

AP[®] CALCULUS AB



About the Advanced Placement Program[®] (AP[®])

The Advanced Placement Program[®] has enabled millions of students to take college-level courses and earn college credit, advanced placement, or both, while still in high school. AP Exams are given each year in May. Students who earn a qualifying score on an AP Exam are typically eligible to receive college credit, placement into advanced courses, or both. Every aspect of AP course and exam development is the result of collaboration between AP teachers and college faculty. They work together to develop AP courses and exams, set scoring standards, and score the exams. College faculty review every AP teacher's course syllabus.

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AP Calculus AB Course Overview

AP Calculus AB is roughly equivalent to a first semester college calculus course devoted to topics in differential and integral calculus. The AP course covers topics in these areas, including concepts and skills of limits, derivatives, definite integrals, and the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus. The course teaches students to approach calculus concepts and problems when they are represented graphically, numerically, analytically, and verbally, and to make connections amongst these representations.

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RECOMMENDED PREREQUISITES

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Use of Graphing Calculators

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The Big Ideas of AP Calculus

The course is organized around the foundational concepts of calculus:

I. Limits:

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II. Derivatives:

Students should be able to use different definitions of the derivative, estimate derivatives from tables and graphs, and apply various derivative rules and properties. Students should also be able to solve separable differential equations, understand and be able to apply the Mean Value Theorem, and be familiar with a variety of real-world applications, including related rates, optimization, and growth and decay models.

III. Integrals and the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus:

Students should be familiar with basic techniques of integration, including basic antiderivatives and substitution, and properties of integrals. Students should also understand area, volume, and motion applications of integrals, as well as the use of the definite integral as an accumulation function. It is critical that students understand the relationship between integration and differentiation as expressed in the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus.

Mathematical Practices for AP Calculus

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Review Exercises

Finding Intercepts In Exercises 1–4, find any intercepts algebraically. Use a graphing utility to verify your results.

1. $y = 5x - 8$
 2. $y = x^2 - 8x + 12$ ^{1–4. See margin.}
 3. $y = \frac{x-3}{x-4}$
 4. $y = (x-3)\sqrt{x+4}$

Finding for Symmetry In Exercises 5–8, test for symmetry with respect to each axis and to the origin.

5. $y = x^2 + 4x$
 6. $y = x^4 - x^2 + 3$ ^{5–8. See margin.}
 7. $y^2 = x^2 - 5$
 8. $xy = -2$

Using Intercepts and Symmetry to Sketch a Graph In Exercises 9–14, sketch the graph of the equation. Identify intercepts and test for symmetry. 9–14. See margin.

9. $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 3$
 10. $y = -x^2 + 4$
 11. $y = x^3 - 4x$
 12. $y^2 = 9 - x$
 13. $y = 2\sqrt{4 - x}$
 14. $y = |x - 4| - 4$

Finding Points of Intersection In Exercises 15 and 16, find the points of intersection of the graphs of the equations. Use a graphing utility to verify your results.

15. $x - y = -5$
 16. $x^2 + y^2 = 1$
 17. $x^2 - y = 1$
 18. $-x + y = 1$
 19. $(-2, 3), (3, 8)$
 20. $(0, 1), (-1, 0)$

Stress Test A machine part was tested by bending it x centimeters 10 times per minute until the time y (in hours) of failure. The results are recorded in the table. See margin.

x	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
y	61	56	53	55	48	35	36	33	44	23

- Use the regressions capabilities of a graphing utility to find a linear model for the data.
- Use a graphing utility to plot the data and graph the model.
- Use the graph to determine whether there may have been an error made in conducting one of the tests or in recording the results. If so, eliminate the erroneous point and find the model for the remaining data.

Median Income The data in the table show the median income y (in thousands of dollars) for females of various ages x in the United States in 2013. (Source: U.S. Census Bureau) See margin.

x	20	30	40	50	60	70
y	10.2	26.4	30.6	31.0	26.9	18.0

- Use the regression capabilities of a graphing utility to find a quadratic model for the data.

(b) Use a graphing utility to plot the data and graph the model.

