

MATH 2301 (Barsamian) Lecture #25 (Wed Nov 1, 2023)

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Pick up Graded Work

Pick up Handout: Graphing Strategy

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Today: Section 4.4 Curve Sketching

Friday Quiz Q7 Will cover Sections 4.2, 4.3, 4.4

Section 4.4 Curve Sketching

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Book has three excellent examples

[Example 1] Sketch $y = \frac{2x^2}{x^2 - 1}$

[Example 2] Sketch $y = xe^{(x)}$

[Example 3] Sketch $y = \frac{\cos(x)}{2 + \sin(x)}$

Be sure to study those.

In particular, notice [Example 2] involves a function very similar to Quiz Q6 problem [1] $f(x) = xe^{(-2x)}$ or $xe^{(-3x)}$ your job was to find the critical numbers of $f(x)$. *

Notice that book's [Example 2] will of course involve finding critical numbers of $y = xe^{(x)}$

many forgot the 1

Many of you had difficulty factoring $f'(x) = \underline{e^{-2x}} - 2x\underline{e^{-2x}} = \underline{e^{-2x}}(1 - 2x)$

[Example] Use Graphing Strategy to Sketch a graph of

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$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 25}$$

Step 1

y intercept: Set $x=0$, find y

$$y = f(0) = \frac{1}{(0)^2 + 25} = \frac{1}{25} \text{ . So } (0, \frac{1}{25}) \text{ on graph.}$$

x intercepts. Set $y=0$, find x .

$$0 = \frac{1}{x^2 + 25} \text{ . No solutions! No x intercepts.}$$

(Remember: fraction $\frac{a}{b} = 0$ only when numerator $a=0$ and denominator $b \neq 0$)

End Behavior

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty}$$

x getting huge,
positive

$$\frac{1}{x^2 + 25}$$

denominator
getting really
huge, positive

So the ratio will be
positive number
very close to 0.

= \bigcirc
So the
limit is

So graph has horiz asymptote on right with line equation $y = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty}$$

x getting huge
and negative

$$\frac{1}{x^2 + 25}$$

denominator
huge, positive

So ratio will be
positive number
very close
to 0

= \bigcirc

So graph has horiz asymptote on left with line equation $y = 0$.

Vertical Asymptotes? None because the domain of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2+25}$ is all real numbers. There are no x values that cause denominator = 0

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Continuity? Where is $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2+25}$ continuous?

$f(x)$ is rational function. These are continuous everywhere except where denominator = 0. Our function's denominator is never zero. So $f(x)$ is always continuous

