

$$8.1 \quad f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$$

(a) Domain: all x (because f is a polynomial)

$$x\text{-intercepts} \Rightarrow y=0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$$
$$(x-1)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x=1 \text{ or } x=3$$

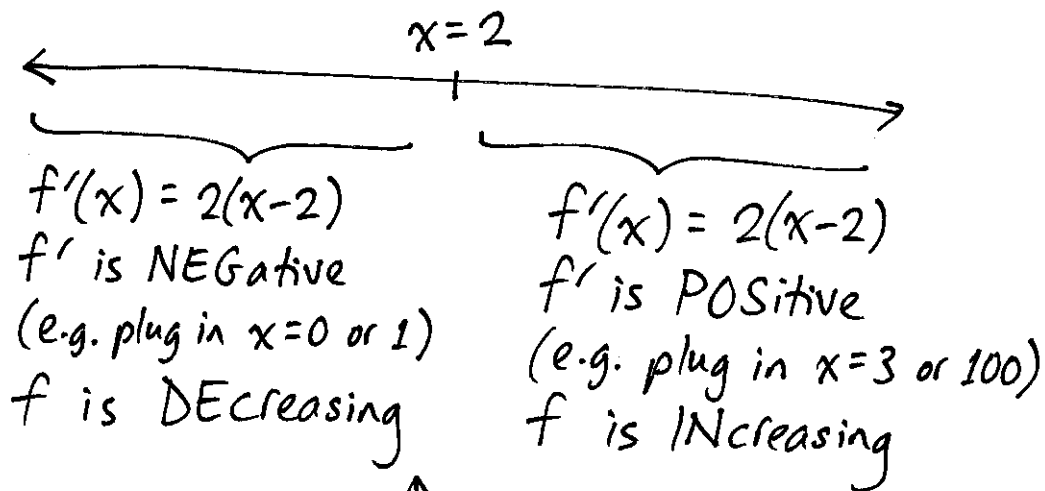
Points $(1,0)$ $(3,0)$

$$y\text{-intercept} \Rightarrow x=0 \Rightarrow y = f(0) = 0^2 - 4 \cdot 0 + 3 = 3$$

Point $(0,3)$

$$(b) \quad f'(x) = 2x - 4 = 2(x-2)$$

Critical points: $x=2$



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local MIN at $x=2$

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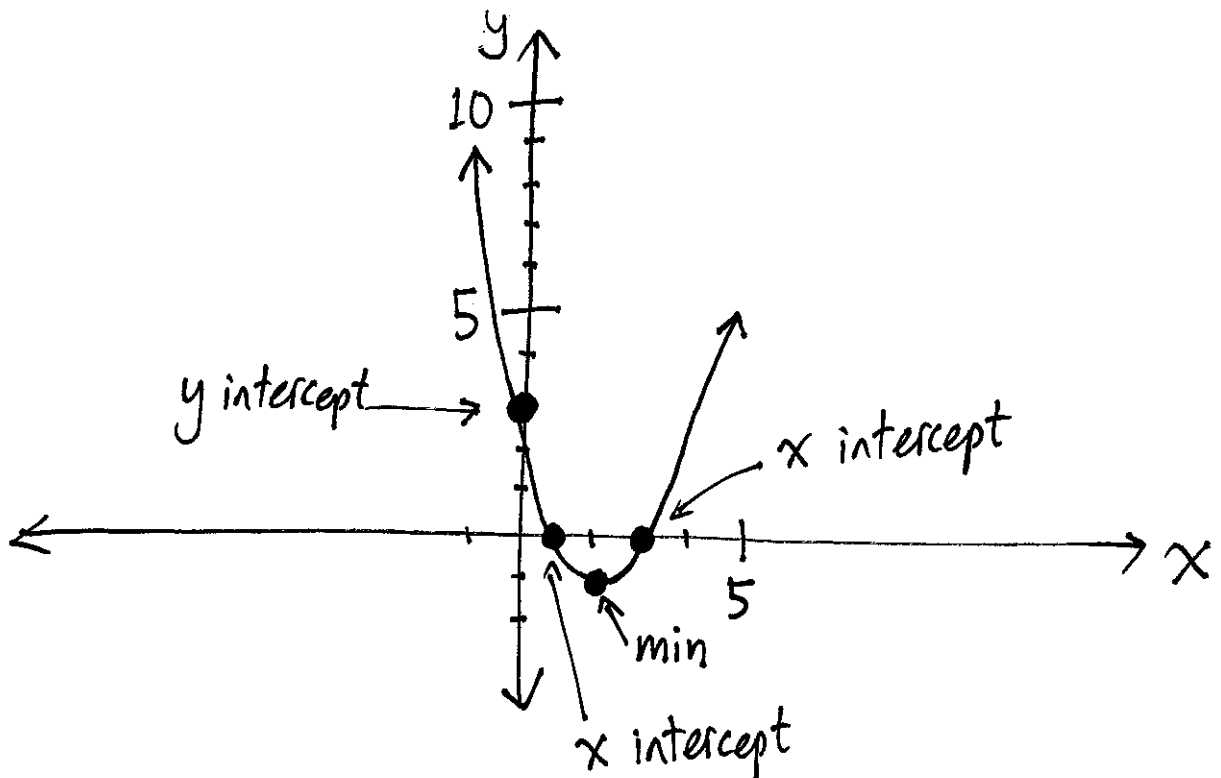
(c) $f''(x) = 2$

f'' is always positive. There are no inflection points.
 f is always concave UP.

