

## AP Calculus AB

## Topic 10: Functions, Miscellaneous

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{-4x} = 1$$

$$f(0) = 1$$

$$\text{So, } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = f(0).$$

Therefore,  $f$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ .

(b)  $f'(x) = \begin{cases} -2\cos x & \text{for } x < 0 \\ -4e^{-4x} & \text{for } x > 0 \end{cases}$

$$-2\cos x \neq -3 \text{ for all values of } x < 0.$$

$$-4e^{-4x} = -3 \text{ when } x = -\frac{1}{4}\ln\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) > 0.$$

$$\text{Therefore, } f'(x) = -3 \text{ for } x = -\frac{1}{4}\ln\left(\frac{3}{4}\right).$$

2 : analysis

3 :  $\begin{cases} 2 : f'(x) \\ 1 : \text{value of } x \end{cases}$

(c)  $\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = \int_{-1}^0 f(x) dx + \int_0^1 f(x) dx$   
 $= \int_{-1}^0 (1 - 2\sin x) dx + \int_0^1 e^{-4x} dx$   
 $= \left[ x + 2\cos x \right]_{x=-1}^{x=0} + \left[ -\frac{1}{4}e^{-4x} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1}$   
 $= (3 - 2\cos(-1)) + \left( -\frac{1}{4}e^{-4} + \frac{1}{4} \right)$

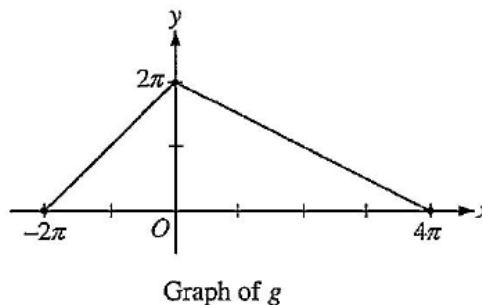
$$\text{Average value} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{13}{8} - \cos(-1) - \frac{1}{8}e^{-4}$$

4 :  $\begin{cases} 1 : \int_{-1}^0 (1 - 2\sin x) dx \text{ and } \int_0^1 e^{-4x} dx \\ 2 : \text{antiderivatives} \\ 1 : \text{answer} \end{cases}$

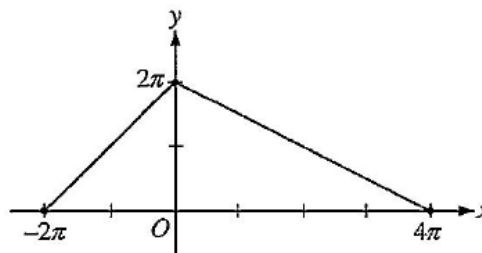
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$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \int_{-2\pi}^{4\pi} f(x) dx &= \int_{-2\pi}^{4\pi} \left( g(x) - \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \right) dx \\ &= 6\pi^2 - \left[ 2\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \right]_{x=-2\pi}^{x=4\pi} \\ &= 6\pi^2 \end{aligned}$$

2 :  $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{antiderivative} \\ 1 : \text{answer} \end{cases}$

$$\text{(b)} \quad f'(x) = g'(x) + \frac{1}{2} \sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) & \text{for } -2\pi < x < 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) & \text{for } 0 < x < 4\pi \end{cases}$$

4 :  $\begin{cases} 1 : \frac{d}{dx}\left(\cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) \\ 1 : g'(x) \\ 1 : x = 0 \\ 1 : x = \pi \end{cases}$

$f'(x)$  does not exist at  $x = 0$ .

For  $-2\pi < x < 0$ ,  $f'(x) \neq 0$ .

For  $0 < x < 4\pi$ ,  $f'(x) = 0$  when  $x = \pi$ .

$f$  has critical points at  $x = 0$  and  $x = \pi$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad h(x) &= g(3x) \cdot 3 \\ h\left(-\frac{\pi}{3}\right) &= 3g(-\pi) = 3\pi \end{aligned}$$

3 :  $\begin{cases} 2 : h'(x) \\ 1 : \text{answer} \end{cases}$

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(a)  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(25 - x^2)^{-1/2}(-2x) = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{25 - x^2}}, \quad -5 < x < 5$

2 :  $f'(x)$

(b)  $f'(-3) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{25 - 9}} = \frac{3}{4}$

$f(-3) = \sqrt{25 - 9} = 4$

An equation for the tangent line is  $y = 4 + \frac{3}{4}(x + 3)$ .

