



## AP<sup>®</sup> Calculus BC 2001 Sample Student Responses

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CALCULUS BC  
SECTION II, Part A

Time—45 minutes

Number of problems—3

A graphing calculator is required for some problems or parts of problems.

Work for problem 1(a)

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{3 \sin(t^2)}{\cos(t^3)} \quad @ t=2, \frac{dy}{dx} = 15.604$$

$$(y - 5) = 15.604(x - 4)$$

Work for problem 1(b)

$$\text{speed} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\cos^2(t^3) + 9 \sin^2(t^2)}$$

$$@ t=2, \text{ speed} = \boxed{2.275}$$

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Work for problem 1(c)

$$\int_0^1 \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt = \int_0^1 \sqrt{\cos^2(t^3) + 9\sin^2(t^3)} dt$$

using calc = 1.458

Work for problem 1(d)

$$x'(t) = \cos(t^3)$$

$$x(t) = F(t) = \int \cos(t^3) dt$$

using calc  $\int_2^3 \cos(t^3) dt = F(3) - F(2)$

$-0.0465 = F(3) - 4$  given

$x(3) = F(3) = 3.954$

$$y'(t) = 3 \sin(t^2)$$

$$y(t) = F(t) = \int 3 \sin(t^2) dt$$

$$\int_2^3 3 \sin(t^2) dt = F(3) - F(2)$$

$$-0.0936 = F(3) - 5$$

$y(3) = F(3) = 4.906$

Position  
at time  
 $t=3$

(3.954, 4.906)

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D.

CALCULUS BC  
SECTION II, Part A

Time—45 minutes

Number of problems—3

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A graphing calculator is required for some problems or parts of problems.

Work for problem 1(a)

$$\frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{dy}{dx} \quad \frac{3 \sin(t^2)}{\cos(t^3)} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3 \sin(z)^2}{\cos(z)^3}$$

$$\text{slope} = 15.604$$

$$y - 5 = 15.604(x - 4)$$

$$y = 15.604x - 57.417$$

Work for problem 1(b)

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \cos t^3 = \cos 2^3 = -.146$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 3 \sin t^2 = 3 \sin 2^2 = -2.270$$

$$(-.146)^2 + (-2.270)^2 = s^2$$

$$s = \sqrt{1}$$

$$s = 2.275$$

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D<sub>2</sub>

Work for problem 1(c)

$$\int_0^1 \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt = \int_0^1 \sqrt{(\cos t^3)^2 + (3 \sin t^2)^2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 \sqrt{\cos^2 t^3 + 9 \sin^2 t^2} dt$$

Work for problem 1(d)

~~$$x = \int \cos t^3 dt =$$~~

~~$$y = 3 \int \sin t^2 dt =$$~~

~~$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \cos t^3$$~~  
~~$$dx = \cos t^3 dt$$~~

$$at \ t = 2$$

$$x = 4$$

$$y = 5$$

$$(3.954, 4.969)$$

~~4~~ 
$$+ \int_2^3 \cos t^3 dt = x$$

$$x = 3.954$$

$$5 + \int_2^3 \sin t^2 dt = y$$

$$y = 4.969$$



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$t$ (days)	$W(t)$ (°C)
0	20
3	31
6	28
9	24
12	22
15	21

$A_1$

Work for problem 2(a)

$$\frac{dW}{dt} \approx \frac{\Delta W}{\Delta t} = \frac{24 - 21}{9 - 15} = -0.5^\circ\text{C/day}$$

$t=12$        $9 < t < 15$

Work for problem 2(b)

$$\text{Average } W = \frac{\int_0^{15} W dt}{\Delta t} = \frac{\int_0^{15} W dt}{15} \approx \frac{\left( \frac{20+31}{2} + \frac{31+28}{2} + \frac{28+24}{2} + \frac{24+22}{2} + \frac{22+21}{2} \right) 3}{15}$$

bases      height

$$A_{\text{trap}} = \frac{b_1 + b_2}{2} \cdot h$$

$h=3$

$$A_{\text{ave } W} = 25.1^\circ\text{C}$$

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Work for problem 2(c)

A<sub>2</sub>

$$P'(t) = 10e^{-\frac{t}{3}} + 10t \cdot \frac{1}{3} e^{-\frac{t}{3}}$$

$$P'(12) = 10e^{-\frac{12}{3}} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3}t \right)$$

$$-30e^{-4} = -.5495^\circ\text{C/day}$$

On the 12<sup>th</sup> day in the 15 day time period, the temperature of the pond will be decreasing at such a rate, that it will be getting about .5495 degrees C colder per day.

