

Chapter 5.1, 5.3, & 5.4 Graphing

General Graphing

#1 = Find $f(x)$
 $f'(x)$
 $f''(x)$

#2 = Enter the equations into calculator
 $f \rightarrow y_1$
 $f' \rightarrow y_2$
 $f'' \rightarrow y_3$

#3 $f(x)$ tells us about the original graph, so
points on the graph $\rightarrow f(x)$

#4 $f'(x) = 0$ derivative which tells us about
 \Rightarrow Increasing/decreasing
 \Rightarrow mins/maximums

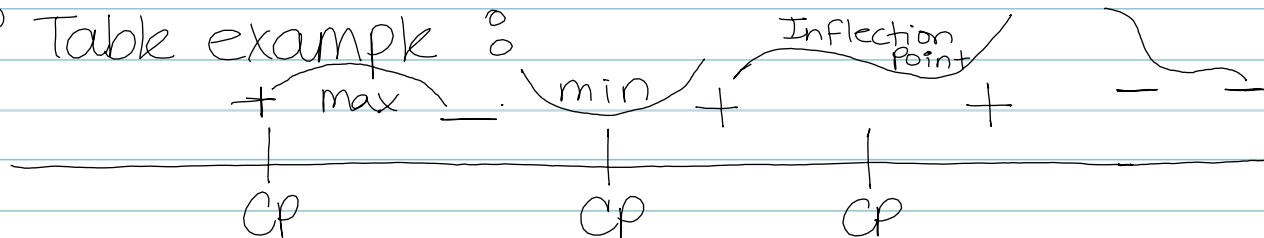
All points
together are
called Critical Points

Issues: $f'(x) = 0$ (stationary points)

$f'(x) = \text{Undefined}$ (singular points)

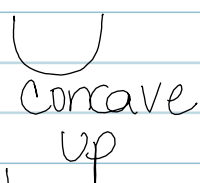
(Potential mins/max until tested)

f' Table example:

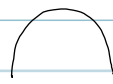


#5 Second Derivative = $f''(x)$

Concavity



Concave up



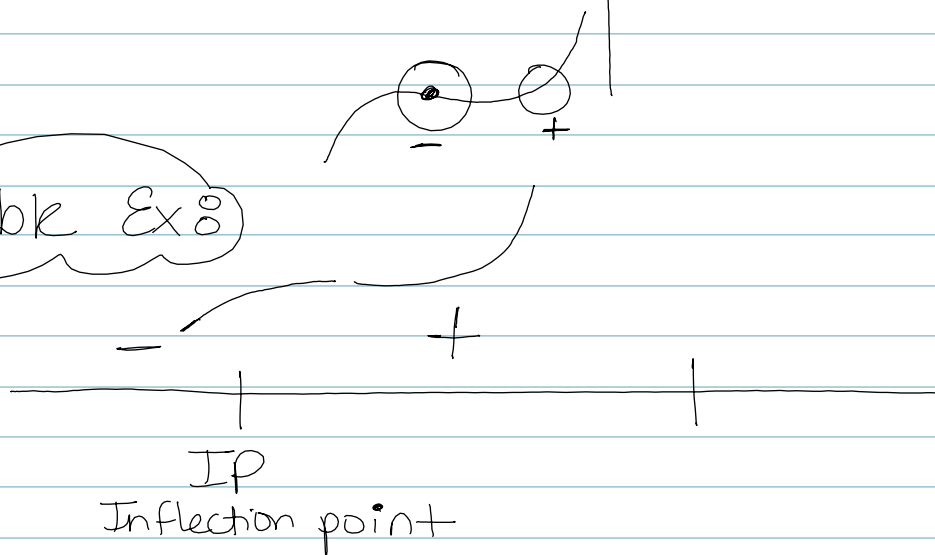
Concave down

usually a piece of parabola

$f''(x) = 0$
Potential inflection points

$f''(x) = \text{undefined}$
Potential inflection points

f'' Table Ex 8



#6 Find the points that correspond to important points on the graph (by using the original $f(x)$).

I.e. mins, maxs, IP

#7 Find any intercepts

#8 Draw the graph

NOTE: Just b/c $f'(x)$ or $f''(x)$ is undefined,
does not mean that the whole
 $f(x)$ equation is undefined.

Example: #24 pg. 383

24 $g(x) = 3x^4 - 16x^3 + 24x^2 + 1$ (with domain $(-\infty, +\infty)$)
 y_1
Important b/c these
can be end points

Step 1 $g'(x) = 12x^3 - 48x^2 + 48x$
 $g''(x) = 36x^2 - 96x + 48$
 y_2

Step 2 Put in calculator y_3

Step 3 Make sure table set is on Ask,
Auto

Step 4 Check: $x = 0$; $y_1 = 1$; $y_2 = 0$; $y_3 = 48$

Step 5 1st derivative tells us where the
tangent line is located !!