(d)

Some values

x	$f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3 = (x-1)(x-3)$
-1	$(-2)(-4) = 8$
0	$(-1)(-3) = 3$
1	$(0)(-2) = 0$
2	$(1)(-1) = -1$
3	$(2)(0) = 0$
4	$(3)(1) = 3$



$$8.2 \quad f(x) = x^3 - 3x + 3$$

(a) Domain: all x (because x is a polynomial)

$$x\text{-intercepts} \Rightarrow y=0 \Rightarrow x^3 - 3x + 3 = 0$$

We can't factor or solve most cubics. But instead, maybe can estimate where an x -intercept is:

$$f(0) = 0^3 - 3 \cdot 0 + 3 = 3$$

$$f(-1) = (-1)^3 - 3(-1) + 3 = -1 + 3 + 3 = 5$$

$$f(-2) = (-2)^3 - 3(-2) + 3 = -8 + 6 + 3 = 1$$

$$f(-3) = (-3)^3 - 3(-3) + 3 = -27 + 9 + 3 = -15$$

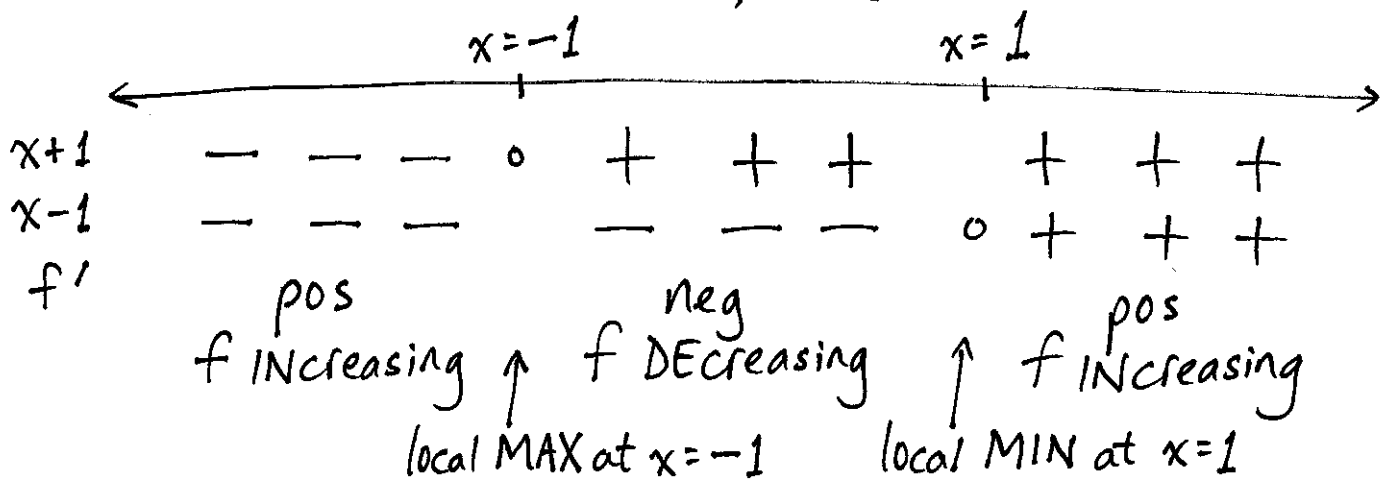
So there must be an x -intercept between $x = -2$ and $x = -3$.

$$y\text{-intercept} \Rightarrow x=0 \Rightarrow y=f(0) = 0^3 - 3 \cdot 0 + 3 = 3$$

