

201-SH2-AB - Exercises #16 - Curve Sketching

Sketch the graph of each function f , using the derivatives provided. Preliminary steps usually include:

- a) domain,
- b) intercepts,
- c) asymptotes,
- d) intervals of increase/decrease and local extrema
- e) intervals of concavity and points of inflection

$$(1) \quad f(x) = \frac{(x-2)(2x-1)}{(x+1)^2} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{9(x-1)}{(x+1)^3} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{18(2-x)}{(x+1)^4}$$

$$(2) \quad f(x) = \left(\frac{x+2}{x-2}\right)^2 \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{-8(x+2)}{(x-2)^3} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{16(x+4)}{(x-2)^4}$$

$$(3) \quad f(x) = \frac{6x^2}{4-x^2} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{48x}{(4-x^2)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{48(3x^2+4)}{(4-x^2)^3}$$

$$(4) \quad f(x) = \frac{6}{x^2+4x} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{-12(x+2)}{(x^2+4x)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{12(3x^2+12x+16)}{(x^2+4x)^3}$$

$$(5) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{5}x^5 - \frac{2}{3}x^3 + x \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = (x+1)^2(x-1)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = 4x(x+1)(x-1)$$

$$(6) \quad f(x) = x^3 + 9x^2 + 120 \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = 3x(x+6) \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = 6x + 18$$

$$(7) \quad f(x) = (x-1)^4(3x+2) \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = 5(x-1)^3(3x+1) \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = 60x(x-1)^2$$

$$(8) \quad f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x+2} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{(x+1)(x+3)}{(x+2)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{2}{(x+2)^3}$$

$$(9) \quad f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x-1} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{x(x-2)}{(x-1)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{2}{(x-1)^3}$$

$$(10) \quad f(x) = \frac{(x-2)(3x+1)}{(x-1)^2} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{9-x}{(x-1)^3} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{2(x-13)}{(x-1)^4}$$

$$(11) \quad f(x) = \left(\frac{x+3}{x+1}\right)^2 \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{-4(x+3)}{(x+1)^3} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{8(x+4)}{(x+1)^4}$$

$$(12) \quad f(x) = \frac{4}{x^2-4x} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{8(2-x)}{(x^2-4x)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{8(3x^2-12x+16)}{(x^2-4x)^3}$$

$$(13) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{5}x^5 - \frac{8}{3}x^3 - 9x \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = (x^2-9)(x^2+1) \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = 4x(x^2-4)$$

$$(14) \quad f(x) = (x+2)^4(4-3x) \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = 5(x+2)^3(2-3x) \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = -60x(x+2)^2$$

$$(15) \quad f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x+2} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{x(x+4)}{(x+2)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{8}{(x+2)^3}$$

$$(16) \quad f(x) = \frac{(x-4)(x+1)}{x^2-4} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{3x^2+12}{(x^2-4)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{-6x(x^2+12)}{(x^2-4)^3}$$

$$*(17) \quad f(x) = \sqrt[3]{2x(x-3)^2} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{2(x-1)}{\sqrt[3]{4x^2(x-3)}} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{-4}{\sqrt[3]{4x^5(x-3)^4}}$$

$$*(18) \quad f(x) = -(x+1)(x-4)^{2/3} \quad \text{with} \quad f'(x) = \frac{5(2-x)}{3(x-4)^{1/3}} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = \frac{10(5-x)}{9(x-4)^{4/3}}$$

Sketch the graph of a function f satisfying the following requirements.

$$*(19) \quad \text{Points at } (-3, 2), (-2, 0), (0, -2), (1, 0), \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 1$$

$$\text{for } x < -3 : f'(x) < 0 ; f''(x) < 0$$

$$\text{for } -3 < x < 0 : f'(x) < 0 ; f''(x) > 0$$

$$\text{for } x > 0 : f'(x) > 0 ; f''(x) < 0$$

$$*(20) \quad \text{Points at } (-3, 0), (-2, 1), (-1, 0), (0, -0.5), (1, -2), \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 0$$

$$f'(x) < 0 \quad \text{for } -2 < x < 1 ; f'(x) > 0 \quad \text{for } x < -2 \text{ or } x > 1$$

$$f''(x) < 0 \quad \text{for } x < -2 \text{ or } x > -1 ; f''(x) > 0 \quad \text{for } -2 < x < -1$$

$$*(21) \quad \text{Points at } (-2, 0), (-1, -1), (0, 0) \quad \text{vertical asymptote at } x = 1 \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 2$$

