

Graphing f from f' and f''

Goal:

- Can use the first derivative to identify when the function increases and decreases
- Can use the second derivative to identify when the function is concave up and concave down
- Can graph a function to have correct extrema and concavity

Terminology:

- None

Recall our definitions for the continuous function $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
(change inequality direction for decreasing, minimums, and concave down).

Increasing:

- **(First Principles)** If $\forall x, y \in [a, b]$ with $x < y$ we get $f(x) < f(y)$, then f is increasing on $[a, b]$
- **(Calculus)** If $f'(x) > 0 \forall x \in (a, b)$ then f is increasing on $[a, b]$

Maximum:

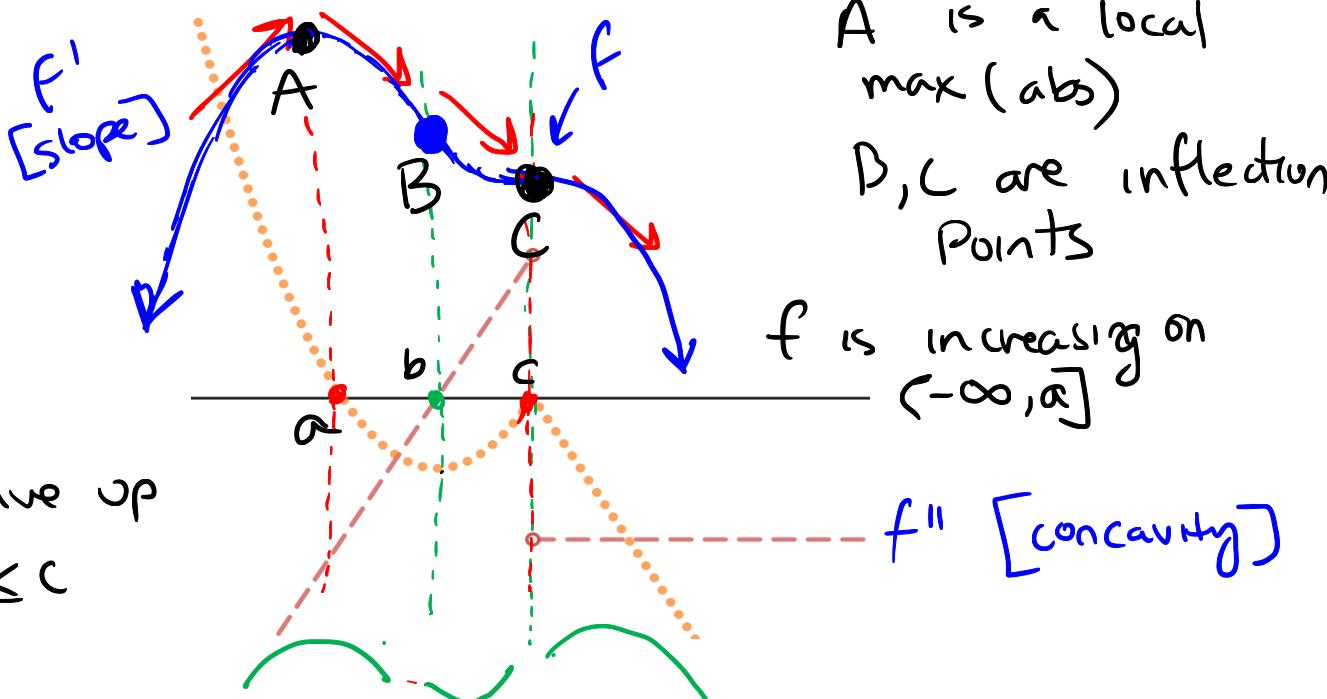
- **(First Principles)** If $f(c) \geq f(x) \forall x \in [a, b]$, then $x = c$ is an absolute maximum
- **(First Principles)** If $f(c) \geq f(x)$ for every x on some open interval around c , then $x = c$ is a local maximum
- **(Calculus)** If $f'(x) > 0$ when $x \in (a, c)$ and $f'(x) < 0$ when $x \in (c, b)$ then $x = c$ is a local maximum
- **(Calculus)** If $f''(x) < 0$ when $x \in (a, b)$ and $f'(c) = 0$ for $c \in (a, b)$ then $x = c$ is a local maximum

