

AP Calc AB

Topic 3: Analyzing Graphs of f'

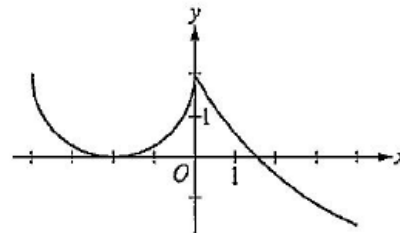
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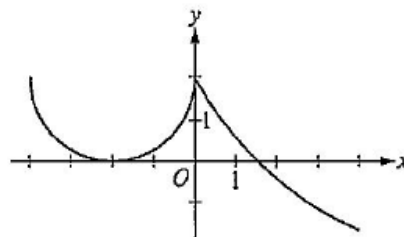
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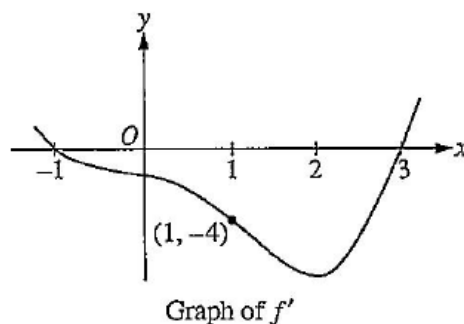
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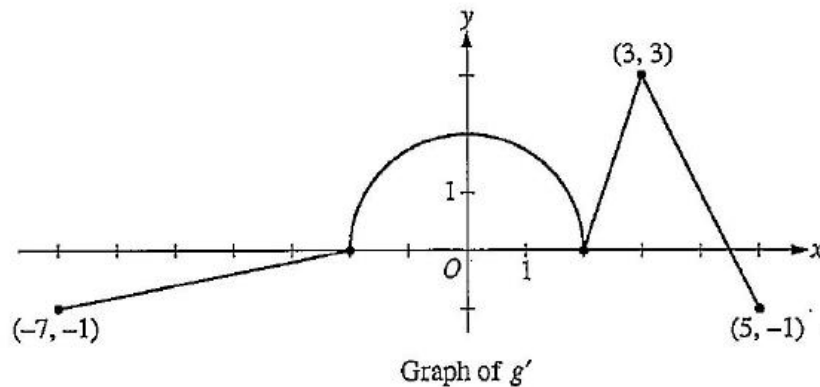
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Let f be a twice-differentiable function defined on the interval $-1.2 < x < 3.2$ with $f(1) = 2$. The graph of f' , the derivative of f , is shown above. The graph of f' crosses the x -axis at $x = -1$ and $x = 3$ and has a horizontal tangent at $x = 2$. Let g be the function given by $g(x) = e^{f(x)}$.



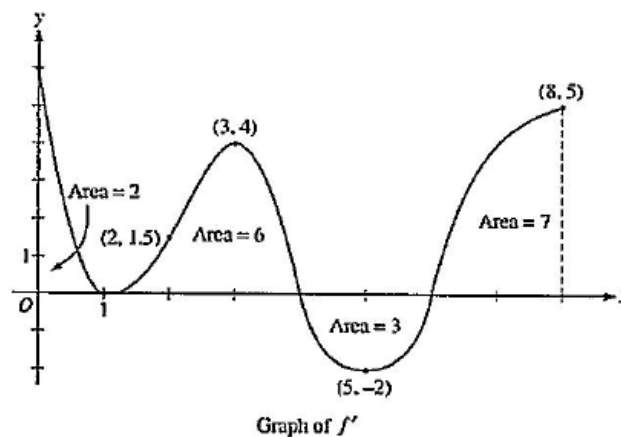
- Write an equation for the line tangent to the graph of g at $x = 1$.
- For $-1.2 < x < 3.2$, find all values of x at which g has a local maximum. Justify your answer.
- The second derivative of g is $g''(x) = e^{f(x)}[(f'(x))^2 + f''(x)]$. Is $g''(-1)$ positive, negative, or zero? Justify your answer.
- Find the average rate of change of g' , the derivative of g , over the interval $[1, 3]$.