Point $(0, 3)$

$$(b) \quad f'(x) = 3x^2 - 3 = 3(x^2 - 1) \\ = 3(x+1)(x-1)$$

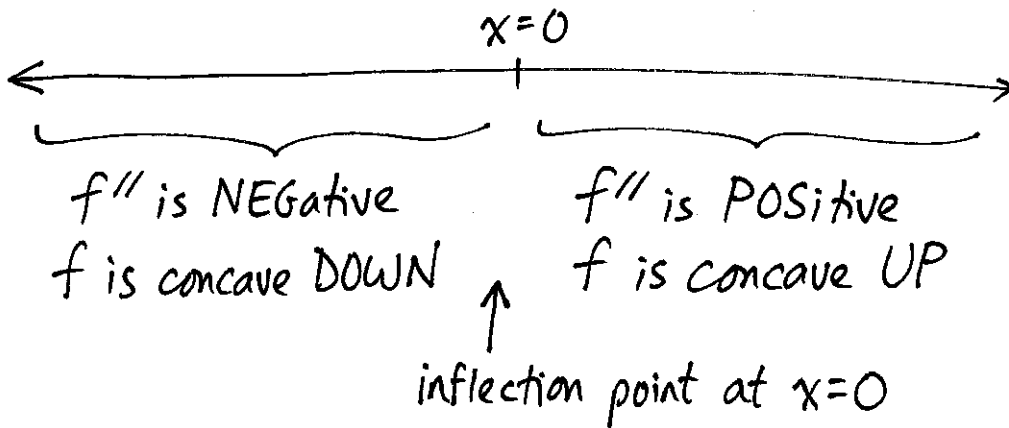
Critical points: $x = -1, x = 1$



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$$(c) \quad f''(x) = 6x$$

$$f'' = 0 \text{ if } x = 0$$



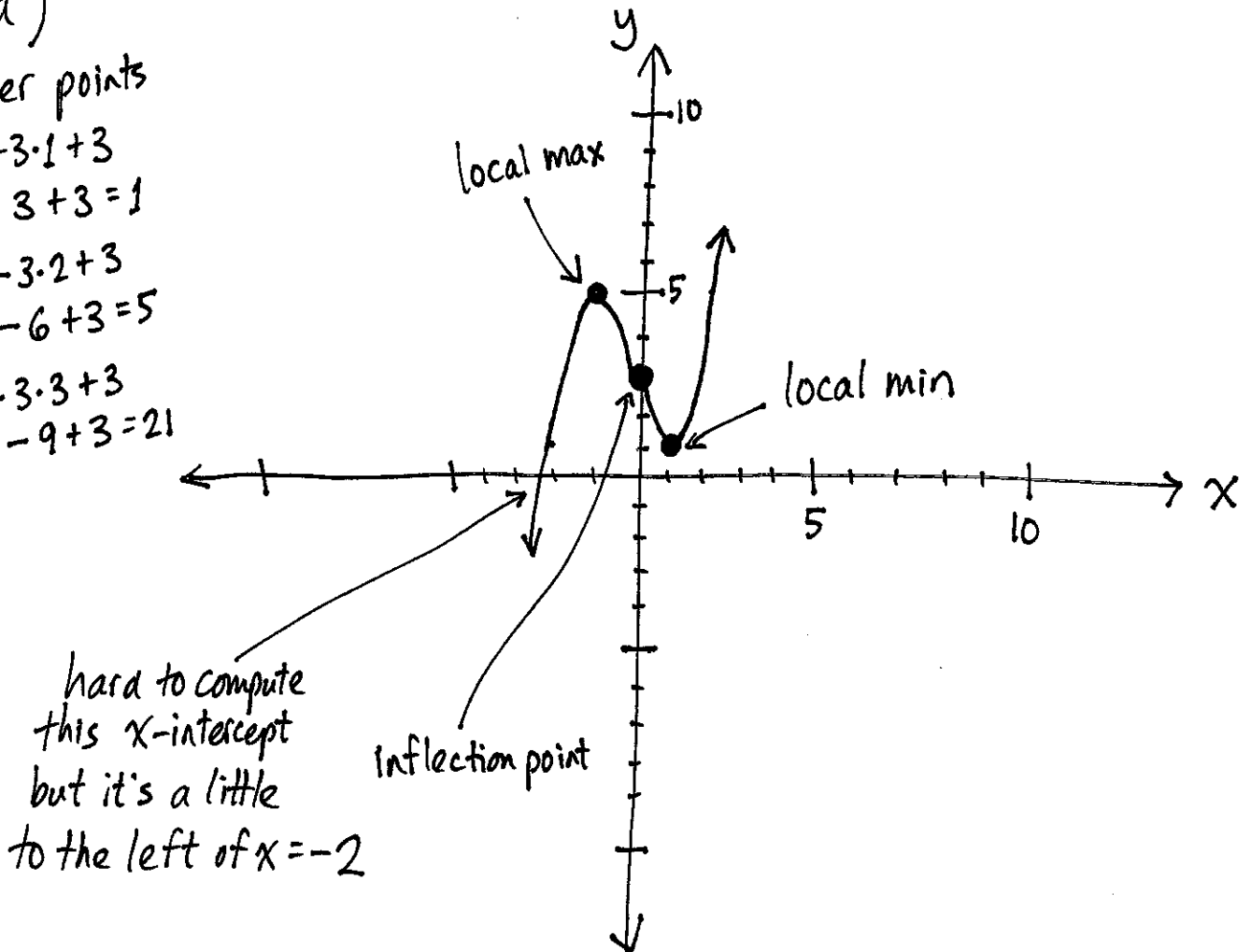
(d)

Some other points

$$f(1) = 1^3 - 3 \cdot 1 + 3 \\ = 1 - 3 + 3 = 1$$

$$f(2) = 2^3 - 3 \cdot 2 + 3 \\ = 8 - 6 + 3 = 5$$

$$f(3) = 3^3 - 3 \cdot 3 + 3 \\ = 27 - 9 + 3 = 21$$



8.3 $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^2$

(a) Domain: all x (because f is a polynomial)

x -intercepts $\Rightarrow y=0 \Rightarrow x^4 - 2x^2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2(x^2 - 2) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 = 0$ or $x^2 = 2$

