

## Week 8 Assignment is Posted. Due 3/24 (after Spring Break)

$f$  is **increasing** on an interval  $I$  if  $f(x_1) < f(x_2)$  whenever  $x_1 < x_2$  in  $I$ .

•  $(x_2, f(x_2))$


$f$  is **decreasing** on an interval  $I$  if  $f(x_1) > f(x_2)$  whenever  $x_1 < x_2$  in  $I$ .

•  $(x_1, f(x_1))$

These definitions give rise to *closed* intervals of increase/decrease, so there was an overlap between intervals of increase and decrease at local max/min points.

NOW, in Section 3.3, we're looking for the *interior* of those intervals, i.e., *open intervals* of increase/decrease. The book sort of finesses the whole thing by asking for *open* intervals of increase/decrease, eliminating the overlap of increase/decrease at local max/min points.

This is a better way of looking at it, since  $f' > 0$  means  $f$  is increasing and  $f' < 0$  means  $f$  is decreasing.  $f' = 0$  or  $f'$  undefined are taken out of consideration. These are important (critical) points where max/min values might be found. They're the Boundary Points of intervals of increase/decrease, when they correspond to max/min points\* on the graph.

$f' = 0$    $-x^{\frac{2}{3}}$  Cusp situation  $x^{\frac{2}{3}}$

\*Remember that critical numbers are candidates for max/min but might not be, for instance terrace points and points where the function has a vertical tangent at a critical point, which I haven't shown you, yet.

## Increasing/Decreasing Test

(a) If  $f'(x) > 0$  on an interval, then  $f$  is increasing on that interval.

(b) If  $f'(x) < 0$  on an interval, then  $f$  is decreasing on that interval.

Proof uses MVT. I'll prove (a), briefly.

(a) Suppose  $f' > 0$  on  $(a, b)$  Then

Let  $x_1 < x_2$  in  $(a, b)$ . Then

$$m_{\text{avg}} = \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1} = f'(c) \text{ for some } c \in (a, b), \text{ by MVT.}$$

$$f'(c) > 0, \text{ b/c } c \in (a, b)$$

$$\text{Also } x_2 - x_1 > 0, \text{ b/c } x_1 < x_2$$

$$\text{So } \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1} = f'(c) \rightarrow$$

$$f(x_2) - f(x_1) = \underbrace{f'(c)}_{> 0} \underbrace{(x_2 - x_1)}_{> 0} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_2) - f(x_1) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_2) > f(x_1), \text{ i.e.}$$

$$f(x_1) < f(x_2), \text{ i.e., } f \text{ is increasing on } (a, b) \quad \square$$

**The First Derivative Test** Suppose that  $c$  is a critical number of a continuous function  $f$ .

- (a) If  $f'$  changes from positive to negative at  $c$ , then  $f$  has a local maximum at  $c$ . ↗ Max ↘
- (b) If  $f'$  changes from negative to positive at  $c$ , then  $f$  has a local minimum at  $c$ .
- (c) If  $f'$  is positive to the left and right of  $c$ , or negative to the left and right of  $c$ , then  $f$  has no local maximum or minimum at  $c$ . *Terrace Point*

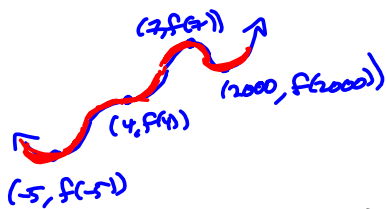
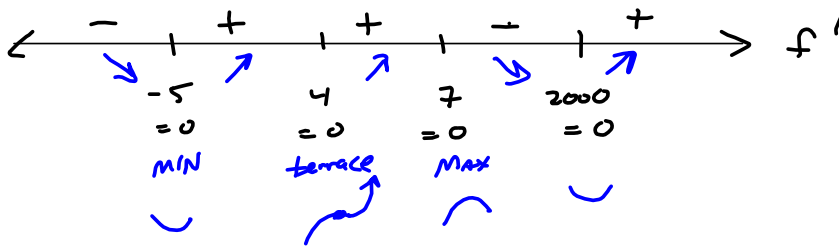
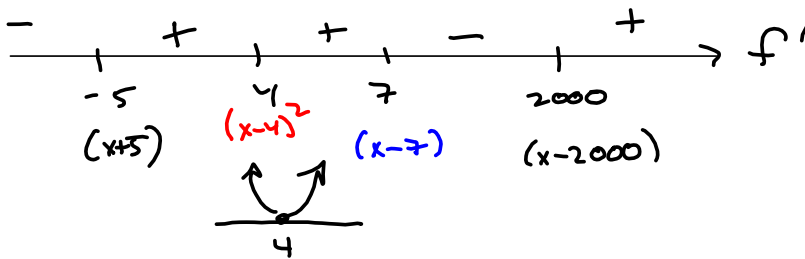
These are good words, and it's good to understand this, formally, but informally/semi-formally, it's very easy to understand and apply, if you can build and interpret a sign pattern. The arrows point the way. You're not slavishly referring to 3 bullet points when working these. You're just analyzing a sign pattern and understanding what it represents.

