

AP CALCULUS
Stuff you **MUST** Know Cold

Curve sketching and analysis

$y = f(x)$ must be continuous at each:

critical point: $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ or undefined.

local minimum :

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ goes $(-,0,+)$ or $(-,und,+)$

or $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$.

local maximum :

$\frac{dy}{dx}$ goes $(+,0,-)$ or $(+,und,-)$

or $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$.

pt of inflection : concavity changes.

$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ goes $(+,0,-),(-,0,+)$,

$(+,und,-)$, or $(-,und,+)$

Basic Derivatives

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^n) = nx^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sin x) = \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\cos x) = -\sin x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\tan x) = \sec^2 x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\cot x) = -\csc^2 x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sec x) = \sec x \tan x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\csc x) = -\csc x \cot x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (e^x) = e^x$$

More Derivatives

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sin^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\cos^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\cot^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{1+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sec^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\csc^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (a^x) = a^x \ln a$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\log_a x) = \frac{1}{x \ln a}$$

Differentiation Rules

Chain Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} [f(u)] = f'(u) \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$$

Product Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} (uv) = u \frac{dv}{dx} + \frac{du}{dx} v$$

Quotient Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{u}{v} \right) = \frac{\frac{du}{dx} v - u \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$$

“PLUS A CONSTANT”

The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a)$$

where $F'(x) = f(x)$.

Corollary to FTC

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{a(x)}^{b(x)} f(t) dt = f(b(x)) b'(x) - f(a(x)) a'(x)$$

Intermediate Value Theorem

If the function $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$, then for any number c between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$, there exists a number d in the open interval (a, b) such that $f(d) = c$.

Rolle's Theorem

If the function $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$, the first derivative exist on the interval (a, b) , and $f(a) = f(b)$; then there exists a number $x = c$ on (a, b) such that

$$f'(c) = 0.$$

Mean Value Theorem

If the function $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$, and the first derivative exists on the interval (a, b) , then there exists a number $x = c$ on (a, b) such that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

Theorem of the Mean Value

If the function $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$ and the first derivative exist on the interval (a, b) , then there exists a number $x = c$ on (a, b) such that

$$f(c) = \frac{\int_a^b f(x) dx}{(b - a)}.$$

This value $f(c)$ is the “average value” of the function on the interval $[a, b]$.

Trapezoidal Rule

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \frac{b-a}{2n} [f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + \dots + 2f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n)]$$

Solids of Revolution and friends

Disk Method

$$V = \pi \int_a^b [R(x)]^2 dx$$

Washer Method

$$V = \pi \int_a^b ([R(x)]^2 - [r(x)]^2) dx$$

Shell Method(no longer on AP)

$$V = 2\pi \int_a^b r(x)h(x)dx$$

ArcLength

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + [f'(x)]^2} dx$$

Surface of revolution (No longer on AP)

$$S = 2\pi \int_a^b r(x) \sqrt{1 + [f'(x)]^2} dx$$

Distance, velocity and acceleration

velocity = $\frac{d}{dt}$ (position).

acceleration = $\frac{d}{dt}$ (velocity).

velocity vector = $\left\langle \frac{dx}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt} \right\rangle$.

speed = $|v| = \sqrt{(x')^2 + (y')^2}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Distance} &= \int_{\text{initial time}}^{\text{final time}} |v| dt \\ &= \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \sqrt{(x')^2 + (y')^2} dt \end{aligned}$$

average velocity = $\frac{\text{final position} - \text{initial position}}{\text{total time}}$.

Integration by Parts

$$\int u dv = uv - \int v du$$

Integral of Log

$$\int \ln x dx = x \ln x - x + C.$$

Taylor Series

If the function f is “smooth” at $x = a$, then it can be approximated by the n^{th} degree polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\approx f(a) + f'(a)(x - a) \\ &\quad + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x - a)^2 + \dots \\ &\quad + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x - a)^n. \end{aligned}$$

Maclaurin Series

A Taylor Series about $x = 0$ is called Maclaurin.

$$\begin{aligned} e^x &= 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \\ \cos(x) &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots \\ \sin(x) &= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots \\ \frac{1}{1-x} &= 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots \\ \ln(x+1) &= x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Lagrange Error Bound

If $P_n(x)$ is the n^{th} degree Taylor polynomial of $f(x)$ about c and $|f^{(n+1)}(t)| \leq M$ for all t between x and c , then

$$|f(x) - P_n(x)| \leq \frac{M}{(n+1)!} |x - c|^{n+1}$$

Alternating Series Error Bound

If $S_N = \sum_{k=1}^N (-1)^k a_k$ is the N^{th} partial sum of a convergent alternating series, then

$$|S_\infty - S_N| \leq |a_{N+1}|$$

Euler's Method

If given that $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$ and that the solution passes through (x_0, y_0) ,

$$y(x_0) = y_0$$

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$$y(x_n) = y(x_{n-1}) + f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}) \cdot \Delta x$$

In other words:

$$x_{\text{new}} = x_{\text{old}} + \Delta x$$

$$y_{\text{new}} = y_{\text{old}} + \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{(x_{\text{old}}, y_{\text{old}})} \cdot \Delta x$$

Ratio Test

The series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k$ converges if

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| < 1.$$

If limit equals 1, you know nothing.

Polar Curves

For a polar curve $r(\theta)$, the **Area** inside a “leaf” is

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \frac{1}{2} [r(\theta)]^2 d\theta,$$

where θ_1 and θ_2 are the “first” two times that $r = 0$.

The **slope** of $r(\theta)$ at a given θ is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy/d\theta}{dx/d\theta} \\ &= \frac{\frac{d}{d\theta}[r(\theta) \sin \theta]}{\frac{d}{d\theta}[r(\theta) \cos \theta]} \end{aligned}$$

l'Hopital's Rule

If $\frac{f(a)}{g(a)} = \frac{0}{0}$ or $= \frac{\infty}{\infty}$,

then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$.