Work for problem 2(d)

$$\text{Average } P = \frac{\int_0^{15} P \, dt}{\Delta t} = \frac{\int_0^{15} 20 + 10te^{-\frac{1}{3}t} \, dt}{15}$$

$$= \frac{\int_0^{15} 20 \, dt + 10 \int_0^{15} te^{-\frac{1}{3}t} \, dt}{15}$$

$$= \frac{300 + 10 \left[ -3e^{-\frac{1}{3}t} (t+3) \right]_0^{15}}{15}$$

$$= \frac{300 + 86.3616}{15}$$

$$= 25.757^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\int te^{-\frac{1}{3}t} \, dt \quad \begin{array}{l} u = t \quad v = -3e^{-\frac{1}{3}t} \\ du = dt \quad dv = e^{-\frac{1}{3}t} dt \end{array}$$

$$= -3te^{-\frac{1}{3}t} + 3 \int e^{-\frac{1}{3}t} \, dt$$

$$= -3te^{-\frac{1}{3}t} - 9e^{-\frac{1}{3}t} + C$$

$$= -3e^{-\frac{1}{3}t} (t+3) + C$$



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C<sub>1</sub>

$t$ (days)	$W(t)$ (°C)
0	20
3	31
6	28
9	24
12	22
15	21

Work for problem 2(a)

$$W'(12) \approx \frac{W(9) - W(15)}{9 - 15}$$

$$\approx \frac{24 - 21}{9 - 15}$$

$$W'(12) \approx -\frac{1}{2}$$

Work for problem 2(b)

$$\text{Ave } W(t) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (3) \left( \frac{W(0) + 2W(3) + 2W(6) + 2W(9) + 2W(12) + W(15)}{15 - 0} \right)$$

$$\text{Ave } W(t) = \frac{1}{10} \left[ 20 + (2 \cdot 31) + (2 \cdot 28) + (2 \cdot 24) + (2 \cdot 22) + 21 \right]$$

$$\text{Ave } W(t) = \frac{1}{10} (251)$$

$$\text{Ave } W(t) = 25.1^\circ\text{C}$$

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C<sub>2</sub>

Work for problem 2(c)

$$P'(t) = 10e^{(-t/3)} - \frac{10}{3} + e^{(-t/3)}$$

$$P'(12) = 10e^{-12/3} - (10/3)(12) \left( e^{(-12/3)} \right)$$

$$P'(12) = -7.5495 \text{ degrees/day}$$

$P'(12)$  is the instantaneous rate of change of degrees <sup>per</sup> day, when  $t = 12$  days.

Work for problem 2(d)

$$\text{Ave } P(t) = \frac{1}{15-0} \int_0^{15} \left[ 20 + 10 + e^{(-t/3)} \right] dt$$

$$\text{Ave } P(t) = \frac{1}{15} (386.362)$$

$$\text{Ave } P(t) = 25.757^\circ\text{C}$$



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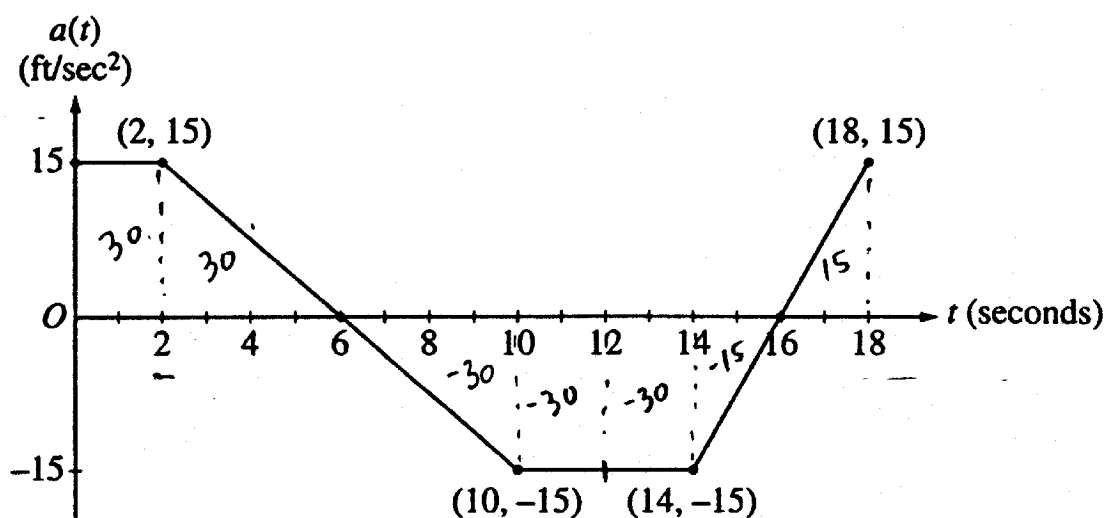
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Work for problem 3(a)

