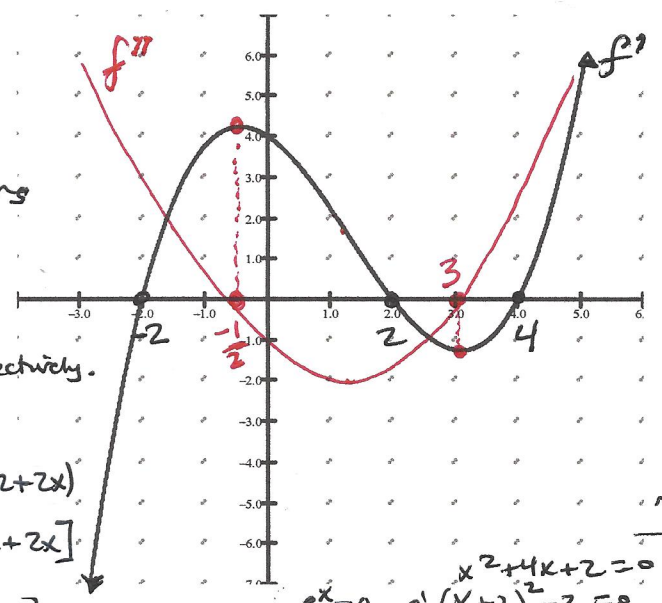


f' changes sign \ominus to \oplus @ $x = -1$, $\therefore f(-1)$ is a Rel. MIN.
 f' changes sign \oplus to \ominus @ $x = 0$, $\therefore f(0)$ is a Rel. MAX.

C.P. $f'(x) = 0$ @ $x = 0$ and @ $x = \pm 1$

8) The graph of f' , the derivative of a function f is shown. Find where the function f is concave up, where it is concave down and where it has points of inflection.

$f(x)$ is concave up when $f'(x)$ has a positive slope or when $f''(x)$ is increasing or when $f''(x) > 0 \therefore$ on $(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}) \cup (3, \infty)$
 $f(x)$ concave down (f' dec, $f'' < 0$) on $(-\frac{1}{2}, 3)$



\therefore Inf. Pts @ $(-\frac{1}{2}, f(-\frac{1}{2}))$ & $(3, f(3))$

b/c f'' sign changes \oplus to \ominus & \ominus to \oplus respectively.

9) Using a calculator, find the values of x at which the graph of $y = x^2 e^x$ changes concavity.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x e^x + x^2 e^x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^x (2x + x^2)$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = e^x (2x + x^2) + e^x (2 + 2x)$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = e^x [2x + x^2 + 2 + 2x]$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = e^x [x^2 + 4x + 2] = 0$$

$$e^x \neq 0 \text{ never}$$

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

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

$$(x+2)^2 = 2$$

$$x = -2 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

Inf Pt @ $x = -2 \pm \sqrt{2}$ where f'' changes signs.

10) Find the points of inflection of the following functions and determine where the function is concave up and where it is concave down. No calculator.

a) $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 8$

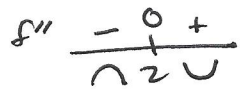
$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 12x + 12$$

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

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

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

$$f''(x) = 0 \text{ @ } x = 2$$



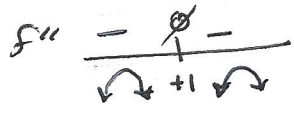
$f(x)$ has inflection pt @ $(2, 0)$
 b/c $f''(x)$ changes sign from \ominus to \oplus @ $x = 2$.

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

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

$$f''(x) = -\frac{2}{9}(x-1)^{-\frac{4}{3}} = \frac{-2}{9(x-1)^{\frac{4}{3}}}$$

$f''(x) = 0$ never
 $f''(x)$ undefined @ $x = 1$



$f(x)$ has no inflection pts (14)
 b/c $f''(x)$ never changes signs.



denom always > 0