Sign Chart for $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2+25}$

$f(x)$ is always positive



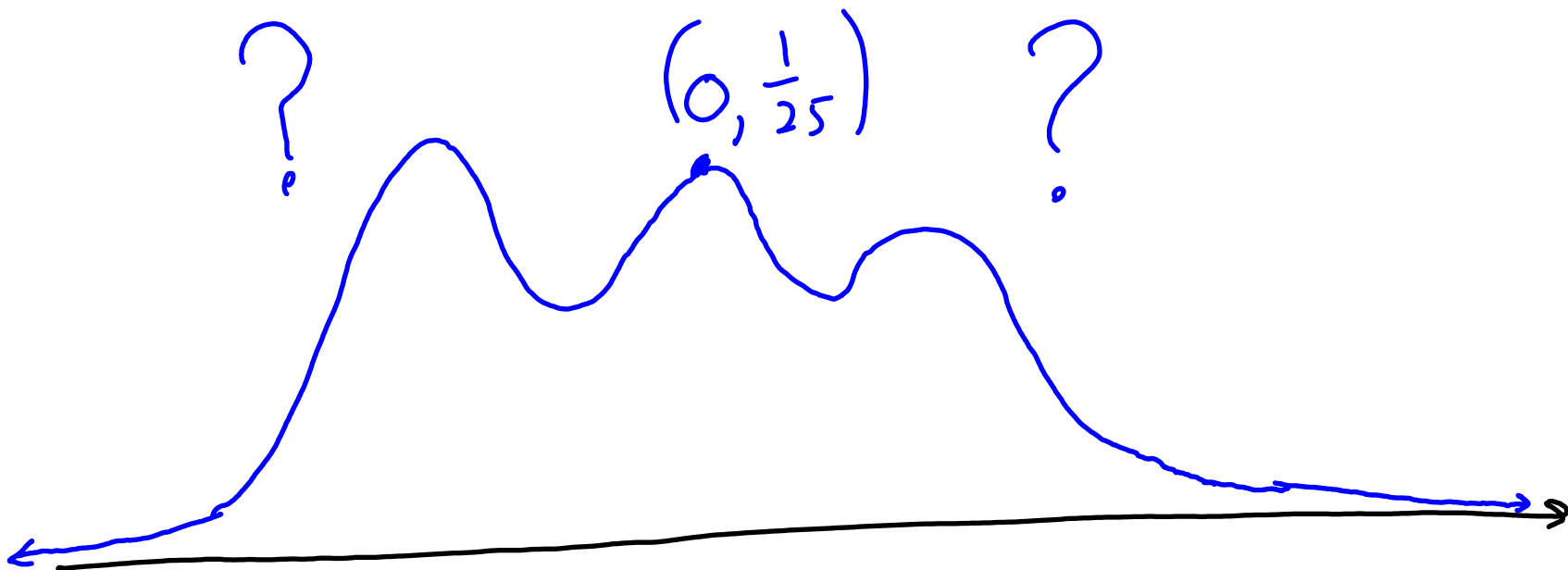
No x values
that cause
 $f(x) = 0$

Sample $x=0$

$$f(0) = \frac{1}{0^2+25} = \frac{1}{25} = \text{pos}$$

Preliminary Graph of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 25}$ just based on Step 1

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Step 2 Analyze $f'(x)$

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$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{x^2+25} = \frac{\left(\frac{d}{dx} 1\right)(x^2+25) - (1)\left(\frac{d}{dx} x^2+25\right)}{(x^2+25)^2}$$
$$= \frac{\cancel{(0)(x^2+25)} - (1)(2x)}{(x^2+25)^2} = -\frac{2x}{(x^2+25)^2}$$

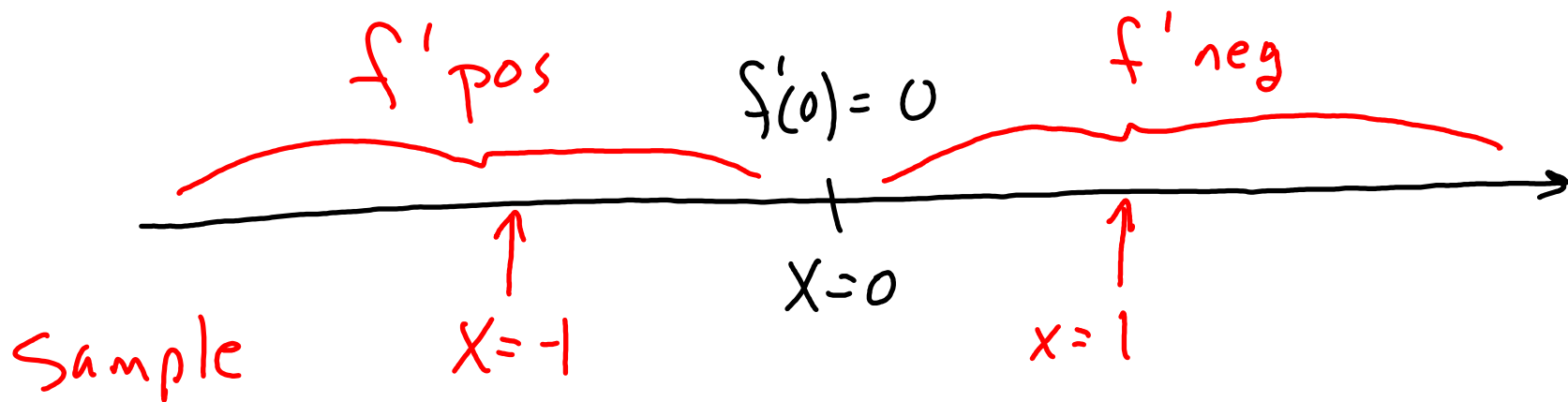
Are there any x values where $f'(x)$ is undefined? None
because denominator will never be zero

