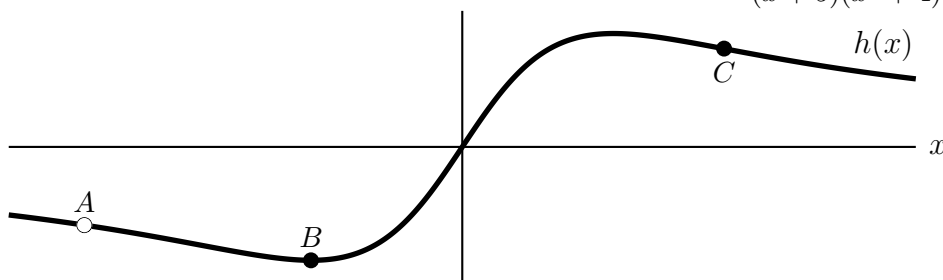


8. [13 points] Below, there is a graph of the function  $h(x) = \frac{2x^2 + 10x}{(x+5)(x^2+4)}$ .



- a. [3 points] The point  $A$  is a hole in the graph of  $h$ . Find the  $x$ - and  $y$ -coordinates of  $A$ .

*Solution:* Simplifying  $h(x)$ , we have  $h(x) = \frac{2x(x+5)}{(x+5)(x^2+4)}$ . Since the factor  $(x+5)$  cancels, the hole occurs when  $x = -5$ . We look at the limit as  $x$  approaches  $-5$  on the cancelled form to get the  $y$ -coordinate:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -5} h(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -5} \frac{2x}{x^2+4} = \frac{-10}{29},$$

Thus,  $A = (-5, \frac{-10}{29})$ .

- b. [5 points] The point  $B$  is a local minimum of  $h$ . Find the  $x$ - and  $y$ -coordinates of  $B$ .

*Solution:* Using the quotient rule on the simplified form of  $h$ , we have  $h'(x) = \frac{4-x^2}{(x^2+4)^2}$ . This is never undefined, and it is equal to zero when  $4-x^2 = 0$  or  $x = \pm 2$ . From the graph, we can see that the local minimum occurs at  $x = -2$ . The  $y$ -coordinate here is  $y = \frac{-4}{8} = -\frac{1}{2}$ , so  $B = (-2, -\frac{1}{2})$ .

- c. [5 points] The point  $C$  is an inflection point of  $h$ . Find the  $x$ - and  $y$ -coordinates of  $C$ .

*Solution:* We use the quotient rule again to find  $h''(x) = \frac{2x^3 - 24x}{(x^2+4)^3} = \frac{2x(x^2-12)}{(x^2+4)^3}$ . This is never undefined, and it is zero when  $2x(x^2-12) = 0$ , i.e. when  $x = 0, \pm 2\sqrt{3}$ . From the graph, we see that our  $x$ -coordinate must be  $+2\sqrt{3}$ , and then  $y = \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{16} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$ , so  $C = (2\sqrt{3}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4})$ .