2 :  $\begin{cases} 1 : f'(-3) \\ 1 : \text{answer} \end{cases}$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^-} \sqrt{25 - x^2} = 4$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} (x + 7) = 4$

Therefore,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} g(x) = 4$ .

$g(-3) = f(-3) = 4$

So,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} g(x) = g(-3)$ .

Therefore,  $g$  is continuous at  $x = -3$ .

2 :  $\begin{cases} 1 : \text{considers one-sided limits} \\ 1 : \text{answer with explanation} \end{cases}$

(d) Let  $u = 25 - x^2 \Rightarrow du = -2x dx$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^5 x\sqrt{25 - x^2} dx &= -\frac{1}{2} \int_{25}^0 \sqrt{u} du \\ &= \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right]_{u=25}^{u=0} \\ &= -\frac{1}{3}(0 - 125) = \frac{125}{3} \end{aligned}$$

3 :  $\begin{cases} 2 : \text{antiderivative} \\ 1 : \text{answer} \end{cases}$

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- Find the time  $t$  for which the amount of grass clippings in the bin is equal to the average amount of grass clippings in the bin over the interval  $0 \leq t \leq 30$ .
- For  $t > 30$ ,  $L(t)$ , the linear approximation to  $A$  at  $t = 30$ , is a better model for the amount of grass clippings remaining in the bin. Use  $L(t)$  to predict the time at which there will be 0.5 pound of grass clippings remaining in the bin. Show the work that leads to your answer.

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$$(a) \frac{A(30) - A(0)}{30 - 0} = -0.197 \text{ (or } -0.196) \text{ lbs/day}$$

1 : answer with units

$$(b) A'(15) = -0.164 \text{ (or } -0.163)$$

The amount of grass clippings in the bin is decreasing at a rate of 0.164 (or 0.163) lbs/day at time  $t = 15$  days.

2 :  $\begin{cases} 1 : A'(15) \\ 1 : \text{interpretation} \end{cases}$

$$(c) A(t) = \frac{1}{30} \int_0^{30} A(t) dt \Rightarrow t = 12.415 \text{ (or } 12.414)$$

2 :  $\begin{cases} 1 : \frac{1}{30} \int_0^{30} A(t) dt \\ 1 : \text{answer} \end{cases}$

$$(d) L(t) = A(30) + A'(30) \cdot (t - 30)$$

$$A'(30) = -0.055976$$

$$A(30) = 0.782928$$

$$L(t) = 0.5 \Rightarrow t = 35.054$$

4 :  $\begin{cases} 2 : \text{expression for } L(t) \\ 1 : L(t) = 0.5 \\ 1 : \text{answer} \end{cases}$



Let  $f$  be the function given by  $f(x) = 2xe^{2x}$ .

- (a) Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ .
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$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 2xe^{2x} = \infty$  or DNE

2  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1: 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow -\infty \\ 1: \infty \text{ or DNE as } x \rightarrow \infty \end{array} \right.$

(b)  $f'(x) = 2e^{2x} + 2x \cdot 2 \cdot e^{2x} = 2e^{2x}(1 + 2x) = 0$

if  $x = -1/2$

$f(-1/2) = -1/e$  or  $-0.368$  or  $-0.367$

$-1/e$  is an absolute minimum value because:

- (i)  $f'(x) < 0$  for all  $x < -1/2$  and  
 $f'(x) > 0$  for all  $x > -1/2$

–or–

(ii)  $f'(x) \begin{array}{c} - \qquad \qquad + \\ \hline -1/2 \end{array}$

and  $x = -1/2$  is the only critical number

3  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1: \text{ solves } f'(x) = 0 \\ 1: \text{ evaluates } f \text{ at student's critical point} \\ \quad 0/1 \text{ if not local minimum from} \\ \quad \text{student's derivative} \\ 1: \text{ justifies absolute minimum value} \\ \quad 0/1 \text{ for a local argument} \\ \quad 0/1 \text{ without explicit symbolic} \\ \quad \text{derivative} \end{array} \right.$

