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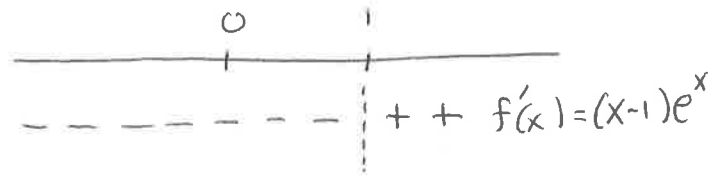
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1. This problem concerns the function $f(x) = (x-2)e^x$.

(a) Find the intervals on which $f(x)$ increases/decreases.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= (1)e^x + (x-2)e^x \\ &= e^x + xe^x - 2e^x \\ &= xe^x - e^x \\ &= (x-1)e^x \end{aligned}$$

↓
x=1 is critical point



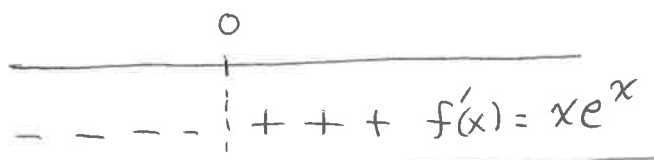
$f(x)$ decreases on $(-\infty, 1)$
 $f(x)$ increases on $(1, \infty)$

Local minimum at $x=1$ is $f(1) = (1-2)e^1 = -e \approx -2.7$

(b) Find the intervals on which $f(x)$ is concave up/down.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= (x-1)e^x \\ f''(x) &= (1)e^x + (x-1)e^x \\ &= e^x + xe^x - e^x \\ &= xe^x \end{aligned}$$

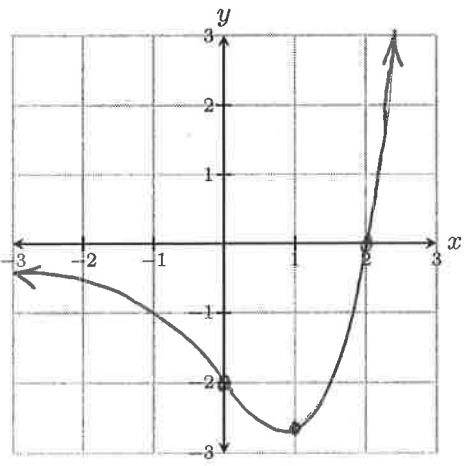
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x=0 is crit. pt for $f''(x)$



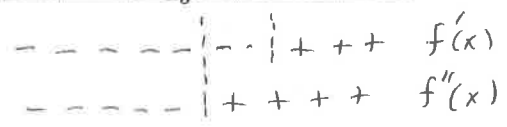
$f(x)$ concave down on $(-\infty, 0)$
 $f(x)$ concave up on $(0, \infty)$

Inflection point $(0, f(0)) = (0, (0-2)e^0) = (0, -2)$

(c) Use the above information to sketch the graph of $f(x)$. Be sure to plot inflection points, extrema and intercepts.



x-intercept $f(x) = 0$
 $(x-2)e^x = 0$
 \downarrow
 $x = 2$



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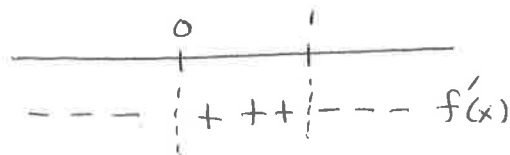
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1. This problem concerns the function $f(x) = 3x^{2/3} - 2x = 3\sqrt[3]{x^2} - 2x$

(a) Find the intervals on which $f(x)$ increases/decreases.

$$f'(x) = 3 \cdot \frac{2}{3} x^{-1/3} - 2 = 2x^{-1/3} - 2$$

$$= 2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}} - 1\right)$$



Note: $f'(0)$ is undefined.

$$f'(1) = 0$$

Critical points are 0 and 1.

