

AP CALCULUS AB

SUMMER PACKET 2025

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Welcome! Calculus AB is both a challenging and rewarding course, and we're excited that you've decided to take this class. To help you succeed in this course and prepare you for the rigorous expectations next fall, you should feel very confident and independent in the topics listed below. Please read through the list carefully.

In the box on the left of each overarching topic, rate yourself on a scale of 1 to 10:

10 = I fully understand and can complete these ideas.

1 = I have never heard of this and know nothing about these ideas.

☐ **Linear Equations:** Students should be able to graph linear equations, find and represent equations of lines in a variety of formats (point-slope, slope-intercept, etc.), understand the slope relationship between parallel/perpendicular lines, and draw both tangent and normal lines to a graph at a given point.

☐ **Factoring:** It is absolutely imperative that students factor efficiently in a variety of methods, such as grouping, GCF, sum/difference of squares, area models, and product-sum. In addition, students should be algebraically proficient at completing the square.

☐ **Basic Function behavior and notation:** Students should be able to graph and model the behavior of quadratic, cubic, and other polynomial functions, as well as the functions $f(x) = |x|$, $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$, and any rational function. In addition, students should be able to work fluently with function notation, find domain restrictions, perform compositions, and write solutions in interval notation.

☐ **Polynomial and Rational Functions:** Students should be able to analyze the behavior of both polynomial and rational functions, including finding x/y-intercepts, writing equations of horizontal and vertical asymptotes, stating domain restrictions, and finding any points of discontinuity (i.e. a hole or vertical asymptote in the graph). Dividing a rational using long division or area model is required. Students should also know algebraically the difference between a rational function having a hole vs a vertical asymptote. Students should be able to evaluate limits, both graphically and from an equation, when approaching a hole or vertical asymptote. Given relative maxima, relative minima, and inflection points on a graph, students should be able to determine intervals of increasing, decreasing, and concavity, and should be able to identify end behavior using proper limit notation.

☐ **Exponential and Logarithmic behavior:** Students should be able to sketch the graphs (and transformations) of the functions $f(x) = a^x$ and $f(x) = \log_b(x)$, which includes asymptotes, intercepts, and identify end behavior using proper limit notation. Students should be able to evaluate, simplify, and justify equivalencies of basic logarithmic and exponential expressions without a calculator. Students should be able to work fluently between exponential and logarithmic functions as inverse relationships.

☐ **Trigonometry:** Students should be able to sketch the graphs of $f(x) = \sin(x)$ and $f(x) = \cos(x)$, with or without basic transformations. Students should also know the behavior of the 4 remaining trig functions. Students must be able to quickly calculate the trigonometric ratios of 30° - 60° - 90° , 45° - 45° - 90° , and quadrantal angles. Finally, students must know the 6 inverse-trigonometric functions and clearly know the restricted range for each.

☐ **Graphing Calculator Skills:** Using either a TI calculator or Desmos, students should know how to calculate points of intersection between 2 graphs, find zeros of a function, find max/min values, and identify intervals of increasing/decreasing behavior.

THIS PACKET IS DUE ON **MONDAY, AUGUST 18TH 2025.**

We look forward to meeting you in August! Sincerely,

The AP Calculus AB Team

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1.) Let $f(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + 5$. Find the following.

a.) $f(-3)$

b.) $f\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)$

c.) $f(-2x)$

d.) $f(x+h)$

2.) Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$. Find AND SIMPLIFY the following.

a.) $f(12)$

b.) $f\left(\frac{9}{25}\right)$

c.) $f(e^{6x})$

d.) $f(x^{-2})$

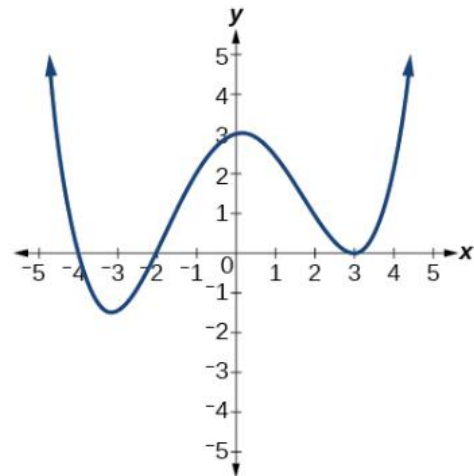
3.) Let $g(x) = 3x^2$.

