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1. Find the intervals of concavity and inflection point(s) of $f(x) = x^4 + x^3 - 3x^2 + 1$.

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

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x) &= 12x^2 + 6x - 6 \\ &= 6(2x^2 + x - 1) \\ &= 6(2x - 1)(x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

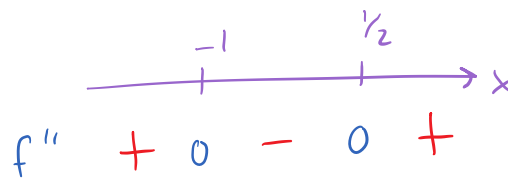
$$\underline{f''=0:}$$

$$6(2x-1)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \downarrow & \downarrow \\ x = \frac{1}{2} & x = -1 \end{array}$$

$$\underline{f'' \text{ DNE:}}$$

None

Concave up: $(-\infty, -1), (\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$ Concave down: $(-1, \frac{1}{2})$ Inflection points: $(-1, -2), (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{16})$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ f(-1) & f(\frac{1}{2}) \end{array}$$
2. Find the intervals of concavity and inflection point(s) of $f(x) = \frac{1}{4-x^2}$.

3. Find the intervals of concavity and inflection point(s) of $f(x) = x^2 e^x$.

$$f'(x) = x^2 e^x + 2x e^x$$

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x) &= x^2 e^x + 2x e^x + 2x e^x + 2e^x \\ &= x^2 e^x + 4x e^x + 2e^x \\ &= e^x (x^2 + 4x + 2) \end{aligned}$$

$$f'' = 0:$$

$$e^x (x^2 + 4x + 2) = 0$$

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

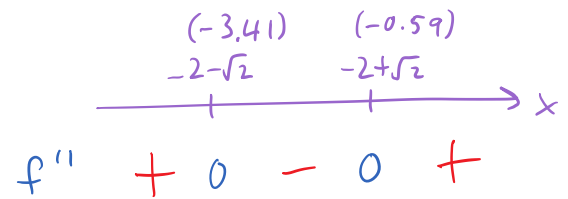
$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(1)(2)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-4 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{2} = -2 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

f'' DNE:

None



Concave up: $(-\infty, -2-\sqrt{2}), (-2+\sqrt{2}, \infty)$

Concave down $(-2-\sqrt{2}, -2+\sqrt{2})$

Inflection points: $(-3.41, 0.38)$
and $(-0.59, 0.19)$

4. Find the intervals of concavity and inflection point(s) of $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^2 + 1}$.

5. Find the intervals of concavity and inflection point(s) of $f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$. ← Note: Domain is $(0, \infty)$

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

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

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

$$= \frac{-x - 2x + 2x \ln x}{x^4}$$

$$= \frac{2x \ln x - 3x}{x^4}$$

$$= \frac{2 \ln x - 3}{x^3}$$

$$f'' = 0:$$

$$2 \ln x - 3 = 0$$

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

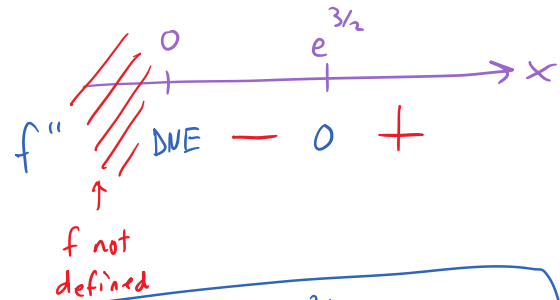
$$x = e^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$f'' \text{ DNE:}$$

$$x^3 = 0 \text{ or } x \leq 0$$

$$x = 0$$

Because of
 $\ln x$ in f''



Concave up: $(e^{\frac{3}{2}}, \infty)$

Concave down: $(0, e^{\frac{3}{2}})$

Inflection point: $(e^{\frac{3}{2}}, \frac{3}{2e^{\frac{3}{2}}})$

6. Find the intervals of concavity and inflection point(s) of $f(x) = \cos x - \sin x$ in the interval $[0, 2\pi]$.

7. Find the intervals of concavity and inflection point(s) of $f(x) = 6x^{1/3} + 3x^{4/3}$.

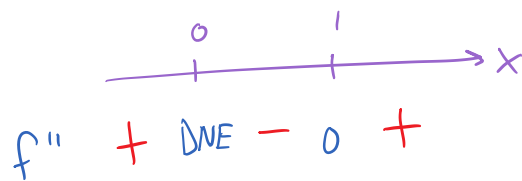
$$f'(x) = 2x^{-2/3} + 4x^{1/3}$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{4}{3}x^{-5/3} + \frac{4}{3}x^{-2/3}$$

$$= -\frac{4}{3}x^{-5/3}(1-x)$$

$$= \frac{4}{3}x^{-5/3}(x-1)$$

$$= \frac{4(x-1)}{3x^{5/3}}$$



Concave up: $(-\infty, 0), (1, \infty)$

Concave down: $(0, 1)$

Inflection points: $(0, 0)$ and $(1, 9)$

$$\underline{f''=0:}$$

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

$$\downarrow$$

$$x=1$$

$$\underline{f'' \text{ DNE:}}$$

$$3x^{5/3} = 0$$

$$x=0$$

8. Find all points where $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 12x - 7$ has a local maximum and local minimum using the Second Derivative Test.

9. Find all points where $f(x) = 2x + 1 + \frac{2}{x}$ has a local maximum and local minimum using the Second Derivative Test.

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

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

$$\frac{f' = 0:}{2x^2 - 2 = 0}$$

$$x^2 = 1$$

$$x = 1, x = -1$$

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

Second Derivative Test:

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

Negative, so local max at $(-1, -3)$ $f(-1)$
↓

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

Positive, so local min at $(1, 5)$ ↑
 $f(1)$

10. Find all points where $f(x) = x^3 \ln x$ has a local maximum and local minimum using the Second Derivative Test.

Q: Why couldn't the angle get a loan? *It couldn't get its parents to cosign!*
(cosine)

Optional exercises from the Stewart textbook if you'd like more practice:

4.3 (p.300) #9-17 odd (part c only), 37-47 (part c only)