

SECTION 4-3: HOW DERIVATIVES AFFECT THE SHAPE OF A GRAPH, DAY 2

1. Suppose $f(x) = x^5 - 5x^3$.

Note $f'(x) = 5x^4 - 15x^2 = 5x^2(x^2 - 3)$ and $f''(x) = 20x^3 - 30x = 10x(2x^2 - 3)$.

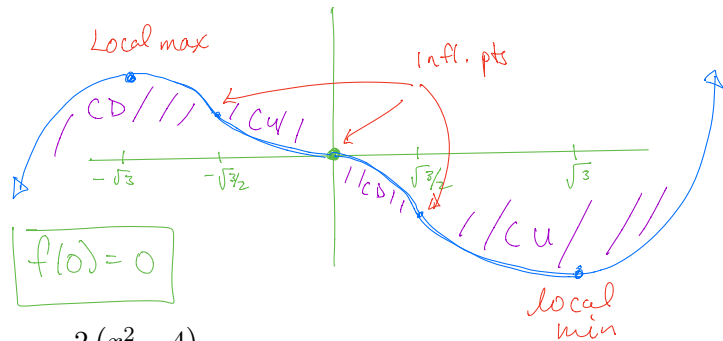
- Find all critical points of $f(x)$.
- Determine the open intervals on which f is increasing or decreasing, and classify each critical point as a local minimum, a local maximum, or neither. (Make a table!)
- Find the intervals of concavity and the inflection points. (Make a table!)
- Put together all this information and sketch the shape of the graph.

• **Critical Points:** $f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ or $x^2 = 3 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{3}$ or $x = -\sqrt{3}$. Note $f'(x)$ is contn on \mathbb{R}
 so no other critical points.

• **Possible Inflection points:** $f''(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ or $2x^2 - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$ or $x = -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$.

Note $4 < 3 < 1$
 so $2 < \sqrt{3} < 1$
 $1 < \frac{3}{2} < 0$ so
 $1 < \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} < 0$

Table:	$x < -\sqrt{3}$	$-\sqrt{3}$	$-\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$	0	$\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$	$\sqrt{3}$	$x > \sqrt{3}$
Sample	-2		$-\frac{3}{2}$	-1	1	$\frac{3}{2}$	2
f'	+	0	-	-	0	-	+
Incr/dec	↗	MAX	↘	↘	↘	↘	MIN
f''	-	-	-	+	0	+	+
Concavity	∩	∩	∩	∪	∪	∪	∪



$f'(x) = 5x^2(x^2 - 3)$
 $f'(-2) = 5(-2)^2(4 - 3) = 5(4)(1) = 20$
 $f'(-\frac{3}{2}) = 5(\frac{9}{4})(\frac{9}{4} - 3) = 5(\frac{9}{4})(-\frac{3}{4}) = -\frac{135}{16}$
 $f'(0) = 5(-0)^2(0 - 3) = 0$
 $f'(1) = 5(1)^2(1 - 3) = 5(1)(-2) = -10$
 $f'(2) = 5(2)^2(4 - 3) = 5(4)(1) = 20$

$f''(x) = 10x(2x^2 - 3)$
 $f''(-2) = 10(-2)(8 - 3) = 10(-10) = -100$
 $f''(-1) = 10(-1)(2 - 3) = 10(-1)(-1) = 10$
 $f''(1) = 10(1)(2 - 3) = 10(1)(-1) = -10$
 $f''(2) = 10(2)(8 - 3) = 10(10) = 100$

2. Let $g(x) = \ln(x^2 + 4)$. Note $g'(x) = \frac{2x}{x^2 + 4}$ and $g''(x) = -\frac{2(x^2 - 4)}{(x^2 + 4)^2}$

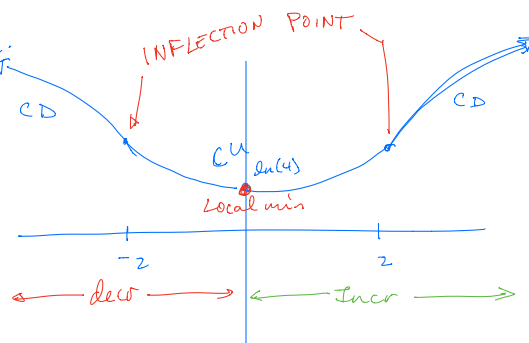
- Determine the domain of $g(x)$. Domain is $x^2 + 4 > 0 \Rightarrow x^2 > -4$ which is always!
- Find the intervals of increase or decrease.
- Find the local maximum and minimum values.
- Find the intervals of concavity and inflection points.
- Use the information to sketch the graph.

