

Increasing and Decreasing Functions

In problems 1-3, Find the critical numbers of the function.

1. $f(x) = 9x^2 - 10x + 2$	2. $f(x) = x^3 - 12x^2 + 36x + 6$
3. $f(x) = \sqrt{3x^2 - 27}$	

In problems 4-19, Find the critical numbers and the open intervals on which the function is increasing or decreasing.

4. $f(x) = 8x - 2$	5. $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$
6. $f(x) = x^3 + 9x^2 - 21x + 3$	7. $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^3 - 20x^2 + 8$
8. $f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2$	9. $f(x) = (x - 4)^3$
10. $f(x) = (x^2 - 25)^4$	11. $f(x) = (x - 3)^{1/5} + 2$
12. $f(x) = (8x - 1)^{2/3} + 2$	13. $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^2 - 16}$
14. $f(x) = x\sqrt{x + 2}$	15. $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 - 25}$
16. $f(x) = \frac{x - 7}{x + 1}$	17. $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + x + 4}{x + 1}$
18. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 5x - 3, & x \leq 2 \\ x^2 + 3, & x > 2 \end{cases}$	19. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 5x - 1, & x \leq 0 \\ 4x - 1, & x > 0 \end{cases}$

20. The sales of a company are modeled by $S(t) = -2.01t^2 + 50.1t + 200$, $1 \leq t \leq 10$ where t is in years. Determine increasing and decreasing intervals in the range between 1 and 10.

21. The progression of a disease follows the model $C = -2t^2 + 8t + 10$, $0 \leq t \leq 5$ where C is the number of cases and t is the time in years. Determine the intervals where the number of cases is increasing and decreasing.

22. The profit of a company is modeled by $P(x) = 3.12x - \frac{x^2}{20000} - 10000$, $0 \leq x \leq 60,000$ where x is the number of units sold. Find the intervals where the profit is increasing and decreasing.