The function g is defined and differentiable on the closed interval $[-7, 5]$ and satisfies $g(0) = 5$. The graph of $y = g'(x)$, the derivative of g , consists of a semicircle and three line segments, as shown in the figure above.

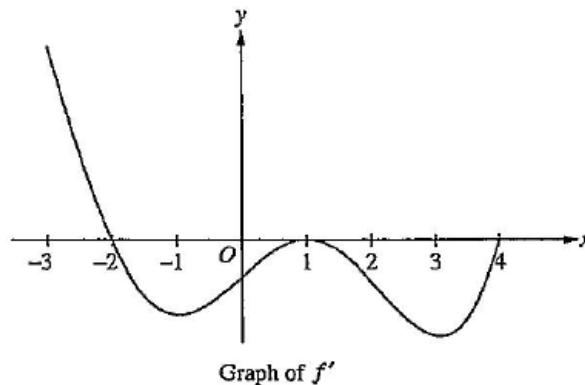
- (a) Find $g(3)$ and $g(-2)$.
- (b) Find the x -coordinate of each point of inflection of the graph of $y = g(x)$ on the interval $-7 < x < 5$. Explain your reasoning.
- (c) The function h is defined by $h(x) = g(x) - \frac{1}{2}x^2$. Find the x -coordinate of each critical point of h , where $-7 < x < 5$, and classify each critical point as the location of a relative minimum, relative maximum, or neither a minimum nor a maximum. Explain your reasoning.

The figure above shows the graph of f' , the derivative of a twice-differentiable function f , on the closed interval $0 \leq x \leq 8$. The graph of f' has horizontal tangent lines at $x = 1$, $x = 3$, and $x = 5$. The areas of the regions between the graph of f' and the x -axis are labeled in the figure. The function f is defined for all real numbers and satisfies $f(8) = 4$.



- Find all values of x on the open interval $0 < x < 8$ for which the function f has a local minimum. Justify your answer.
- Determine the absolute minimum value of f on the closed interval $0 \leq x \leq 8$. Justify your answer.
- On what open intervals contained in $0 < x < 8$ is the graph of f both concave down and increasing? Explain your reasoning.
- The function g is defined by $g(x) = (f(x))^3$. If $f(3) = -\frac{5}{2}$, find the slope of the line tangent to the graph of g at $x = 3$.

The figure above shows the graph of f' , the derivative of a twice-differentiable function f , on the interval $[-3, 4]$. The graph of f' has horizontal tangents at $x = -1$, $x = 1$, and $x = 3$. The areas of the regions bounded by the x -axis and the graph of f' on the intervals $[-2, 1]$ and $[1, 4]$ are 9 and 12, respectively.

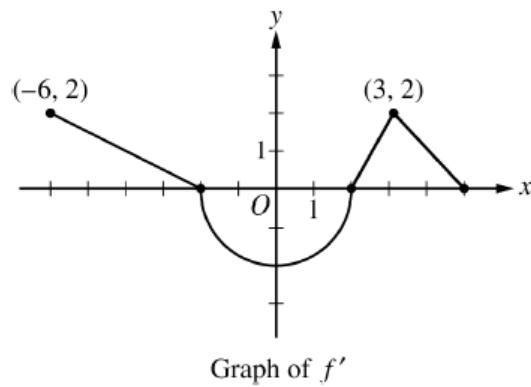


- (a) Find all x -coordinates at which f has a relative maximum. Give a reason for your answer.
- (b) On what open intervals contained in $-3 < x < 4$ is the graph of f both concave down and decreasing? Give a reason for your answer.
- (c) Find the x -coordinates of all points of inflection for the graph of f . Give a reason for your answer.
- (d) Given that $f(1) = 3$, write an expression for $f(x)$ that involves an integral. Find $f(4)$ and $f(-2)$.