Critical points: $g'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$
 $g'(x)$ DNE $\Rightarrow x^2 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = -4$ None!

Possible inf pt: $g''(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2$ or $x = -2$
 $g''(x)$ DNE $\Rightarrow (x^2 + 4)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = -4$ None!

Table

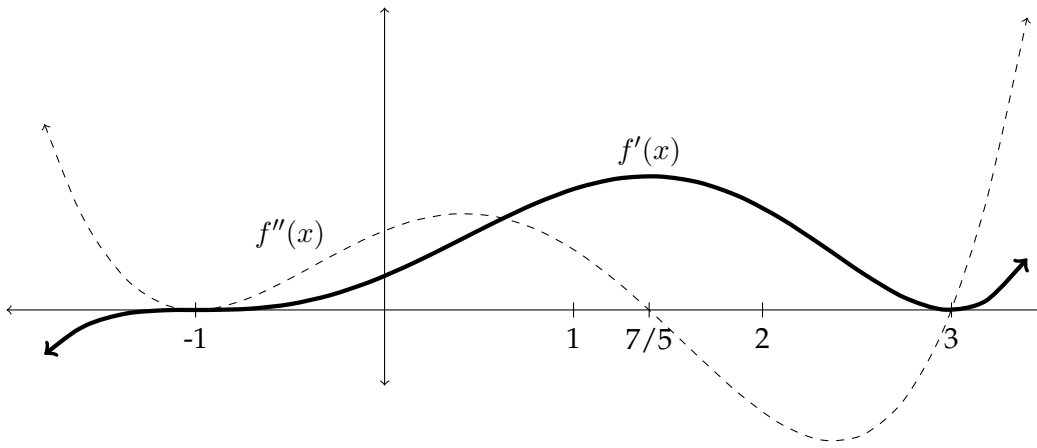
x	-3	-2	0	2	3
Sample	-3		-1	1	3
Sign g'	-		0	+	+
Incr/dec	↘		MIN	↗	↗
Sign g''	-	0	+	+	0
Concavity	∩	INF	∪	∪	INF



$g'(-1) = \frac{2(-1)}{(-1)^2 + 4} = \frac{-2}{5} = -$
 $g'(1) = \frac{2(1)}{1^2 + 4} = \frac{2}{5} = +$
 $g''(-3) = \frac{-2((-3)^2 - 4)}{((-3)^2 + 4)^2} = \frac{-2(9 - 4)}{25^2} = \frac{-10}{625} = -$
 $g''(0) = \frac{-2(0^2 - 4)}{(0^2 + 4)^2} = \frac{-2(-4)}{16} = \frac{8}{16} = +$
 $g''(3) = \frac{-2(3^2 - 4)}{(3^2 + 4)^2} = \frac{-2(9 - 4)}{25^2} = \frac{-10}{625} = -$

$g(0) = \ln(0^2 + 4) = \ln(4)$

3. Below are the graphs of the FIRST DERIVATIVE, $f'(x)$, and the SECOND DERIVATIVE, $f''(x)$, of some unknown function f . Note that $f'(x)$ is the solid curve and $f''(x)$ is the dashed curve. (Assume the domain of all the functions is $(-\infty, \infty)$ and that the functions continue in the way that they are going outside the area shown.) Identify all the information about $f(x)$ required in the table and then sketch the graph of $f(x)$ on the given axes.



property of f	interval or point(s)
f is increasing	$f' > 0$ $(-1, \infty)$
f is decreasing	$f' < 0$ $(-\infty, -1)$
f has a local maximum	None
f has a local minimum	-1
f is concave up	$f'' > 0$ $(-\infty, 7/5) \cup (3, \infty)$
f is concave down	$f'' < 0$ $(7/5, 3)$
f has an inflection point	$7/5, 3$

