

2001 AP® 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.

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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(b) Find $y = f(x)$ by solving the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2(6 - 2x)$ with the initial condition $f(3) = \frac{1}{4}$.

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

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

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

(b)
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{y^2} dy &= (6 - 2x) dx \\ -\frac{1}{y} &= 6x - x^2 + C \\ -4 &= 18 - 9 + C = 9 + C \\ C &= -13\end{aligned}$$

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

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