

**1<sup>st</sup> Semester**  
**AP Calculus AB Final Exam Topics**

**45 Multiple Choice Questions total:**  
**28 Non-Calculator**  
**17 Calculator**

Limits- 2 Questions

- Limits of Piecewise functions at the changing point
- Strategies for finding limits:
  - BOBOBOTN EATS DC (rational functions)
  - Try to factor, cancel, and then substitute

Continuity/Differentiability- 5 Questions

- Rules for differentiability
  - Right-hand and Left-hand derivatives (slopes) must be the same
  - NO: cusps, vertical tangents, discontinuities
- Rules for Continuity
  - Graph can be drawn without lifting pencil
    - NO: holes or asymptotes
- Know how to evaluate continuity/differentiability of piecewise functions
- Know how to interpret limit notations when dealing with continuity and differentiability

Tangent lines/slopes- 6 Questions

- Write an equation for a tangent line given:
  - $f(x)$  and a point or  $x$ -value
  - graph of  $f'(x)$  and a point
    - $f'(a)$  = slope (look at the  $y$  value on the graph!)
- Find a tangent line parallel to another line
- Find the point where two functions have parallel tangents (set derivatives equal)
- Find the point where the slope of  $f(x)$  = a specific value.

Average Rate of Change on an interval (1 Question)

- Do not use the derivative. Use the formula:
  - $\frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$

Velocity/Acceleration- 2 Questions

- Know how to find  $v(t)$  and  $a(t)$  given  $s(t)$ . Also, be able to find where the velocity or acceleration are equal to zero.
- Know how to find the maximum velocity or acceleration

Derivatives/Rules for Derivatives- 10 Questions

- Know all rules for differentiation (formulas AND basics, i.e. constant multiple rule)
  - Emphasis on trig functions, exponential and logarithmic functions
- DON'T FORGET:
  - Chain Rule
  - Product Rule
  - Quotient Rule
- Know how to evaluate a derivative at a point
- "Instantaneous Rate of Change" = slope = derivative

### Implicit Differentiation- 2 Questions

- Use when you cannot solve for  $y$ .
- Differentiate with respect to  $x$ 
  - Always write  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  after you differentiate any term with a “ $y$ ”

### Comparing $f$ , $f'$ , and $f''$ (including finding max/min/inc/dec/concavity/POI)- 13 Questions

- Find maximums, minimums, and critical points given a graph of  $f'$
- Find inflection points given  $f''(x)$  factored
- CIPPMXMXIP
  - First derivative tells you: increasing and decreasing intervals, Max/Mins
  - Second derivative tells you: concave up and down intervals, Points of Inflection
    - Find critical points (where  $f'/f'' = 0$  or undefined), make a sign chart.

### Related Rates- 3 Questions

- Differentiate all variables (rate you know and want to know) with respect to  $t$ .
- Know Circumference/Area of a circle
- Know Area of a triangle, Pythagorean Thm, etc.

### Optimization- 1 Question

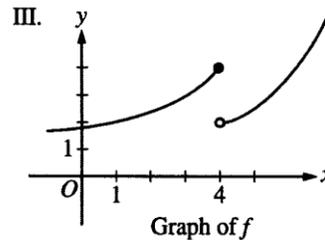
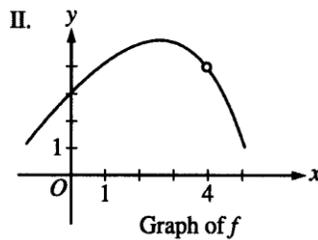
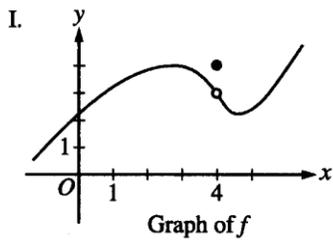
- Finding the max/min given some conditions. Make sure you only differentiate one variable
- Know how to maximize a product of two numbers