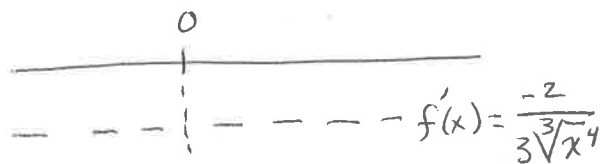
$f(x)$ increases on $(0, 1)$
 $f(x)$ decreases on $(-\infty, 0)$ and $(1, \infty)$

(b) Find the intervals on which $f(x)$ is concave up/down.

$$f'(x) = 2x^{-1/3} - 2$$

$$f''(x) = -\frac{2}{3}x^{-4/3} - 0$$

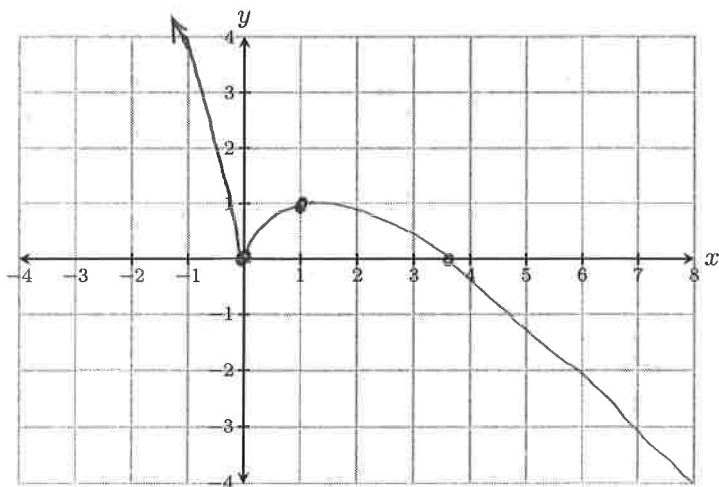
$$= \frac{-2}{3x^{4/3}} = \frac{-2}{3\sqrt[3]{x^4}}$$



Note: $f''(x)$ is always negative
 (not defined at $x=0$)

$f(x)$ concave down on all of $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$.
 No inflection points.

(c) Use the above information to sketch the graph of $f(x)$.
 Be sure to plot inflection points, extrema and intercepts.



• Local min:
 $f(0) = 3\sqrt[3]{0^2} - 2 \cdot 0 = 0$

• Local max:
 $f(1) = 3\sqrt[3]{1^2} - 2 = 1$

• y-intercept: $f(0) = 0$

• x-intercept: $f(x) = 0$
 $3\sqrt[3]{x^2} - 2x = 0$
 $3\sqrt[3]{x^2} = 2x$
 $(3\sqrt[3]{x^2})^3 = (2x)^3$
 $27x^2 = 8x^3$
 $x = \frac{27}{8}$

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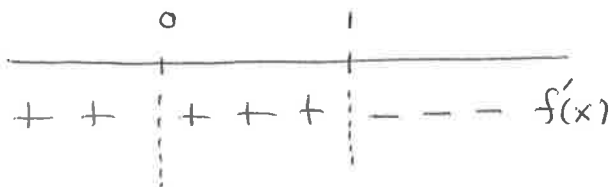
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1. This problem concerns the function $f(x) = (2-x)e^x$.

(a) Find the intervals on which $f(x)$ increases/decreases.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= (-1)e^x + (2-x)e^x \\ &= -e^x + 2e^x - xe^x \\ &= e^x - xe^x \\ &= (1-x)e^x = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$x=1$ is crit. pt.



$f(x)$ increasing on $(-\infty, 1)$
 $f(x)$ decreasing on $(1, \infty)$

(b) Find the intervals on which $f(x)$ is concave up/down.

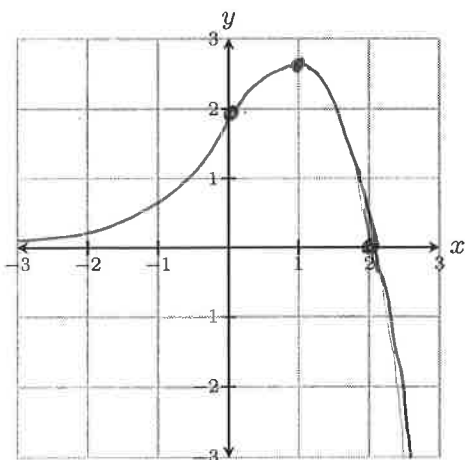
$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= (1-x)e^x \\ f''(x) &= (-1)e^x + (1-x)e^x \\ &= -e^x + e^x - xe^x \\ &= -xe^x \end{aligned}$$

$x=0$ makes 2nd derivative 0



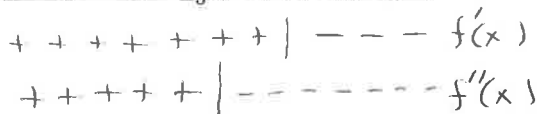
$f(x)$ concave up on $(-\infty, 0)$
 $f(x)$ concave down on $(0, \infty)$

(c) Use the above information to sketch the graph of $f(x)$.
 Be sure to plot inflection points, extrema and intercepts.



