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Calculus I, Math 151-06, Quiz #8

1. [25 points total] Let $f(x) = x\sqrt{x+4}$. Note that $f'(x) = \frac{3x+8}{2\sqrt{x+4}}$, and $f''(x) = \frac{3x+16}{4\sqrt{x+4}^3}$.

(a) [7 points] Find the domain of f , the intercepts of f , and any symmetries and asymptotes of f .

Domain: Need $x+4 \geq 0$ $x \geq -4$ domain $[-4, \infty)$

Intercepts: $f(x) = 0$ $x\sqrt{x+4} = 0$ $x = 0$ or $\sqrt{x+4} = 0$
 $f(0) = 0\sqrt{4} = 0$ $(0, 0)$ $(0, 0)$ $x+4 = 0$
 $x = -4$ $(-4, 0)$ Intercepts $(0, 0)$ and $(-4, 0)$

Symmetries: $f(-x) = (-x)\sqrt{(-x)+4} = -x\sqrt{-x+4} \neq f(x)$
 $\neq -f(x) = -x\sqrt{x+4}$ No symmetries

Asymptotes: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x\sqrt{x+4} = \infty\sqrt{\infty+4} = \infty\sqrt{\infty} = \infty \cdot \infty = \infty$ No horiz. asymptote

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -4} x\sqrt{x+4} = -4\sqrt{-4+4} = -4\sqrt{0} = 0$ No vert. asymptote

(b) [6 points] Find all intervals of increase or decrease for f . Find all critical points, and label each as a local minimum of f , local maximum of f , or neither. Find all local minimum and maximum values of f .

$$f'(x) = \frac{3x+8}{2\sqrt{x+4}} = 0$$

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 $\boxed{-4} \quad \boxed{-\frac{8}{3}} \quad x$

$$3x+8=0$$

$$3x=-8$$

$$x = -\frac{8}{3}$$

$$f\left(-\frac{8}{3}\right) = -\frac{8}{3}\sqrt{-\frac{8}{3}+4} = -\frac{8}{3}\sqrt{\frac{4}{3}} = -\frac{8}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = -\frac{16}{3\sqrt{3}}$$

f is increasing on $(-\frac{8}{3}, \infty)$ and decreasing on $(-4, -\frac{8}{3})$.

f has a local min at $(-\frac{8}{3}, -\frac{16}{3\sqrt{3}})$.

Recall that $f(x) = x\sqrt{x+4}$, $f'(x) = \frac{3x+8}{2\sqrt{x+4}}$, and $f''(x) = \frac{3x+16}{4\sqrt{x+4}^3}$.

(c) [6 points] Analyze the concavity of f , and find all points of inflection for f .

$$f''(x) = \frac{3x+16}{4\sqrt{x+4}^3} = 0$$

$$3x+16=0$$

$$3x=-16$$

$$x = -\frac{16}{3} \text{ out of domain}$$

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f is concave up on $[-4, \infty)$

f has no inflection points

(d) [6 points] Use the results of parts (a) – (c) to sketch a graph of f as accurately as possible. Label the important points and features on your graph.

