

Cascade Schemes for Calculus Exercises

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Introduction

This document collects cascade schemes for exercises, techniques, and fundamental concepts in calculus, organized by chapter. Each scheme follows a hierarchical and synthetic model to facilitate quick consultation and memorization.

1 Integrals

Sample Cascade Scheme: Computing a Definite Integral

Computing a Definite Integral

Key Question: How do you compute a definite integral?

- Check if the integrand is continuous
- Find an antiderivative $F(x)$ of the integrand
- Apply the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus
 - $F(b) - F(a)$
- Consider special cases
 - Improper integrals
 - Discontinuous functions
- Verify the result

2 Multivariate Differential Calculus

Sample Cascade Scheme: Analyzing a Function of Two Variables

Analyzing a Function $f(x)$

Key Question: How do you analyze a function of two variables?

- Domain of definition
- Continuity and differentiability
- Compute gradients
- Find critical points
 - Solve $\nabla f = 0$
- Classify critical points
 - Hessian matrix
 - Maximum, minimum, saddle points
- Constrained extrema (if present)
 - Lagrange multipliers method

3 Differential Equations

Sample Cascade Scheme: Solving a First-Order Linear Differential Equation

First-Order Linear Differential Equation

Key Question: How do you solve $y' + p(x)y = q(x)$?

- Find the integrating factor

- $\mu(x) = e^{\int p(x)dx}$

- Multiply both sides by $\mu(x)$
- Rewrite the left side as the derivative of a product
- Integrate both sides
- Isolate the general solution