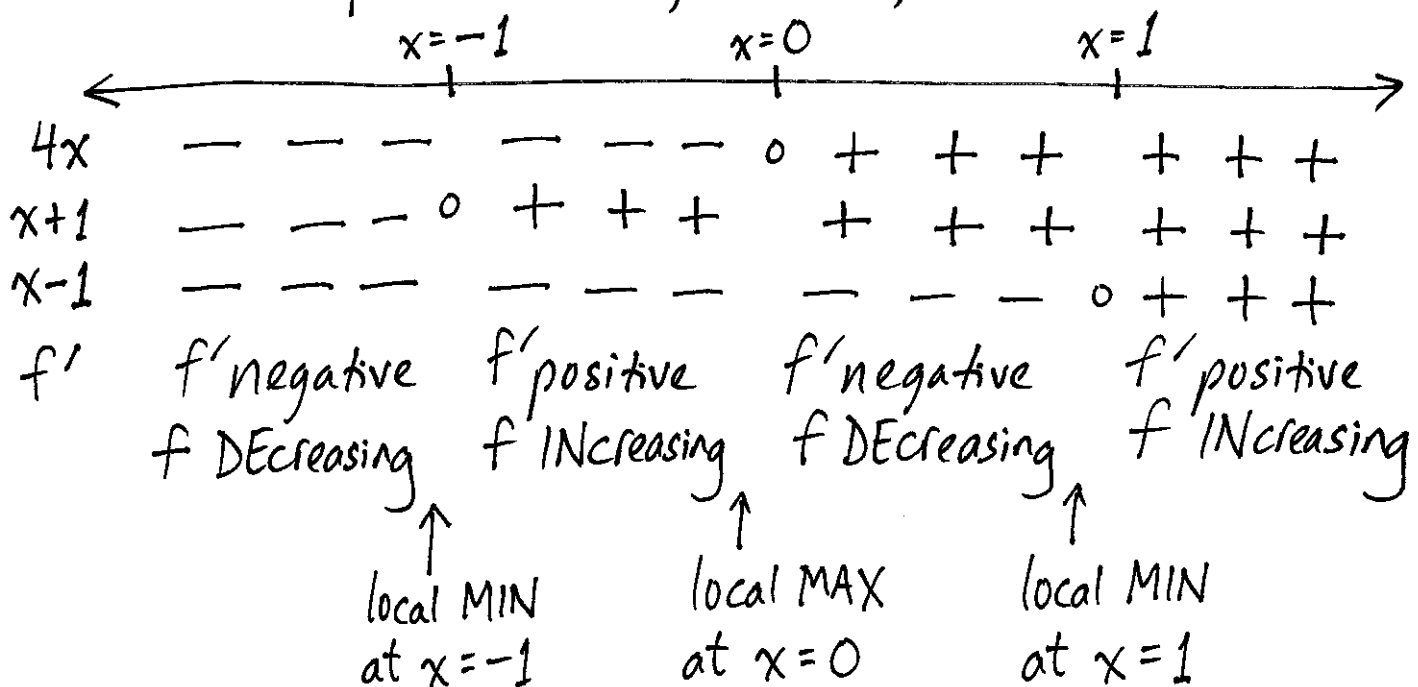
$\Rightarrow x = 0$ or $x = \sqrt{2}$ or $x = -\sqrt{2}$. Points: $(-\sqrt{2}, 0)$
 $(0, 0)$
 $(\sqrt{2}, 0)$

y -intercept $\Rightarrow x=0 \Rightarrow y = f(0) = 0^4 - 2 \cdot 0^2 = 0$
 Point: $(0, 0)$

(b) $f'(x) = 4x^3 - 4x$

$= 4x(x^2 - 1) = 4x(x+1)(x-1)$

Critical points: $x=0, x=-1, x=1$



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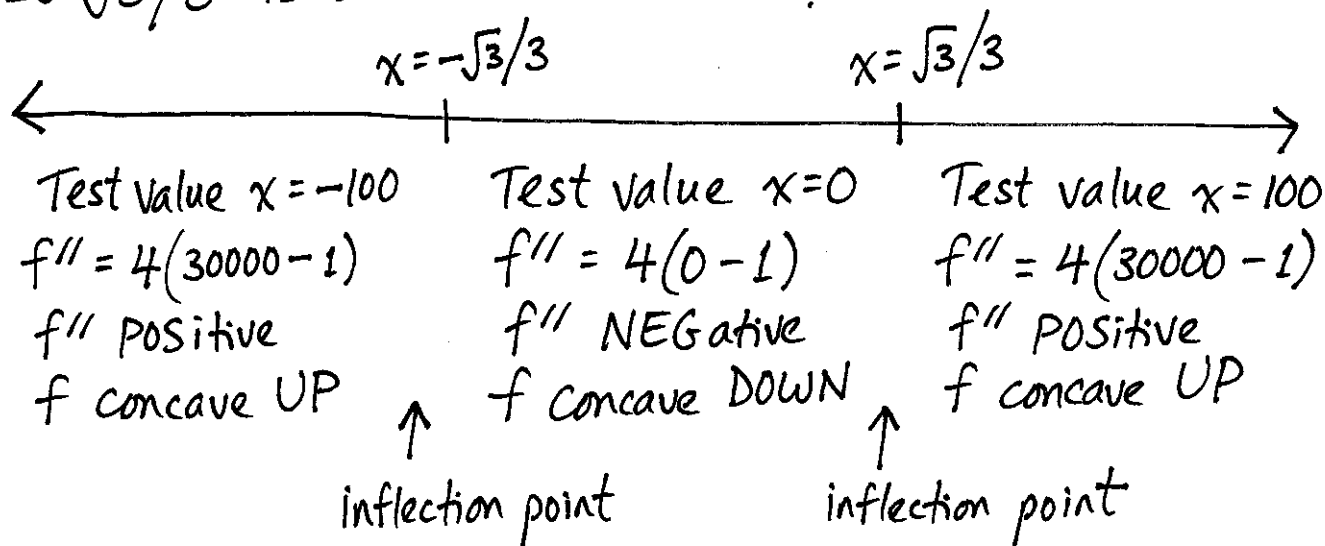
$$(c) \quad f''(x) = 12x^2 - 4 = 4(3x^2 - 1)$$

