

① $f(x) = (x+1)^2(x-2)^3$

a) $f'(x) = 2(x+1)(x-2)^3 + (x+1)^2 \cdot 3(x-2)^2$
 $= (x+1)(x-2)^2 \cdot [2(x-2) + 3(x+1)]$
 $= (x+1)(x-2)^2 \cdot (5x-1)$

b) $x = -1, \frac{1}{5}, \& 2$ (no pts. where $f'(x)$ is undefined)

c)

	-1	1/5	2	
	←----- ----- ----- -----→			
$(x+1)$	-	+	+	+
$(x-2)^2$	+	+	+	+
$(5x-1)$	-	-	+	+
f'	+	-	+	+
f	↗	↘	↗	↗

(squares aren't negative)

max
min
(1st deriv. test)

Local max @ $x = -1$ ($y = 0$)
 Local min @ $x = \frac{1}{5}$ ($y = (\frac{6}{5})^2(-\frac{9}{5})^3 \approx -8.40$)
 increasing on $(-\infty, -1) \& (1/5, \infty)$
 decreasing on $(-1, 1/5)$.

② $g(x) = \frac{1}{1-x^2}$

a) $g'(x) = -\frac{1}{(1-x^2)^2} \cdot (-2x) = \frac{2x}{(1-x^2)^2}$

b) $x = 0$ (where $g'(x) = 0$). Note that $g'(x)$ is undefined at $x = \pm 1$, but these are not technically crit. numbers since they aren't in the domain of g itself. But they are still spots where f may change from inc. to dec. (& vice versa).

c)

	-1	0	1	
	←----- ----- ----- -----→			
$2x$	-	-	+	+
$\frac{1}{(1-x^2)^2}$	+	+	+	+
f'	-	-	+	+
f	↘	↘	↗	↗
		<u>min</u> (1 st deriv. test)		

inc. on $(0,1)$ & $(1,\infty)$
 dec. on $(-\infty,-1)$ & $(-1,0)$
 Local min. @ $x=0$
 $(y=1)$

③ $h(x) = x^{2/3}(2-x)$

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

crit. pts:
 $x=0$
 $\& x=4/5$
 (where $h'(x)$ is undef. due to div. by 0)
 (where $4-5x=0$)

+/- analysis:

	0	4/5	
	←----- ----- -----→		
$\frac{1}{3}x^{-1/3}$	-	+	+
$4-5x$	+	+	-
h'	-	+	-
h	↘	↗	↘
		<u>min</u>	<u>max</u>
		(1 st deriv. test)	

inc. on $(0, 4/5)$
 dec. on $(-\infty, 0)$ & $(4/5, \infty)$
 Local min @ $x=0$
 Local max @ $x=4/5$

④

a) $f'(x)$ never undef. (as far as the graph shows).

$f'(x)=0$ at $x=-2, 0, \& 2$

(where $y=f'(x)$ crosses the axis).

b) $x=-2$ is a local min (f' changes from $-$ to $+$, so f changes from \downarrow to \uparrow).

$x=0$ is a local max (f' changes $+$ to $-$)

$x=2$ is a local min (f' changes from $-$ to $+$).

c) $f''(-2) > 0$ since $f'(x)$ is increasing at $x=-2$.

So $f(x)$ is concave up at $x=-2$.

⑤

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

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

b) $x=0 \& -2$ where $f'(x)=0$ (undefined nowhere)

c)

	-2	0	
$3x$	$-$	$-$	$+$
$x+2$	$-$	$+$	$+$
f'	$+$	$-$	$+$
f	\nearrow	\searrow	\nearrow
	max		min
	(1 st deriv. test)		

inc. on $(-\infty, -2) \& (0, \infty)$

dec. on $(-2, 0)$

Local max @ $x=-2, y=f(-2) = -8+12-1 = \underline{3}$

Local min @ $x=0, y=-1$

d) $f''(x) = 6x+6 = 6(x+1)$

e) $f''(x)=0$ @ $x=-1$, & f'' is never undefined.

f)

	-1	
$6(x+1)$	$-$	$+$
f''	\cap	\cup
	conc. down	conc. up

conc. up on $(-1, \infty)$
 conc. down on $(-\infty, -1)$
 inflection @ $x=-1, y=f(-1) = -1+3-1 = 1$
 ie. $(-1, 1)$

- (b) For each critical number you found, determine whether it is a local max, local min, or neither.
- (c) Is $f''(-2)$ positive or negative? From this, what can you say about the concavity of the original function $f(x)$ at $x = -2$?
5. Let $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 1$.
- (a) Compute $f'(x)$ and factor it.
- (b) Determine the critical numbers of $f(x)$.
- (c) Find the intervals on which $f(x)$ is increasing and decreasing, and list any local min(s) and max(s). Give both the x and y -coordinates.
- (d) Compute $f''(x)$.
- (e) Find the intervals on which $f(x)$ is concave up and concave down, and list any inflection point(s). Give both x and y -coordinates for these.
- (f) Plot the local min(s) and max(s) you found in in parts (5c) and (5e) on the axes below (or on your own sheet of paper). Use these to give a rough sketch of the curve. Make sure it is increasing/decreasing on the right intervals, and concave up/down in the right places.

