

A.P. Calculus BC Test Three

Section Two

Free-Response

No Calculators

Time—45 minutes

Number of Questions—3

Each of the three questions is worth 9 points. The maximum possible points earned on this section is 27, which represents 50% of the total test score. There is no penalty for guessing.

- **SHOW ALL YOUR WORK.** You will be graded on the methods you use as well as the accuracy of your answers. Correct answers without supporting work may not receive full credit.
- Write all work for each problem in the space provided. Be sure to write clearly and legibly. Erased or crossed out work will not be graded.
- Justifications require that you give mathematical (non-calculator) reasons and that you clearly identify functions, graphs, tables, or other objects that you use.
- Your work must be expressed in mathematical notation rather than calculator syntax. For example, $y'(2) = 3$ may not be written as $nDeriv(Y1,X,2)=3$.
- Unless otherwise specified, answers (numeric or algebraic) need not be simplified. If your answer is given as a decimal approximation, it should be correct to three places after the decimal point.

Good Luck!

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Solution:

Multiple-Choice Answers

- 1 B
- 2 C
- 3 C
- 4 D
- 5 E
- 6 D
- 7 C
- 8 D
- 9 A
- 10 A
- 11 A
- 12 E
- 13 B
- 14 D
- 15 C

Free-response questions begin on the next page.

1. A person has 340 yards of fencing for enclosing two separate fields, one of which is to be a rectangle twice as long as it is wide, and the other a square. The field must contain at least 100 square yards and the rectangular one must contain at least 800 square yards.
- (a) If x is the width of the rectangular field, what are the maximum and minimum possible values of x ?

Solution: Let y be the width of the square field. Then the rectangle has perimeter $x + x + 2x + 2x = 6x$ and the square has perimeter $4y$; hence, $6x + 4y = 340$. Since $y^2 \geq 100$ and $x^2 \geq 800$, we have $y \geq 10$ and $x \geq 20$. Therefore,

$$4y = 340 - 6x$$

$$y = 85 - \frac{3}{2}x$$

and so

$$y \geq 10$$

$$85 - \frac{3}{2}x \geq 10$$

$$-\frac{3}{2}x \geq -75$$

$$x \leq 50$$

and we have that the maximum of x is 50 and the minimum of x is 20. This part is worth 4 points:

- 1: equation relating x and y
- 1: inequalities in x and y
- 1: maximum x
- 1: minimum x

- (b) What is the greatest number of square yards that can be enclosed in the two fields? Justify your answer.

Solution: Let A be the total area. Then

$$A = 2x^2 + y^2 = 2x^2 + \left(85 - \frac{3}{2}x\right)^2 = \frac{17}{4}x^2 - 255x + 7225.$$

We seek the maximum, so we find critical points of the derivative:

$$A' = \frac{17}{2}x - 255$$

Setting this equal to zero and solving gives $x = 30$; however, the second derivative is positive, indicating that $x = 30$ is a minimum. Thus, the maxima occur at the endpoints—either $x = 20$ or $x = 50$. (Alternatively, one could say that $A(x)$ is a positive parabola which only has a minimum—again indicating the maximum occurs at the endpoints.)

At $x = 20$, $y = 55$, so that $A = 3825$; at $x = 50$, $y = 10$, so that $A = 5100$. Thus, 5100 is the greatest number of square yards that can be enclosed. This part is worth 5 points:

- 1: area equation
- 2: derivative, or uses parabola argument
- 1: rules out $x = 30$ as a maximum
- 1: finds maximum value

[This question is taken from the 1972 AB Exam.]

2. A function f is continuous on the closed interval $[-3, 3]$ such that $f(-3) = 4$ and $f(3) = 1$. The function f' and f'' have the properties given in the table below.

x	$-3 < x < -1$	$x = -1$	$-1 < x < 1$	$x = 1$	$1 < x < 3$
$f'(x)$	positive	fails to exist	negative	0	negative
$f''(x)$	positive	fails to exist	positive	0	negative

- (a) What are the x -coordinates of all absolute maximum and absolute minimum points of f on the interval $[-3, 3]$? Justify your answer.

Solution: The absolute maximum occurs at $x = -1$ because f is increasing on the interval $[-3, -1]$ and decreasing on the interval $[-1, 3]$. The absolute minimum must occur at $x = 1$ or at an endpoint. However, f is decreasing on the interval $[-1, 3]$; therefore, the absolute minimum is at an endpoint. Since $f(-3) = 4 > 1 = f(3)$, the absolute minimum is at $x = 3$. This part is worth 4 points:

- 1: absolute maximum
- 1: absolute minimum
- 2: justification

- (b) What are the x -coordinates of all points of inflection of f on the interval $[-3, 3]$? Justify your answer.