$$f'' = 0 \Rightarrow 3x^2 = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 = 1/3 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1/\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{or } x = \pm \sqrt{3}/3$$

It may help to know $\sqrt{3} \approx 1.7$

So $\sqrt{3}/3$ is a bit less than 0.6.



(d) For graphing purposes, we should evaluate f at all "special" points. $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^2 = x^2(x^2 - 2)$

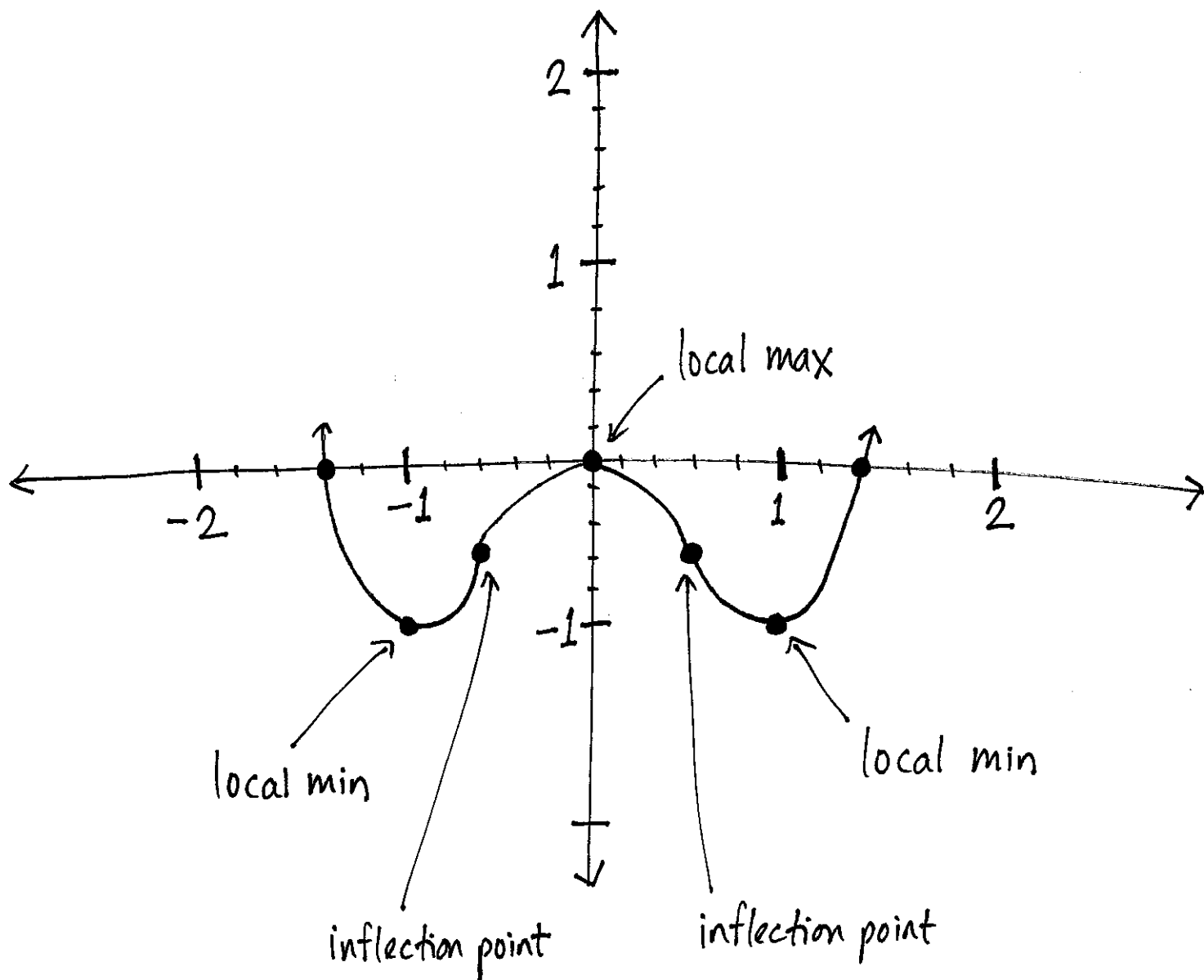
$$f(0) = 0^2(0^2 - 2) = 0$$

$$f(\pm 1/\sqrt{3}) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3} - 2\right) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{-5}{3} = \frac{-5}{9} \quad \text{slightly less than } -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$f(\pm 1) = 1 \cdot (1 - 2) = -1$$

