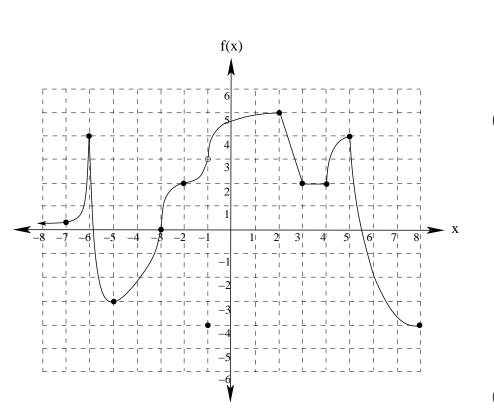
1. Answer the following questions based on the graph of f(x) shown below:

- (a) Find the intervals on which f is increasing.
- (b) Find the intervals on which f is decreasing.
- (c) Find the *x*-values at which a local maximum of *f* occurs?
- (d) Find the x-values at which a local minimum of f occurs?
- (e) Find the absolute maximum of f, if it exists, along with the xvalue(s) where it occurs.
- (f) Find the absolute minimum of f, if it exists, along with the x-value(s) where it occurs.



2. Find the critical numbers for each of the following functions:

(a) 
$$f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x + 12$$

(b) 
$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x + 4}{x - 1}$$

(c) 
$$f(x) = \sin^2 x - \cos x$$

(d) 
$$f(x) = \sec\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

3. Find the absolute extrema of each function on the given interval:

(a) 
$$f(x) = x^3 - 7x^2 - 5x + 10$$
 on  $[-1, 8]$ 

(b) 
$$f(x) = 3x^4 - 54x^2 - 7$$
 on  $[-5, 4]$ 

(c) 
$$f(x) = x\sqrt{x+1}$$
 on  $[-1, 2]$ 

(d) 
$$f(x) = \frac{4}{x-3} + 9x + 2$$
 on  $[0, \frac{7}{2}]$