

PreCalculus

Sec. 1.3

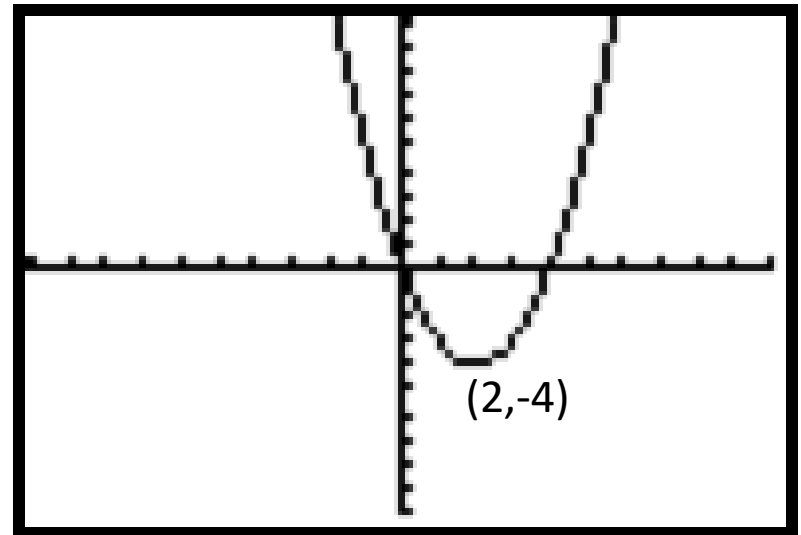
Increasing, Decreasing, & Constant

- **Where does  $f(x) = 0$ :** list the **x-intercept(s)**.
- **Increasing part:** state the **x-values** where the graph **ris**es from left to right. (excluding the endpoints...never use brackets)
- **Decreasing part:** state the **x-values** where the graph **falls** from left to right. (excluding the endpoints...never use brackets)
- **Constant part:** state the **x-values** where the graph stays a horizontal line. (excluding the endpoints...never use brackets)
- **USE OPEN INTERVALS ONLY!!!**

Use the Graph to find the following:

Decreasing:

Increasing:



Use a graphing utility to graph the function and determine the intervals on which the function is increasing, decreasing, and constant.

$$f(x) = -|x + 4| - |x + 1|$$

Increasing on:

Constant on:

Decreasing on:

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Relative Max/Min

- **Relative Maximum or Minimum value:**  
Usually expressed as an ordered pair:  $(x, y)$ .  
For Rel. Maximum visualize: “Top” of a Mountain.  
For Rel. Minimum visualize: “Bottom” of a Valley.  
Relative max./min. **exclude** the endpoints of the graph.  
Absolute max./min. may be an endpoint
- **Relative Maxima or Minima:** the relative max. or min. in plural form. A graph may have multiple relative maxima or minima.

1. Find  $f(0)$ .

2. What is the value of  $f$  at  $x = 1$ ?

What are the coordinates?

3. Where is  $f(x) \geq 0$ ?

State the  $x$  - values, interval notation.

4. Relative Maximum value :

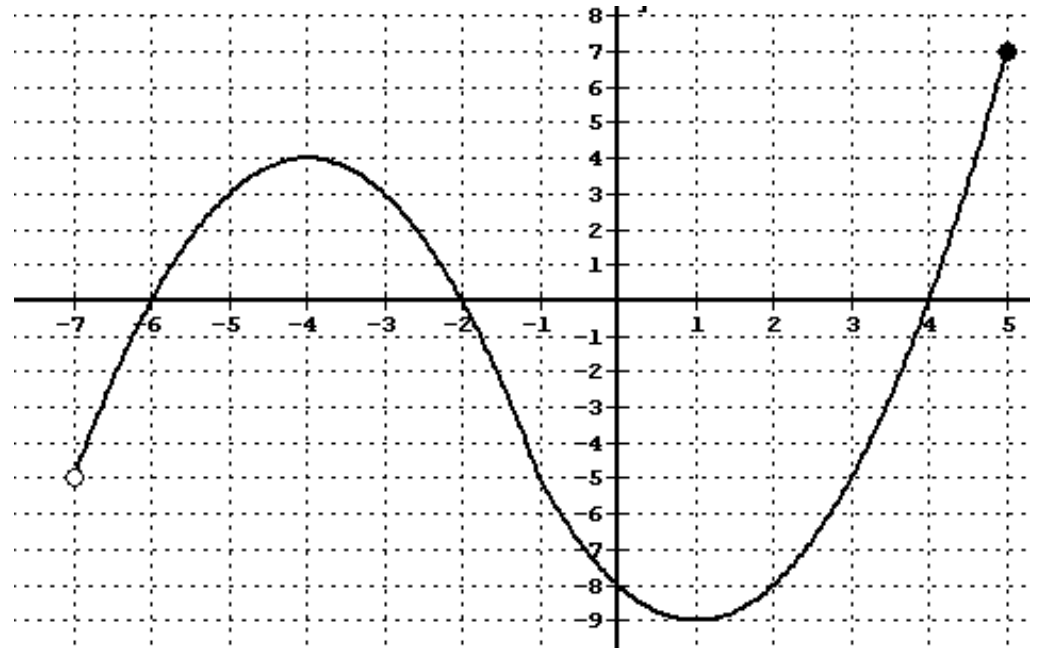
5. Relative Minimum value :

6. Where is the graph increasing?

State the  $x$  - values, interval notation.

7. Where is the graph decreasing?

State the  $x$  - values, interval notation.



$$h(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 10$$

Use a graphing utility to graph the function and find the following: (Round answers to nearest thousandth)

- 1) Relative maxima coordinates:
- 2) Relative minima coordinates:
- 3) Increasing
- 4) Decreasing
- 5) Sketch the graph that appears in your window with the maxima and minima labeled.



$$g(x) = -x^3 + 2x - 5$$

Use a graphing utility to graph the function and find the following: (Round answers to nearest thousandth)

- 1) Relative maxima coordinates:
- 2) Relative minima coordinates:
- 3) Increasing
- 4) Decreasing
- 5) Zero(s)
- 6) Where is  $g(x) > 0$ ?

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{64}x^5 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + x$$

Use a graphing utility to graph the function and find the following: (Round answers to nearest thousandth)

- 1) Relative maxima coordinates:
- 2) Relative minima coordinates:
- 3) Increasing
- 4) Decreasing
- 5) Sketch the graph that appears in your window with the maxima and minima labeled.

- 1) Rel Max :  $(-3.421, 2.603); (1.046, 0.684)$
- 2) Rel Min :  $(-1.046, -0.684); (3.421, -2.603)$
- 3) Incre :  $(-\infty, -3.421) \cup (-1.046, 1.046) \cup (3.421, \infty)$
- 4) Decre :  $(-3.421, -1.046) \cup (1.046, 3.421)$

To find a max or min:

1. Use the **2<sup>nd</sup>** key, followed by the **TRACE** (CALC) key.
2. Choose 3: minimum *or* 4: maximum,
3. For *Left bound*, use the arrow to move the “blinking X” just to the left of the Minimum, **ENTER**.
4. Now repeat to the right for *Right bound*, **ENTER**.
5. Guess? **ENTER**