$$f(\pm \sqrt{2}) = 2 \cdot (2 - 2) = 0$$

8.3 continued



$$8.4 \quad f(x) = x + \sin x$$

(a) Domain: all x (polynomials and sine functions have no restrictions on the domain)

$$x\text{-intercepts} \Rightarrow y=0 \Rightarrow x + \sin x = 0$$

$$\text{or } \sin x = -x$$

Can't solve this algebraically. Can we guess intercepts?

Find them graphically?

$$y\text{-intercepts} \Rightarrow x=0 \Rightarrow y = 0 + \sin 0 = 0 + 0 = 0$$

Point $(0,0)$

(both an x -intercept and y -intercept)

$$(b) \quad f'(x) = 1 + \cos x$$

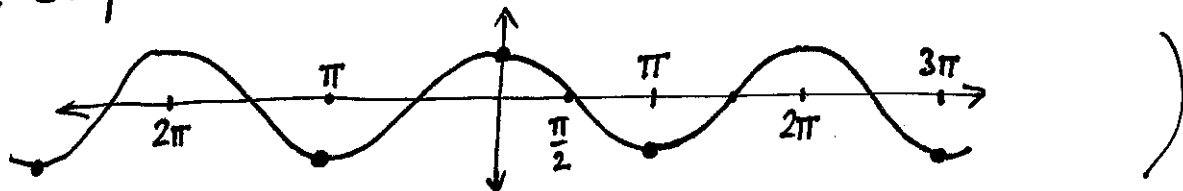
Critical points? f' is never undefined

$$f' = 0 \Rightarrow 1 + \cos x = 0 \Rightarrow \cos x = -1$$

You should be able to figure out what x values

make $\cos x = -1$. Answer: $x = \pm\pi, \pm 3\pi, \pm 5\pi, \dots$

(How? Graph of cosine function looks like



Next, when is f' positive or negative?

Fact: We know $\cos x \geq -1$ always. So here,

$f'(x) = 1 + \cos x$ is ≥ 0 always. f' is never negative.

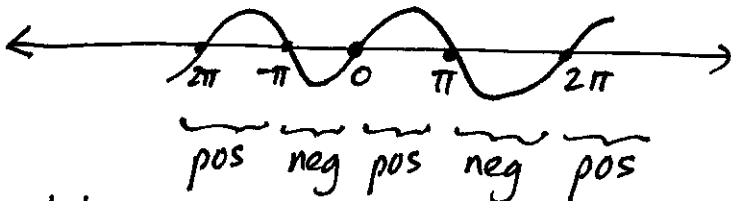
So f is not decreasing on any interval.

None of the critical points are maxes or mins.

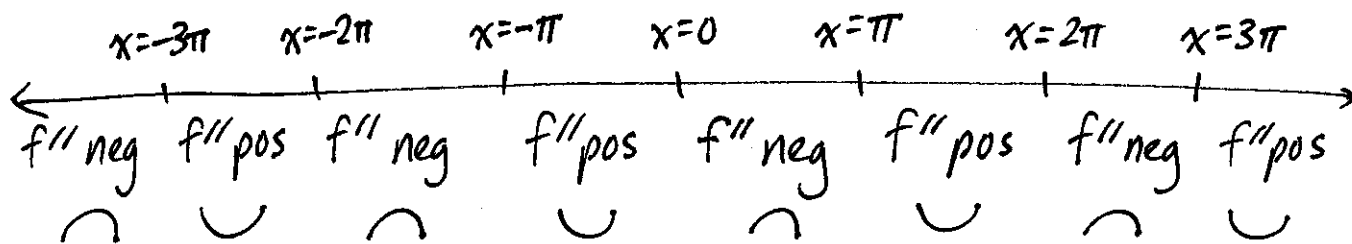
$$(c) \quad f''(x) = 0 - \sin x = -\sin x$$

$$f'' = 0 \Rightarrow \sin x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, \pm\pi, \pm 2\pi, \pm 3\pi, \dots$$

(We know this from KNOWING the sine function)

We know $\sin x$ behaves like 

So $f''(x) = -\sin x$ behaves like:



Each of the points $0, \pm\pi, \pm 2\pi, \pm 3\pi, \dots$ is an inflection pt.