### **Tips for the Calculator Test (17 Questions):**

- Use  $\text{nderiv}(\text{function}, x, \text{value})$  to find the derivative of any function at a point
- Graph the derivative of a function using  $y = \text{nderiv}(\text{function}, x, x)$
- When in doubt, look at a graph
- Instead of trying to solve a difficult equation, to find where a function (or derivative) equals a certain value, calculate the intersection of:  
Y1 = function  
Y2 = value you want function to be equal to
- Know how to calculate Zeros, Maximums, Minimums, and Intersections on the calculator
- Remember to adjust your window and table to fit what you are looking for

**CALCULATOR REVIEW**

1. For which of the following does  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x)$  exist?



2. What is the average rate of change of  $y = \frac{\cos x}{x^2 + x + 2}$  on the closed interval  $[-2, 2]$ ?

3.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - \cos x - 2x}{x^2 - 2x}$

4. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = -\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = \frac{2}{3}$ , find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ .

5. An object is dropped from the top of a tower. Its height, in meters, above the ground after  $t$  seconds is given by the equation  $y = 300 - 4.9t^2$ . Give answers with correct units.

- (a) What is the height of the object after 3 seconds?
- (b) What is the average speed of the object over the first 3 seconds?
- (c) What is the instantaneous speed of the object at 3 seconds?
- (d) Write the equation of the tangent line to the graph of  $y$  when  $t = 3$ .

6. A particle moves along the  $x$ -axis so that at any time  $t \geq 0$ , its velocity is given by  $v(t) = 2 + 4.1 \cos(0.8t)$ . What is the acceleration of the particle at time  $t = 3$ ?

7. If  $f(x) = \ln(x + 4 + e^x)$ , then  $f'(0)$  is?

8. If  $f$  is a differentiable function, then  $f'(a)$  is given by which of the following?

I.  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$

II.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$

III.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

9. The function  $f$  is continuous on  $[-2, 2]$  and  $f(-2) = f(2) = 0$ . If there is no  $c$ , where  $-2 < c < 2$ , for which  $f'(c) = 0$ , which of the following must be true?

- (A) For  $-2 < k < 2$ ,  $f'(k) > 0$ .
- (B) For  $-2 < k < 2$ ,  $f'(k) < 0$ .
- (C) For  $-2 < k < 2$ ,  $f'(k)$  exists.
- (D) For  $-2 < k < 2$ ,  $f'(k)$  exists, but  $f$  is not continuous.
- (E) For some  $k$ , where  $-2 < k < 2$ ,  $f'(k)$  does not exist.

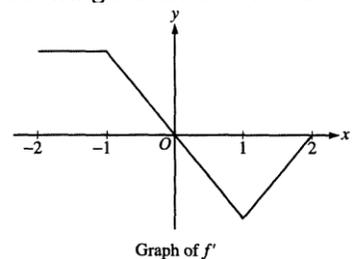
10. A rock is thrown straight into the air. Its height, in meters, above the ground after  $t$  seconds is given by the equation  $s(t) = 32t - 4.9t^2$ . Show your work and give answers with correct units.

- (a) What is the height of the rock after 3 seconds?
- (b) What is the average velocity of the rock over the first 3 seconds?
- (c) What is the instantaneous velocity of the rock at 3 seconds?
- (d) What is the maximum height of the object and how long does it take to fall back to the ground?

11. Let  $f$  be the function given by  $f(x) = 2e^{4x^2}$ . For what value of  $x$  is the slope of the line tangent to the graph of  $f$  at  $(x, f(x))$  equal to 4?

12. The graph of  $f'$ , the derivative of the function  $f$ , is shown to the right. Which of the following statements is true?

- (A)  $f$  is decreasing for  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ .
- (B)  $f$  is increasing for  $1 \leq x \leq 2$ .
- (C)  $f$  is not differentiable at  $x = -1$  and  $x = 1$ .
- (D)  $f$  is increasing for  $-2 \leq x \leq 0$ .
- (E)  $f$  has a local minimum at  $x = 0$ .