$$\text{for } x < -1 : f'(x) < 0 ; f''(x) < 0$$

$$\text{for } -1 < x < 0 : f'(x) > 0 ; f''(x) < 0$$

$$\text{for } 0 < x < 1 : f'(x) > 0 ; f''(x) > 0$$

$$\text{for } x > 1 : f'(x) < 0 ; f''(x) > 0$$

$$*(22) \quad \text{Points at } (-3, 0), (-1, -1), (0, -2), (1, -1) \quad \text{vertical asymptote at } x = -2$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 1 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 0$$

$$f'(x) < 0 \quad \text{for } x < -2 \text{ or } -1 < x < 0 ; f'(x) > 0 \quad \text{for } -2 < x < -1 \text{ or } 0 < x < 1 \text{ or } x > 1$$

$$f''(x) < 0 \quad \text{for } x < -2 \text{ or } -2 < x < -1 \text{ or } x > 1 ; f''(x) > 0 \quad \text{for } -1 < x < 1$$

$$*(23) \quad \text{Points at } (-2, 2), (0, 1), (2, 2) \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = 0$$

$$\text{for } x < -2 : f'(x) > 0 ; f''(x) > 0$$

$$\text{for } -2 < x < 0 : f'(x) < 0 ; f''(x) < 0$$

$$\text{for } 0 < x < 2 : f'(x) > 0 ; f''(x) < 0$$

$$\text{for } x > 2 : f'(x) > 0 ; f''(x) > 0$$

$$*(24) \quad \text{Points at } (-2, 1), (0, -1), (2, 0) \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 2$$

$$f'(x) < 0 \quad \text{for } x < 0 ; f'(x) > 0 \quad \text{for } x > 0$$

$$f''(x) < 0 \quad \text{for } -2 < x < 0 \text{ or } x > 2 ; f''(x) > 0 \quad \text{for } x < -2 \text{ or } 0 < x < 2$$

$$*(25) \quad \text{Points at } (-2, 0), (0, 0) \quad \text{vertical asymptote at } x = -1 \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 1$$

$$\text{for } x < -2 : f'(x) > 0 ; f''(x) < 0$$

$$\text{for } -2 < x < -1 : f'(x) < 0 ; f''(x) < 0$$

$$\text{for } -1 < x < 0 : f'(x) < 0 ; f''(x) > 0$$

$$\text{for } x > 0 : f'(x) > 0 ; f''(x) < 0$$

*(26) Domain: $-3 < x \leq 4$; Points at $(-1, 0)$, $(0, -1)$, $(1, 0)$, $(4, 2)$

$$f'(x) < 0 \text{ for } -3 < x < 0 ; f'(x) > 0 \text{ for } 0 < x < 4$$

$$f''(x) < 0 \text{ for } -3 < x < -1 \text{ or } 1 < x < 4 ; f''(x) > 0 \text{ for } -1 < x < 1$$

*(27) Domain: $-2 \leq x < 4$; Points at $(-2, -1)$, $(0, 0)$, $(2, 2)$

$$f'(x) < 0 \text{ for } 2 < x < 4 ; f'(x) > 0 \text{ for } -2 < x < 2$$

$$f''(x) < 0 \text{ for } -2 < x < 0 \text{ or } 2 < x < 4 ; f''(x) > 0 \text{ for } 0 < x < 2$$

*(28) Domain: $-4 < x \leq 3$; Points at $(0, 1)$, $(1, 0)$, $(3, 2)$; vertical asymptote at $x = -2$