(d) It may be helpful to notice

$$f(0) = 0 + \sin 0 = 0$$

$$f(\pi) = \pi + \sin \pi = \pi + 0 = \pi$$

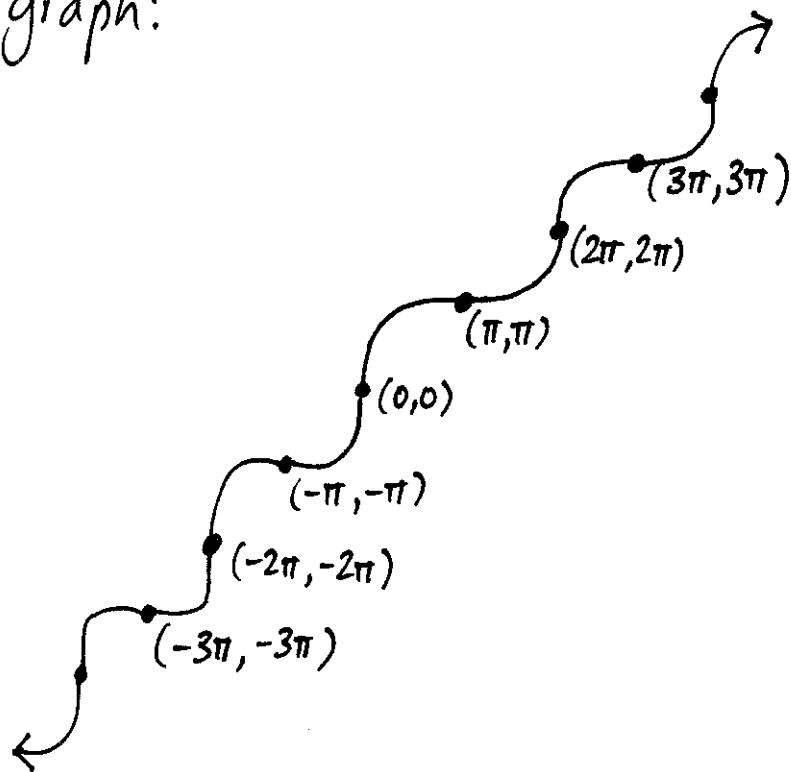
$$f(2\pi) = 2\pi + \sin 2\pi = 2\pi + 0 = 2\pi$$

etc.

Similarly $f(-\pi) = -\pi, f(-2\pi) = -2\pi, \text{etc.}$

So f is never decreasing,
and changes concavity at each multiple of π .

Rough graph:



For a more careful graph, we could note that
 $f'(x) = 1 + \cos x$ is always between 0 and 2.
So steepest slope should be 2 (not vertical).

$$8.5 \quad f(x) = \sqrt{16 - x^2} = (16 - x^2)^{1/2}$$

(a) Domain: must have $16 - x^2 \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow 16 \geq x^2 \text{ or equivalently } x^2 \leq 16$$

$$\Rightarrow -4 \leq x \leq 4$$

$$x\text{-intercepts} \Rightarrow y=0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{16 - x^2} = 0$$

$$16 - x^2 = 0$$

$$16 = x^2$$

$$x = \pm 4 \quad \text{Points } (4, 0)$$

$$(-4, 0)$$

$$y\text{-intercepts} \Rightarrow x=0 \Rightarrow y = \sqrt{16 - 0^2} = \sqrt{16} = 4$$

$$\text{Point } (0, 4)$$

$$(b) \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} (16 - x^2)^{-1/2} \cdot (-2x)$$

$$= \frac{-x}{\sqrt{16 - x^2}}$$

Critical numbers?

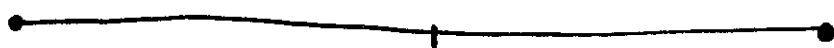
When is f' zero or undefined?

When top or bottom is zero.

$$-x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

$$\sqrt{16 - x^2} = 0 \Rightarrow x = 4 \text{ or } -4 \quad -4, 0, 4$$

$$x = -4 \qquad x = 0 \qquad x = 4$$



$$-x \quad + \quad + \quad + \quad 0 \quad - \quad - \quad -$$

$$\sqrt{16-x^2} \quad + \quad + \quad + \quad + \quad + \quad +$$

f' is positive f' is negative

f is increasing f is decreasing

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Local max at $x = 0$

Technically also a min at $x = -4$ and at $x = 4$

(c) since $f'(x) = \frac{-x}{(16-x^2)^{1/2}}$

We have $f''(x) = \frac{(-x)'(16-x^2)^{1/2} - (-x)((16-x^2)^{1/2})'}{((16-x^2)^{1/2})^2}$

$$= \frac{-1(16-x^2)^{1/2} + x \cdot \frac{1}{2}(16-x^2)^{-1/2} \cdot (-2x)}{16-x^2}$$

$$16-x^2$$

$$= \frac{-1(16-x^2)^{1/2} - x^2(16-x^2)^{-1/2}}{16-x^2}$$

$$16-x^2$$

$$= \frac{-(16-x^2)^{-1/2} \left[(16-x^2) + x^2 \right]}{16-x^2}$$

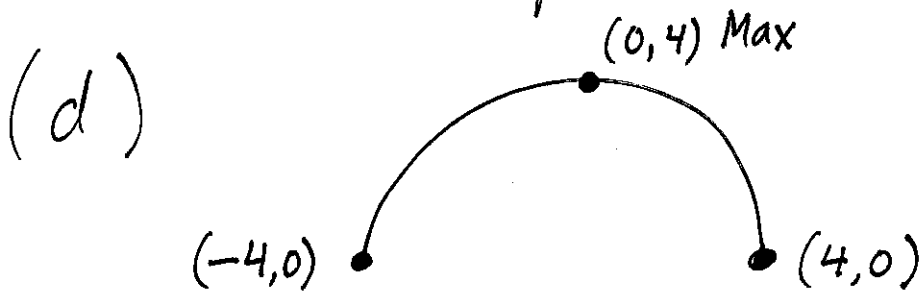
The top had two powers of $16-x^2$ and $-\frac{1}{2}$ was the smaller exponent

$$= \frac{-16(16-x^2)^{-1/2}}{(16-x^2)^1} = \frac{-16}{(16-x^2)^{3/2}}$$

So f'' is always negative

so f is always concave down.

