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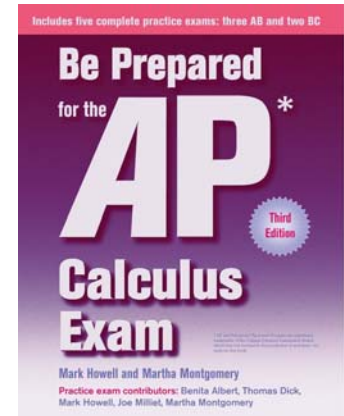
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2016 AB
AP Calculus Free-Response
Solutions and Notes

Question AB-1

- (a) $R'(2) \approx \frac{R(3) - R(1)}{3 - 1} = \frac{950 - 1190}{3 - 1} = -120$ liters per hour per hour.
- (b) The left Riemann sum approximation is $1340 \cdot 1 + 1190 \cdot 2 + 950 \cdot 3 + 740 \cdot 2 = 8050$ liters. This is an overestimate, since $R(t)$ is decreasing for $0 \leq t \leq 8$.
- (c) The amount of water pumped into the tank from $t = 0$ to $t = 8$ is $\int_0^8 W(t) dt \approx 7836.195$.^{□1} So the amount of water in the tank at $t = 8$ is approximately $50000 + 7836.195 - 8050 = 49786$ liters.
- (d) Yes. The function $f(t) = W(t) - R(t)$ is continuous. $f(0) = 2000 - 1340 > 0$ and $f(8) \approx 81.524 - 700 < 0$. By the Intermediate Value Theorem, there is a time t , $0 < t < 8$ when $f(t) = 0$. At that time, $W(t) = R(t)$.

□ Notes:

1. Use the given names for the functions in your answers, rather than their formulas, to avoid transcription errors.
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Question AB-2

- (a) $v(4) \approx 2.979$ and $v'(4) \approx -1.164$. Since the velocity is positive and decreasing at $t = 4$, the particle is slowing down.
- (b) The particle changes direction only at $t \approx 2.707$ on the interval $0 < t < 3$, since the velocity changes sign at that time and at no other time on that interval.
- (c) $x(0) = 2 + \int_4^0 v(t) dt \approx -3.815$.
- (d) $\int_0^3 |v(t)| dt \approx 5.301$.

Question AB-3

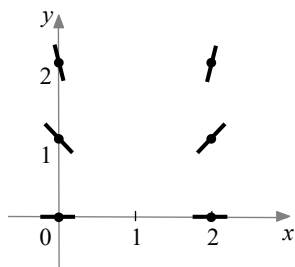
- (a) Neither. $g'(x) = f(x)$ and $f(x)$ does not change sign at $x = 10$.
- (b) Yes, because $g'(x) = f(x)$ changes from increasing to decreasing at $x = 4$.
- (c) The only points where g could have an absolute maximum or absolute minimum are $x = -4$, $x = -2$, $x = 6$, and $x = 12$. $g(-4) = -4$, $g(-2) = -8$, $g(6) = 8$, $g(12) = -4$. The absolute minimum is -8 and the absolute maximum is 8 . \square_1
- (d) $g(x) \leq 0$ on $-4 \leq x \leq 2$ and on $10 \leq x \leq 12$. \square_2

Notes:

- The candidate test is the easiest way to justify absolute extrema for a continuous function on a closed interval.
- $g(2) = 0$ and for $-2 < x < 2$ $g(x) < 0$, because the integrand is positive and we are integrating from right to left. Integrating from $x = -2$ to $x = -4$ only increases g by 4, not enough to make it positive. For $x > 2$, $g(10)$, and g decreases on the interval $[10, 12]$.

Question AB-4

(a)



(b) $\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=2, y=3} = 9$. An equation for the tangent line is $y - 3 = 9(x - 2)$.

$$f(2.1) \approx 3 + 9 \cdot 0.1 = 3.9. \quad \square_1$$

(c) Separating variables, we get $y^{-2} dy = \frac{dx}{x-1} \Rightarrow \int y^{-2} dy = \int \frac{dx}{x-1} \Rightarrow$

$$-\frac{1}{y} = \ln|x-1| + C. \text{ Using the initial condition, } -\frac{1}{3} = \ln(1) + C \Rightarrow C = -\frac{1}{3}. \text{ So}$$

$$-\frac{1}{y} = \ln|x-1| - \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{3} - \ln|x-1|. \text{ Since the initial condition is given at } x = 2,$$

$$\text{we can remove the absolute value: } f(x) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3} - \ln(x-1)}. \quad \square_2$$

Notes:

1. Be careful not to make the claim that $f(2.1) = 3.9$. The use of = in approximations of this kind is usually penalized.
2. The natural domain of this solution is $1 < x < 1 + \sqrt[3]{e}$, but it is not necessary to include the domain unless it is specifically asked for in the problem.