$$\text{for } -4 < x < -2 : f'(x) > 0 ; f''(x) > 0$$

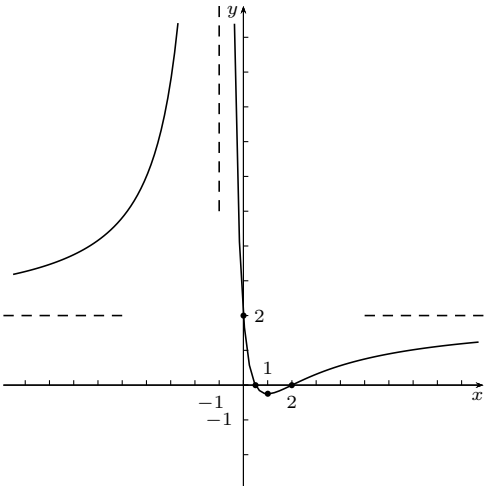
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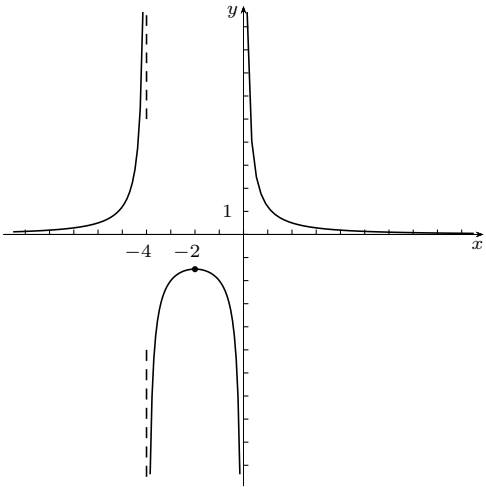
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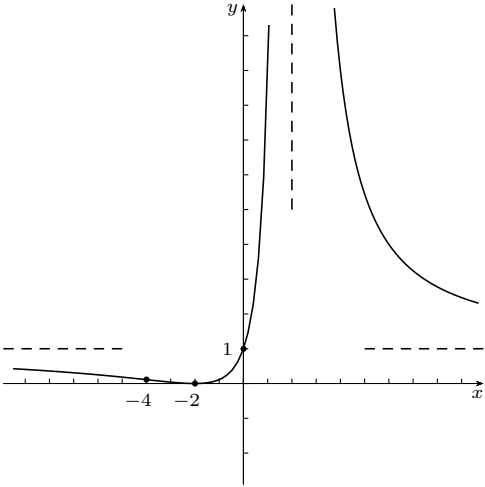
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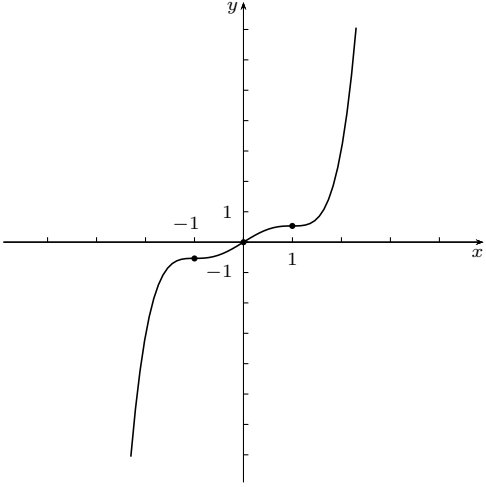
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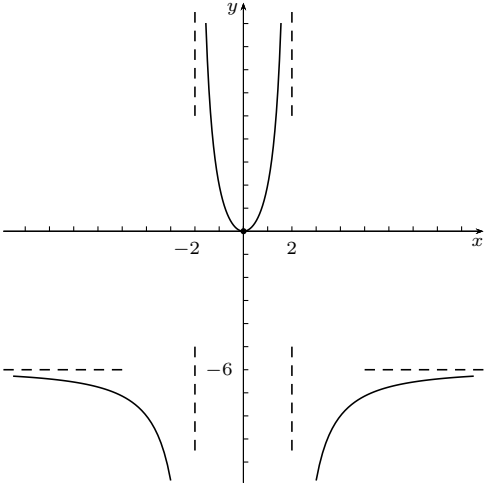
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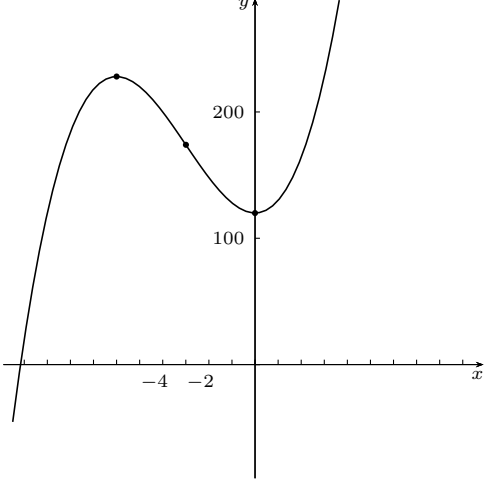
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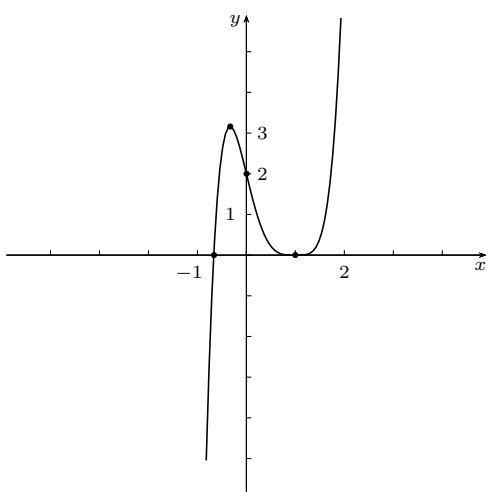