Concavity:

- **(First Principles)** If $f'(x)$ is increasing on $[a, b]$ then it is concave up on $[a, b]$
- **(Calculus)** If $f''(x) > 0 \forall x \in (a, b)$ then f is concave up on $[a, b]$ (assuming $f'(a)$ and $f'(b)$ are defined)

Inflection Points:

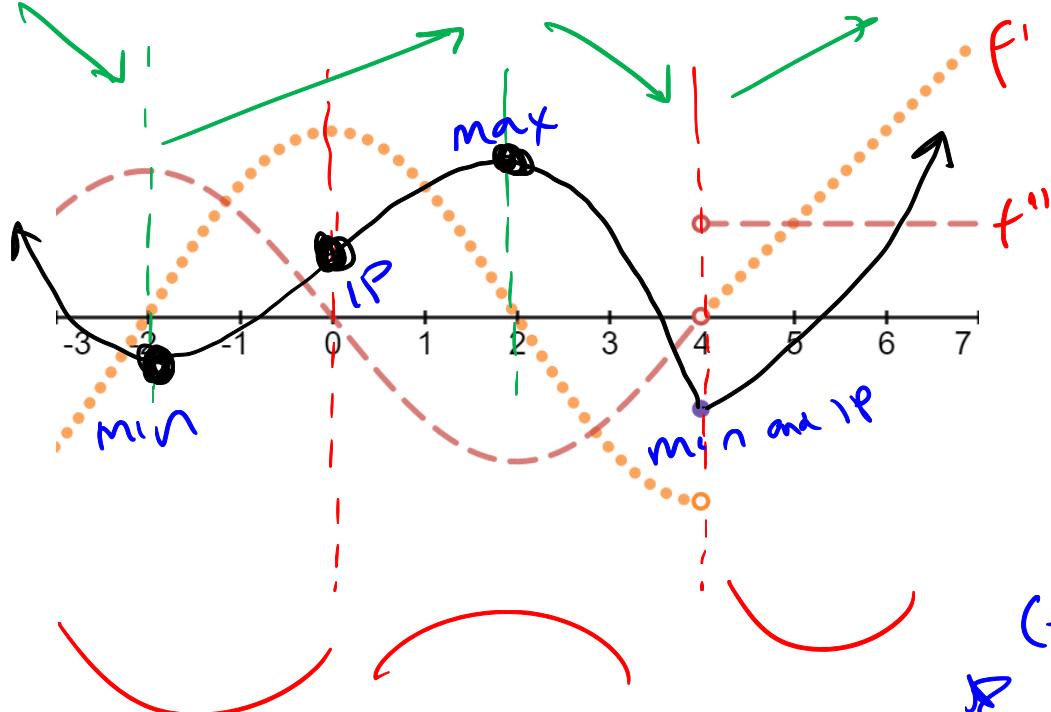
- **(Calculus)** If $f''(x)$ is positive or negative when $x \in (a, c)$ and $f''(x)$ is negative or positive when $x \in (c, b)$ then $x = c$ is an inflection point. (f'' needs to change sign)



Practice:

- Sketch the continuous functions f
- label the max and mins and inflection points
- state the intervals f is increasing and intervals it is concave up.

