

A.P. Calculus BC Test Six
Section Two
Free-Response
Calculators Allowed
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.
- You are permitted to use your calculator to solve an equation or graph a function without showing work. However, you must clearly indicate the setup of your problem.
- Your work must be expressed in mathematical notation rather than calculator syntax. For example, $\int_1^5 x^2 dx$ may not be written as `fnInt(X^2,X,1,5)`.
- 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 C
- 2 E
- 3 D
- 4 A
- 5 D
- 6 A
- 7 D
- 8 C
- 9 A
- 10 D
- 11 B
- 12 A
- 13 D
- 14 A
- 15 D

Free-response questions begin on the next page.

1. Let

$$P_4(x) = 7 - 3(x - 4) + 5(x - 4)^2 - 2(x - 4)^3 + 6(x - 4)^4$$

be a Taylor polynomial of order four for the function f at $x = 4$. Assume f has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers.

(a) Find $f(4)$ and $f''(4)$.

Solution: Clearly, $f(4) = 7$ and $f''(4) = 10$. This part is worth 2 points:

1: value of $f(4)$

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(b) Write the second-degree Taylor polynomial for f' about 4 and use it to approximate $f'(4.3)$.

Solution:

$$f'(x) \approx -3 + 10(x - 4) - 6(x - 4)^2$$

which gives $f'(4.3) \approx -0.54$. This part is worth 3 points:

2: Taylor polynomial for $f'(x)$

–1 for each incorrect or extra term, or +...

1: value of $f'(4.3)$

- (c) Write the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial for $g(x) = \int_4^x f(t) dt$ at $x = 4$.

Solution:

$$g(x) \approx 7(x - 4) - \frac{3}{2}(x - 4)^2 + \frac{5}{3}(x - 4)^3 - \frac{1}{2}(x - 4)^4$$

This part is worth 3 points:

- 3: Taylor polynomial for $g(x)$
-1 for each incorrect or extra term or $+\dots$

- (d) Can the exact value of $f(3)$ be determined from the information given? Justify your answer.

Solution: The exact value cannot be determined because we are only given values of f at $x = 4$. This part is worth 1 point:

- 1: answer with justification

[This question is taken from the 1997 BC Exam.]

2. Two particles move in the xy -plane. For time $t \geq 0$, the position of particle A is given by $x = t - 2$ and $y = (t - 2)^3$, and the position of particle B is given by $x = \frac{3t}{2} - 4$ and $y = \frac{3t}{2} + 2$.
- (a) Find the velocity vector for each particle at time $t = 3$.

Solution: Particle A :

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \langle 1, 3(t - 2)^2 \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{v}(3) = \langle 1, 3 \rangle$$

Particle B :

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \left\langle \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle = \mathbf{v}(3)$$

This part is worth 3 points:

- 1: expression for velocity of A
- 1: value of velocity of A at $t = 3$
- 1: velocity of B

- (b) Set up an integral expression that gives the distance traveled by particle A from $t = 0$ to $t = 3$. Do not evaluate.

Solution: This is just arc length.

$$\int_0^3 \sqrt{1 + [3(t - 2)^2]^2} dt$$

This part is worth 2 points:

- 2: integral

- (c) Determine the exact time at which the particles collide; that is, when the particles are at the same point at the same time. Justify your answer.

Solution: The x -coordinates of A and B must be the same for collision; hence we solve:

$$t - 2 = \frac{3t}{2} - 4$$

$$2t - 4 = 3t - 8$$

$$t = 4$$

Now we check the y -coordinates at $t = 4$: the y value of A is $(4 - 2)^3 = 8$ and the y value of B is $\frac{3(4)}{2} + 2 = 8$. Therefore, the particles are at the same point $(2, 8)$ when $t = 4$. This part is worth 3 points:

- 1: sets either x or y coordinates equal
- 1: value $t = 4$
- 1: justification

- (d) Sketch the paths of the particles A and B from $t = 0$ until they collide. Indicate the direction of each particle along its path.

Solution: The path of particle A is the graph of $y = x^3$ from $(-2, -8)$ to $(2, 8)$; that of particle B is the graph of $y = x + 4$ from $(-4, 2)$ to $(2, 8)$. This part is worth 1 point:

- 1: graphs with direction

[This question is taken from the 1995 BC Exam.]

3. Consider the family of polar curves defined by $r = 2 + \cos k\theta$, where k is a positive integer.
- (a) Show that the area of the region enclosed by the curve does not depend on the value of k . What is the area?

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (2 + \cos k\theta)^2 d\theta &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (4 + 4 \cos k\theta + \cos^2 k\theta) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\frac{9}{2} + 4 \cos k\theta + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2k\theta \right) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{9}{2} \theta + \frac{4}{k} \sin k\theta + \frac{1}{4k} \sin 2k\theta \right) \Big|_0^{2\pi} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (9\pi) = \frac{9\pi}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the area is independent of the value of k . This part is worth 5 points:

- 1: in the form $\frac{1}{2} \int r^2 d\theta$
 - 1: limits of integration
 - 2: antiderivative
 - 1: answer
- Note: zero points if plugs in specific value of k

- (b) Write an expression in terms of k and θ for the slope dy/dx of the curve.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{r' \sin \theta + r \cos \theta}{r' \cos \theta - r \sin \theta} \\ &= \frac{-k \sin k\theta \sin \theta + (2 + \cos k\theta) \cos \theta}{-k \sin k\theta \cos \theta - (2 + \cos k\theta) \sin \theta}\end{aligned}$$

This part is worth 2 points:

2: derivative in terms of k and θ

- (c) If k is a multiple of 4, then find the value of dy/dx at $\theta = \pi/4$.

Solution: If k is a multiple of 4, then $k\theta$ is a multiple of π ; this implies that $\sin k\theta = 0$ and $\cos k\theta = \pm 1$. Hence,

$$\frac{-k \sin k\theta \sin \theta + (2 + \cos k\theta) \cos \theta}{-k \sin k\theta \cos \theta - (2 + \cos k\theta) \sin \theta} = \frac{(2 \pm 1)(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2})}{-(2 \pm 1)(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2})} = -1$$

This part is worth 2 points:

2: value of dy/dx