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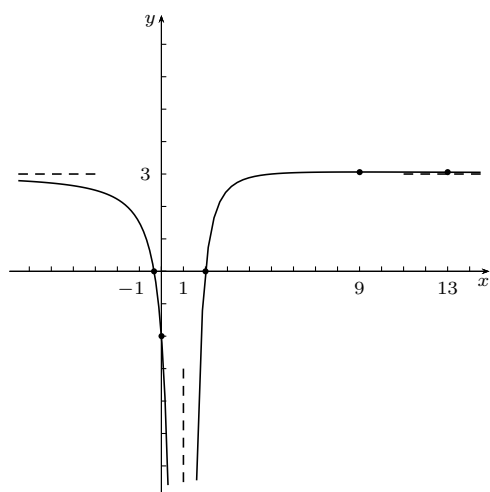
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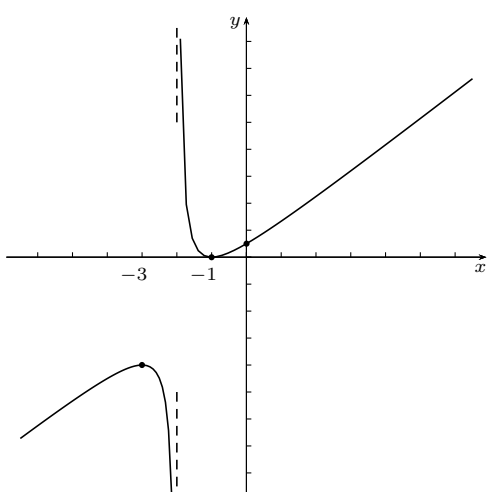
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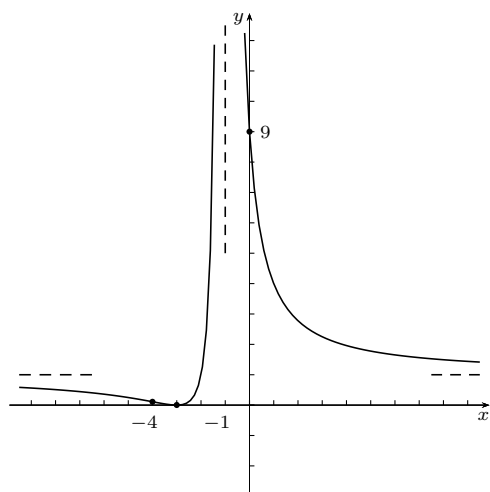
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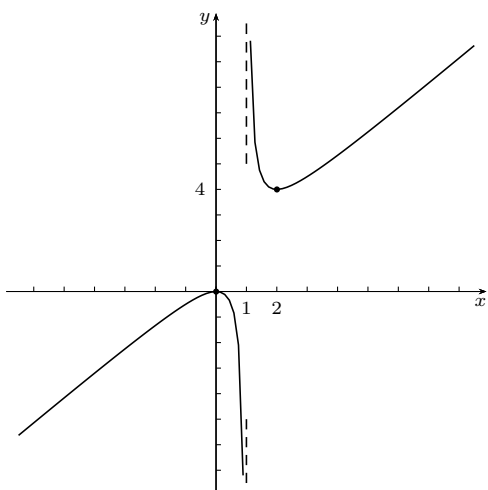
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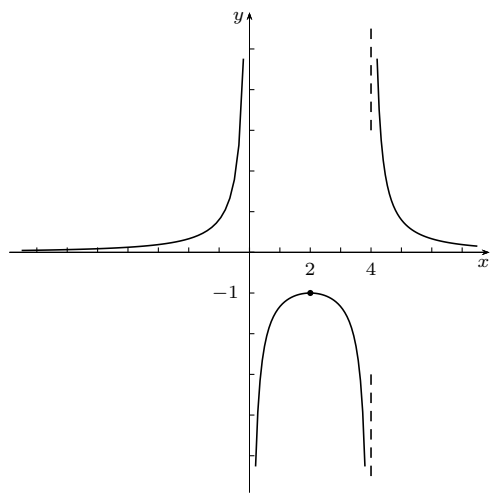
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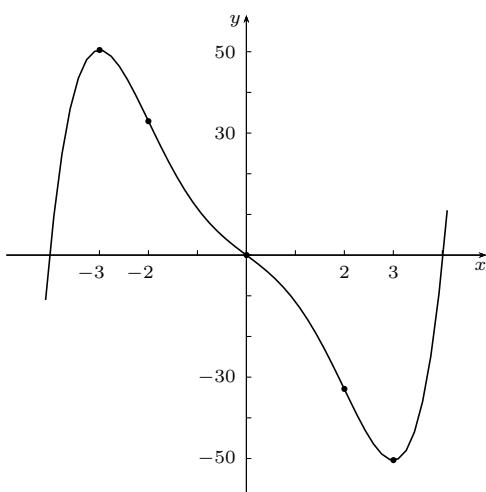