a.) Find $g(x+h)$

b.) Simplify the expression $\frac{g(x+h)-g(x)}{h}$

4.) Let $g(x) = -2x^2 + 4x$. Find and simplify the expression $\frac{g(x+h)-g(x)}{h}$

5.) Use the graph of the polynomial $m(x)$ for the following questions.



a.) Draw the line that is tangent to the graph of $m(x)$ at $x = 2$. What is the approximate slope of this tangent line?

b.) A NORMAL line is defined to be perpendicular to a tangent line. Draw the tangent line AND the normal line at $x = -1$.

c.) Draw the secant line connecting the points on $m(x)$ from $x = -2$ to $x = 2$. Approximate the average rate of change of $m(x)$ over this interval.

d.) Is there any point on the graph of $m(x)$ that seems to have a horizontal tangent line? Where is this?

- 6.) Let $f(x)$ be a polynomial function with select values given below. The table also includes the slope values on $f(x)$ at each point.

x	0	1	2	3
$f(x)$	4	-3	-1	2
Slope	-3	2	4	-1

- a.) Use the table above to find the equation of the line drawn when $x = 2$. Write your equation in point-slope form, $(y - y_1) = m(x - x_1)$.

- b.) Use your result in part a to find the y value of the line when $x = 2.2$.

- c.) Calculate the average rate of change of $f(x)$ between $x = 3$ and $x = 1$.

For the next section, reminder as an example, since

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ this means } \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi}{6}.$$

Note: $\sin^{-1}(x) = \arcsin(x)$. These notations are equivalent.

Part II: Trigonometry

Directions: For problems #7–26, evaluate each expression.

7.) $\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

17.) $\sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

8.) $\cos(0) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

18.) $\tan(0) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

9.) $\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

19.) $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

10.) $\csc\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

20.) $\csc\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

11.) $\sec\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

21.) $\sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

12.) $\cos(\pi) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

22.) $\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

13.) $\cot\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

20.) $\arcsin(-1) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

14.) $\arctan(-1) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

22.) $\sin^{-1}\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

15.) $\arccos\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

24.) $\cot^{-1}(-1) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

16.) $\cos^{-1}(0) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

26.) $\arccos(1) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

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27.) Sketch and label 2 periods of each function below:

a.) $f(x) = 4\sin 2x$

b.) $f(x) = -\cos x + 1$

c.) $f(x) = \sec x$

d.) $f(x) = \tan x$

28.) Solve $(1 + 2\sin \theta)(\cos \theta - 1) = 0$ over the interval $[0, 2\pi)$

29.) Solve $\tan(\theta) = -1$ over the interval $[0, 2\pi)$

30.) Solve $4 - 2\sec \theta = 8$ over the interval $[0, 2\pi)$

31.) Solve $2\sin^2 \theta + 3\sin \theta + 1 = 0$ over the interval $[0, 2\pi)$

Part III: Polynomial and Rational Functions

32.) Factor a GCF of the following expressions:

a.) $4x^2y^6z - 10x^4y^2z^3$

b.) $27x^3(x+1)^5(2x-5)^2 + 15x^5(x+1)^4(2x-5)^3$

33.) Find the REAL solutions for the following equations.