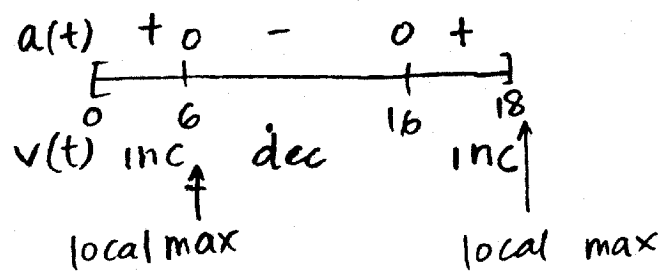
Yes, the velocity is increasing at  $t=2s$  because according to the graph, the car is accelerating at that time. Acceleration is positive, thus the  
 $(a_{t=2} = 15 \text{ ft/s}^2)$   
 car must be getting faster.

Work for problem 3(b)

$v = \int_0^t a \, dt$   
 $\therefore \text{velocity}_{\text{at time } x} = \text{area under graph between } t=0 \text{ and } t=x + 55$   
 $\therefore v = 55$  when area under graph is zero  
 $v = 55 \text{ ft/s}$  at  $t = 12$

initial velocity  
 $\downarrow$   
 $+55$

Work for problem 3(c)



$$\begin{aligned}
 V_6 &= \int_0^6 a(t) dt + 55 \\
 &= 60 + 55 \\
 &= 115 \text{ ft/s}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{18} &= \int_0^{18} a(t) dt + 55 \\
 &= -30 + 55 \\
 &= 25 \text{ ft/s}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  absolute max velocity = 115 ft/s  
at it occurs at  $t=6$ s

Work for problem 3(d)

$$V = \int_0^x a(t) dt + 55$$

$$-55 = \int_0^x a(t) dt$$

for velocity to be zero, the area under the graph must be -55, which does not occur between  $t=0$ s and  $t=18$ s, as shown by the graph.

The lowest velocity on the interval  $0 \leq t \leq 18$  is at  $t=16$ , and it is 10 ft/s.

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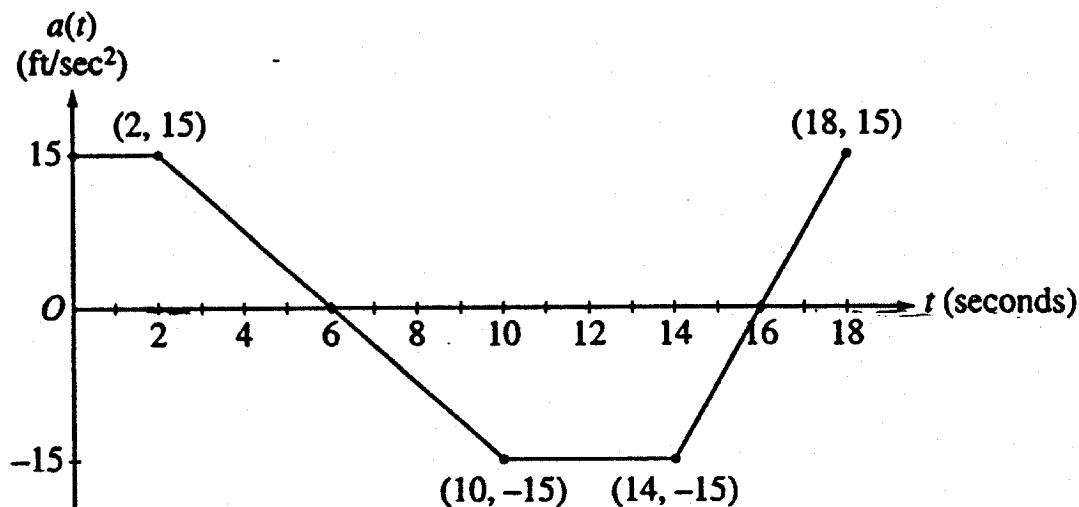
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Work for problem 3(a)