Are there any x values that cause $f'(x) = 0$?

yes: $x=0$ because numerator $= 0$ and denominator $\neq 0$

Sign chart for $f'(x) = \frac{-2x}{(x^2+25)^2}$

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$$f'(1) = -\frac{2(1)}{((1)^2+25)^2} = -\frac{+}{+} = \text{neg}$$

$$f'(-1) = -\frac{2(-1)}{((-1)^2+25)^2} = -\frac{-}{+} = \text{pos}$$

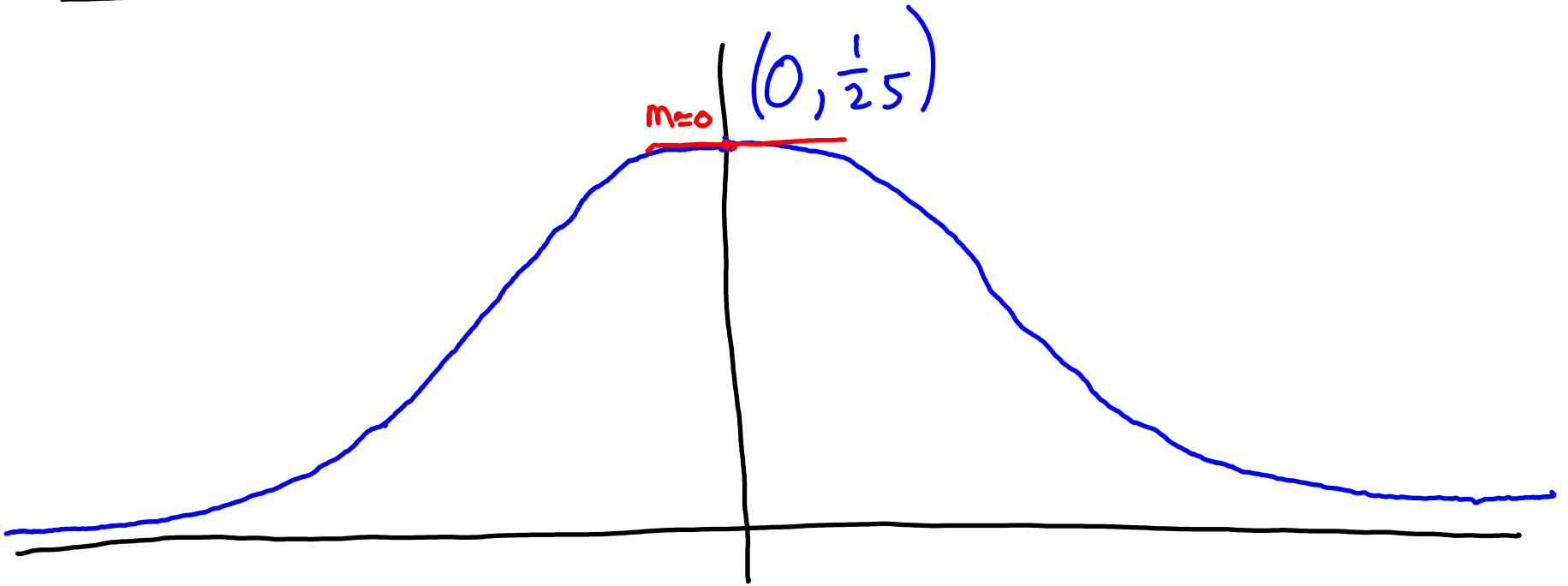
f increasing on $(-\infty, 0]$ because f' is pos or zero there
 f decreasing on $[0, \infty)$ because f' is neg or zero there.