a.) $2x^2 - x - 15 = 0$

b.) $3x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$

c.) $9x^2 + 27x = 0$

d.) $3x^3 + 4x^2 - 7x = 0$

e.) $6x^2 + x - 12 = 0$

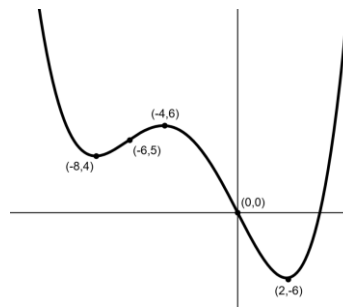
f.) $-x^2 + 10x - 16 = 0$

34.) Find ALL solutions (real and non-real) to each equation

a.) $2x^3 + 3x^2 + 8x + 12 = 0$

b.) $x^4 - 1 = 0$

35.) Below is the graph of $f(x)$, a polynomial with relative max at $(-4,6)$, relative mins at $(2,-6)$ and $(-8,4)$, and inflection points at $(-6,5)$ and $(0,0)$.



a. On what open interval(s) is $f(x)$ increasing?

b. On what open interval(s) is $f(x)$ decreasing?

c. On what open interval(s) is $f(x)$ concave up?

d. On what open interval(s) is $f(x)$ concave down?

e. Evaluate the end behavior limits below.

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$

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36.) For the function $f(x) = 3x^2(x-4)^3(x+1)$,

a.) Determine when $f(x) = 0$.

b.) Using a sign chart, determine when $f(x) < 0$.

37.) For $f(x) = 4(x-1)^3(x+3)^5 + 7(x-1)^4(x+3)^4$,

a.) Factor $f(x)$. (Hint: use a GCF. Hint: look at problem 32a&b.)

b.) Determine when $f(x) = 0$.

c.) Use a sign chart to determine the interval(s) when $f(x) > 0$.

Directions: The following rational functions each have a discontinuity (hole or vertical asymptote) at the given x -value. If a hole, find the coordinates of the hole. Otherwise state there is a vertical asymptote.

38.) $f(x) = \frac{2x-6}{x^2+3x-18}$ at $x = -6$ _____

39.) $F(x) = \frac{2x^2+6x}{18x}$ at $x = 0$ _____

40.) $t(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}-2}{x-4}$ at $x = 4$ _____

41.) $j(x) = \frac{x^3+6x^2+8x}{x^2-4}$ at $x = 2$ _____

42.) $k(x) = \frac{\frac{1}{x+3} - \frac{1}{6}}{x-3}$ at $x = 3$ _____

43.) $W(x) = \frac{x-5}{\sqrt{2x-1}-3}$ at $x = 5$ _____

44.) Each of the following rational functions have both vertical AND horizontal asymptotes. Write the equations of all asymptotes.

a.) $f(x) = \frac{2x-1}{x^2-x-6}$

b.) $f(x) = \frac{5x+1}{3-x}$

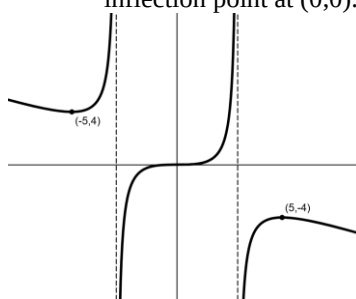
c.) $f(x) = \frac{(4x-1)^2}{(2x+5)(3x-7)}$

45.) Suppose $f(x) = \frac{3x^2(x^2+16)^2 - 4x^4(x^2+16)}{(x^2+16)^4}$

a.) Find all real values of x such that $f(x) = 0$.

b.) Using a sign chart, find all intervals for which $f(x) > 0$.

46.) Below is the graph of a rational function $h(x)$, which has vertical asymptotes at $x = \pm 2$ and a slant asymptote at $y = -x$. The relative minimum and maximum have been labeled, and $h(x)$ has an inflection point at $(0,0)$.



a. On what open interval(s) is $f(x)$ increasing?

b. On what open interval(s) is $f(x)$ decreasing?

c. On what open interval(s) is $f(x)$ concave up?

