Curves HW #1

1. Find the intervals on which each function f(x) is increasing or decreasing given f'(x).

a)
$$f'(x) = 5x^2 + 13x + 8$$

b)
$$f'(x) = \frac{x+2}{x^2-1}$$

2. Find the intervals of increase and decrease for the functions:

a)
$$f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 - 2x^2 + 12x$$

b)
$$f(x) = 2x\sqrt{9-x}$$

- 3. Given $f(x) = 4x^3 3x^2 18x + 5$, $-2 \le x \le 3$.
 - i. Find the critical numbers.
 - ii. Find the regions of increase and decrease.
 - iii. Find the local and/or absolute maximum and minimum values by using the First Derivative Test.
 - iv. Sketch y = f(x)
- 4. Given $f(x) = \frac{x^2 x + 1}{x^2 + 1}$,
 - i. Find the critical numbers.
 - ii. Find the regions of increase and decrease.
 - iii. Find the local and/or absolute maximum and minimum values by using the First Derivative Test.
- 5. Identify the intervals of concave up and concave down for y = f(x) given $f''(x) = \frac{x^2 + x 12}{x 1}$.
- 6. For the curve $y = 2x^3 9x^2 + 12x 2$, find the local maximum and/or minimum values. Justify using the first or second derivative test.
- 7. For the curve $y = x^3 3x^2 9x 5$
 - a) Find the intervals of concavity.
 - b) Find any inflection points.