At  $t=2$  seconds, the acceleration of the car is positive  $15 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}^2} \therefore$

yes, the velocity of the car is increasing

Work for problem 3(b)

$$v(t) = \int_0^t a(t) dt + 55 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}}$$

$$55 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}} = \int_0^t a(t) dt + 55 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}}$$

$$0 = \int_0^t a(t) dt$$

from graph  $\int_0^{12} a(t) dt = 0 \therefore v(12) = 55 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}}$

$$2(15) + \frac{1}{2}(4)(15) - (2(15) + \frac{1}{2}(4)(15)) = 0$$

$$\boxed{t=12}$$

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D<sub>2</sub>

Work for problem 3(c)

$$v'(t) = a(t)$$

from graph

$$v'(t) \text{ pos. } [0, 6)$$

$$v'(t) = 0 \quad t = 6$$

$$v'(t) \text{ neg. } (6, 16) \quad \dots$$

$$v'(t) = 0 \quad t = 16$$

$$v'(t) \text{ pos. } [16, 18]$$

A maximum occurs at  $t = 6$ 

because the acceleration switches from positive to negative at that point and continues to be negative for an interval longer than it is positive.

$$v(t) = \int_0^t a(t) dt + \frac{55 \text{ ft}}{\text{sec}}$$

$$v(6) = \int_0^6 a(t) dt + \frac{55 \text{ ft}}{\text{sec}}$$

$$= \frac{55 \text{ ft}}{\text{sec}} + 2 \text{ sec} \left( \frac{15 \text{ ft}}{\text{sec}^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} (4 \text{ sec}) \left( \frac{15 \text{ ft}}{\text{sec}^2} \right) = \boxed{\frac{115 \text{ ft}}{\text{sec}}}$$

Work for problem 3(d)

$$v(t) = \int_0^t a(t) dt + \frac{55 \text{ ft}}{\text{sec}}$$

$$0 = \int_0^t a(t) dt + \frac{55 \text{ ft}}{\text{sec}}$$

$$-\frac{55 \text{ ft}}{\text{sec}} \neq \int_0^t a(t) dt \quad \text{from graph, the } \int a(t) dt \text{ never equals } \frac{55 \text{ ft}}{\text{sec}}$$

the velocity is never equal to zero



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## NO CALCULATOR ALLOWED

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## CALCULUS BC

## SECTION II, Part B

Time—45 minutes

Number of problems—3

No calculator is allowed for these problems.

Work for problem 4(a)

$$h'(x) = 0 = \frac{x^2 - 2}{x}$$

$$0 = x^2 - 2$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

$\therefore h$  has horizontal tangents at  $x = \sqrt{2}$  and  $x = -\sqrt{2}$

$$h'(x) \begin{array}{c} - \quad 0 \quad + \quad 0 \quad - \quad 0 \quad + \\ \leftarrow \quad \quad \quad \rightarrow \\ -\sqrt{2} \quad 0 \quad \sqrt{2} \end{array}$$

$\therefore h$  has a local minimum at  $x = \sqrt{2}$  and  $x = -\sqrt{2}$

Work for problem 4(b)

$$h''(x) = \frac{2x \cdot x - (x^2 - 2)}{x^2}$$

$$= \frac{2x^2 - x^2 + 2}{x^2}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 + 2}{x^2}$$

$$h''(x) \begin{array}{c} + \quad 0 \quad + \\ \leftarrow \quad \quad \rightarrow \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$\therefore h$  is concave up on the intervals  $(-\infty, 0)$  and  $(0, \infty)$

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Work for problem 4(c)

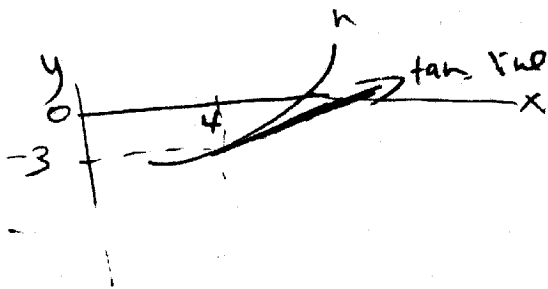
$$h'(4) = \frac{4^2 - 2}{4} = \frac{14}{4} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$h(4) = -3$$

$$y + 3 = \frac{7}{2}(x - 4)$$

Work for problem 4(d)

The tangent line to the graph of  $h$  at  $x = 4$  lies below the graph of  $h$  for  $x > 4$  because  $h$  is concave up on the interval  $(0, \infty)$ .



