

Section 5.4 Additional curve sketching.

Graphing strategy.

1. Analyze $f(x)$.
 - (a) Find the domain of f .
 - (b) Find the intercepts.
 - (c) Find asymptotes.
2. Analyze $f'(x)$.
 - (a) Find all critical value of $f(x)$.
 - (b) Construct a sign chart for $f'(x)$.
 - (c) Determine the intervals on which f is increasing and decreasing.
 - (d) Find local maxima and minima.
3. Analyze $f''(x)$.
 - (a) Find all value of x such that $f''(x) = 0$.
 - (b) Construct a sign chart for $f''(x)$.
 - (c) Determine the intervals on which f is concave upward and concave downward.
 - (d) Find inflection points.
4. Sketch the graph of f .

Example. Using calculus, sketch

$$1. f(x) = \frac{1}{3-2x-x^2} = (3-2x-x^2)^{-1}$$

Domain: $3-2x-x^2 \neq 0$
 $(1-x)(x+3) \neq 0$
 $x \neq -3, x \neq 1$

domain: $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$
range: $(-\infty, \infty)$
 no intercepts.

$$3-2x-x^2 > 0$$

$$(1-x)(x+3) > 0$$

asymptotes: vertical: $x = -3$
 $x = 1$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{3-2x-x^2} = 0$ horizontal asymptote: $y = 0$

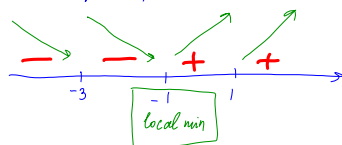
$$f'(x) = (-1)(3-2x-x^2)^{-2} (3-2x-x^2)'$$

$$= (-1)(-2-2x)(3-2x-x^2)^{-2}$$

$$= (2+2x)(3-2x-x^2)^{-2} = 0$$

$$2+2x=0 \text{ or } \boxed{x=-1, x=-3, x=1} \text{ critical points}$$

sign chart for $f'(x)$:



$$f'(-4) = -5(25)^{-1} < 0$$

$$f'(-2) = -2(9)^{-1} < 0$$

$$f'(0) = 2(9)^{-1} > 0$$

$$f'(2) = 6(25)^{-1} > 0$$

f decreases on $(-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, -1)$

f increases on $(-1, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$

f has a local min @ $x = -1$ $f(-1) = \frac{1}{3-2(-1)-(-1)^2} = \frac{1}{4}$

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

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

$$= \frac{2}{(3-2x-x^2)^2} + \frac{(-2)(2+2x)(-2-2x)}{(3-2x-x^2)^3} = 0$$

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

$$= \frac{6-4x-2x^2 + 8+16x+8x^2}{(3-2x-x^2)^3}$$

$$= \frac{6x^2+12x+14}{(3-2x-x^2)^3} = 0 \quad (\text{denominator} \neq 0)$$

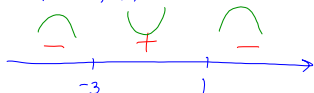
$$\frac{6x^2+12x+14}{2} = 0$$

$$3x^2+6x+7=0$$

$$x_1 = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36-4(7)(3)}}{6} = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36-84}}{6}$$

NO INFLECTION POINTS.

sign chart for $f''(x)$:



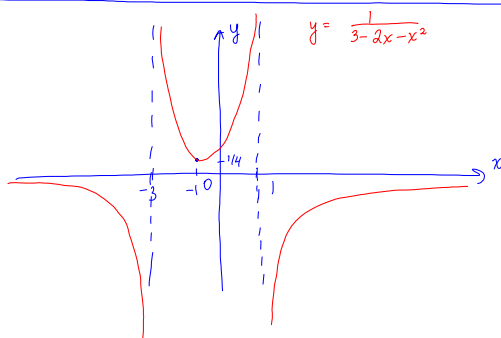
$$f''(-4) = \frac{6(16)+12(-4)+14}{(9+8-16)^3} = \frac{62}{-125}$$

$$f''(0) = \frac{14}{27} > 0$$

$$f''(2) = \frac{6(4)+12(2)+14}{(3-4-4)^3} = \frac{62}{-125}$$

f is CU on $(-\infty, -3) \cup (1, \infty)$

f is CD on $(-3, 1)$



2. $f(x) = xe^{2x}$

Domain: $(-\infty, \infty)$
 Range: $(-\infty, \infty)$

$xe^{2x} > 0$
 since $e^{2x} > 0$ for all x ,
 then $f(x) > 0$ when $x > 0$
 $f(x) < 0$ when $x < 0$

intercepts.
 x-intercepts:
 solve $xe^{2x} = 0$
 $e^{2x} \neq 0$, thus $x = 0$
 $(0, 0)$
 y-intercept: $y = 0e^{2(0)} = 0$

asymptotes: no vertical asymptotes

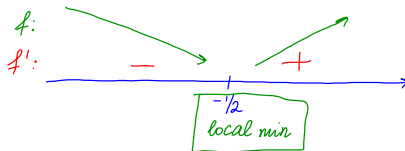
$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} xe^{2x} = \infty$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} xe^{2x} = 0$ ($\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} e^{2x} = 0$)

$y=0$ is the horizontal asymptote when $x \rightarrow -\infty$ only
 (in one direction only)

$f'(x) = (x)'e^{2x} + x(e^{2x})' = e^{2x} + xe^{2x}(2x)' = e^{2x} + xe^{2x}(2)$
 $= e^{2x} + 2xe^{2x} = 0$
 $e^{2x}(1+2x) = 0$
 $\neq 0$ $1+2x = 0$
 $x = -\frac{1}{2}$

sign chart for $f'(x)$

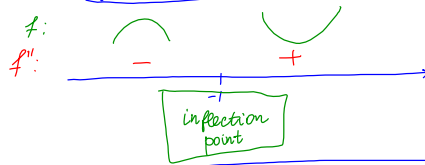


$f'(-1) = e^{-2}(1-2) \approx -.14 < 0$
 $f'(0) = e^0(1) = 1 > 0$

f increases on $(-\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$
 f decreases on $(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2})$
 f has a local min @ $x = -\frac{1}{2}$. $f(-\frac{1}{2}) = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-1} \approx -.18$

$f''(x) = (e^{2x} + 2xe^{2x})' = 2e^{2x} + (2x)e^{2x} + 2x(e^{2x})'$
 $= 2e^{2x} + 2e^{2x} + 2x \cdot 2e^{2x}$
 $= 4e^{2x} + 4xe^{2x} = 0$
 $e^{2x}(4+4x) = 0$
 $\neq 0$ $4+4x = 0$
 $x = -1$

sign chart for $f''(x)$



$f''(0) = 4e^0 = 4 > 0$
 $f''(-2) = e^{-4}(4-8) \approx -0.73 < 0$

f is CU on $(-1, \infty)$
 f is CD on $(-\infty, -1)$
 f has the inflection point @ $x = -1$. $f(-1) = -1e^{-2} \approx -.14$

