

OPTIMIZATION

① $f(x) = \frac{2x}{x^2+4}$

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

$f'(x) = \frac{2x^2+8-4x^2}{(x^2+4)^2}$

$f'(x) = \frac{-2x^2+8}{(x^2+4)^2}$

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

$0 = \frac{-2(x^2-4)}{(x^2+4)^2}$

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

$0 = x^2-4$

$0 = (x+2)(x-2)$

$f'(x) = \quad \quad \quad x = -2 \quad x = 2$

x	-2	2	3
f'(x)	0	0	10/109
Shape	↖	↗	↘

∴ max

x	-3	-2	1
f'(x)	10/109	0	5/105
Shape	↘	↗	↘

∴ min at x = -2

$R(-2) = \frac{2(-2)}{(-2)^2+4}$

$= \frac{-4}{8}$

$= -\frac{1}{2}$

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② $f(x) = x e^{-x}$

a) $f'(x) = x(e^{-x})(-1) + (e^{-x})(1)$

$= -x e^{-x} + e^{-x}$

$= e^{-x}(-x+1)$

b) $0 = e^{-x}(-x+1)$

$e^{-x} = 0 \quad | \quad -x+1 = 0$

$\ln 0 = \ln 0 \quad | \quad 1-x$

$-x = \text{undef}$

no soln

c) $f''(x) = ?$

$f'(x) = e^{-x}(-x+1)$

$f''(x) = e^{-x}(-1) + (-x+1)(e^{-x})(-1)$

$= -e^{-x} + x e^{-x} - e^{-x}$

$= -2e^{-x} + x e^{-x}$

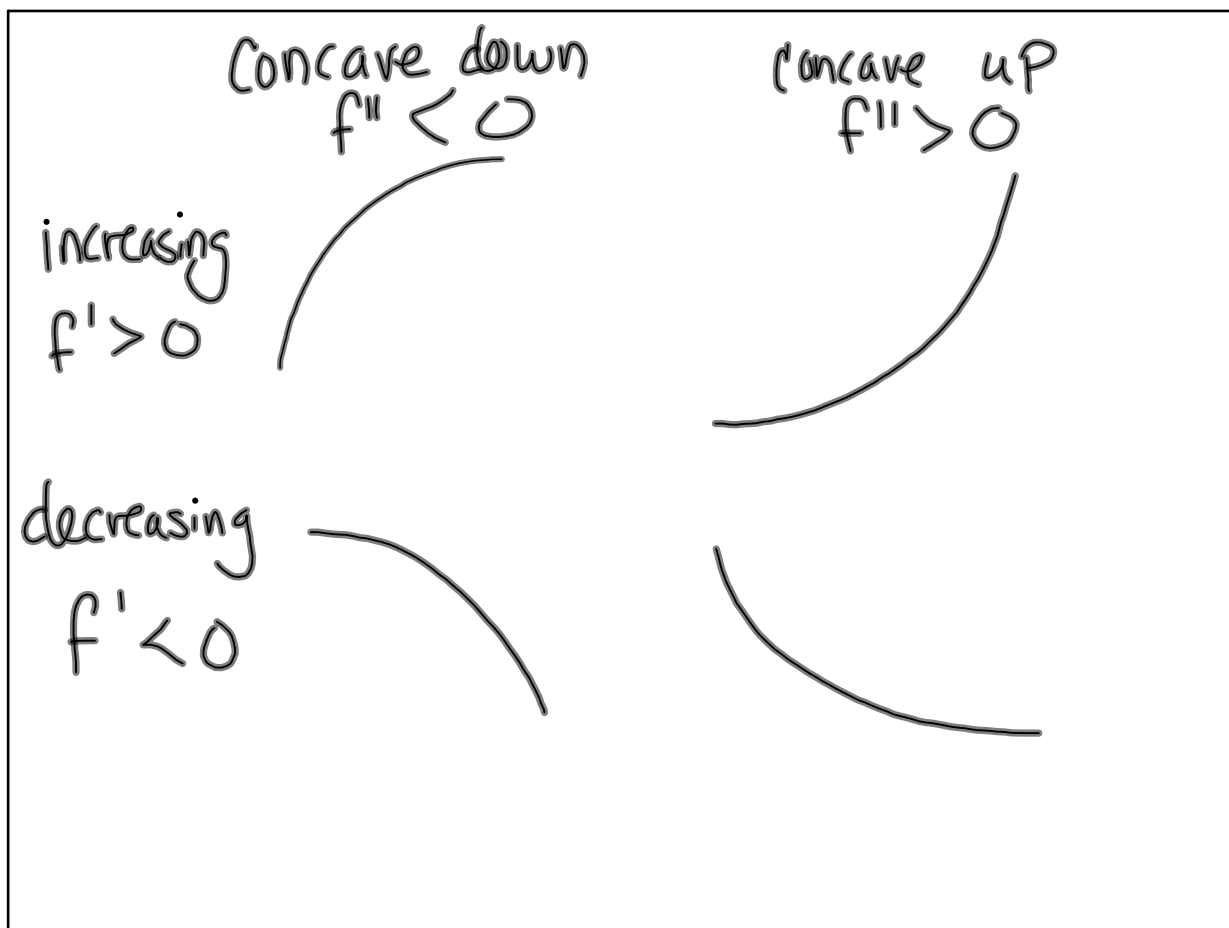
$f''(x) = e^{-x}(-2+x)$

$f''(1) = e^{-1}(-2+1)$

$= e^{-1}(-1)$

∴ max = $\frac{1}{e}$

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