We know $x=0$ is a critical number for $f(x)$ (8)
because $f'(0)=0$ and $f(0)$ exists

By First Derivative Test tells us local max at $x=0$

Local max value is $y_{\max} = f(0) = \frac{1}{25} = 0.04$

Preliminary Graph after Step 2



Step 3 Analyze $f''(x)$

$$f''(x) = \frac{d}{dx} f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{-2x}{(x^2+25)^2} \right) = \frac{\left(\frac{d}{dx} -2x \right) (x^2+25)^2 - (-2x) \left(\frac{d}{dx} (x^2+25)^2 \right)}{\left((x^2+25)^2 \right)^2} =$$

$$= \frac{(-2)(x^2+25)^2 + 2x \left(\overset{\text{chain rule}}{2(x^2+25)' \cdot (2x)} \right)}{(x^2+25)^4}$$

$$= \frac{(-2)(x^2+25)^2 + 8x^2(x^2+25)}{(x^2+25)^4}$$

factor out common factor of x^2+25 on top

$$= \frac{\left[(-2)(x^2+25) + 8x^2 \right] (x^2+25)}{(x^2+25)^4}$$

since $x^2+25 \neq 0$, we can cancel $\frac{x^2+25}{x^2+25}$

$$= \frac{[-2](x^2+25) + 8x^2}{(x^2+25)^3} = \frac{-2x^2 - 50 + 8x^2}{(x^2+25)^3}$$

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$$f''(x) = \frac{6x^2 - 50}{(x^2 + 25)^3}$$

Notice that the denominator of $f''(x)$ will never be zero.
So there are no values of x that will cause $f''(x)$ to be undefined.
To find values of x that will cause $f''(x) = 0$, we only have to look for x that will cause the numerator to be zero.

$$6x^2 - 50 = 0$$

$$6x^2 = 50$$

$$x^2 = \frac{50}{6} = \frac{25}{3}$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}} \approx -3 \quad x = \frac{5}{\sqrt{3}} \approx 3$$

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Sign chart for $f''(x) = \frac{6x^2 - 50}{(x^2 + 25)^3}$



$$f''(-4) = \frac{6(-4)^2 - 50}{((-4)^2 + 25)^3} = \frac{6(16) - 50}{(16 + 25)^3} = \frac{96 - 50}{41^3} = \frac{+}{+} = \text{Pos}$$

$$f''(0) = \frac{6(0)^2 - 50}{(0^2 + 25)^3} = \frac{-50}{25^3} = \frac{-}{+} = \text{neg}$$

$$f''(4) = \frac{6(4)^2 - 50}{(4^2 + 25)^3} = \frac{96 - 50}{41^3} = \frac{+}{+} = \text{Pos}$$

f concave up on $(-\infty, -\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}]$ and $[\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}, \infty)$ because f'' is positive or zero there.

f concave down on $[-\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}]$ because f'' is negative or zero there.

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f has points of inflection at $x = -\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}$ and $x = \frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}$ because f is continuous there and the concavity changes from up to down or from down to up.

The y coordinates of the points of inflection are

x	$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 25}$
$-\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}$	$f\left(-\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \frac{1}{\left(-\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + 25} = \frac{1}{\frac{25}{3} + 25} = \frac{1}{\frac{25}{3} + \frac{75}{3}} = \frac{1}{\frac{100}{3}} = \frac{3}{100} = 0.03$
$\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}$	$f\left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + 25} = \dots = \frac{3}{100}$

So the two inflection points are at

$$(x, y) = \left(-\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}, 0.03\right) \quad \text{and} \quad (x, y) = \left(\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}}, 0.03\right)$$

