

AP CALCULUS AB  
 Unit 1  
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No calculators may be used on this portion of the exam.

1. Use the graph of  $f$  to evaluate or approximate (whichever is appropriate) each expression.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -3} f(x) = 4$

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = -\infty$

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x) = -2$

d.  $f'(-4.5) = 0$

e.  $f'(-2) = -3$

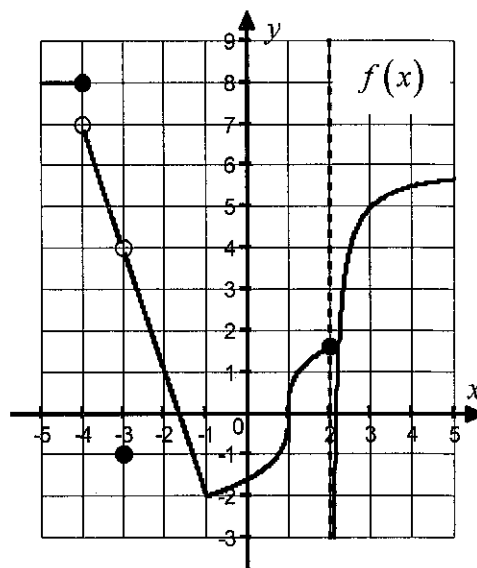
f.  $f'(-1)$  undefined

g.  $f'(0) \approx \frac{1}{2}$  (any value between  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 1 is acceptable)

h.  $f'(1)$  undefined

i.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x^2 f(x)) = 9 \cdot 5 = \boxed{45}$

j.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (f(x) - 2x) = 0 - 2 = \boxed{-2}$



2. Use the *limit definition of the derivative* to find  $g'(x)$  for the function  $g(x) = 2 - \frac{1}{x}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 g'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 - \frac{1}{x+h} - (2 - \frac{1}{x})}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x+h}}{h} \cdot \frac{x(x+h)}{x(x+h)} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x+h - x}{hx(x+h)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{x(x+0)} = \boxed{\frac{1}{x^2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

3. a. Write a piecewise-defined function for  $h(x) = \frac{25-x^2}{|5-x|}$ .

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{(5+x)(5-x)}{5-x} & \text{if } x < 5 \\ \frac{(5+x)(5-x)}{-(5-x)} & \text{if } x > 5 \end{cases} = \boxed{\begin{cases} 5+x & \text{if } x < 5 \\ -(5+x) & \text{if } x > 5 \end{cases}}$$

b. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} h(x)$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} h(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 5^-} (5+x) = \boxed{10}$$

4. Find each limit.

a.  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi} \cos\left(\frac{1}{\theta - \pi}\right)$  DNE

b.  $\lim_{u \rightarrow 6} \frac{u - \sqrt{5u+6}}{u-6} \cdot \frac{u + \sqrt{5u+6}}{u + \sqrt{5u+6}}$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow 6} \frac{u^2 - 5u - 6}{(u-6)(u + \sqrt{5u+6})} = \lim_{u \rightarrow 6} \frac{(u-6)(u+1)}{(u-6)(u + \sqrt{5u+6})}$$

$$= \frac{7}{12}$$

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3x-2}{x^2}\right) = \tan^{-1}(1)$

$$= \frac{\pi}{4}$$

d.  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} (z^5 - 2z^4) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} z^4(z-2)$

$$= \infty$$

\*e.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3x^4 - 3x^2 + 1}{x-1}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{\frac{3x^4}{x} - \frac{3x^2}{x} + \frac{1}{x}}{\frac{x}{x} - \frac{1}{x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{3x^3 - 3x + \frac{1}{x}}{1 - \frac{1}{x}} = -\infty$$

f.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 9^-} \frac{x^2 - 1}{9 - x} = \infty$

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g.  $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1-u}{\sqrt{3u^2-u}} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}$

\*h.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^2 - 2}{n^2 - n^4} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{3n^2}{n^4} - \frac{2}{n^4}}{\frac{n^2}{n^4} - \frac{n^4}{n^4}}$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{3}{n^2} - \frac{2}{n^4}}{\frac{1}{n^2} - 1} = 0$$