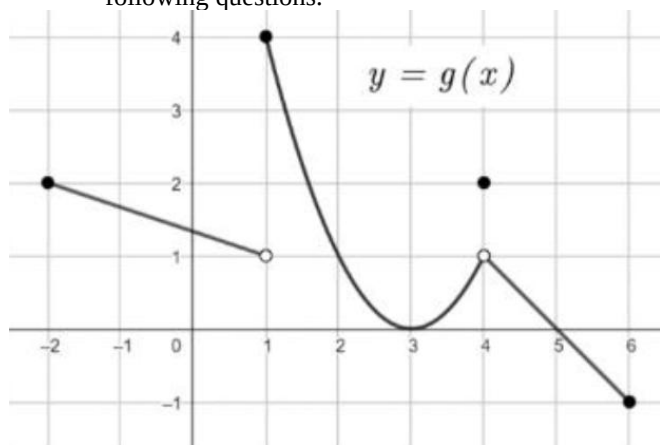
d. On what open interval(s) is $f(x)$ concave down?

e. Evaluate the end behavior limits below.

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$ $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$

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47.) Given the graph of $g(x)$ below, answer the following questions.



a. Domain of $g(x)$ is _____

b. Range of $g(x)$ is _____

c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} g(x) =$

d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} g(x) =$

e. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -2^+} g(x) =$

f. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^-} g(x) =$

g. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4^+} g(x) =$

h. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 6^-} g(x) =$

48.) Rewrite each expression by completing the square.

a.) $f(x) = x^2 - 8x + 18$

b.) $f(x) = 2x^2 - 12x + 21$

c.) Complete the square in the denominator:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 18x + 75}$$

Part IV: Logs and exponents

49.) Fill in the boxes so the following equations are true.

a.) $\sqrt{x} = x^{\square}$

e.) $\frac{1}{x^3} = x^{\square}$

b.) $x\sqrt{x} = x^{\square}$

f.) $\sqrt[4]{x^3} = x^{\square}$

c.) $x^5 \cdot x^{\square} = \frac{1}{x^{15}}$

g.) $x^5 \cdot x^{\square} = x^{15}$

d.) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = x^{\square}$

h.) $\frac{\sqrt[3]{x}}{x} = x^{\square}$

50.) Evaluate the following WITHOUT a calculator:

a.) $\log_6 6 =$ _____

b.) $\log_4 64 =$ _____

c.) $\ln 1 =$ _____

d.) $\ln(e^4) =$ _____

e.) $\log_2\left(\frac{1}{32}\right) =$ _____

f.) $\log\left(\frac{1}{10}\right) =$ _____

g.) $\log_7(0) =$ _____

h.) $\ln \sqrt{e} =$ _____

i.) $\log_3\left(\frac{1}{9}\right) =$ _____

j.) $\log_5 1 =$ _____

51.) Fill in the blank:

a.) $\log(\square) = 3$

b.) $\ln(\square) = -2$

c.) $\ln(\square) = 1$

52.) Fill in the box: $\log(2) + \log(12) = \log(\boxed{})$

53.) Fill in the box: $\ln(32) = \ln(2^{\boxed{}}) = \boxed{} \cdot \ln(2)$

54.) Fill in the boxes:

$$\begin{aligned}\ln(72) - \ln(8) &= \ln(\boxed{}) \\ &= \ln(\boxed{}^{\boxed{}}) \\ &= \boxed{} \ln(\boxed{})\end{aligned}$$

55.) Find x if $\log_3 x = 4$.

56.) Find x if $4\ln(x+2) = 24$.

57.) Solve: $\frac{1 - \ln x}{x^2} = 0$

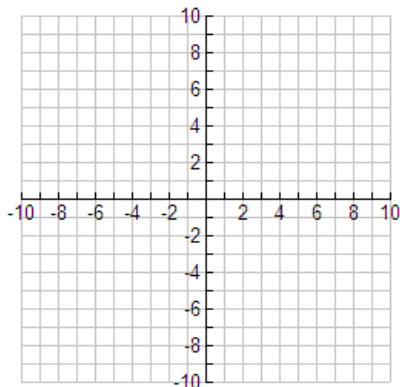
58.) Solve: $2e^{2x}x^6 - 6e^{2x}x^5 = 0$ (Hint: see problem 32)

59.) Solve: $e^x \cdot \frac{1}{x^4} - 4e^x \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$ (Hint: problem 31.)