Note: 0/3 if no absolute minimum based on student's derivative

- (c) Range of  $f = [-1/e, \infty)$   
 or  $[-0.367, \infty)$   
 or  $[-0.368, \infty)$

1: answer

Note: must include the left-hand endpoint; exclude the right-hand "endpoint"

(d)  $y' = be^{bx} + b^2xe^{bx} = be^{bx}(1 + bx) = 0$

if  $x = -1/b$

At  $x = -1/b$ ,  $y = -1/e$

$y$  has an absolute minimum value of  $-1/e$  for all nonzero  $b$

3  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1: \text{ sets } y' = be^{bx}(1 + bx) = 0 \\ 1: \text{ solves student's } y' = 0 \\ 1: \text{ evaluates } y \text{ at a critical number} \\ \quad \text{and gets a value independent of } b \end{array} \right.$

Note: 0/3 if only considering specific values of  $b$

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$$f''(x) = 24x + 2a$$

$$f'(-1) = 12 - 2a + b = 0$$

$$f''(-2) = -48 + 2a = 0$$

$$a = 24$$

$$b = -12 + 2a = 36$$

$$5 : \begin{cases} 1 : f'(x) \\ 1 : f''(x) \\ 1 : f'(-1) = 0 \\ 1 : f''(-2) = 0 \\ 1 : a, b \end{cases}$$

(b)  $\int_0^1 (4x^3 + 24x^2 + 36x + k) dx$

$$= x^4 + 8x^3 + 18x^2 + kx \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1} = 27 + k$$

$$27 + k = 32$$

$$k = 5$$

$$4 : \begin{cases} 2 : \text{antidifferentiation} \\ < -1 > \text{ each error} \\ 1 : \text{expression in } k \\ 1 : k \end{cases}$$

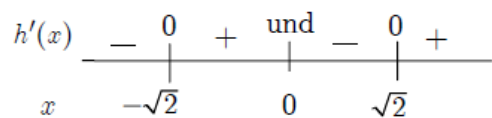
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- On what intervals, if any, is the graph of  $h$  concave up? Justify your answer.
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(a)  $h'(x) = 0$  at  $x = \pm\sqrt{2}$



Local minima at  $x = -\sqrt{2}$  and at  $x = \sqrt{2}$

(b)  $h''(x) = 1 + \frac{2}{x^2} > 0$  for all  $x \neq 0$ . Therefore, the graph of  $h$  is concave up for all  $x \neq 0$ .

(c)  $h'(4) = \frac{16 - 2}{4} = \frac{7}{2}$

$$y + 3 = \frac{7}{2}(x - 4)$$

(d) The tangent line is below the graph because the graph of  $h$  is concave up for  $x > 4$ .

$$4 : \begin{cases} 1 : x = \pm\sqrt{2} \\ 1 : \text{analysis} \\ 2 : \text{conclusions} \\ \quad < -1 > \text{not dealing with} \\ \quad \text{discontinuity at } 0 \end{cases}$$

$$3 : \begin{cases} 1 : h''(x) \\ 1 : h''(x) > 0 \\ 1 : \text{answer} \end{cases}$$

1 : tangent line equation

1 : answer with reason

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 value of  $f(x)$  on the closed interval  $0 \leq x \leq 5$ .  
(c) Suppose the function  $g$  is defined by

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} k\sqrt{x+1} & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ mx + 2 & \text{for } 3 < x \leq 5, \end{cases}$$

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- (a)  $f$  is continuous at  $x = 3$  because

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} f(x) = 2.$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = 2 = f(3).$$

- 2 :  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 : \text{answers "yes" and equates the} \\ \text{values of the left- and right-hand} \\ \text{limits} \\ 1 : \text{explanation involving limits} \end{array} \right.$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } \int_0^5 f(x) dx &= \int_0^3 f(x) dx + \int_3^5 f(x) dx \\ &= \frac{2}{3}(x+1)^{3/2} \Big|_0^3 + \left(5x - \frac{1}{2}x^2\right) \Big|_3^5 \\ &= \left(\frac{16}{3} - \frac{2}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{25}{2} - \frac{21}{2}\right) = \frac{20}{3} \end{aligned}$$

