

(1) We have the function

$$f(x) = x^2 + x.$$

Hence:

$$f'(x) = 2x + 1$$

Now: $[a, b] = [2, 5]$. Hence:

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = \frac{(5^2 + 5) - (2^2 + 2)}{5 - 2} = \frac{30 - 6}{3} = \frac{24}{3} = 8.$$

and $f'(c) = 2c + 1$.

The Mean Value Theorem states that:

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c + 1 = 8 \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{c = \frac{7}{2}}$$

(2)(a) The disc has radius r and area $A = \pi r^2$.

Since r changes in time, A does so:

$$A(t) = \pi r^2(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dA}{dt} = \pi 2r \cdot \frac{dr}{dt} \quad \text{by rule.}$$

Since $v_0 = \frac{dr}{dt}$, then:

$$\boxed{\frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi r v_0}$$

(b) If $r = 20 \text{ cm}$ and $v_0 = 0.01 \text{ cm/min}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dA}{dt} = 2\pi (20 \text{ cm})(0.01 \text{ cm/min})$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dA}{dt} = 0.4\pi \text{ cm}^2/\text{min}}$$

$$= 1.2566 \text{ cm}^2/\text{min}$$

③ Sketch the graph of the function:

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

(a) Domain: $\text{Dom}(f) = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2, -2\}$.

(b) Y-intercept: $y = f(0) = \frac{3(0)^2}{0^2 - 4} = 0$
($x=0$)

$$\Rightarrow y=0 \Rightarrow (0,0)$$

X-intercept $\Rightarrow y = f(x) \Rightarrow 0 = f(x)$
($y=0$)

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{3x^2}{x^2 - 4} \Rightarrow 0 = 3x^2 \Rightarrow x=0 \Rightarrow (0,0)$$

It crosses the origin, $(0,0)$, only.

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

then $f(x)$ is even. Only study $[0, \infty)$.

(d) Asymptotes.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{3x^2}{x^2 - 4} = 12 \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{1}{x^2 - 4} = -\infty$$

$\Rightarrow x=2$ is a vertical asymptote.

Also:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{3x^2}{x^2 - 4} = 12 \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{1}{x^2 - 4} = +\infty$$

Now:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2}{x^2 - 4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{1 - \frac{4}{x^2}} = \frac{3}{1-0} = 3$$

Then $y=3$ is a horizontal asymptote.

(e) To compute the intervals of increasing and decreasing, we need to compute the derivative:

$$f'(x) = \frac{(x^2-4)6x - 3x^2(2x)}{(x^2-4)^2} = \frac{6x^3 - 24x - 6x^3}{(x^2-4)^2}$$

i.e.

$$f'(x) = \frac{-24x}{(x^2-4)^2}$$

Since denominator $(x^2-4)^2 > 0$ (since $x \neq \pm 2$), and since $x \geq 0$ (we are studying $[0, \infty)$).

then, $f(x)$ decreases in $(0, 2)$ and in $(2, \infty)$.

	$(-\infty, -2)$	$(-2, 0)$	$(0, 2)$	$(2, \infty)$
$f(x)$	\nearrow	\nearrow	\searrow	\searrow

Now, if $x < 0$, then, $f'(x) > 0 \Rightarrow f \nearrow$ in $x < 0$.

(f) Therefore, we have a local max. at $x=0$

$$\max_{loc} f(x) = f(0) = 0.$$

There is no global max since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = +\infty$.

Also, there is no global min since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = -\infty$.

There is no local min either.

(g) We need to compute the 2nd derivative.

$$f''(x) = \frac{(x^2-4)^2(-24) - (-24x)2(x^2-4)2x}{(x^2-4)^4}$$

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$$f''(x) = (-24) \cdot \left[\frac{(x^2-4)^2 - 4x^2(x^2-4)}{(x^2-4)^4} \right] = (-24) \cdot \cancel{(x^2-4)} \cdot \frac{(x^2-4) - 4x^2}{(x^2-4)^4}$$