1. Dotted is f' and dashed is f'' . Make f pass through the point $f(4) = -1$ shown below. The domain of f is \mathbb{R}

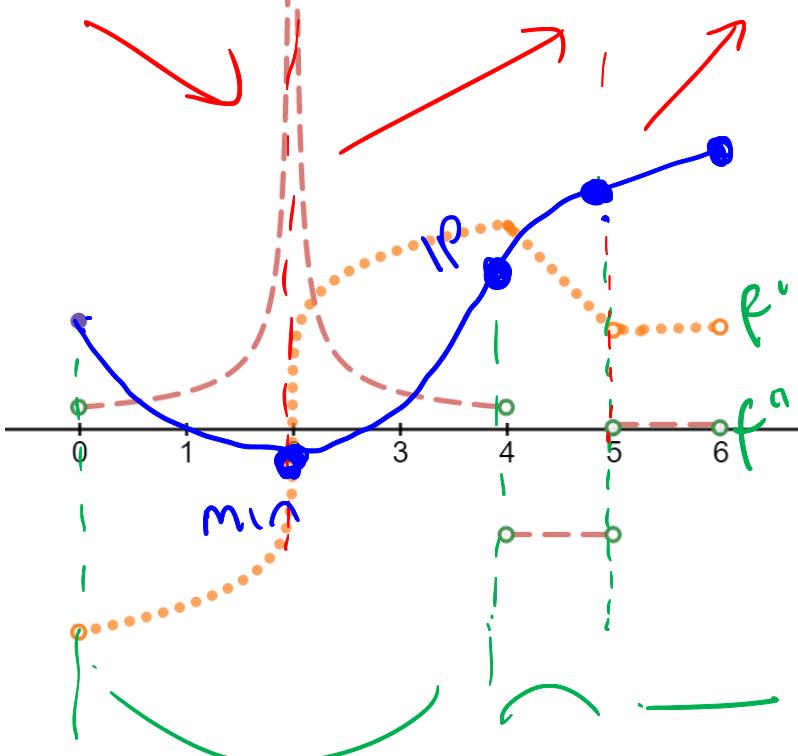


increasing on
 $[-2, 2] \cup [4, \infty)$

concave up on
 $(-\infty, 0] \cup (4, \infty)$

$\nwarrow f'(0) > 0$
 $f'(4) = \emptyset$

2. Dotted is f' and dashed is f'' . Make f pass through the point $f(0) = 1$ shown below. The domain of f is $[0, 6]$

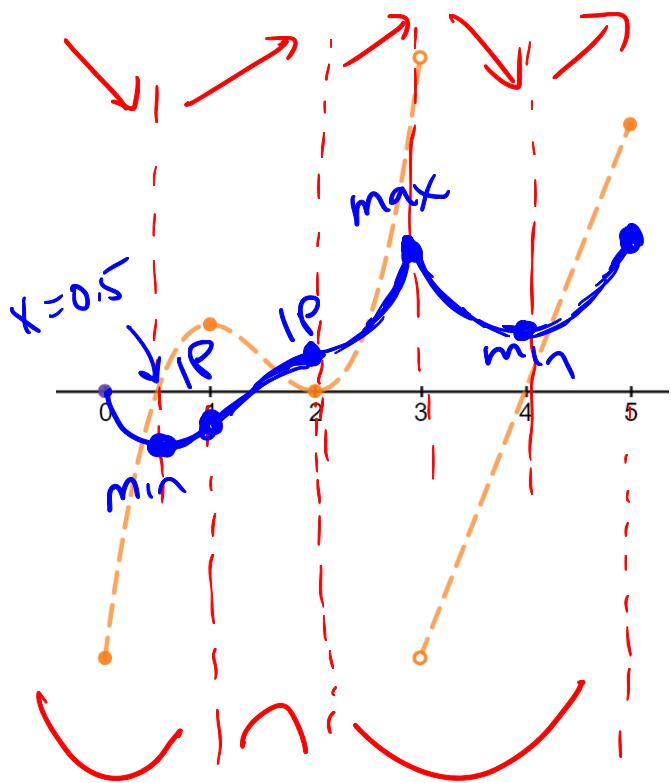


increasing on
 $[2, \infty)$

concave up on
 $(0, 4]$

\nwarrow note that
on $[5, 6]$ f is
linear

3. Dotted curve is f' . Make f pass through the point $f(0) = 0$ shown below. The domain of f is $[0, 5]$



Increasing on

$$[0.5, 3] \cup [4, 5]$$

Concave up on

$$[0, 1] \cup [2, 3) \cup (3, 5]$$

(I probably should have made $f'(0), f'(5) = \emptyset$)