Step 3 Do 1st derivative analysis

$f'(x) = 0$ (stationary points)

$$12x^3 - 48x^2 + 48x = 0$$

GCF: $12x$

$$12x(x^2 - 4x + 4)$$

$$12x(x-2)(x-2) = 0$$

$$12x = 0$$
$$|x = 0|$$

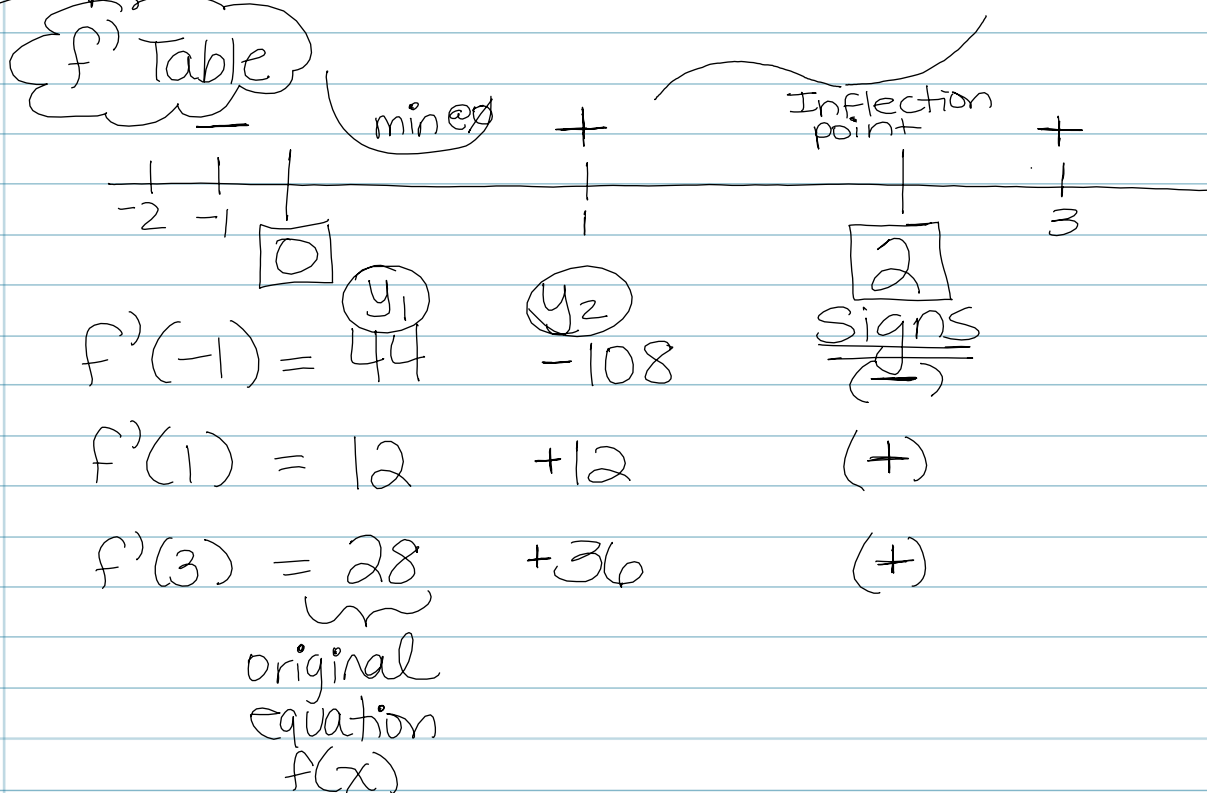
$$x-2 = 0$$
$$|x = 2|$$

2 places you can
have min/max

$f'(x) = \text{undefined}$ (singular points)

None b/c no denominator. If no denominator it is not possible to have undefined b/c. Undefined is when the denominator is $= 0$.

Step 4 Draw line + make table (number line)



Graph kind of looks like based on my line above.

Step 5 Where does the graph increase?