Consider a differentiable function f having domain all positive real numbers, and for which it is known that

$$f'(x) = (4 - x)x^{-3} \text{ for } x > 0.$$

- (a) Find the x -coordinate of the critical point of f . Determine whether the point is a relative maximum, a relative minimum, or neither for the function f . Justify your answer.
- (b) Find all intervals on which the graph of f is concave down. Justify your answer.
- (c) Given that $f(1) = 2$, determine the function f .

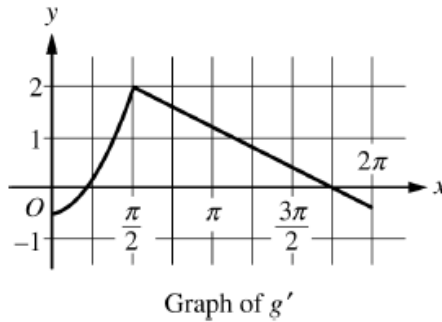


The function f is differentiable on the closed interval $[-6, 5]$ and satisfies $f(-2) = 7$. The graph of f' , the derivative of f , consists of a semicircle and three line segments, as shown in the figure above.

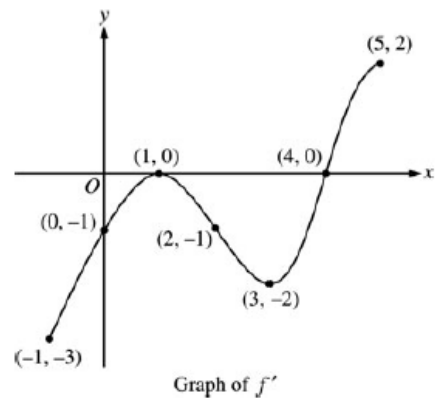
- Find the values of $f(-6)$ and $f(5)$.
- On what intervals is f increasing? Justify your answer.
- Find the absolute minimum value of f on the closed interval $[-6, 5]$. Justify your answer.
- For each of $f''(-5)$ and $f''(3)$, find the value or explain why it does not exist.

Let f be the function defined by $f(x) = e^x \cos x$.

- (a) Find the average rate of change of f on the interval $0 \leq x \leq \pi$.
- (b) What is the slope of the line tangent to the graph of f at $x = \frac{3\pi}{2}$?
- (c) Find the absolute minimum value of f on the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$. Justify your answer.
- (d) Let g be a differentiable function such that $g\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$. The graph of g' , the derivative of g , is shown below. Find the value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ or state that it does not exist. Justify your answer.



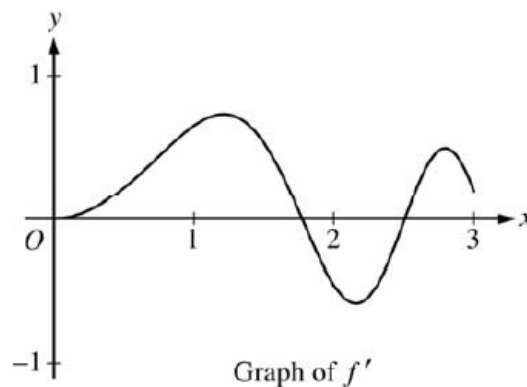
The figure above shows the graph of f' , the derivative of the function f , on the closed interval $-1 \leq x \leq 5$. The graph of f' has horizontal tangent lines at $x = 1$ and $x = 3$. The function f is twice differentiable with $f(2) = 6$.

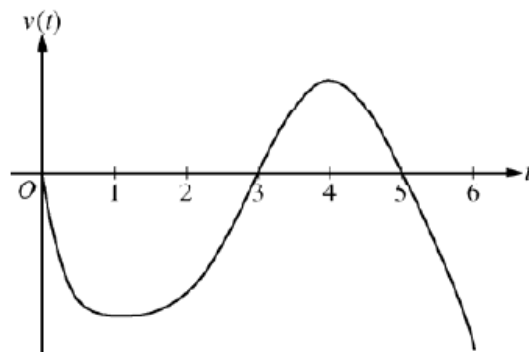


- (a) Find the x -coordinate of each of the points of inflection of the graph of f . Give a reason for your answer.
- (b) At what value of x does f attain its absolute minimum value on the closed interval $-1 \leq x \leq 5$? At what value of x does f attain its absolute maximum value on the closed interval $-1 \leq x \leq 5$? Show the analysis that leads to your answers.
- (c) Let g be the function defined by $g(x) = xf(x)$. Find an equation for the line tangent to the graph of g at $x = 2$.