4. The curve has the following properties.

$$f(-2) = 6$$

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

$$f''(x) > 0 \text{ when } x > 2$$

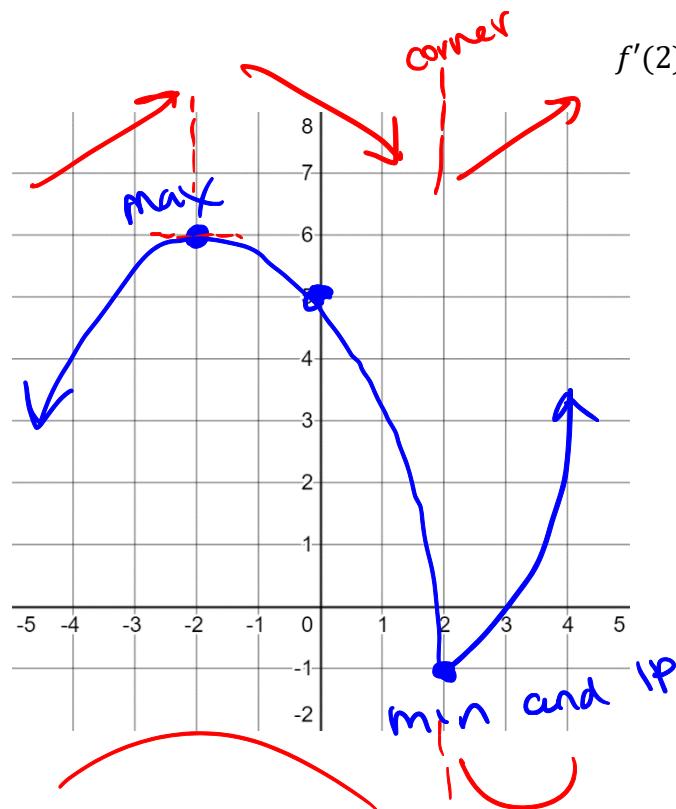
$$f(0) = 5$$

$$f'(x) > 0 \text{ when } |x| > 2$$

$$f''(x) < 0 \text{ when } x < 2$$

