

#W09 solution

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15. Is it possible for a function to satisfy $f(x) > 0$, $f'(x) > 0$, and $f''(x) < 0$ on an interval? Explain.

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$$A = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x), B = \lim_{x \rightarrow b} f(x)$$

Transcribe information into a plot

- This function has zero second derivative (does not satisfy)
- This function satisfies all conditions.

⇒ Yes, it is possible

4.3.22. $f(x) = x^3 + 4x \Rightarrow f'(x) = 3x^2 + 4$
 f' always positive means f always increasing

4.3.27. $f(x) = -\frac{x^4}{4} + x^3 - x^2 \Rightarrow$
 (Extra solution) $f'(x) = -x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x = (-x)(x-3x+2)$
 $f'(x) = (-x)(x-2)(x-1)$

f' changes sign at simple roots solutions of $f'(x) = 0$.

Roots are: $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 2, x_3 = 1$

Table:

x	$-\infty$	0	1	2	∞					
f	$-\infty$	$\nearrow 0$	$\searrow -\frac{1}{4}$	$\nearrow 0$	$\searrow -\infty$					
f'	$+$	$+$	0	$-$	0	$+$	$+$	0	$-$	$-$

f Increasing on intervals $(-\infty, 0)$ $(-\frac{1}{4}, 0)$
 f Decreasing —||— $(0, 1)$ $(0, \infty)$

4.3.31 $f'(x) = 2\sin x - 1$

31. $f(x) = -2\cos x - x$ on $[0, 2\pi]$

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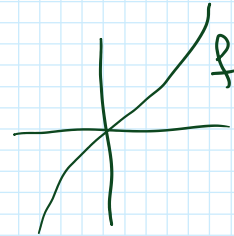
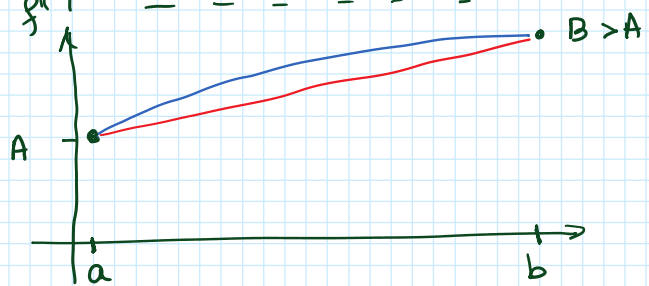
x	0	$\frac{\pi}{6}$	$\frac{5\pi}{6}$	2π			
f	-2	\searrow	\nearrow	$\searrow -2\pi$			
f'	-1	$-$	0	$+$	0	$-$	-1

Roots: $f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{1}{2}$. Unit circle

Choose an arbitrary interval (a, b)

Put information into table on

x	a						b
f	A	$+$	$+$	$+$	$+$	$+$	B
f'		$+$	$+$	$+$	$+$	$+$	
f''		$-$	$-$	$-$	$-$	$-$	



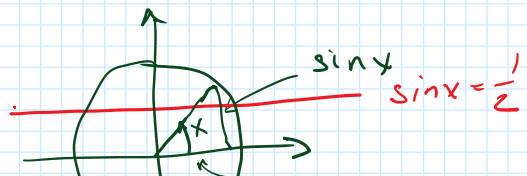
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22. $f(x) = x^3 + 4x$

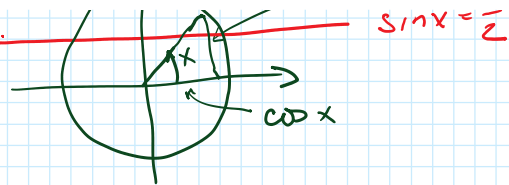
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27. $f(x) = -\frac{x^4}{4} + x^3 - x^2$

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Roots: $f'(x)=0 \Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{1}{2}$. Unit circle
 $\Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{\pi}{6}$ $x_2 = \pi - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{5\pi}{6}$



f' changes sign at roots

f Increasing intervals: $(\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6})$

f Decreasing intervals: $(0, \frac{\pi}{6}), (\frac{5\pi}{6}, 2\pi)$

4.3.35.

(Extra Solution)

39. $f(x) = -12x^5 + 75x^4 - 80x^3$
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$$f'(x) = -60x^4 + 300x^3 - 240x^2$$

$$f'(x) = (-60x^2)(x^2 - 5x + 4)$$

$$f'(x) = (-60x^2)(x-4)(x-1)$$

Roots of f'
 $x_{1,2} = 0$ (twice)
 $x_3 = 1$
 $x_4 = 4$

Table:

x	$-\infty$	0	1	4	∞
f	∞	\searrow	\searrow	\nearrow	\searrow
f'	$-$	0	$-$	0	$+$
	$-$	0	$-$	$+$	0

Observation: When a double root is encountered, the function does not necessarily change sign. Check signs on both sides of root.

f increasing on interval $(1, 4)$

f decreasing on intervals $(-\infty, 0)$ $(0, 1)$ $(4, \infty)$

4.3.72.