(c) Use the model to approximate the median incomes for a female who is 27 years old and a female who is 56 years old.

Finding the Slope of a Line In Exercises 19 and 20, plot the points and find the slope of the line passing through them. 19–20. See margin.

19. $(\frac{1}{2}, 1), (5, \frac{5}{2})$
 20. $(-7, 8), (-1, 8)$

Finding an Equation of a Line In Exercises 21–24, find an equation of the line that passes through the point and has the indicated slope. Then sketch the line. 21–24. See margin.

Point	Slope	Point	Slope
21. $(3, -5)$	$m = \frac{7}{4}$	22. $(-8, 1)$	m is undefined.
23. $(-3, 0)$	$m = -\frac{2}{3}$	24. $(5, 4)$	$m = 0$

Sketching Lines in the Plane In Exercises 25–28, use the slope and y -intercept to sketch a graph of the equation. 25–28. See margin.

25. $y = 6$
 26. $x = -3$
 27. $y = 4x - 2$
 28. $3x + 2y = 12$

Finding an Equation of a Line In Exercises 29 and 30, find an equation of the line that passes through the points. Then sketch the line. 29–30. See margin.

29. $(0, 0), (8, 2)$
 30. $(-5, 5), (10, -1)$

31. Finding Equations of Lines Find equations of the lines passing through $(-3, 5)$ and having the following characteristics.

- Slope of $\frac{7}{16}$ $y = \frac{7}{16}x + \frac{101}{16}$
- Slope of $-\frac{2}{3}$ $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{3}$
- Parallel to the line $5x - 3y = 3$ $5x - 3y + 30 = 0$
- Perpendicular to the line $3x + 4y = 8$ $4x - 3y + 12 = 0$
- Parallel to the y -axis $x = -3$
- Parallel to the x -axis $y = 5$

32. Break-Even Analysis A contractor purchases a piece of equipment for \$36,500 that costs an average of \$9.25 per hour for fuel and maintenance. The equipment operator is paid \$13.50 per hour, and customers are charged \$30 per hour.

- Write an equation for the cost C of operating this equipment for t hours. $C = 22.75t + 36,500$
- Write an equation for the revenue R derived from t hours of use. $R = 30t$
- Find the break-even point for this equipment by finding the time at which $R = C$. 5034.48 hours

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IV. Series:

Students should be familiar with various methods for determining convergence and divergence of a series, Maclaurin series for common functions, general Taylor series representations, radius and interval of convergence, and operations on power series. The technique of using power series to approximate an arbitrary function near a specific value allows for an important connection back to the tangent-line problem.

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Summer Homework

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AP Calculus BC

2018-2019

1. If $y = x \sin x$, then $\frac{dy}{dx} =$

- (A) $\sin x + \cos x$
- (B) $\sin x + x \cos x$
- (C) $\sin x - x \cos x$
- (D) $x(\sin x + \cos x)$
- (E) $x(\sin x - \cos x)$

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questions

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work

2. Let f be the function given by $f(x) = 300x - x^3$. On which of the following intervals is the function f increasing?

- (A) $(-\infty, -10]$ and $[10, \infty)$
- (B) $[-10, 10]$
- (C) $[0, 10]$ only
- (D) $[0, 10\sqrt{3}]$ only
- (E) $[0, \infty)$

18. $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(4+h) - \ln(4)}{h}$ is

19. The function f is defined by $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+2}$. What points (x, y) on the graph of f have the property that the line tangent to f at (x, y) has slope $\frac{1}{2}$?

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22. Let f be the function defined by $f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$. What is the absolute maximum value of f ?

23. If $P(t)$ is the size of a population at time t , which of the following differential equations describes linear growth in the size of the population?

- (A) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 200$
 (B) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 200t$
 (C) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 100t^2$
 (D) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 200P$
 (E) $\frac{dP}{dt} = 100P^2$

25. Which of the following is the solution to the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \sin x$ with the initial

(A) $y = 2\cos x + 3$

(B) $y = 2\cos x - 1$

(C) $y = -2 \cos x + 3$

(D) $y = -2\cos x + 1$

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