$$f(2) = -1$$

$$f'(x) < 0 \text{ when } |x| < 2$$



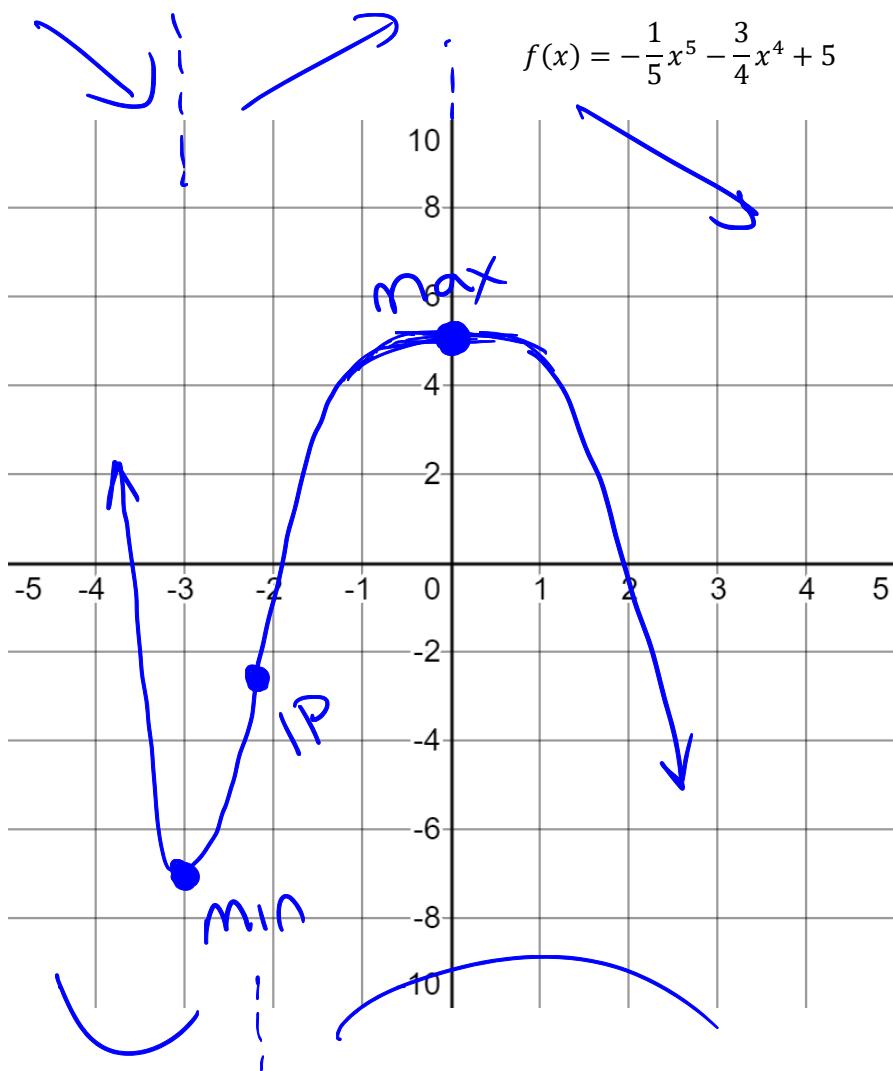
Increasing on

$$(-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty)$$

Concave up on

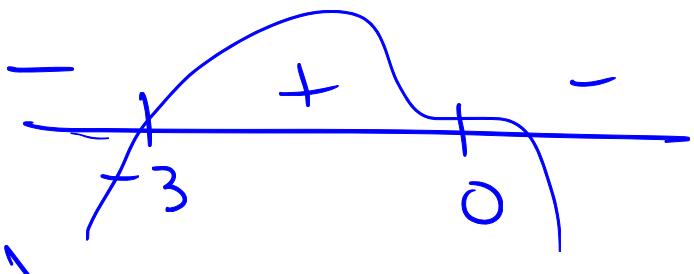
$$(2, \infty) \text{ since } f'(2) = \emptyset$$

5.