Let f be the function defined for $x \geq 0$ with $f(0) = 5$ and f' , the first derivative of f , given by $f'(x) = e^{(-x/4)} \sin(x^2)$. The graph of $y = f'(x)$ is shown above.

- Use the graph of f' to determine whether the graph of f is concave up, concave down, or neither on the interval $1.7 < x < 1.9$. Explain your reasoning.
- On the interval $0 \leq x \leq 3$, find the value of x at which f has an absolute maximum. Justify your answer.
- Write an equation for the line tangent to the graph of f at $x = 2$.

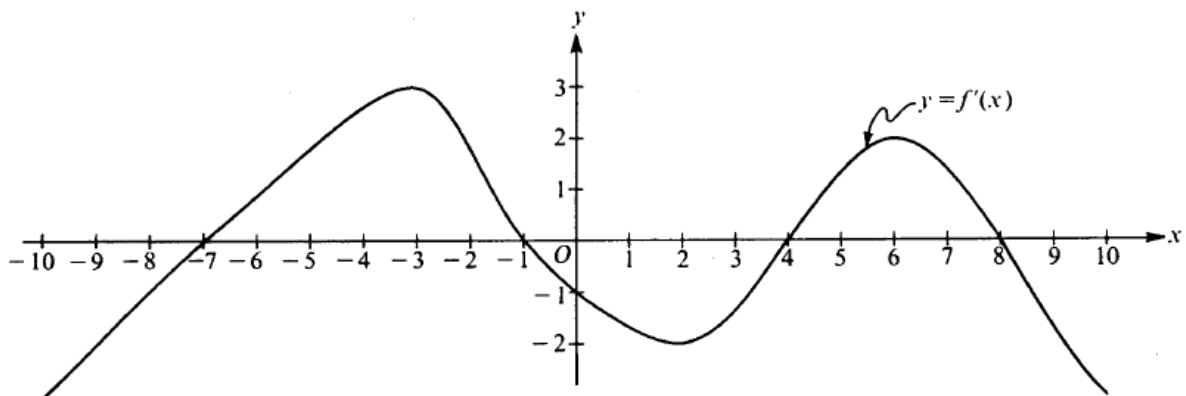




Graph of v

A particle moves along the x -axis so that its velocity at time t , for $0 \leq t \leq 6$, is given by a differentiable function v whose graph is shown above. The velocity is 0 at $t = 0$, $t = 3$, and $t = 5$, and the graph has horizontal tangents at $t = 1$ and $t = 4$. The areas of the regions bounded by the t -axis and the graph of v on the intervals $[0, 3]$, $[3, 5]$, and $[5, 6]$ are 8, 3, and 2, respectively. At time $t = 0$, the particle is at $x = -2$.

- For $0 \leq t \leq 6$, find both the time and the position of the particle when the particle is farthest to the left. Justify your answer.
 - For how many values of t , where $0 \leq t \leq 6$, is the particle at $x = -8$? Explain your reasoning.
 - On the interval $2 < t < 3$, is the speed of the particle increasing or decreasing? Give a reason for your answer.
 - During what time intervals, if any, is the acceleration of the particle negative? Justify your answer.
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Note: This is the graph of the derivative of f , not the graph of f .

The figure above shows the graph of f' , the derivative of a function f . The domain of f is the set of all real numbers x such that $-10 \leq x \leq 10$.

- For what values of x does the graph of f have a horizontal tangent?
- For what values of x in the interval $(-10, 10)$ does f have a relative maximum?
Justify your answer.
- For value of x is the graph of f concave downward?