

AP Calculus – Free Response

Post Exam Set #6

Exam Problem #4.) The function f is defined by $f(x) = \sqrt{25-x^2}$ for $-5 \leq x \leq 5$.

(A) Find $f'(x)$.

(B) Write an equation for the line tangent to the graph of f at $x = -3$.

(C) Let g be the function defined by $g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{for } -5 \leq x \leq -3 \\ x+7 & \text{for } -3 < x \leq 5 \end{cases}$. Is g continuous at $x = -3$?

Use the definition of continuity to explain your answer.

(D) Find the value of $\int_0^5 x\sqrt{25-x^2} dx$.

Practice #1 - Let f be a function defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{x+1} & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 5-x & \text{for } 3 < x \leq 5 \end{cases}$. (2003 AB6)

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

(b) Find the average value of f on the closed interval $0 \leq x \leq 5$.

(c) Suppose the function g is defined by $g(x) = \begin{cases} k\sqrt{x+1} & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ mx+2 & \text{for } 3 < x \leq 5 \end{cases}$

Where k and m are constants. If g is differentiable at $x = 3$, what are the values of k and m ?

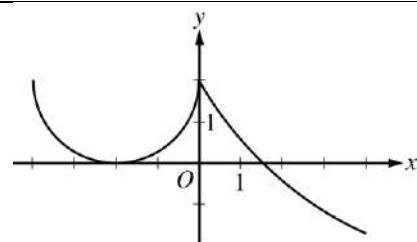
Practice #2 - Let f be a function given by $f(x) = 2xe^{2x}$ (1998 AB2)

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

(b) Find the absolute minimum value of f . Justify that your answer is an absolute minimum.

(c) What is the range of f ?

(d) Consider the family of functions defined by $y = bxe^{bx}$, where b is a nonzero constant. Show that the absolute minimum value of bxe^{bx} is the same for all nonzero values of b .



Graph of f'

Practice #3 - The derivative of a function f is defined by

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} g(x) & \text{for } -4 \leq x \leq 0 \\ 5e^{-x/3} - 3 & \text{for } 0 < x \leq 4 \end{cases}$$

The graph of the continuous function f' , shown in the figure, has x -

intercepts at $x = -2$ and $x = 3 \ln\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)$. The graph of g on $-4 \leq x \leq 0$ is a

semicircle, and $f(0) = 5$. (2009 AB6)

(a) For $-4 < x < 4$, find all values of x at which the graph of f has a point of inflection. Justify your answer.

(b) Find $f(-4)$ and $f(4)$.

(c) For $-4 \leq x \leq 4$, find the value of x at which f has an absolute maximum.