

## Homework 6 — Due 11/15/2010 in class

This cover sheet must be attached as the top page of your homework.

1. Given the following function:

$$f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 + 10$$

- (a) Find where all extrema (relative max or mins) of  $f$  occur.
- (b) Determine the intervals on which  $f$  is increasing and intervals on which it is decreasing.
- (c) Find where the graph of  $f$  is concave up and where it is concave down.
- (d) Plot the following specific points: local maximum or minimum points, points of inflection, and the y-intercept. Using these points and your information from (a) - (c), sketch a graph of  $f$ .

2. Given the following function:

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

- (a) Determine the domain of  $f(x)$ .
- (b) Find  $f'(x)$  and  $f''(x)$ . (You are welcome to use something like *wolframalpha.com* to do or to check these derivatives.)
- (c) Find critical points of  $f(x)$  and determine relative maximum and minimum points.
- (d) Find where  $f(x)$  is increasing or decreasing, where it is concave up or concave down, and inflection points.
- (e) Find any vertical or horizontal asymptotes.
- (f) Plot a few specific points such as relative max or mins, inflection points, and the y-intercept. Sketch a graph of  $f(x)$  incorporating the information from (a) through (e).

3. Find the volume of the largest right circular cone that can be inscribed in a sphere of radius 3.
4. You are 2 miles offshore in a boat and wish to reach a person who is 6 miles down a straight shoreline from the point nearest the boat. You can row 2 miles per hour and you can walk 5 miles per hour. Where on the shoreline should you land your boat to reach the person in the least amount of time?