Local max at 1, $f(1) = (2-1)e^1 = e^1 = e \approx 2.7$
 Inflection point, $(0, f(0)) = (0, (2-0)e^0) = (0, 2)$

x -intercept: $f(x) = 0$
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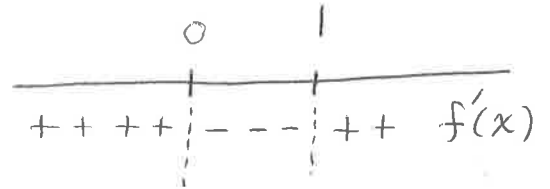
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(a) Find the intervals on which $f(x)$ increases/decreases.

$$f'(x) = 2 - 3 \cdot \frac{2}{3} x^{-1/3} = 2 - 2x^{-1/3}$$

$$= 2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt[3]{x}} = 2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}} \right)$$



$f'(0)$ is not defined } by inspection
 $f'(1) = 0$

$f(x)$ increases on $(-\infty, 0)$
 and $(1, \infty)$
 $f(x)$ decreases on $(0, 1)$

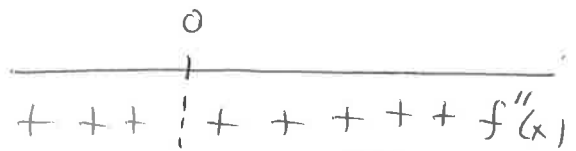
Thus critical points are 0, 1.

(b) Find the intervals on which $f(x)$ is concave up/down.

$$f'(x) = 2 - 2x^{-1/3}$$

$$f''(x) = 0 + \frac{2}{3} x^{-4/3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3x^{4/3}} = \frac{2}{3\sqrt[3]{x^4}}$$

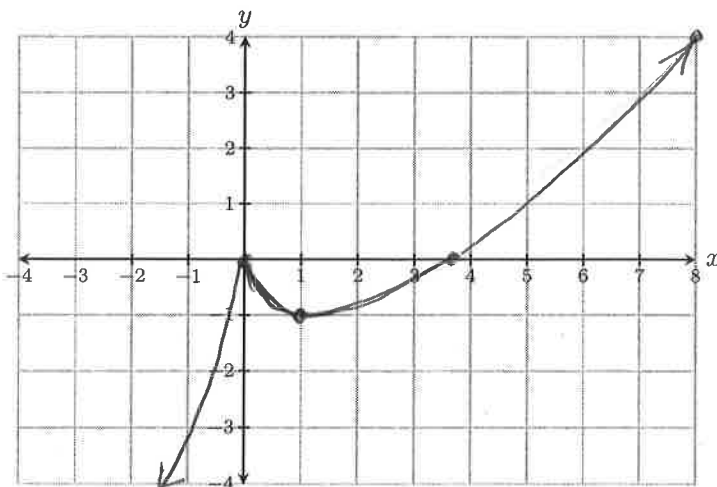


$f(x)$ concave up on
 all of $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$

Note $f''(x)$ is always positive!

no inflection point.

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Local max:

$$f(0) = 2 \cdot 0 - 3\sqrt[3]{0^2} = 0$$

Local min

$$f(1) = 2 \cdot 1 - 3\sqrt[3]{1^2} = 2 - 3 = -1$$

y-intercept $f(0) = 0$

x-intercept $f(x) = 0$

$$2x - 3\sqrt[3]{x^2} = 0$$

$$2x = 3\sqrt[3]{x^2}$$

$$(2x)^3 = (3\sqrt[3]{x^2})^3$$

$$8x^3 = 27x^2$$

$$x = \frac{27}{8}$$

$f(8) =$
 $2 \cdot 8 - 3\sqrt[3]{8^2} =$
 $16 - 3 \cdot 2^2 = 4$