(Extra Solution)

72. $p(x) = x^4 e^x + x$
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$$p'(x) = 4x^3 e^x + x^4 e^x + 1 = x^3 e^x (x+4) + 1$$

$$p'(x) = e^x (x^4 + 4x^3) + 1$$

$$p''(x) = e^x (4x^3 + 12x^2) + e^x (x^4 + 4x^3) \Rightarrow$$

$$p''(x) = x^2 e^x (x^2 + 8x + 12) = x^2 e^x (x+6)(x+2)$$

Roots of $p''(x)=0$ $x_{1,2} = 0$ (double root)

$x_3 = -2$ simple root

$x_4 = -6$ simple root

Table

x	$-\infty$	-6	-2	0	∞
f	$-\infty$	\cup	\cup	\cap	\cup
f'	$+$	$+$	$+$	0	$+$
f''	0	$+$	$+$	0	$+$

f Concave up "holds water" intervals: $(-\infty, -6)$ $(-6, -2)$

f Concave down "does not hold water" intervals: $(-2, 0)$

At roots of f''
 f is neither concave up nor down.
 It's an inflection point.

f -1- down does not hold water -1- : (-2, 0)

47 is min inflection point.

4.3.93.

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \ln x + \sqrt{x} \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \ln x + 1 \right)$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{2x^{3/2}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \ln x + 1 \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \left(\frac{1}{2x} \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{1}{2x^{3/2}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \ln x - 1 \right) = -\frac{1}{4x^{3/2}} \ln x$$

f defined for $x > 0$, $f: (0, \infty)$

Roots of f'' : $f''(x) = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4x^{3/2}} \ln x = 0$ has root $x_1 = 1$

Table:

x	0	1	∞
f''	+	0	-

f concave up interval (0, 1)

f concave down interval (1, ∞)

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4.3.25.

25. $f(x) = 12 + x - x^2$

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

Roots $f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{1}{2}$

Table

x	$-\infty$	$\frac{1}{2}$	∞
f'	+	0	-

f increasing interval $(-\infty, \frac{1}{2})$

f decreasing interval $(\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$

4.3.48

48. $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 12x + 1$ on $[-2, 4]$

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$$f'(x) = 6x^2 + 6x - 12 = 6(x^2 + x - 2)$$

$$f'(x) = 6(x-1)(x+2)$$

Roots of $f'(x) = 0$ $x_1 = 1$; $x_2 = -2$

Table

x	-2	1	4
f	21	-6	129
f'	0	0	+

"Absolute" or "Global" maximum is at $x_1 = 4 \Rightarrow f(4) = 129$

$x_2 = 1$ is both a local & global minimum.

4.3.5n

$$f'(x) = 10x^4 - 20x^3 - 30x^2$$

$x_2 = 1$ is a root in $x = 1$

4.3.50.

50. $f(x) = 2x^5 - 5x^4 - 10x^3 + 4$ on $[-2, 4]$

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$$f'(x) = 10x^4 - 20x^3 - 30x^2$$

$$f'(x) = 10x^2(x^2 - 2x - 3) \Rightarrow$$

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

Roots: $x_{1,2} = 0$ (double root) f' does not necessarily change sign
 $x_3 = 3$ (simple root) f' changes sign
 $x_4 = -1$ " " f' " " "

Table:

x	-2	-1	0	3	4
f	-60	7	4	-185	132
f'	+	0	-	0	+

Absolute/Global maximum at $x=4$ endpoint $f(4)=132$

f has a local maximum at $x=-1$

Absolute/Global minimum at $x=3$, also a local minimum
 $x=4$ is an inflection point.

4.4.7

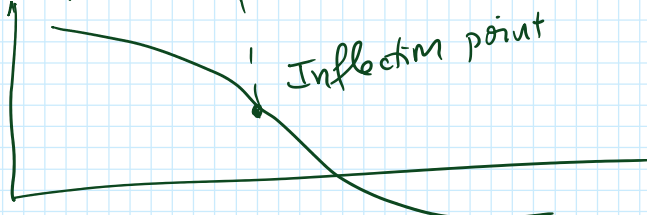
7. $f' < 0$ and $f'' < 0$, for $x < 3$
 $f' < 0$ and $f'' > 0$, for $x > 3$

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Table:

x	3
f	↓
f'	-
f''	+

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4.4.8.

