

Math 16A: Short Calculus I  
 Fall 2017, Section 3  
 Homework Sheet 9  
 Due: Friday, December 8, 2017

Submit your solutions to the following problems in lecture on the due date above. Present your work in a clean and organized fashion, either on a printed copy of this document (preferred) or a separate sheet of paper. As stated in the syllabus, late submissions will **not** be accepted.

- Graph the following function using the techniques we have seen in class. Identify on your graph all zeros, critical points, points of inflection. Additionally, identify for which values of  $x$  the function is positive, where it is negative, where it is increasing, where it is decreasing, where it is concave up, and where it is concave down.

zeros:  $\frac{x^2-9}{x^2-4} = 0$   
 $x^2-9=0$   
 $x=3, x=-3$

vert. asymptotes:

bottom:  $x^2-4=0$

$x=2, x=-2$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2-9}{x^2-4}$  " -5 " need two sides

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^2-9}{x^2-4} = -\infty$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2-9}{x^2-4} = \infty$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2-9}{(x+2)(x-2)} = \infty$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^2-9}{x^2-4}$  " -5 " need two sides

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{x^2-9}{(x-2)(x+2)} = \infty$   
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2-9}{(x-2)(x+2)} = -\infty$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x^2-9}{(x-2)(x+2)} = -\infty$

$f(x) = \frac{x^2-9}{x^2-4}$   
 vertical asymptotes:

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2-9}{x^2-4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1-\frac{9}{x^2}}{1-\frac{4}{x^2}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^2-9}{x^2-4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1-\frac{9}{x^2}}{1-\frac{4}{x^2}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$

critical #s:

$f'(x) = \frac{2x(x^2-4) - 2x(x^2-9)}{(x^2-4)^2} = 0$

$2x^3 - 8x - 2x^3 + 18x = 0$

$10x = 0$

$x=0$

increasing/decreasing:

$\downarrow (-\infty, -2)$ :  $f'(-3) = \frac{-30}{+} = -$

$\downarrow (-2, 0)$ :  $f'(-1) = \frac{-10}{+} = -$

$\uparrow (0, 2)$ :  $f'(1) = \frac{10}{+} = +$

$\uparrow (2, \infty)$ :  $f'(3) = \frac{30}{+} = +$

concavity:

$f'(x) = \frac{10x}{(x^2-4)^2}$

$f''(x) = \frac{10(x^2-4)^2 - 10x(2(x^2-4)(2x))}{(x^2-4)^4}$

$0 = 10(x^2-4)^2 - 40x^2(x^2-4)$

$0 = (x^2-4)(10x^2-40x^2)$

$0 = (x^2-4)(10x^2-40x^2)$

$0 = (x^2-4)(-3x^2-4)$

$x=2, x=-2$

$f''(-3) = \frac{(+)(-)}{(+)} = -$   
 $f''(0) = \frac{(-)(-)}{(+)} = +$   
 $f''(3) = \frac{(+)(-)}{(+)} = -$

Collect info:

$x: -2 \quad 0 \quad 2$   
 $\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \uparrow$