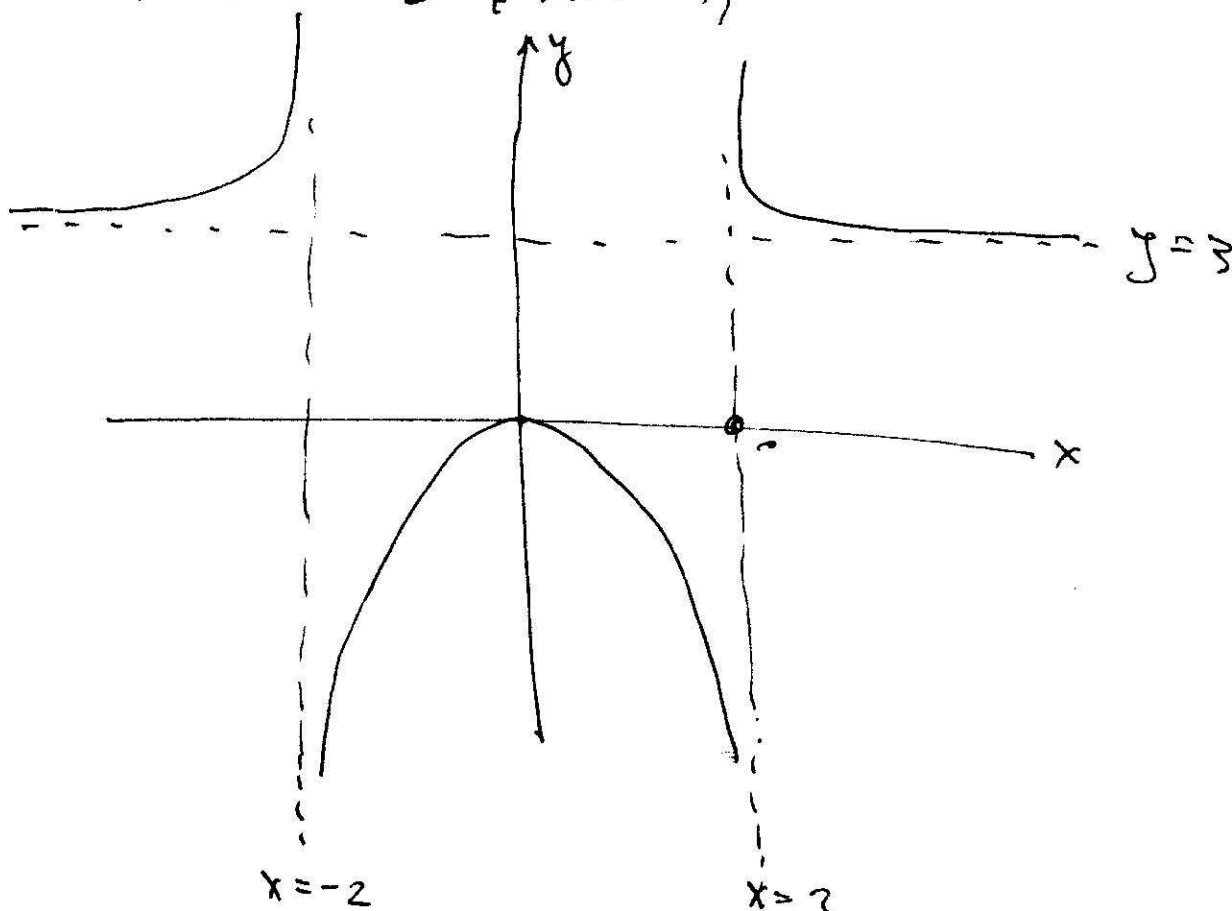
$$= (-24) \left(\frac{-3x^2-4}{(x^2-4)^3} \right) = 24 \frac{3x^2+4}{(x^2-4)^3}$$

Notice that the denominator defines the sign of $f''(x)$, since $24(3x^2+4) \geq 0$.

hence

	$(0, 2)$	$(2, \infty)$
f''	< 0	> 0
f	downwards concave	upwards concave.

Since $x=2 \notin \text{Dom}(f)$, there are no inflection pts



Critical points.

$f'(x)$ does not exist at $\underline{x=2}$, but this is a vertical asymptote.

$f'(x) = 0$ at $x=0$, only

$f''(0) = \frac{24 \cdot 4}{(-4)^3} < 0 \Rightarrow f(0)$ is a local maximum.