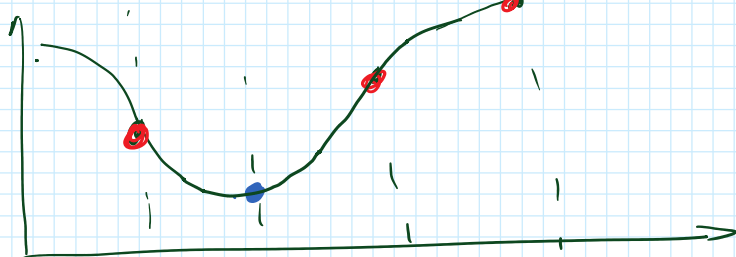
8. $f' < 0$ and $f'' < 0$, for $x < -1$
 $f' < 0$ and $f'' > 0$, for $-1 < x < 2$
 $f' > 0$ and $f'' > 0$, for $2 < x < 8$
 $f' > 0$ and $f'' < 0$, for $8 < x < 10$
 $f' > 0$ and $f'' > 0$, for $x > 10$

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Table

x	-1	2	8	10
f	↓	↓	↑	↑
f'	-	-	+	+
f''	-	+	+	-

Plot



• inflection pt

4.4.17.

17. $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x$

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• local extrema

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 12x + 9 = 3(x^2 - 4x + 3) = 3(x-1)(x-3)$$

Roots $f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 1, x_2 = 3$ (simple roots)

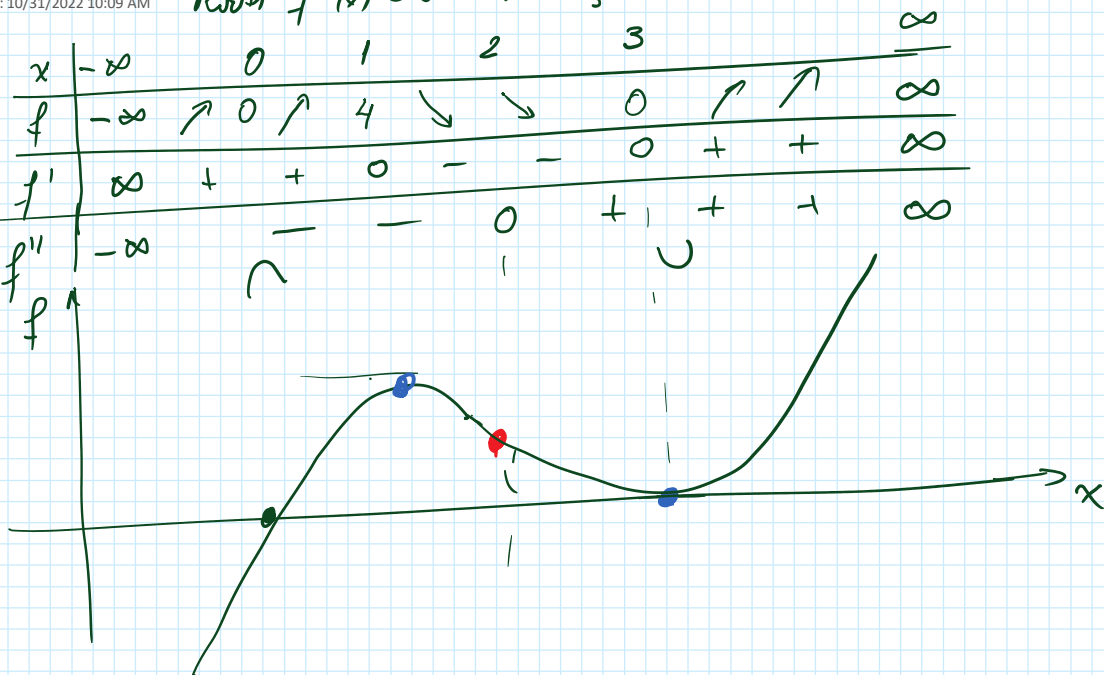
$$f''(x) = 6x - 12 = 6(x-2)$$

Roots $f''(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x_3 = 2$ (simple roots)

Table.

x	$-\infty$	0	1	2	3	∞
f	$-\infty$	$\nearrow 0$	$\nearrow 4$	\searrow	$\searrow 0$	$\nearrow \infty$
f'	∞	$+$	$+$	0	$-$	$-$
f''	$-\infty$	$-$	$-$	0	$+$	$+$

Graph aligned with table



4.4.19

19. $f(x) = x^4 - 6x^2$

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$$f'(x) = 4x^3 - 12x = 4x(x^2 - 3)$$

Roots: $x_1 = -\sqrt{3}, x_2 = 0, x_3 = \sqrt{3}$ (1, 2, 3)

