

③ $f(x) = 3x^4 + 10x^3 - 12x^2 - 30$ ← USE THIS FUNCTION
 $\Rightarrow f'(x) = 12x^3 + 30x^2 - 24x$

$\Rightarrow f''(x) = 36x^2 + 60x - 24$

④ Find Critical Values

TYPE I: $f'' = 0$

$\Rightarrow 36x^2 + 60x - 24 = 0$
 multiply thru by $\frac{1}{12}$

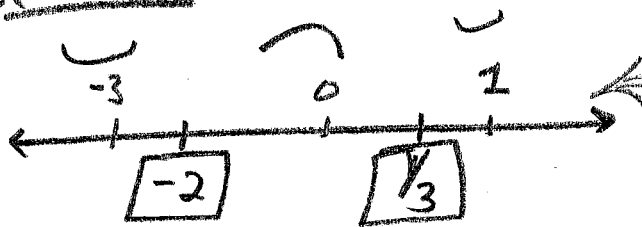
$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 5x - 2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (3x - 1)(x + 2) = 0$

$\Rightarrow 3x - 1 = 0$ OR $x + 2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3}$ OR $x = -2$

so we have:



$f''(-2) = 36(-2)^2 + 60(-2) - 24$
 $= 324 - 120 - 24$
 $= 180 > 0 \Rightarrow f$ is $\cup$

$f''(0) = 36(0)^2 + 60(0) - 24$
 $= 0 + 0 - 24$
 $= -24 < 0$ so f is $\cap$

$f''(1) = 36(1)^2 + 60(1) - 24$
 $= 36 + 60 - 24$
 $= 72 > 0 \Rightarrow f$ is $\cup$

TYPE II: f'' D.N.E

NONE
 (polynomial)

$\Rightarrow$ or, using the quadratic formula

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{(5)^2 - 4(3)(-2)}}{2(3)}$$

$= \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25 + 24}}{6}$

$= \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{49}}{6}$

$= \frac{-5 + 7}{6}$ OR $= \frac{-5 - 7}{6}$

$= \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$ OR $= \frac{-12}{6} = -2$

$= \frac{1}{3}$ OR $= -2$

so f is $\cup$ on $(-\infty, -2)$ &
 $(\frac{1}{3}, \infty)$

f is $\cap$ on $(-2, \frac{1}{3})$

$f(-2) = 3(-2)^4 + 10(-2)^3 - 12(-2)^2 - 30$
 $= 5$

$f(\frac{1}{3}) = 3(\frac{1}{3})^4 + 10(\frac{1}{3})^3 - 12(\frac{1}{3})^2 - 30$
 ≈ -30.93

Inflection points at:
 $(-2, 5)$ and $(\frac{1}{3}, -30.93)$