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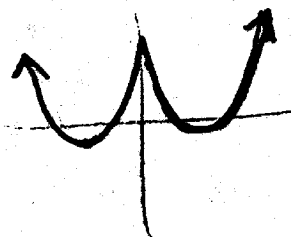
CALCULUS AB

SECTION II, Part B

Time—45 minutes

Number of problems—3

No calculator is allowed for these problems.

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Work for problem 4(a)

$$h'(x) = 0$$

$$x \neq 0$$

$$\frac{x^2 - 2}{x} = 0$$

$$x - \frac{2}{x} = 0$$

$$x^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$x^2 = 2$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

$$h''(x) = \frac{2x^2 - x^2 + 2}{x^2}$$

$$h''(+\sqrt{2}) = \frac{4 - 2 + 2}{2}$$

$$h''(-\sqrt{2}) = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

$$h''(\sqrt{2}) +$$

$$h''(-\sqrt{2}) +$$

at  $+\sqrt{2}$ , minimum+ at  $-\sqrt{2}$ , minimum

because the second derivative is +, which means the slope is increasing

Work for problem 4(b)

$$x \neq 0 \quad \frac{2x^2 - x^2 + 2}{x^2} > 0$$

~~2x^2~~

$$x^2 + 2 > 0$$

$$x^2 > -2$$

$$x^2$$

(h) is concave up for

all values, as

x<sup>2</sup> must always be greater than -2

Work for problem 4(c)

$$h(4) = -3$$

$$h'(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2}{x}$$

$$h'(4) = \frac{16 - 2}{4} = \frac{14}{4} = \frac{7}{2}$$

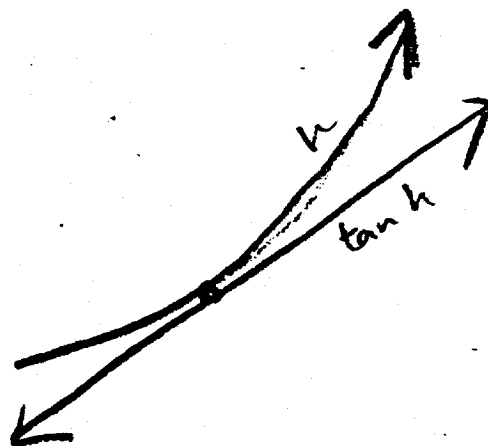
$$y + 3 = \frac{7}{2}(x - 4)$$

$$y = \frac{7}{2}x - 14 - 3$$

$$y = \frac{7}{2}x - 17$$

Work for problem 4(d)

below, because the  
graph is concave  
up





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NO CALCULATOR ALLOWED

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Work for problem 5(a)

$$f'(x) = -3x f(x)$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b -3x f(x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b f'(x) dx &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} (f(x)) \Big|_1^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} f(b) - f(1) \\ &= 0 - 4 = -4 \end{aligned}$$

Work for problem 5(b)

$$f'(x) = -3x f(x)$$

$\Delta x$	.5	.5	.5
$x$	1	1.5	2
$f(x)$	4	-2	2.5
$f'(x)$	-12	9	

$$f'(1) = -3(1)(4) = -12$$

$$f'(1.5) = -3\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)(-2) = 9$$

$$f(2) \approx 2.5$$

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NO CALCULATOR ALLOWED

Work for problem 5(c)

A<sub>2</sub>

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -3xy$$

$$\frac{dy}{y} = -3x dx$$

$$\ln y = -\frac{3}{2}x^2 + C$$

$$y = e^{-\frac{3}{2}x^2 + C}$$

$$y = Ce^{-\frac{3}{2}x^2}$$

$$4 = Ce^{-\frac{3}{2}(1)^2}$$

$$C = \frac{4}{e^{-\frac{3}{2}}} = 4e^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$f(x) = y = 4e^{\frac{3}{2}}(e^{-\frac{3}{2}x^2})$$