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60.) Sketch the graph of each function below. Label at least 2 points and the equation of any asymptotes.

a.) $f(x) = e^x + 1$



Domain:

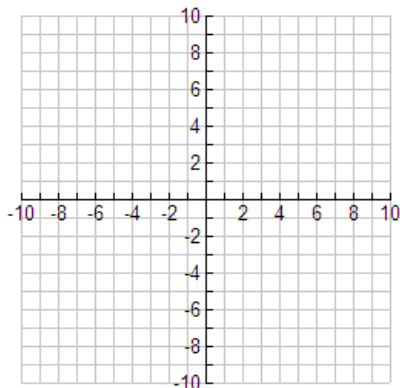
Range:

Evaluate the end behavior limits below.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$$

b.) $f(x) = 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x$



Domain:

Range:

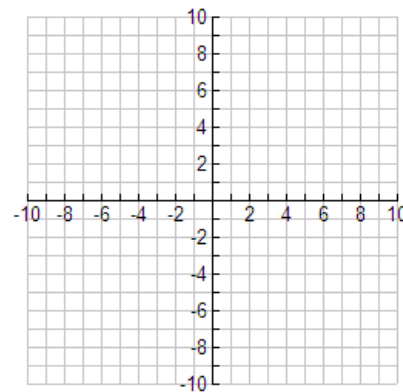
Evaluate the end behavior limits below.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$$

61.) Sketch the graph of each function below. Label at least 2 points and the equation of any asymptotes.

a.) $y = \ln x$



Domain:

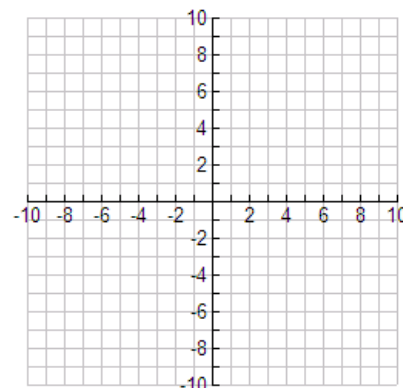
Range:

Evaluate the end behavior limits below.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) =$$

b.) $g(x) = \log_2(x - 1)$



Domain:

Range:

Evaluate the end behavior limits below.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} f(x) =$$

Part V: Calculator Proficiency (RADIAN MODE)

62.) TI or Desmos Calculator Required!

Let $f(x) = \sin(x) - 0.5x$ and let

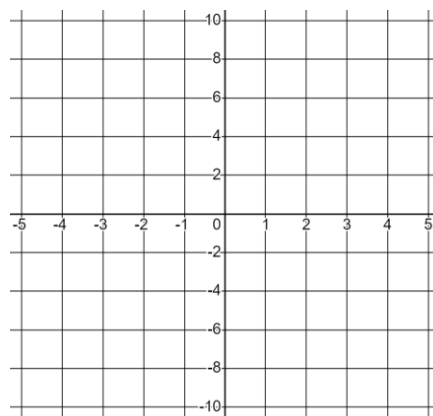
$g(x) = -3x^2 + 2x + 4$. Answer the following:

- a.) How many times do the graphs of $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ intersect? Sketch a quick graph from your calculator to support your solution, including labeling the x and y axes to show your viewing screen.
- b.) What are the zeros (x-intercepts) of $g(x)$? Sketch a quick graph from your calculator to support your solution, including labeling the x and y axes to show your viewing screen.
- c.) Using your answer from part (b), find all intervals for which $g(x) > 0$.
- d.) Find the coordinates of the maximum of $g(x)$.

63.) CALCULATOR OK!

Let $f(x) = 3\cos x$ and let $g(x) = [f(x)]^2 - 2$.

- a.) Make a sketch of the graph of $g(x)$ over the interval $[-5, 5]$.



- b.) What is the amplitude of $g(x)$?
- c.) On the interval $[-4, 4]$, how many relative minimums does $g(x)$ have?
- d.) Is $g(x) > 0$ or is $g(x) < 0$ at $x = 4$?
- e.) Is $g(x)$ increasing or decreasing at $x = 4$?