Polynomial-type situation. Suppose  $f'$  has the following sign pattern. Assume  $f$  is continuous on the entire real line.

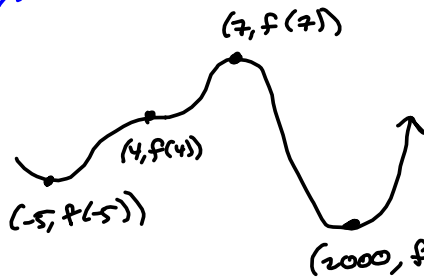
$$f'(x) = (x+5)(x-4)^2(x-7)(x-2000) \text{ in factored form}$$

$$= x \cdot x^2 \cdot x \cdot x = x^5 + \text{smaller stuff}$$

$x^5$  ↙ ..... ↗ End Behavior for  $x^{\text{odd}}$



Knowing no more details, either picture is just as legit.

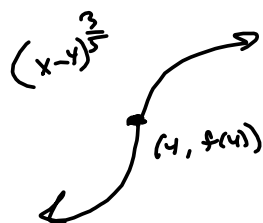
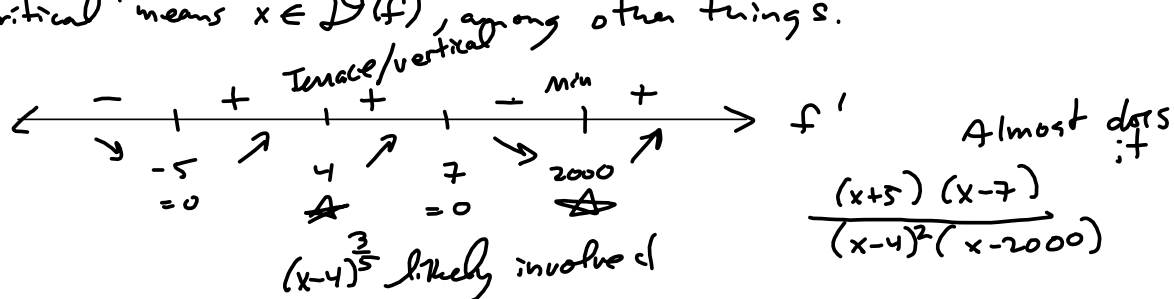


DON'T BE A Slave to scale. Abandon tick marks in graphs. Label key points.

Fractional-exponent situation: Assume that all the points are critical values.