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Work for problem 5(a)

$$a) \int_1^{\infty} -3x f(x) dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b -3x f(x) dx$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ (-3x)^2 - (-3x)(-3) \right]_1^b$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ 9x^2 - 9x \right]_1^b$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} 9b^2 - 9b - 9 + 9$$

$$= \boxed{\infty}$$

$$f = -3x$$

$$g = f(x)$$

$$g' = f'(x)$$

$$f' = -3$$

Work for problem 5(b)

$$f(1) = 4$$

$$\Delta x = .5$$

$$\Delta y = \text{slope at } f_n(x_n, y_n) \cdot \Delta$$

$$y_{n+\Delta x} = y_n + \Delta y$$

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ at } (1, 4), \text{ slope} = f'(1) = -3(1)4 = -12$$

$$\Delta y = -12(.5) = -6$$

$$y_{1.5} = 4 + -6$$

$$= -2$$

$$\therefore f(1.5) = -2$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ at } (1.5, -2), \text{ slope} = f'(1.5) = -3(1.5)(-2) = 9$$

$$\Delta y = 9(.5) = 4.5$$

$$y_{2.0} = -2 + 4.5 = 2.5$$

$$f(2) = 2.5$$

$$\therefore (2, 2.5)$$



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Work for problem 5(c)

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$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -3xy$$

$$\frac{1}{y} dy = -3x dx$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \int \frac{1}{y} dy = \int -3x dx$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \ln y = -\frac{3x^2}{2} + C$$

$$f(1) = 4 \quad \therefore \quad \ln 4 = -\frac{3(1)^2}{2} + C$$

$$\ln 4 = -\frac{3}{2} + C$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad C = \ln 4 + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \ln y = -\frac{3x^2}{2} + \ln 4 + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$y = f(x) = e^{(-\frac{3x^2}{2} + \ln 4 + \frac{3}{2})}$$



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Work for problem 6(a)

Ratio Test

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+2)x^{n+1}}{3^{n+2}} \cdot \frac{3^{n+1}}{(n+1)x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x}{3} \cdot \frac{n+2}{n+1} \right| = \left| \frac{x}{3} \right| < 1$$

$$-1 < \frac{x}{3} < 1 \quad \therefore -3 < x < 3$$

$$x = -3: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)(-3)^n}{3^{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)(-1)^n (3)^n}{3^{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (n+1)}{3} \quad \text{Diverges}$$

$$x = 3: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)3^n}{3^{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{3} \quad \text{Diverges}$$

$$\boxed{(-3, 3)}$$

Work for problem 6(b)

$$\frac{f(x) - \frac{1}{3}}{x} = \frac{2}{3^2} + \frac{3}{3^3}x + \dots + \frac{(n+2)}{3^{n+2}}x^n$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - \frac{1}{3}}{x} = \frac{2}{3^2} = \boxed{\frac{2}{9}}$$

Work for problem 6(c)

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx = \left[ \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{x^2}{3^2} + \frac{x^3}{3^3} + \frac{x^4}{3^4} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{3^n} \right] \bigg|_0^1$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{3^n}}$$

Work for problem 6(d)

The series determined in part c is a geometric series with initial term  $t_1 = \frac{1}{3}$  and a ratio  $r = \frac{1}{3}$ .

$$\text{Sum} = \frac{t_1}{1-r} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{1-\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{2}{3}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

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Work for problem 6(a)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(n+1+1)x^{n+1}}{3^{n+1+1}}}{\frac{(n+1)x^n}{3^{n+1}}} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(n+2)(x^n \cdot x)}{3^n \cdot 3^2} \cdot \frac{3 \cdot 3^1}{(n+1)(x^n)} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+2}{n+1} \cdot \frac{x}{3}$$

$$\left| \frac{x}{3} \right| < 1 \quad -1 < \frac{x}{3} < 1 \quad -3 < x < 3$$

Check endpoints

$$\sum \frac{n+1}{3^{n+1}} (-3)^n \quad \text{converges} \quad \sum \frac{n+1}{3^{n+1}} (3^n) \quad \text{diverges}$$

$$-3 \leq x < 3$$

Work for problem 6(b)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - \frac{1}{3}}{x} \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{2}{3^2}x + \frac{3}{3^3}x^2 + \dots + \frac{n+1}{3^{n+1}}x^n + \dots}{x}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{3^2} + \frac{3}{3^3}x + \dots + \frac{n+1}{3^{n+1}}x^{n-1} \rightarrow 0$$

$$= \frac{2}{3^2} = \boxed{\frac{2}{9}}$$

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Work for problem 6(c)

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{2x^2}{3^2 \cdot 2} + \frac{3x^3}{3^3 \cdot 3}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{3}x \Big|_0^1 + \frac{x^2}{9} \Big|_0^1 + \frac{x^3}{27} \Big|_0^1$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{27}$$

Work for problem 6(d)

$$S_n = \frac{a_1}{1-r}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{3} \quad r = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$S_n = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{1 - \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$S_n = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{3}{3} - \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$S_n = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$S_n = \frac{1}{\cancel{3}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{3}}{2} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$