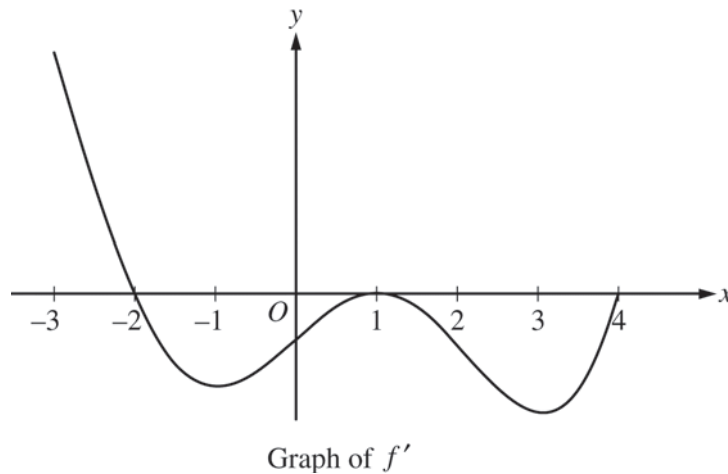


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5. The figure above shows the graph of f' , the derivative of a twice-differentiable function f , on the interval $[-3, 4]$. The graph of f' has horizontal tangents at $x = -1$, $x = 1$, and $x = 3$. The areas of the regions bounded by the x -axis and the graph of f' on the intervals $[-2, 1]$ and $[1, 4]$ are 9 and 12, respectively.
- Find all x -coordinates at which f has a relative maximum. Give a reason for your answer.
 - 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.
 - Find the x -coordinates of all points of inflection for the graph of f . Give a reason for your answer.
 - Given that $f(1) = 3$, write an expression for $f(x)$ that involves an integral. Find $f(4)$ and $f(-2)$.
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6. Consider the curve given by the equation $y^3 - xy = 2$. It can be shown that $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{3y^2 - x}$.

- (a) Write an equation for the line tangent to the curve at the point $(-1, 1)$.
 - (b) Find the coordinates of all points on the curve at which the line tangent to the curve at that point is vertical.
 - (c) Evaluate $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at the point on the curve where $x = -1$ and $y = 1$.
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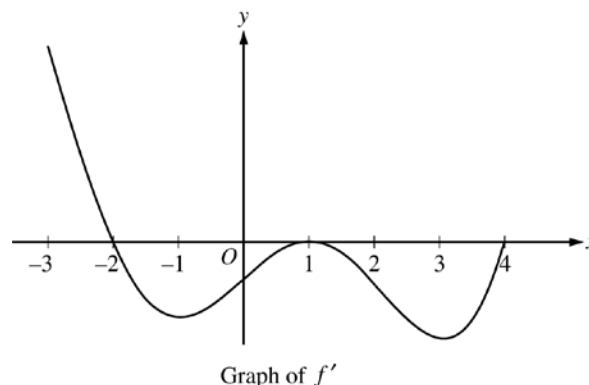
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Question 5

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- (a) $f'(x) = 0$ at $x = -2$, $x = 1$, and $x = 4$.
 $f'(x)$ changes from positive to negative at $x = -2$.
 Therefore, f has a relative maximum at $x = -2$.

2 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{identifies } x = -2 \\ 1 : \text{answer with reason} \end{cases}$

- (b) The graph of f is concave down and decreasing on the intervals $-2 < x < -1$ and $1 < x < 3$ because f' is decreasing and negative on these intervals.

2 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{intervals} \\ 1 : \text{reason} \end{cases}$

- (c) The graph of f has a point of inflection at $x = -1$ and $x = 3$ because f' changes from decreasing to increasing at these points.

2 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{identifies } x = -1, 1, \text{ and } 3 \\ 1 : \text{reason} \end{cases}$

The graph of f has a point of inflection at $x = 1$ because f' changes from increasing to decreasing at this point.

- (d) $f(x) = 3 + \int_1^x f'(t) dt$

$$f(4) = 3 + \int_1^4 f'(t) dt = 3 + (-12) = -9$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(-2) &= 3 + \int_1^{-2} f'(t) dt = 3 - \int_{-2}^1 f'(t) dt \\ &= 3 - (-9) = 12 \end{aligned}$$

3 : $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{integrand} \\ 1 : \text{expression for } f(x) \\ 1 : f(4) \text{ and } f(-2) \end{cases}$