No inflection points.



NOTE: $y = \sqrt{16-x^2} \Rightarrow y^2 = 16-x^2$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 16$$

Top half of a circle!

$$8.6 \quad f(x) = \ln(3-x^2)$$

(a) Domain? Can only take logarithm of positive numbers

$$\text{so } 3-x^2 > 0 \quad \text{so } x^2 < 3$$

$$\text{so } -\sqrt{3} < x < \sqrt{3}.$$

$$x\text{-intercepts? } y=0 \Rightarrow \ln(3-x^2) = 0$$

$$3-x^2 = 1$$

$$x^2 = 2$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

Points $(\sqrt{2}, 0)$ $(-\sqrt{2}, 0)$

$$y\text{-intercepts? } x=0 \Rightarrow y = \ln(3-0^2) = \ln 3$$

We can just leave it as $\ln 3$.

Point $(0, \ln 3)$.

For graphing purposes, we might want to know

that $\ln 3$ is a little more than 1.

(Remember $e \approx 2.7$ is slightly less than 3,

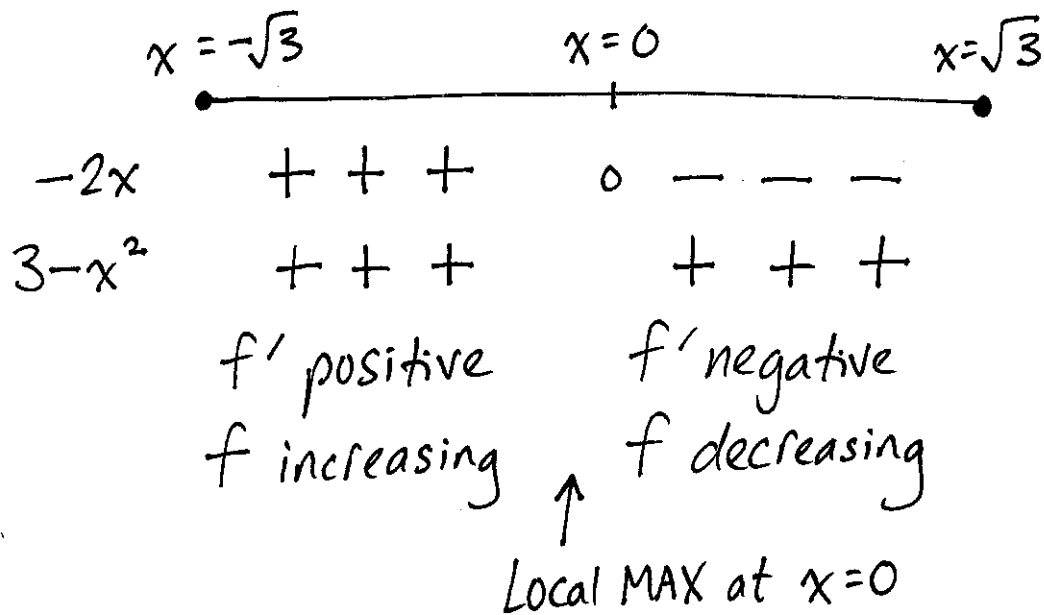
so $\ln 3$ is slightly more than $\ln e = 1$)

$$(b) \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{3-x^2} \cdot -2x = \frac{-2x}{3-x^2}$$

Critical points? When is f' zero or undefined?
 When top or bottom is zero.

$$-2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

$$3-x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = 3 \Rightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{3}$$



$$(c) \quad \text{Since } f'(x) = \frac{-2x}{3-x^2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{2x}{x^2-3}$$

$$\text{we have } f''(x) = \frac{(2x)'(x^2-3) - 2x(x^2-3)'}{(x^2-3)^2}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{2(x^2-3) - 2x \cdot 2x}{(x^2-3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{2x^2 - 6 - 4x^2}{(x^2-3)^2} = \frac{-2x^2 - 6}{(x^2-3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-2(x^2+3)}{(x^2-3)^2}$$

Squared!
Denominator is never negative.

When might this change sign?

-2 is never 0 (always neg.)

x^2+3 is never 0 (always pos.)

x^2-3 is 0 only if $x = \pm\sqrt{3}$

but those are not in the domain.

So f'' is always negative.

f is always concave down.

How does $f(x) = \ln(3-x^2)$ behave near the ends of the domain?

If $x \rightarrow \pm\sqrt{3}$ then $3-x^2 \rightarrow 0$ so $\ln(3-x^2) \rightarrow -\infty$.

Rough graph:

