

Math 17A  
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Instructions for DETAILED GRAPHING

- 1.) State the DOMAIN of the function.
- 2.) Take the FIRST derivative and set up a SIGN CHART for  $f'(x)$ . Clearly mark the solutions to  $f'(x) = 0$  and their  $y$ -values, and identify all RELATIVE and ABSOLUTE maximum and minimum values.
- 3.) State the OPEN INTERVALS on which  $f$  is INCREASING and DECREASING.
- 4.) Take the SECOND derivative and set up a SIGN CHART for  $f''(x)$ . Clearly mark the solutions to  $f''(x) = 0$  and their  $y$ -values, and identify all INFLECTION POINTS.
- 5.) State the OPEN INTERVALS on which  $f$  is CONCAVE UP and CONCAVE DOWN.
- 6.) Determine all  $x$ -INTERCEPTS and  $y$ -INTERCEPTS.
- 7.) If appropriate, determine all HORIZONTAL ASYMPTOTES (H.A.).
- 8.) If appropriate, determine all VERTICAL ASYMPTOTES (V.A.).
- 9.) DRAW a rough SKETCH of the graph of  $y = f(x)$  and CLEARLY identify the coordinates of all important points on the graph.