Given the function

(% i1)
$$f(x) := (3*x+15*x^2-2-x^4)/(9*x^2-1);$$

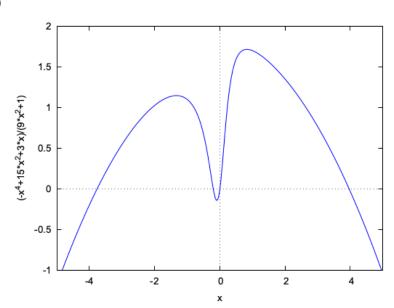
(% o1)
$$f(x) := \frac{3x + 15x^2 - x^4}{9x^2 + 1}$$

(a) The graph of f(x) is

(% i2) wxplot2d(
$$f(x)$$
, [x, -5, 5], [y, -1, 2]);

plot 2d: some values will be clipped.

(% t2)



(% o2)

(b) the derivative of f(x) is

(% **i3**)
$$df(x):="(diff(f(x), x));$$

(% o3)
$$df(x) := \frac{-(4x^3) + 30x + 3}{9x^2 + 1} - \frac{18x(-x^4 + 15x^2 + 3x)}{(9x^2 + 1)^2}$$

(c) The positive local maximum of f(x) is

(% i4) pos root:find root(
$$df(x)$$
, x, 0, 5);

(pos root) 0.8288158368533624

Substituting this back into the f(x)

(% o5) 1.71510439942526

Finding the second derivative of f(x)

(% **i6**)
$$ddf(x):="(diff(df(x), x));$$

(% 06)

$$ddf(x) := \frac{30 - 12x^{2}}{9x^{2} + 1} - \frac{18\left(-x^{4} + 15x^{2} + 3x\right)}{\left(9x^{2} + 1\right)^{2}} + \frac{648x^{2}\left(-x^{4} + 15x^{2} + 3x\right)}{\left(9x^{2} + 1\right)^{3}} - \frac{36x\left(-\left(4x^{3}\right) + 30x + 3\right)}{\left(9x^{2} + 1\right)^{2}}$$

And substitutiong our x variable

(% i7) ddf(0.829);

(% o7) -1.2681397331452517

As this is <0 the point is confirmed to be a local maximum of f(x) Hence the local maximum is at (0.828,1.715), to 3 d.p. (d) To find the root to the right of x=0

(% i8) float(realroots(f(x)));

(% o8)

$$[x = -3.7688187062740326, x = -0.20053765177726746, x = 3.9693563878536224, x = 0.0]$$

Therefore the grapg crosses the x-axis at 3.969, to 3 d.p. The area under the graph between x=0 and this point is

(% i10) quad
$$qags(f(x), x, 0, 3.969);$$

 $(\% \text{ o}10) [4.342959640603124, 2.562177785637564210^{-9}, 105, 0]$

Hence the area enclosed by the graph of f(x) between 0 <= x <= 3.969 is 4.343, to 3 d.p.