

You may use a calculator and your homework, but not your books or notes. There is one problem worth 20 points. **Show all of your work to receive full/partial credit.** Use both sides of the page if necessary.

- 1) (#7 from 3.6) Analyze and sketch a graph of the function. Label any intercepts, relative extrema, points of inflection, and asymptotes.

$$y = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 3}$$

x-int:  $x^2 = 0$  No vertical asymptotes  
 $x = 0$

y-int:  $y = 0$  horizontal asymptote:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 3} = 1$  so  $y = 1$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x(x^2 + 3) - x^2(2x)}{(x^2 + 3)^2} = \frac{2x^3 + 6x - 2x^3}{(x^2 + 3)^2} = \frac{6x}{(x^2 + 3)^2}$$

Critical #'s:  $6x = 0 \rightarrow x = 0$  is critical

	$(-\infty, 0)$	$(0, \infty)$	
T.V.	$x = -1$	$x = 1$	decreasing on $(-\infty, 0)$
$f'$	-	+	increasing on $(0, \infty)$
	↓	↑	min. at $(0, 0)$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{6(x^2 + 3)^{-2} - 6x[2(x^2 + 3)(2x)]}{(x^2 + 3)^4} = \frac{6x^2 + 18 - 24x^2}{(x^2 + 3)^3} = \frac{-18x^2 + 18}{(x^2 + 3)^3}$$

I.P.'s:  $-18x^2 + 18 = 0 \rightarrow 18x^2 = 18 \rightarrow x^2 = 1 \rightarrow x = 1, x = -1$  ← possible I.P.'s

	$(-\infty, -1)$	$(-1, 1)$	$(1, \infty)$	
T.V.	$x = -2$	$x = 0$	$x = 2$	concave down on $(-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$
$f''$	-	+	-	concave up on $(-1, 1)$
	C.P.	C.U.	C.D.	Inflection pts. at $(-1, f(-1)), (1, f(1))$
				$\Rightarrow$ at $(-1, \frac{1}{4}), (1, \frac{1}{4})$

graph on back