Solution: There is an inflection point at $x = 1$ because the graph changes from concave up to concave down (or f'' changes from positive to negative) there. This part is worth 2 points:

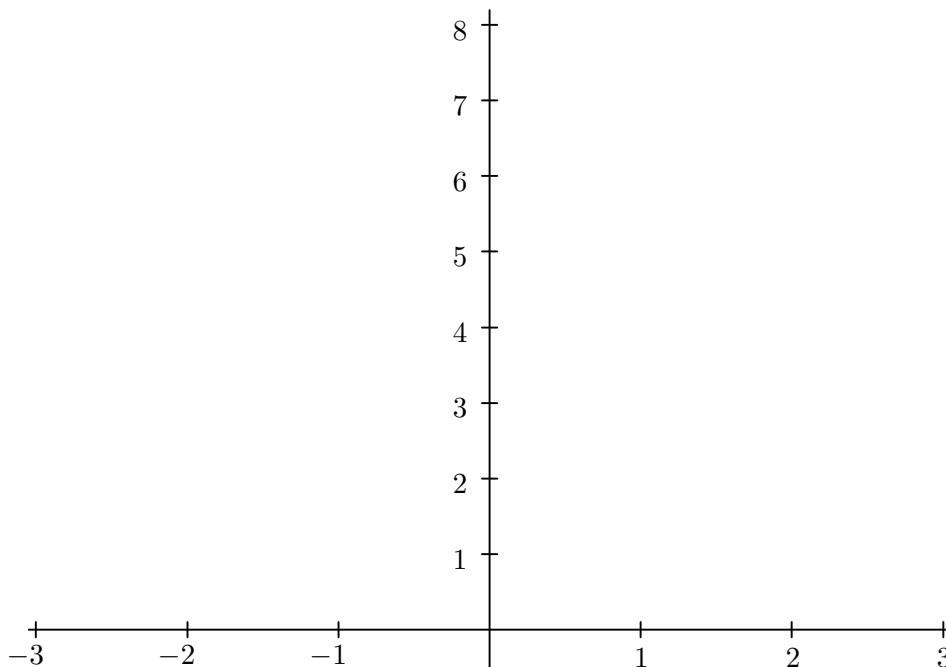
- 1: inflection point
- 1: justification

- (c) On the axes provided, sketch a graph that satisfies the given properties of f .

Solution: This part is worth 3 points:

- 1: endpoints at $(-3, 4)$ and $(3, 1)$
- 1: increasing/decreasing, and max at $x = -1$
- 1: concavity, and inflection at $x = 1$

[This question is taken from the 1984 AB Exam.]



3. Let $F(x) = \frac{x}{1+x^2}$.

(a) Determine if F is an odd or even function, then find all asymptotes of F .

Solution: Since

$$F(-x) = \frac{-x}{1+(-x)^2} = -\frac{x}{1+x^2} = -F(x)$$

we have that F is an odd function. Since the denominator of F is never zero, there are no vertical asymptotes. The horizontal asymptote is the line $y = 0$. This part is worth 2 points:

- 1: determines F is odd
- 1: asymptote at $y = 0$

(b) Give the x -coordinates of all local maximum and minimum points of F .

Solution: The derivative is

$$F'(x) = \frac{1+x^2 - x(2x)}{(1+x^2)^2} = \frac{1-x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} = \frac{(1-x)(1+x)}{(1+x^2)^2};$$

setting $F'(x) = 0$ and solving gives $x = \pm 1$. Since $F' < 0$ for $x > 1$, and since F is odd, we must have a maximum at $x = 1$ and a minimum at $x = -1$. This part is worth 3 points:

- 1: derivative
- 1: $x = 1$ is a maximum with justification
- 1: $x = -1$ is a minimum with justification

- (c) Find the x -coordinates of all inflection points of f .

Solution: We need the second derivative:

$$\begin{aligned} F''(x) &= \frac{(-2x)(1+x^2)^2 - (1-x^2)(4x)(1+x^2)}{(1+x^2)^4} \\ &= \frac{(1+x^2)(-2x - 2x^3 - 4x + 4x^3)}{(1+x^2)^4} = \frac{2x(x^2 - 3)}{(1+x^2)^3} \end{aligned}$$

Setting $F''(x) = 0$ and solving gives $x = -\sqrt{3}, 0, \sqrt{3}$. This part is worth 2 points:

- 1: second derivative
- 1: all three inflection points

- (d) Find the equation of the line tangent to the graph of F at $x = 0$ and use it to approximate $F(0.1)$.

Solution: The slope of the tangent is $F'(0) = 1$ and the tangent passes through the origin; therefore, the tangent line is $y = x$. Hence, $F(0.1) \approx 0.1$. This part is worth 2 points:

- 1: tangent line
- 1: approximation of $F(0.1)$.