

Name: Solutions

- Keep phones off and out sight.
- No calculators, notes, books, or other aids.
- Do not talk during the quiz.
- Show all work.

1. Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 + 4}$ .

(a) Determine the intervals on which  $f(x)$  is increasing and decreasing.

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

numerator = 0 @  $x = -2$  &  $2$   
denom. is never 0 ( $x^2 + 4 > 0$ ).

	-2	2	
	←————— —————→		
$-\frac{1}{(x^2+4)^2}$	-	-	-
$(x+2)$	-	+	+
$(x-2)$	-	-	+
$f'$	-	+	-
$f$	↘	↗	↘

inc. on  $(-2, 2)$   
dec. on  $(-\infty, -2)$  &  $(2, \infty)$

(b) Find the  $x$ -coordinates of any local max(s) and min(s) of  $f(x)$ .

By 1<sup>st</sup> deriv. test, local min @  $x = -2$   
& local max @  $x = 2$  (↘↗)  
(↗↘)

2. Consider the function  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 9x + 2$ .

(a) Find the  $x$ -coordinates of any local max(s) and min(s) of  $f(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= 3x^2 - 6x - 9 \\ &= 3(x^2 - 2x - 3) \\ &= 3(x+1)(x-3) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  crit. numbers  $-1$  &  $3$   
( $f'$  never undefined)

	←----- ----- -----→		
	-1	3	
$3(x+1)$	-	+	+
$x-3$	-	-	+
$f'$	+	-	+
$f$	↗	↘	↗

By 1<sup>st</sup> deriv. test,

local max @ $x = -1$	(↗↘)
local min @ $x = 3$	(↘↗)

(b) Find the intervals on which  $f(x)$  is concave up and concave down.

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x) &= 6x - 6 \\ &= 6(x-1) \end{aligned}$$

zero at  $x=1$ , never undefined

	←----- -----→	
	1	
$6(x-1)$	-	+
$f$	∩	∪

conc. down on $(-\infty, 1)$
conc. up on $(1, \infty)$

(c) Find the  $x$ -coordinates of any inflection point(s) of  $y = f(x)$ .

$x=1$  (changes from conc. down to conc. up)