- 4 :  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 : k \int_0^3 f(x) dx + k \int_3^5 f(x) dx \\ \text{(where } k \neq 0) \\ 1 : \text{antiderivative of } \sqrt{x+1} \\ 1 : \text{antiderivative of } 5-x \\ 1 : \text{evaluation and answer} \end{array} \right.$

$$\text{Average value: } \frac{1}{5} \int_0^5 f(x) dx = \frac{4}{3}$$

- (c) Since  $g$  is continuous at  $x = 3$ ,  $2k = 3m + 2$ .

$$g'(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{k}{2\sqrt{x+1}} & \text{for } 0 < x < 3 \\ m & \text{for } 3 < x < 5 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} g'(x) = \frac{k}{4} \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} g'(x) = m$$

Since these two limits exist and  $g$  is differentiable at  $x = 3$ , the two limits are equal. Thus  $\frac{k}{4} = m$ .

- 3 :  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 : 2k = 3m + 2 \\ 1 : \frac{k}{4} = m \\ 1 : \text{values for } k \text{ and } m \end{array} \right.$

$$8m = 3m + 2; m = \frac{2}{5} \text{ and } k = \frac{8}{5}$$



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(c) The function  $h$  satisfies  $h(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{1 - (f(x))^3}$  for  $x \neq 2$ . It is known that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} h(x)$  can be evaluated using

L'Hospital's Rule. Use  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} h(x)$  to find  $f(2)$  and  $f'(2)$ . Show the work that leads to your answers.

(d) It is known that  $g(x) \leq h(x)$  for  $1 < x < 3$ . Let  $k$  be a function satisfying  $g(x) \leq k(x) \leq h(x)$  for  $1 < x < 3$ . Is  $k$  continuous at  $x = 2$ ? Justify your answer.

Functions  $f$ ,  $g$ , and  $h$  are twice-differentiable functions with  $g(2) = h(2) = 4$ . The line  $y = 4 + \frac{2}{3}(x - 2)$  is tangent to both the graph of  $g$  at  $x = 2$  and the graph of  $h$  at  $x = 2$ .

(a) Find  $h'(2)$ .

(b) Let  $a$  be the function given by  $a(x) = 3x^3h(x)$ . Write an expression for  $a'(x)$ . Find  $a'(2)$ .

(c) The function  $h$  satisfies  $h(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{1 - (f(x))^3}$  for  $x \neq 2$ . It is known that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} h(x)$  can be evaluated using

L'Hospital's Rule. Use  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} h(x)$  to find  $f(2)$  and  $f'(2)$ . Show the work that leads to your answers.

(d) It is known that  $g(x) \leq h(x)$  for  $1 < x < 3$ . Let  $k$  be a function satisfying  $g(x) \leq k(x) \leq h(x)$  for  $1 < x < 3$ . Is  $k$  continuous at  $x = 2$ ? Justify your answer.

(a)  $h'(2) = 2/3$  From tangent line equation

(b)  $a(x) = 3x^3h(x)$   
 $a'(x) = 3x^3h'(x) + 9x^2h(x)$   
 $a'(2) = 3(2)^3h'(2) + 9(2)^2h(2)$   
 $= 3(8)(2/3) + 9(4)(4) = 16 + 144 = \underline{160}$

(c)  $h(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4}{1 - (f(x))^3}$  for  $x \neq 2$

If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} h(x)$  can be solved using L'Hopital's Rule, then

$$1 - [f(2)]^3 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{f(2) = 1}$$

But also, since  $h(x)$  is twice-differentiable it must also be continuous, so:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} h(x) = h(2) = 4$$

So, by L'Hopital's Rule,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{1 - [f(x)]^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2x}{-3f(x)^2 f'(x)}$

and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2x}{-3f(x)^2 f'(x)} = \frac{2(2)}{-3f(2)^2 f'(2)} = 4$

$$\frac{4}{(-3)(1)^2 f'(2)} = 4 \Rightarrow f'(2) = \frac{4}{(-3)(4)} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

So  $f(2) = 1$ ,  $f'(2) = -\frac{1}{3}$