

Justification Flow Chart for Function Analysis & Behavior

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			Vocabulary		
			Positive Negative	Increase Decrease	Concave Up Concave Down
Function	position	f(x) s(t)		X	X
	velocity	f'(x) v(t)	X	X	
	acceleration	f''(x) a(t)	X		



Graph of f

The function *f* is defined on the closed interval [-5, 4]. The graph of *f* consists of three line segments and is shown in the figure above. Let *g* be the function defined by

$$g(x) = \int_{-2}^{x} f(t) dt$$

- A) Find the g(2), g'(2) and g''(2).
- B) For what values of x in the open interval -5 < x < 4 is g decreasing? Explain your reasoning.
- C) For what values of x in the open interval -5 < x < 4 is g concave up? Explain your reasoning.
- D) Find all values of x on the open interval -5 < x < 4 for which the function g has a local minimum. Justify your answer.
- E) On what open intervals contained in -5 < x < 4 is the graph of *g* both increasing and concave down? Give a reason for your answer.
- F) Does the graph of g have a point of inflection at x = 0? Justify your answer.
- G) Find the absolute minimum value and the absolute maximum value of g on the interval [-5, 4]. Justify your answers.
- H) For [-5, 4], find all intervals for which $g(x) \le 0$.

Graph Analysis & Justification Practice Key



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KEY:

A)
$$g(2) = \int_{-2}^{2} f(t)dt = \frac{1}{2}(4)(5) = 10$$
 $g'(2) = 0$ and $g''(2) = -\frac{5}{2}$

- B) G decreases where $\tilde{g}'(x) = f(x)$ is negative. G decreases -5 < x < -2 and 2 < x < 4.
- C) G is concave down where g'(x) = f(x) is decreasing. f is decreasing on 0 < x < 4, so G is concave down here.
- D) G has a local minimum when *f* changes from negative to positive, so at x = -2, *G* has a local minimum.
- E) The graph of *G* will be increasing and concave down where g'(x) = f(x) is positive and decreasing. This happens on 0 < x < 2.
- F) G has a point of inflection where f'(x) is zero or dne. Candidates are x = -2 and x = 0. Also, where g'(x) = f(x) changes from increasing to decreasing. So g(x) has a point of inflection at x = 0 because f changes from increasing to decreasing here.
- G) The graph of G has an absolute max or absolute min where the derivative changes signs and where g' = f is zero or dne. By the candidates test, G(-5) = 4.5, g(-2) = 0, g(2) = 10, g(4) = 5. Absolute max value is 10 absolute min value is 0.
- H) $G(x) \ge 0$ on the entire interval and is never negative.





Name

Let *f* be a function defined on the closed interval [-4, 5] with f(0) = -2. The graph of f', the derivative of *f*, consists of two line segments and a quarter circle, as shown above.

- A) On what intervals, if any, is *f* increasing? Justify your answer.
- B) For $-4 \le x \le 5$, find the value of x at which f has an absolute maximum. Justify your answer.
- C) Find the *x*-coordinate of each point of inflection of the graph of *f* on the open interval -4 < x < 5. Justify your answer.
- D) Find an equation for the line tangent to the graph of f at the point (0, -2).
- E) Find f(-4) and f(5). Show work that leads to your answers.

Graph Analysis & More Justification Practice Key



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A) On what intervals, if any, is *f* increasing? Justify your answer.

f is increasing on $-2 \le x \le 3$ because f'(x) > 0 on this interval.

B) For $-4 \le x \le 5$, find the value of x at which f has an absolute maximum. Justify your answer.

On $-4 \le x \le 5$, f would obtain a maximum where f'(x) changes from positive to negative. This occurs at x = 3.

C) Find the *x*-coordinate of each point of inflection of the graph of *f* on the open interval -4 < x < 5. Justify your answer.

Where f'(x) changes from increasing to decreasing there is a point of inflection so, at x = 0.

D) Find an equation for the line tangent to the graph of f at the point (0, -2).

f'(0) = 3 and (0, -2) Tangent line: y = 3x - 2

E) Find f(-4) and f(5). Show work that leads to your answers.

 $f(-4) \text{ is: IC} + \int_{-4}^{0} f'(t)dt : -2 + \text{area}(-3+3) = -2$ $f(5) \text{ is: IC} + \int_{0}^{5} f'(t)dt -2 + \text{area}\left(\frac{9\pi}{4} - 4\right) = -6 + \frac{9\pi}{4}$



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