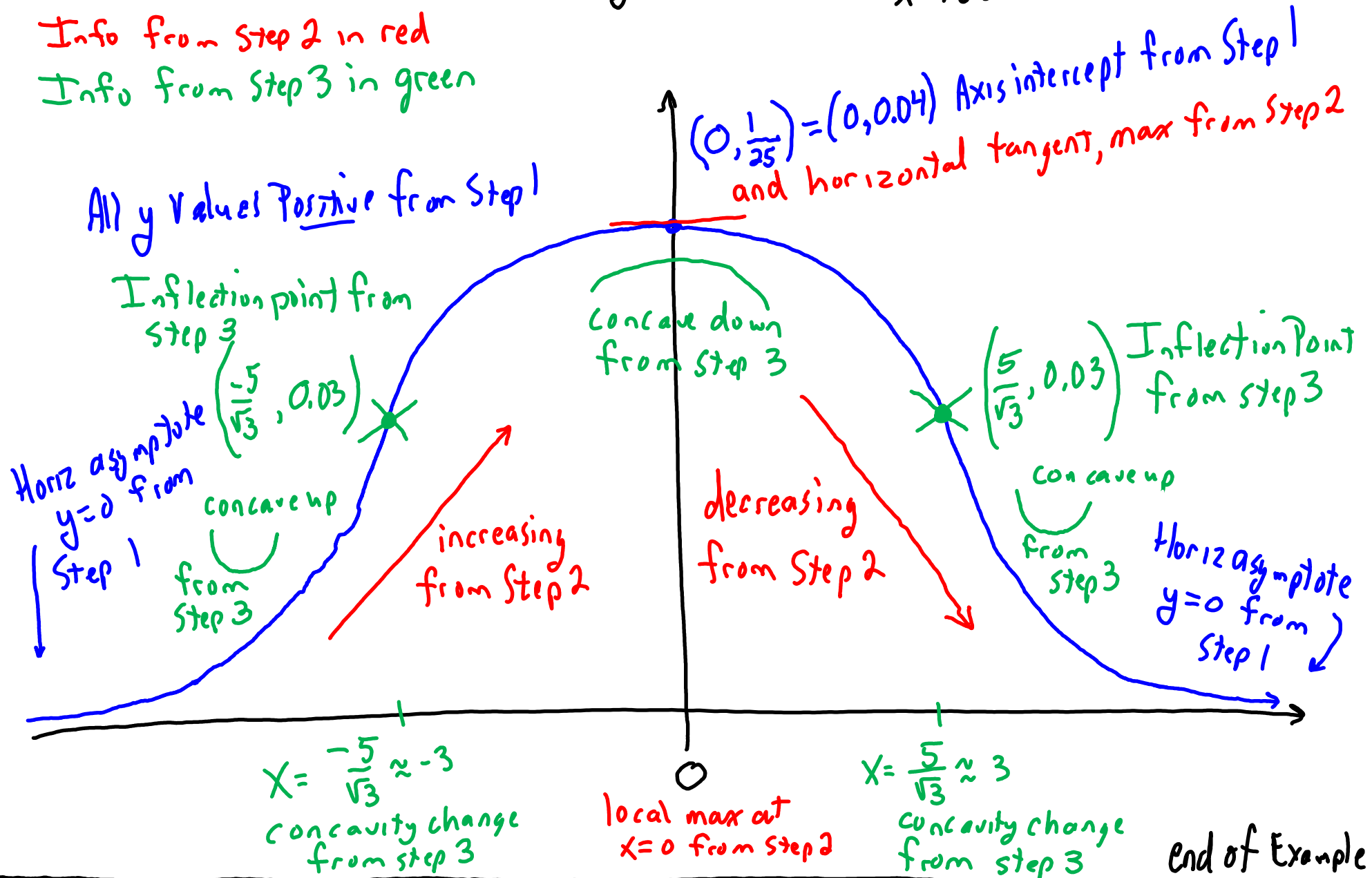
Step 4 Put together info from Steps 1, 2, 3 and sketch graph (13)

Info from Step 1 in blue

Info from Step 2 in red

Info from Step 3 in green

graph of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 25}$



end of Example

end of Lecture