

For full credit you must show your work. Partial credit may be given for incorrect solutions if sufficient work is shown.

For the function $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 36x + 5$, find

1. the critical numbers of f (4 pts)

2. the intervals where f is increasing/decreasing (3 pts)

3. the local maximum(s) and local minimum(s) (3 pts)

Bonus: The vertex of a parabola

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

is the same as the local extremum. Find the vertex using the method you used in the previous problem. Your answer should involve some of the numbers a, b, c . (2 pts)