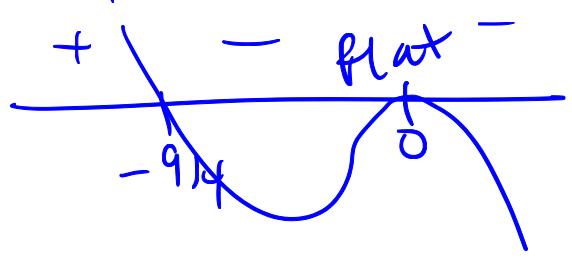
$$f'(x) = -x^4 - 3x^3$$

$$= -x^3(x+3)$$

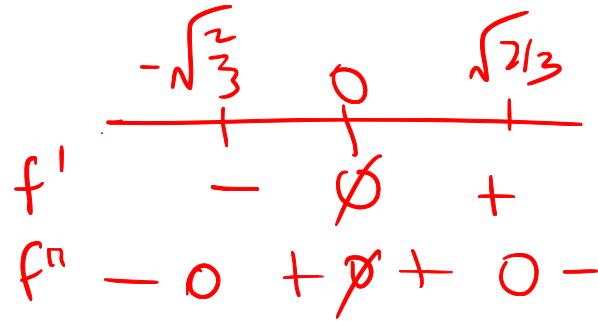
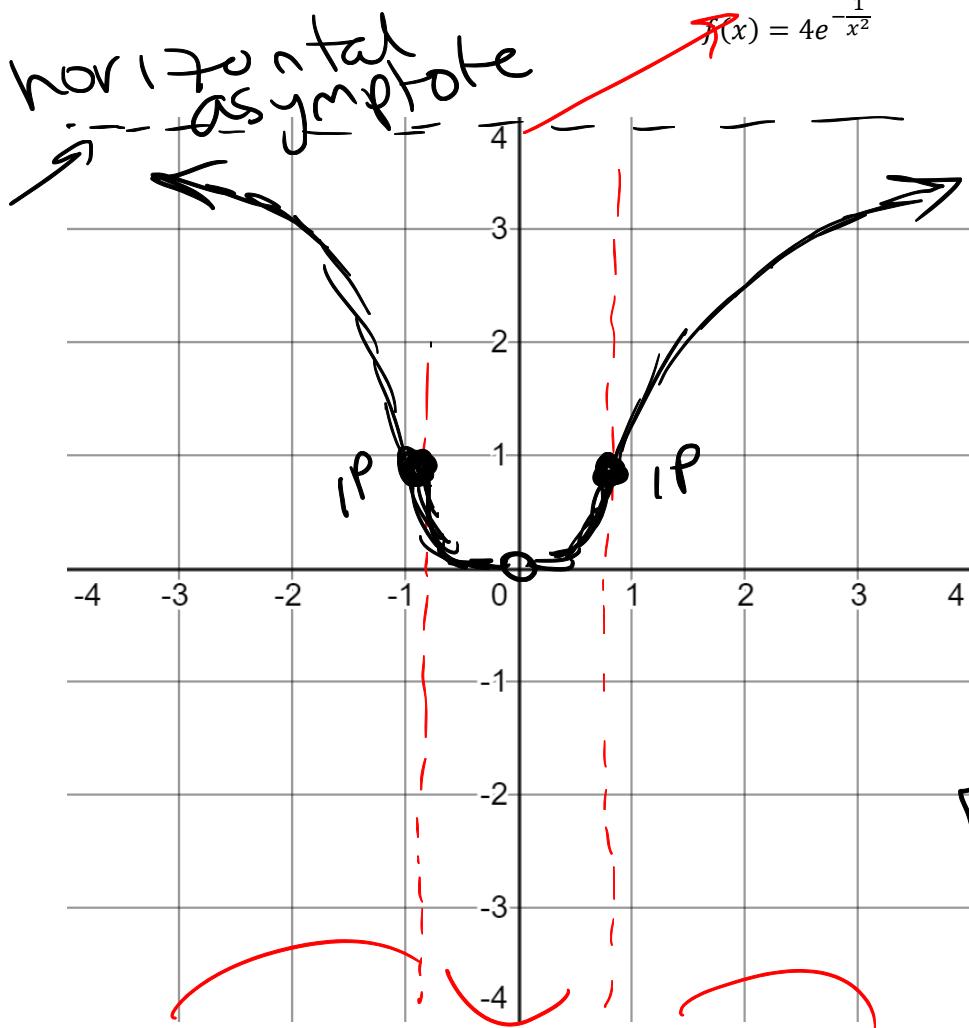


$$f''(x) = -4x^3 - 9x^2$$

$$= -x^2(4x+9)$$



6.



f is increasing
when $x > 0$

f is concave up

on $[-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}, 0) \cup (0, \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}]$

$$f(x) = 4e^{-x^2} \quad \text{as } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = 4e^{-x^2} (+2x^{-3}) = \frac{8e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}}{x^3} \quad \text{CP @ } x=0$$