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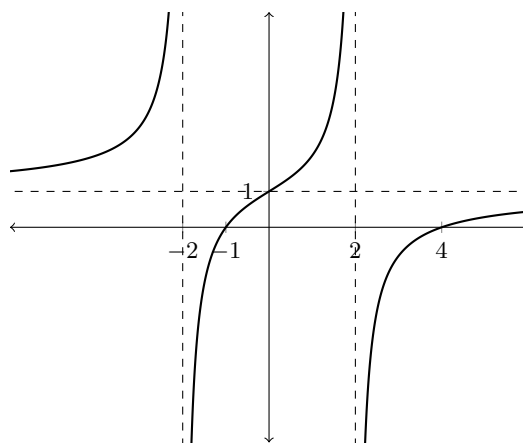
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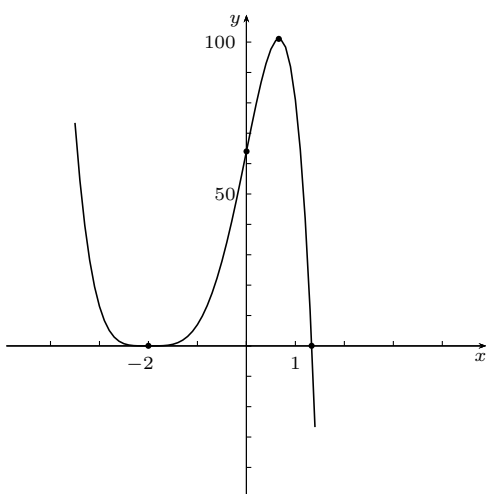
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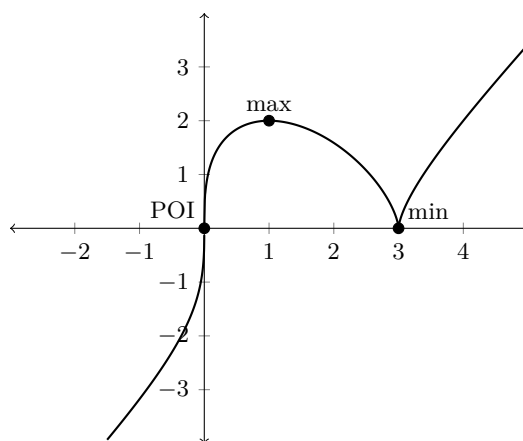
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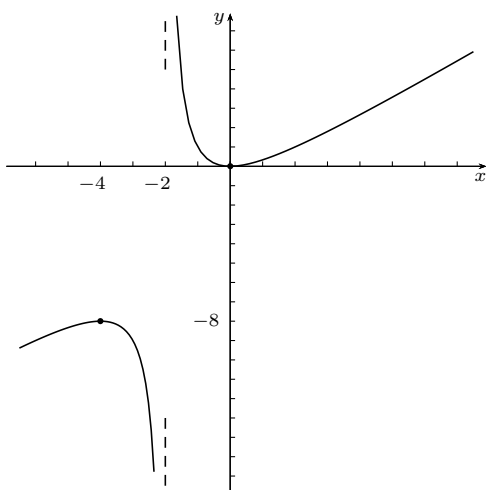
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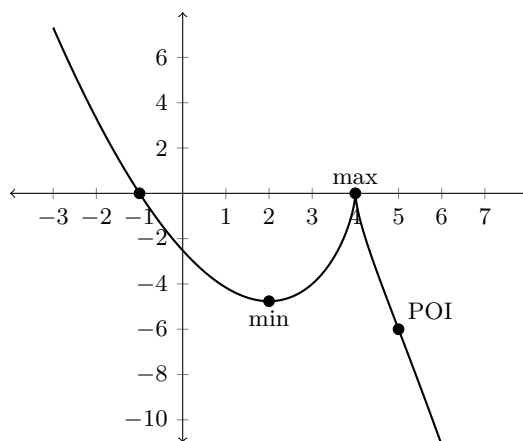
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* For questions (19)-(28), answers are not unique and multiple graphs are possible.
Check with your teacher to verify your answers.