13. Let  $f$  be a differentiable function such that  $f(3) = 2$  and  $f'(3) = 5$ . If the tangent line to the graph of  $f$  at  $x = 3$  is used to find an approximation to a zero of  $f$ , find that approximation.
14. Let  $f$  be the function given by  $f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 + 3x + k$ , where  $k$  is a constant.
- On what intervals is  $f(x)$  increasing?
  - On what intervals is the graph of  $f(x)$  concave downward?
  - Find the value of  $k$  for which  $f(x)$  has 11 as its relative minimum.
15. The radius of a circle is increasing at a constant rate of 0.4 meters per second. What is the rate of increase in the area of the circle at the instant when the circumference of the circle is  $25\pi$  meters?
16. In the right triangle with a hypotenuse of 13, if  $\theta$  increases at a constant rate of 2 radians per minute, at what rate is  $x$  (the side opposite  $\theta$ ) increasing in units per minute when  $x$  equals 5 units?
17. Let  $f$  be the function with derivative given by  $f'(x) = \cos(x^2 + 1)$ . How many relative extrema does  $f$  have on the interval  $1 < x < 5$ ?
18. The position of a particle moving along the  $x$ -axis is given by the function  $x(t) = e^t + t e^t$ . What is the average velocity of the particle from time  $t = 0$  to time  $t = 5$ ?
19. Consider the curve defined by  $-8x^2 + 5xy + y^3 = -125$
- Find  $dy/dx$ .
  - Write an equation for the line tangent to the curve at  $(3, -1)$ .
  - There is a number  $k$  such that  $(3.2, k)$  is on the curve. Using the tangent line in part (b), approximate the value of  $k$ .
  - Write an equation that can be solved to find the actual value of  $k$  such that  $(3.2, k)$  is on the curve.
  - Solve the equation in part (d) for the value of  $k$ .
20. If  $y = 5^x + 4x - 2$ , Find  $dy/dx$ .

## NON-CALCULATOR REVIEW

1.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2x-1)(3-x)}{(x-1)(x+3)}$

2. What are all the horizontal asymptotes of the graph of  $y = \frac{5+2^x}{1-2^x}$  in the  $xy$ -plane?

3.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x - 4}{4x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x - 1}$

4.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{5x^4 + 8x^2}{3x^4 - 16x^2}$

5.  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2 \sin^2 \theta}$

6. If the function  $f$  is continuous for all real numbers and if  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x + 2}$  when  $x \neq -2$ , then  $f(-2) =$

7. If  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \ln x & \text{for } 0 < x \leq 2 \\ x^2 \ln 2 & \text{for } 2 < x \leq 4 \end{cases}$  then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$  is

8. Let  $f$  be the function defined by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{x+1} & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 5-x & \text{for } 3 < x \leq 5 \end{cases}$

(a) Is  $f$  continuous at  $x = 3$ ? Explain why or why not.

(b) Find the average rate of change of  $f(x)$  on the closed interval  $[0, 3]$ .

(c) Suppose the function  $g$  is defined by  $g(x) = \begin{cases} k\sqrt{x+1} & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ mx + 2 & \text{for } 3 < x \leq 5 \end{cases}$  where  $k$  and  $m$  are constants. If  $g$  is continuous at  $x = 3$ , what is the value of  $k$  when  $m = 2$ ?

9. If  $y = \frac{3}{4+x^2}$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx} =$

10.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4(x^3 - 5x^2 + x - 4)}{4x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 3}$

