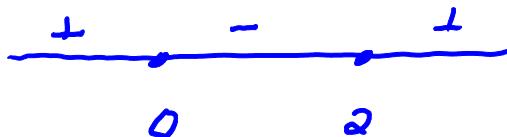


Suppose the function f is defined by $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 1$.

- a) On what intervals is the function f increasing? Decreasing?

Mean Value Theorem

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x = 3x(x-2).$$



So f is increasing on $(-\infty, 0) \cup (2, \infty)$.

f is decreasing on $(0, 2)$.

- b) Determine the local extreme values of f .

f has a local maximum at $x=0$.



f has a local minimum at $x=2$



c) Determine the intervals on which f is concave upwards or concave downwards. Locate any points of inflection.

$$f''(x) = 6x - 6 = 6(x-1)$$
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The graph of f is concave up on $(1, \infty)$. The graph of f is concave down $(-\infty, 1)$

d) Sketch the graph of f .

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