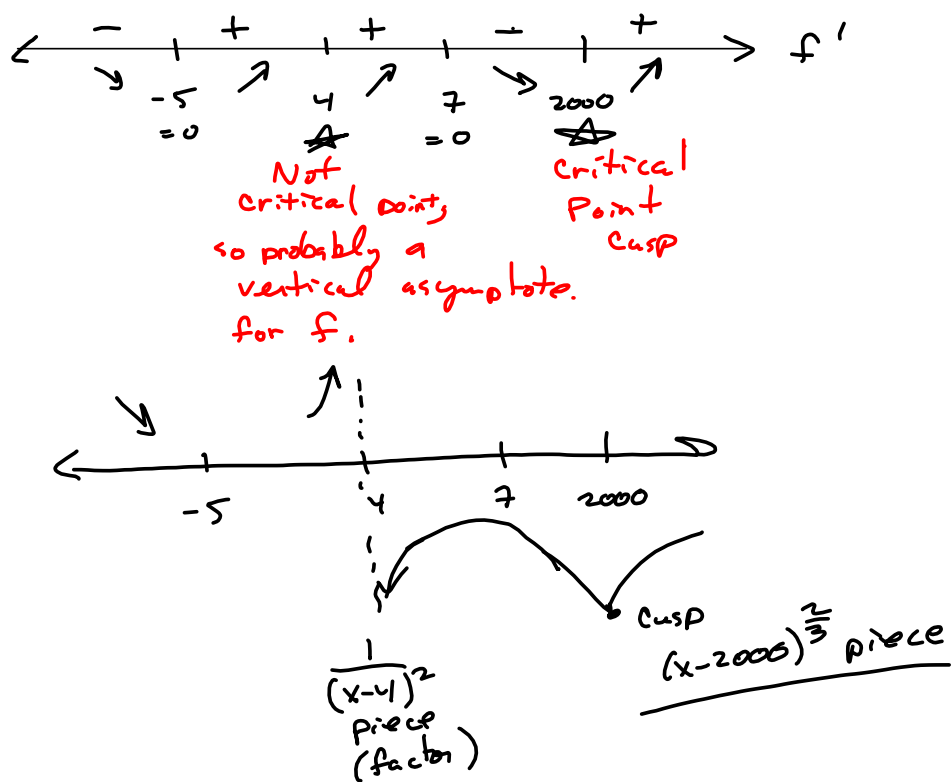
" $\star$ " means  $x \notin \mathcal{D}(f')$  (zero in denominator, typically)

"critical" means  $x \in \mathcal{D}(f)$ , among other things.



Goes vertical @  $x=4$   
 $f(4) = 0$   $x=4 \in \mathcal{D}$ , but  
 $f'(x) = \frac{3}{5}(x-4)^{-\frac{2}{5}} \rightarrow$   
 $4 \notin \mathcal{D}(f')$

This time, suppose that  $x = 2000$  is in the domain of  $f$ , but  $x = 4$  is not.



**Sign Patterns:**

**Factored polynomials and rational functions are the best.**

**After that come trig functions that are easy to "see." Not all are.**

**Sign patterns for the 2 cases above are quick and easy.**

**All other cases? Plug in a test value in each subinterval. Evaluate just far enough to determine the sign. Learn just how much you have to turn the crank for the decision.**

Product-to-sum

$$\sin(u)\cos(v)$$

$$\sin(u+v) = \sin u \cos v + \sin v \cos u$$

$$\sin(u-v) = \sin u \cos v - \sin v \cos u$$

$$\sin(u+v) + \sin(u-v) = 2 \sin u \cos v \rightarrow$$

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Product-to-Sum Derivations

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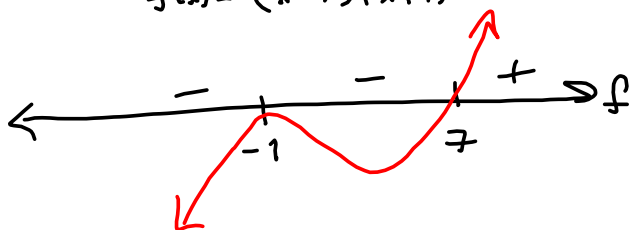
$$\begin{aligned} - (\cos(u+v) &= \cos u \cos v - \sin u \sin v) \\ + (\cos(u-v) &= \cos u \cos v + \sin u \sin v) \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos(u-v) - \cos(u+v) = 2 \sin u \sin v \rightarrow$$

$$\sin u \sin v = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(u-v) - \cos(u+v)]$$

Week 8 prep:

$$f(x) = (x-7)^3(x+1)^2 = x^3 \cdot x^2 = x^5$$



$$f'(x) = 3(x-7)^2(x+1)^2 + (x-7)^3(2)(x+1)$$

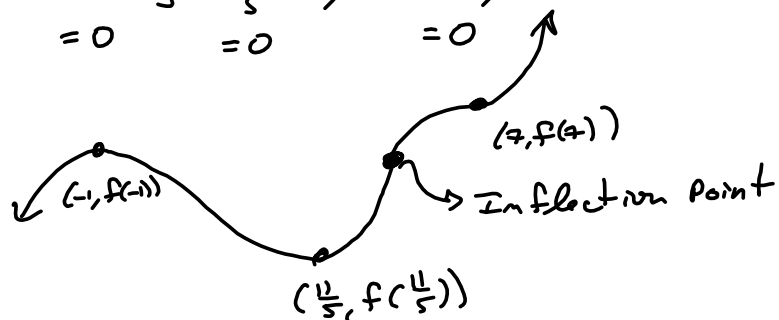
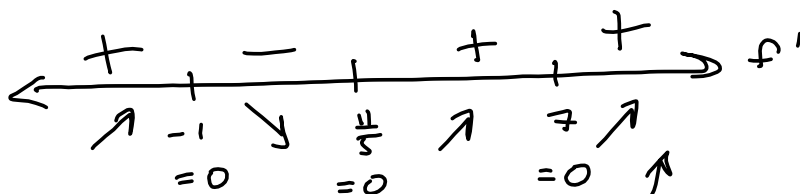
$$= (x-7)^2(x+1) [3(x+1) + (x-7)(2)]$$

$$= (x-7)^2(x+1) [3x+3+2x-14]$$

$$= (x-7)^2(x+1) [5x-11] \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0 \rightarrow$$

$$x = 7, -1, \frac{11}{5} = -1, \frac{11}{5}, 7$$

$$x^2 \cdot x \cdot 5x = 5x^4 \rightarrow \dots$$





Concave up:  $f$  lies above all its tangents



Concave down:  $f$  lies below all its tangents



$$f''(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left[ (x-7)^2(x+1) [5x-11] \right] = 2(x-7)(x+1)(5x-11) + (x-7)^2(5x-11) + (x-7)^2(x+1)(5)$$

$$= 4(x-7)(5x^2-22x+5) \stackrel{SET}{=} 0$$

$$x=7 \quad \text{OR} \quad 5x^2-22x+5=0$$

$$5(x^2 - \frac{22}{5}x + 1) = 0$$

$$x^2 - \frac{22}{5}x + (\frac{11}{5})^2 = -1 + \frac{121}{25} = \frac{-25+121}{25}$$

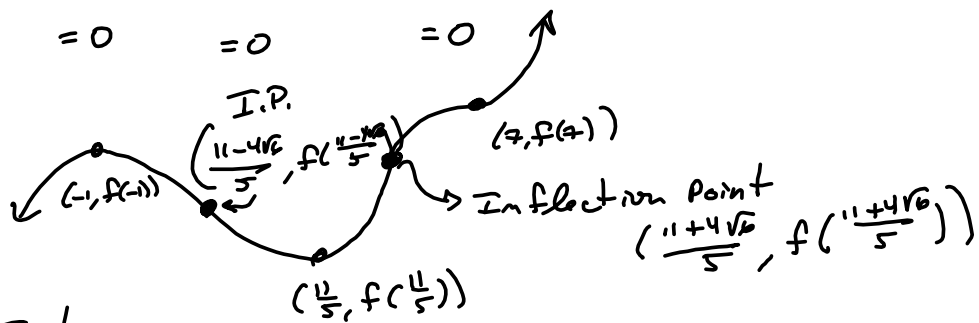
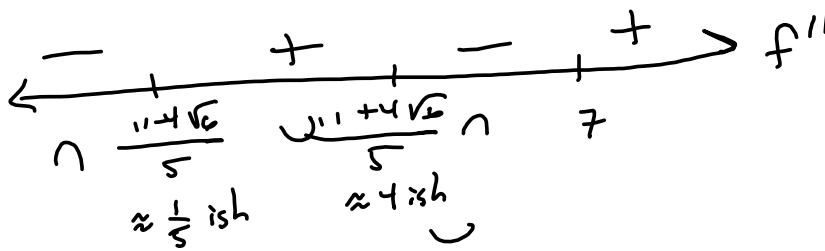
$$(x - \frac{11}{5})^2 = \frac{96}{25}$$

$$x = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{96}}{5}$$

$$= \frac{11 \pm 4\sqrt{6}}{5}$$

$$x = 7, \frac{11 \pm 4\sqrt{6}}{5} \quad \text{where } f'' = 0$$

2) 96  
2) 48  
2) 24  
2) 12  
2) 6  
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2<sup>nd</sup> Deriv. Test

$$f' = 0, f'' > 0 \quad \text{Min}$$



$$f' = 0, f'' < 0 \quad \text{MAX}$$



usually 1<sup>st</sup> derivative test is all you need!