Question AB-5

$$(a) \quad \frac{1}{10} \int_0^{10} \left(\frac{1}{20} (3+h^2) \right) dh = \frac{1}{200} \int_0^{10} (3+h^2) dh = \frac{1}{200} \left(3h + \frac{h^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^{10} =$$

$$\frac{1}{200} \left(30 + \frac{1000}{3} \right) \text{ inches. } \square_1$$

$$(b) \quad \text{Volume} = \int_0^{10} \pi r^2 dh = \pi \int_0^{10} \left(\frac{1}{20} (3+h^2) \right)^2 dh = \frac{\pi}{400} \int_0^{10} (9+6h^2+h^4) dh =$$

$$\frac{\pi}{400} \left(9h + 2h^3 + \frac{h^5}{5} \right) \Big|_0^{10} = \frac{\pi}{400} (90 + 2000 + 20000) \text{ cubic inches. } \square_2$$

$$(c) \quad \frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{1}{20} \left(2h \frac{dh}{dt} \right). \text{ At } h = 3, \text{ this is}$$

$$\frac{1}{20} \left(2h \frac{dh}{dt} \right) = \frac{1}{20} \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{dh}{dt} = -\frac{1}{5} \Rightarrow \frac{dh}{dt} = -\frac{2}{3} \text{ inches per second.}$$

Notes:

1. You can leave the answer unsimplified. For the record, it is $\frac{109}{60}$.

2. Again, the unsimplified answer is sufficient to receive full credit. This is $\frac{2209\pi}{40}$.

Question AB-6

$$(a) \quad k(3) = f(g(3)) = f(6) = 4 \text{ and } k'(3) = f'(g(3)) \cdot g'(3) = f'(6) \cdot g'(3) = 5 \cdot 2 = 10.$$

An equation for the tangent line is $y - 4 = 10(x - 3)$.

$$(b) \quad h'(1) = \frac{f(1)g'(1) - g(1)f'(1)}{f^2(1)} = \frac{-48 - 6}{36} = -\frac{3}{2}.$$

$$(c) \quad \int_1^3 f''(2x) dx = \frac{1}{2} f'(2x) \Big|_1^3 = \frac{1}{2} (f'(6) - f'(2)) = \frac{1}{2} (5 - (-2)) = \frac{7}{2}.$$

2016 BC

AP Calculus Free-Response Solutions and Notes

Question BC-1

See AB Question 1.

Question BC-2

(a) $x(3) = x(0) + \int_0^3 x'(t) dt = 5 + \int_0^3 t^2 + \sin(3t^2) dt \approx 14.377$. From the graph,
 $y(3) = -\frac{1}{2}$. At $t = 3$. The particle is at $\left(14.377, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$.

(b) The slope is $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} / \frac{dx}{dt} \Big|_{t=3} = \frac{1/2}{9 + \sin(27)} \approx 0.050$.

(c) The speed is $\sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} = \sqrt{(9 + \sin(27))^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} \approx 9.969$. ^{□1}

(d) Distance traveled =
 $\int_0^1 \sqrt{(t^2 + \sin(3t^2))^2 + (-2)^2} dt + \int_1^2 \sqrt{(t^2 + \sin(3t^2))^2 + (0)^2} dt \approx 4.350$. ^{□2}

□ Notes:

1. Or 9.968, if truncated at the third decimal place.

2. Or 4.349, if truncated at the third decimal place.

Question BC-3

See AB Question 3.

Question BC-4

$$(a) \quad \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2x - \frac{1}{2} \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x - \frac{1}{2} \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{2}y \right) = 2x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{y}{4}.$$

(b) At $(-2, 8)$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = (-2)^2 - \frac{8}{2} = 0$ and $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2(-2) - \frac{4}{2} + \frac{8}{4} = -4 < 0$, so the particular solution has a local maximum at $(-2, 8)$.

(c) Both the numerator and the denominator approach 0, so we can apply L'Hospital's

Rule: $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \left(\frac{g(x) - 2}{3(x+1)^2} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \left(\frac{g'(x)}{6(x+1)} \right)$. Again, both the numerator and the

denominator approach 0, so we can apply L'Hospital's Rule a second time:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \left(\frac{g'(x)}{6(x+1)} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \left(\frac{g''(x)}{6} \right). \text{ From Part (a), } g''(-1) = 2(-1) - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = -2 \Rightarrow$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \left(\frac{g''(x)}{6} \right) = \frac{-2}{6} = -\frac{1}{3}.$$

(d) At $(0, 2)$ the slope is -1 . $y(0.5) \approx 2 - 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$. At $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right)$ the slope is

$$\frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4} = -\frac{1}{2}. \quad y(1) \approx \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{4}.$$

Question BC-5

See AB Question 5.

Question BC-6

$$(a) \quad 1 - \frac{1}{2}(x-1) + \frac{1}{4} \frac{(x-1)^2}{2!} - \frac{2}{8} \frac{(x-1)^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n (n-1)!}{2^n n!} (x-1)^n + \dots =$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{2}(x-1) + \frac{1}{8}(x-1)^2 - \frac{1}{24}(x-1)^3 + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n}{n \cdot 2^n} (x-1)^n + \dots$$

(b) At $x = -1$, the series is

$$1 - \frac{1}{2}(-2) + \frac{1}{8}(-2)^2 - \frac{1}{24}(-2)^3 + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n}{n \cdot 2^n} (-2)^n + \dots = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} + \dots,$$

which is the harmonic series with an additional term, so diverges. At $x = 3$, the series is

$$1 - \frac{1}{2}(2) + \frac{1}{8}(2)^2 - \frac{1}{24}(2)^3 + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n}{n \cdot 2^n} (2)^n + \dots = 1 - 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n}{n} + \dots,$$

which converges, since it is the alternating harmonic series with an additional term. So the interval of convergence is $-1 < x \leq 3$.

(c) $f(1.2) \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot (0.2) + \frac{1}{8}(0.2)^2$. \square_1

(d) The magnitude of the error is bounded by the magnitude of the first omitted term, which is $\left| -\frac{1}{24}(0.2)^3 \right| = \frac{1}{3000} < \frac{1}{1000} = 0.001$.

\square **Notes:**

1. Leave it at this to save time and avoid arithmetic mistakes. (This is equal to 0.905.)