$(\emptyset, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$ or (\emptyset, ∞)

↑
not increasing @ \emptyset so reason why we use (\cdot) and not $[]$

Step 6] 2nd Derivative Analysis

* Tells me about concavity

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

$$36x^2 - 96x + 48 = 0$$

$$12(3x^2 - 8x + 4) = 0$$

$$12(3x - 2)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$3x - 2 = 0 \quad x = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$x - 2 = 0 \quad x = 2$$

Inflection points

$$12 = 0 \quad \text{*can't use b/c } 12 \text{ will never} = 0$$

$$f''(x) = \text{undefined}$$

NONE

(b/c no denominator)

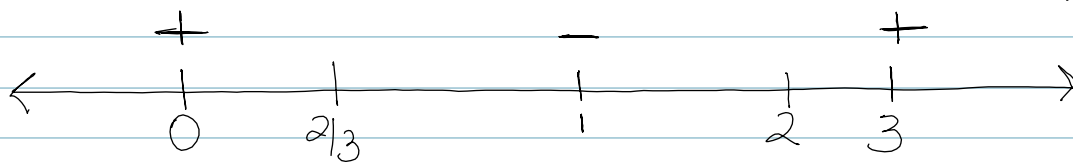
IDEA NOTE:

Draw a box where you keep all your points

Step 7] f'' on y_3 Table

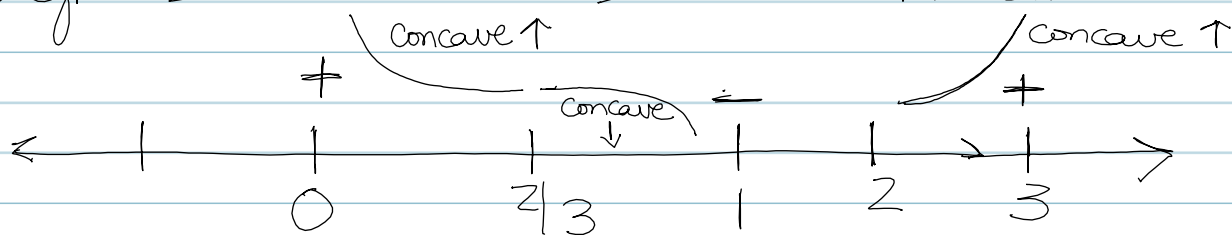
Concave up? $(-\infty, \frac{2}{3}) \cup (2, \infty)$
@ (+)

Concave down? $(\frac{2}{3}, 2)$ @ (-)



• $f''(0) = 48$ (+) $f''(1) = -12$ (-) $f''(3) = 84$ (+)

Sign Δ indicates \Rightarrow IP (Inflection Point)



Step 8 Put it all together to make the graph and create a picture.

*Go back to box of points; ordered pair table

(f) y_1

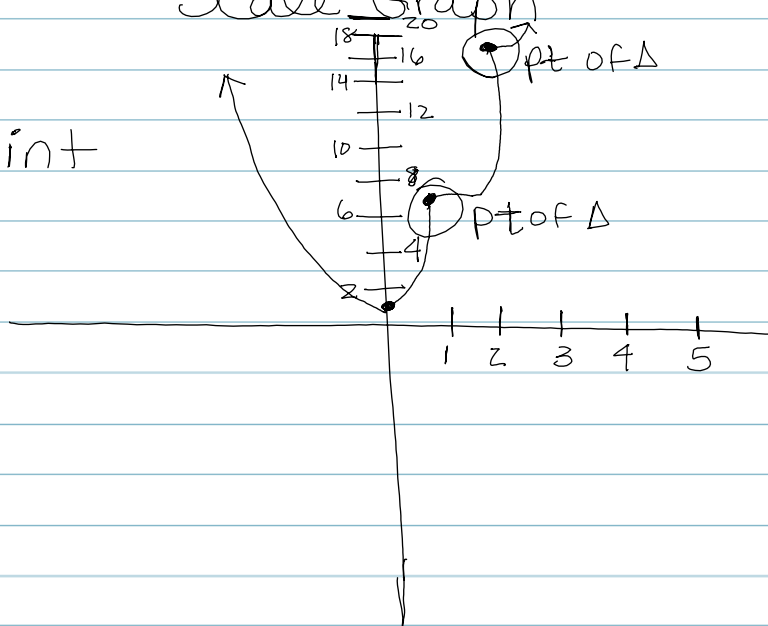
x	y
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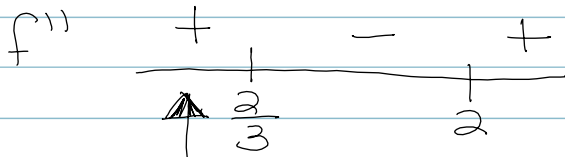
min	0	1	$\leftarrow y\text{-int}$
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Inflection point (IP)	2	17 (Flat)
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IP	$2/3$	7.52 (Flat)
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Step 9
Scale Graph





tells me from $-\infty$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ is concave \uparrow
compare to graph on previous page

~~NOTE:~~ Absolute Extrema means looking
for max and mins.