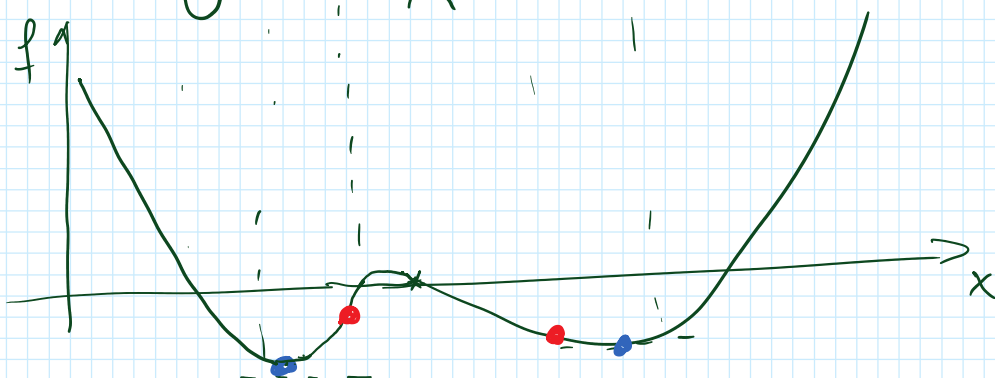
$$f''(x) = 12x^2 - 12 = 12(x^2 - 1)$$

Roots: $x_4 = -1, x_5 = 1$

Table:

x	$-\infty$	$-\sqrt{6}$	$-\sqrt{3}$	-1	0	1	$\sqrt{3}$	$\sqrt{6}$	∞
f	∞	$\searrow 0$	\searrow	\nearrow	0	\searrow	\searrow	$\nearrow 0$	$\nearrow \infty$
f'	$-\infty$	$-$	$-$	0	$+$	$+$	0	$-$	$-$
f''	∞	$+$	$+$	0	$-$	$-$	0	$+$	$+$

Graph aligned with table



4.4.23.

23. $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 - 135x$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 12x - 135 = 3(x^2 - 4x - 45)$$

$$f'(x) = 3(x-9)(x+5) \Rightarrow x_1 = -5, x_2 = 9$$

23. $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 - 135x$

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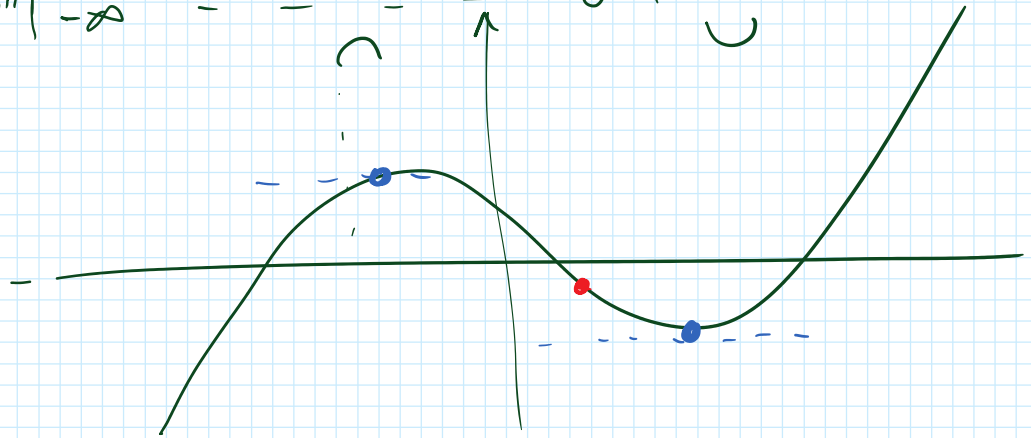
$$f'(x) = 3(x-9)(x+5) \Rightarrow x_1 = -5 \quad x_2 = 9$$

$$f''(x) = 6x - 12 = 6(x-2)$$

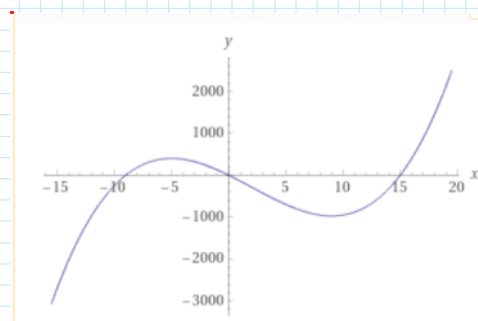
$$f''(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x_3 = 2$$

Table

x	$-\infty$		-5		0		2		9		∞
f	$-\infty$		\nearrow		\searrow	0	\searrow		\nearrow		∞
f'	∞	$+$	$+$	0	$-$	$-$	0	$+$	$+$	∞	
f''	$-\infty$	$-$	$-$	$-$	$+$	$+$	0	$+$	$+$	∞	



Compare with computer-generated plot (qualitatively the same ✓).



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