11. If the line tangent to the graph of the function  $f$  at the point  $(1, 7)$  passes through the point  $(-2, -2)$ , then  $f'(1)$  is
12.  $\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{x^3} - \frac{1}{x} + x^2 \right)$  at  $x = -1$  is
13. If  $f(x) = \sqrt{2x}$ , then  $f'(2) =$
14. A particle moves along the  $x$ -axis so that at time  $t \geq 0$  its position is given by  $x(t) = 2t^3 - 21t^2 + 72t - 53$ . At what time  $t$  is the particle at rest?
15. If  $y = \frac{2x+3}{3x+2}$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx} =$
16. A particle moves along a line so that its position, in meters, at any time  $t \geq 0$ , in seconds, is given by  $s(t) = 2t^3 - 11t^2 + 12t - 13$ . Show your work and give answers with correct units.
- Write the velocity of the particle as a function of time,  $t$ .
  - Write the acceleration of the particle as a function of time,  $t$ .
  - When is the particle at rest? What is its acceleration at these times?
  - When does the particle change direction? Justify your answer.
17. The graph of  $y = -5/(x-2)$  is concave downward for which values of  $x$ ?
18. The function defined by  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2$  for all real numbers  $x$  has a relative maximum at  $x = ?$
19. If  $f''(x) = x(x+1)(x-2)^2$ , then the graph of  $f$  has inflection points when  $x = ?$
20.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2x-1)(3-x)}{(x-1)(x+3)}$
21. If  $f(x) = \cos(3x)$ , then  $f'(\pi/9) =$

22. In the  $xy$ -plane, what is the slope of the line tangent to the graph of  $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 7$  at  $(3, 2)$ ?

23. A particle moves along the  $x$ -axis so that its position at time  $t$  is given by  $x(t) = t^2 - 6t + 5$ . For what value of  $t$  is the velocity of the particle zero?

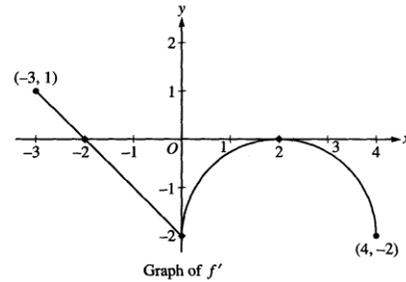
24. Let  $f$  be a function defined on the closed interval  $-3 \leq x \leq 4$ . The graph of  $f'$ , the derivative of  $f$ , consists of one line segment and a semicircle, as shown to the right.

a) On what intervals, if any, is  $f$  increasing?

b) On what intervals, if any, is  $f$  concave upward?

c) Find the  $x$ -coordinate of each point of inflection of the graph of  $f$  on the open interval  $-3 < x < 4$ .

d) Find an equation for the line tangent to the graph of  $f$  at the point  $(0, 3)$ .



25. Let  $f$  be the function with derivative given by  $f'(x) = x^2 - 2/x$ . On which of the following intervals is  $f$  decreasing?

26. If  $y = 3x - 6$ , what is the minimum value of the product  $xy$ ?

27. Let  $g$  be a twice-differentiable function with  $g'(x) > 0$  and  $g''(x) > 0$  for all real numbers  $x$ , such that  $g(4) = 12$  and  $g(5) = 18$ . Of the following, which is a possible value for  $g(6)$ ?

28. If  $f(x) = x^2 + 2x$ , then  $\frac{dy}{dx}(f(\ln x)) =$

29. If  $\cos(xy) = x$ , then  $dy/dx =$

30. The volume of a cylindrical tin can with a top and a bottom is to be  $16\pi$  cubic inches. If a minimum amount of tin is to be used to construct the can, what must be the height, in inches, of the can?

31. The volume  $V$  of a cone ( $V = \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 h$ ) is increasing at the rate of  $28\pi$  cubic ft. per second. At the instant when the radius,  $r$ , of the cone is 3 ft., its volume is  $12\pi$  cubic ft. and the radius is increasing at  $\frac{1}{2}$  ft. per second.

- (a) What is the rate of change of the area of its base?      (b) What is the rate of change of its height,  $h$ ?

32. If  $y = 5^x + 4x - 2$ , Find  $dy/dx$ .

33. If  $f(x) = \ln(x + 2 + e^x)$ , then  $f'(0)$  is

34. If  $y = \cos(2x)$ , find  $dy/dx$ .

35. If  $y = x^3 \sin(5x)$ , find  $dy/dx$ .

36. What is the slope of the line tangent to the curve  $2y^2 - x^2 = 3 - 3xy$  at the point  $(3, 2)$ ?

37. If  $f(x) = (\ln x)^2$ , then  $f''(e) =$

38. What is the slope of the line tangent to the curve  $y = \arctan(4x)$  at the point  $x = \frac{1}{4}$ ?