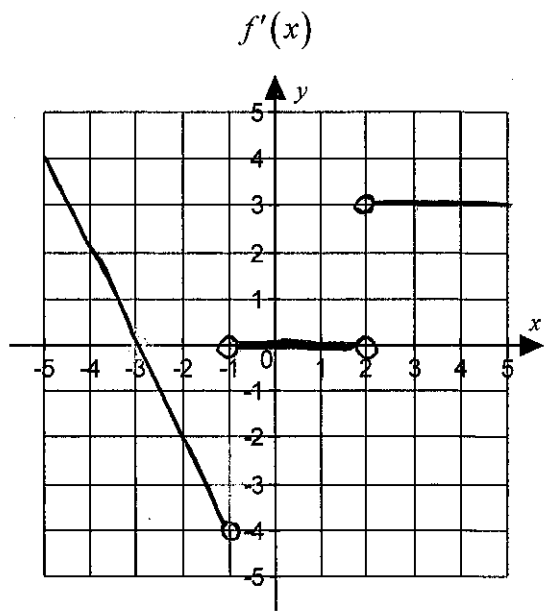
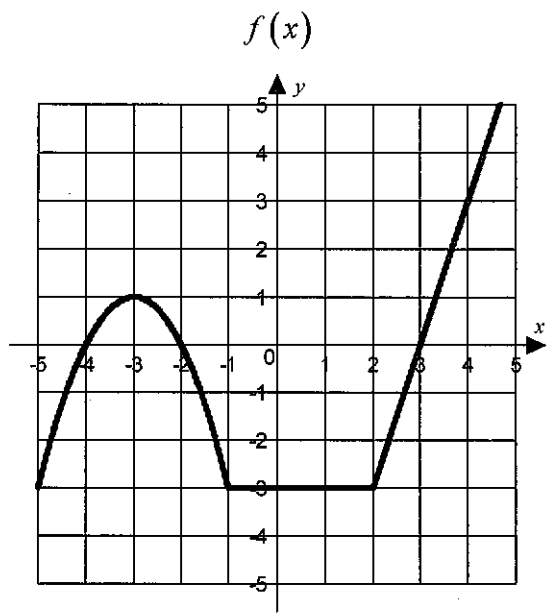
\* For these  $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$  cases, you may omit the work and use shortcuts. Keep in mind that this reduces your answer to a "right or wrong" answer.

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5. Using the graph of  $f$  given below, sketch a graph of  $f'$  on the axes provided.



6. Suppose the function  $h$ , represented in the table below, is continuous for all real numbers.

$x$	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$h(x)$	4	-1	-3	-1	2	3

a. Approximate  $h'(-0.5)$ .

$$h'(-0.5) \approx \frac{-3 - (-1)}{0 - (-1)} = \boxed{-2}$$

b. Suppose  $g(x) = (h(x))^2 - 1$ . Show that there must be a value  $c$  for  $1 < c < 3$  such that  $g(c) = 2$ .

Since  $h$  is continuous,  $g$  is continuous on  $[1, 3]$ .

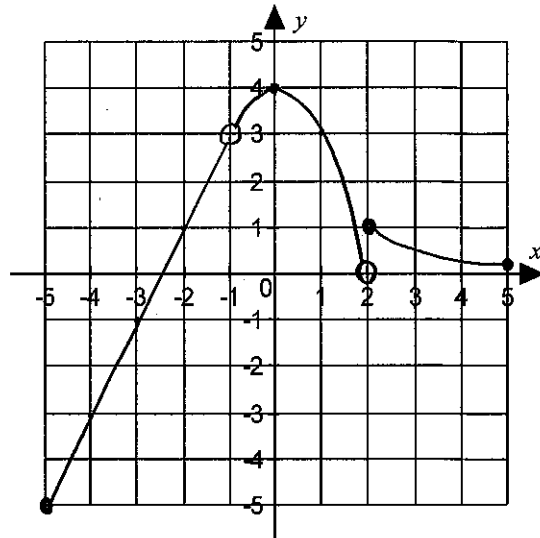
$$g(1) = (h(1))^2 - 1 = 0 \rightarrow g(1) < 2 < g(3)$$

$$g(3) = (h(3))^2 - 1 = 8$$

By IVT, there exists some  $c$  on  $(1, 3)$  such that  $g(c) = 2$ .

$$7. \text{ Let } g(x) = \begin{cases} 2x+5, & -5 \leq x < -1 \\ 4-x^2, & -1 < x < 2 \\ \frac{2}{x}, & 2 \leq x \leq 5 \end{cases}$$

a. Sketch the graph of  $g$  using the axes given to the right.



b. Identify the value(s) of  $x$  such that  $g$  has a discontinuity. Classify each as either a *removable*, *jump*, or *infinite* discontinuity.

$$x = -1, \text{ removable}$$

$$x = 2, \text{ jump}$$

c. Re-define  $g$  so that it is continuous at each removable discontinuity.

$$g(-1) = 3$$

$$*8. \text{ Find the values of } a \text{ and } b \text{ that make } f(x) = \begin{cases} e^x + 1, & x < 0 \\ \cos x - 2a, & 0 \leq x < \pi \\ b + 6a, & x \geq \pi \end{cases} \text{ a continuous function.}$$

$$e^0 + 1 = \cos(0) - 2a$$

$$\boxed{a = -\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\cos(\pi) - 2a = b + 6a$$

$$\cos(\pi) - 2 \cdot (-\frac{1}{2}) = b + 6 \cdot (-\frac{1}{2})$$

$$\boxed{b = 3}$$

\* This is the w/ calc section. Use your 89!! Setup & solve( ) command!!