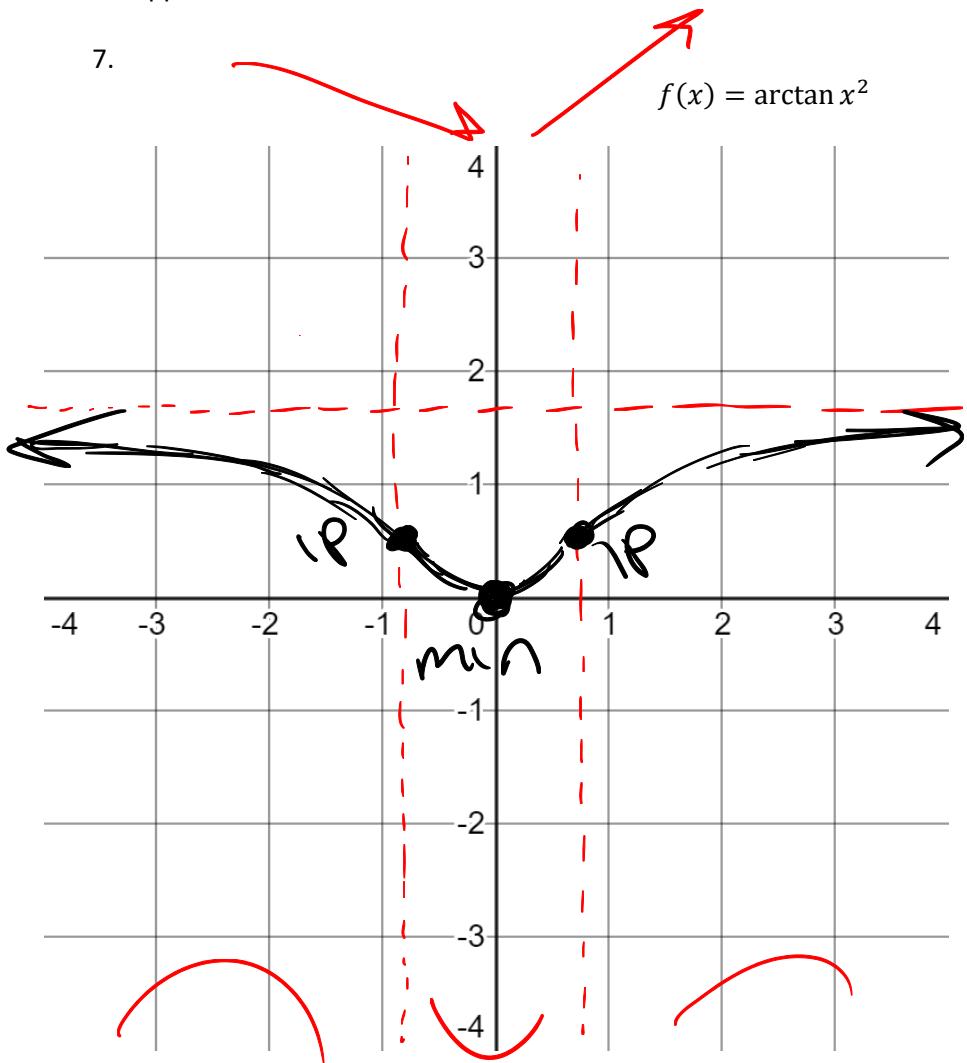
$$f''(x) = \left(8e^{-x^2} (2x^{-3})x^3 - 3x^2 (8e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}) \right) x^{-6}$$

$$= 8e^{-x^2} \left[\frac{2}{x^6} - \frac{3}{x^4} \right] = \frac{8e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}}{x^6} [2 - 3x^2]$$

$$f''(x) = 0 \quad \text{when } x = \pm\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$f''(x) = 0$
when $x=0$

7.



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 \text{Graphing } f \text{ Oct 7} \\
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 -\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{3}} & 0 & \sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{3}} & \\
 + & - & + & \\
 f' & -0+ & 0- & \\
 f'' & -0+ & 0- & \\
 y = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ asymptote}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

f is increasing
when $x \geq 0$
 f is concave up
on $[-\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{3}}, \sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{3}}]$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x^4+1} \cdot 2x \quad x=0 \text{ is CP}$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{2(x^4+1) - 4x^3(2x)}{(x^4+1)^2} = \frac{2 - 6x^4}{(x^4+1)^2}$$

$$f''(x) = 0 \quad \text{when } x = \pm \sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Practice Problems: 4.3: # 31-36, 45-48
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Textbook Readings: 4.3 page 201-202

Workbook Practice: page 194-197, 200-203
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Next Day: Optimization
