

# 2001 AP<sup>®</sup> CALCULUS AB FREE-RESPONSE QUESTIONS

## CALCULUS AB SECTION II, Part B

Time—45 minutes

Number of problems—3

No calculator is allowed for these problems.

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4. Let  $h$  be a function defined for all  $x \neq 0$  such that  $h(4) = -3$  and the derivative of  $h$  is given by

$$h'(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2}{x} \text{ for all } x \neq 0.$$

- (a) Find all values of  $x$  for which the graph of  $h$  has a horizontal tangent, and determine whether  $h$  has a local maximum, a local minimum, or neither at each of these values. Justify your answers.
- (b) On what intervals, if any, is the graph of  $h$  concave up? Justify your answer.
- (c) Write an equation for the line tangent to the graph of  $h$  at  $x = 4$ .
- (d) Does the line tangent to the graph of  $h$  at  $x = 4$  lie above or below the graph of  $h$  for  $x > 4$ ? Why?

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5. A cubic polynomial function  $f$  is defined by

$$f(x) = 4x^3 + ax^2 + bx + k$$

where  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $k$  are constants. The function  $f$  has a local minimum at  $x = -1$ , and the graph of  $f$  has a point of inflection at  $x = -2$ .

- (a) Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .
- (b) If  $\int_0^1 f(x) dx = 32$ , what is the value of  $k$ ?

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6. The function  $f$  is differentiable for all real numbers. The point  $\left(3, \frac{1}{4}\right)$  is on the graph of  $y = f(x)$ , and the slope at each point  $(x, y)$  on the graph is given by  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2(6 - 2x)$ .

- (a) Find  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$  and evaluate it at the point  $\left(3, \frac{1}{4}\right)$ .
- (b) Find  $y = f(x)$  by solving the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2(6 - 2x)$  with the initial condition  $f(3) = \frac{1}{4}$ .

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END OF EXAMINATION

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**Question 6**

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(a) 
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= 2y \frac{dy}{dx} (6 - 2x) - 2y^2 \\ &= 2y^3(6 - 2x)^2 - 2y^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\left. \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right|_{\left(3, \frac{1}{4}\right)} = 0 - 2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 = -\frac{1}{8}$$

(b) 
$$\frac{1}{y^2} dy = (6 - 2x) dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{y} = 6x - x^2 + C$$

$$-4 = 18 - 9 + C = 9 + C$$

$$C = -13$$

$$y = \frac{1}{x^2 - 6x + 13}$$

$$3 : \begin{cases} 2 : \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \\ < -2 > \text{product rule or} \\ &\text{chain rule error} \\ 1 : \text{value at } \left(3, \frac{1}{4}\right) \end{cases}$$

$$6 : \begin{cases} 1 : \text{separates variables} \\ 1 : \text{antiderivative of } dy \text{ term} \\ 1 : \text{antiderivative of } dx \text{ term} \\ 1 : \text{constant of integration} \\ 1 : \text{uses initial condition } f(3) = \frac{1}{4} \\ 1 : \text{solves for } y \end{cases}$$

Note: max 3/6 [1-1-1-0-0-0] if no  
constant of integration

Note: 0/6 if no separation of variables