## A. Precalculus Type problems

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| A1 | Find the zeros of $f(x)$. |  |
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| A2 | Find the intersection of <br> $f(x)$ and $g(x)$. |  |
| A3 | Show that $f(x)$ is even. |  |
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| A5 | Find domain of $f(x)$. |  |
| A6 | Find vertical asymptotes of $f(x)$. |  |
| A7 | If continuous function $f(x)$ has <br> $f(a)<k$ and $f(b)>k$, explain why <br> there must be a value $c$ such that <br> $a<c<b$ and $f(c)=k$. |  |

## B. Limit Problems

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| B1 | Find $\lim _{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$. |  |
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| B2 | Find $\lim _{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ where $f(x)$ is a <br> piecewise function. |  |
| B3 | Show that $f(x)$ is continuous. |  |
| B4 | Find $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim _{x \rightarrow-\infty} f(x)$. |  |
| B5 | Find horizontal asymptotes of $f(x)$. |  |

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| C1 | Find the derivative of a function <br> using the derivative definition. |  |
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| C2 | Find the average rate of change of $f$ <br> on $[a, b]$. |  |
| C3 | Find the instantaneous rate of <br> change of $f$ at $x=a$. |  |
| C4 | Given a chart of $x$ and $f(x)$ and <br> selected values of $x$ between $a$ and <br> b, approximate $f^{\prime}(c)$ where $c$ is a <br> value between $a$ and $b$. |  |
| C5 | Find the equation of the tangent <br> line to $f$ at $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$. |  |
| C6 | Find the equation of the normal <br> line to $f$ at $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$. |  |
| C7 | Find $x$-values of horizontal <br> tangents to $f$. |  |
| C8 | Find $x$-values of vertical tangents <br> to $f$. |  |
| C9 | Approximate the value of $f\left(x_{1}+a\right)$ <br> if you know the function goes <br> through point $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$. |  |
| C10 | Find the derivative of $f(g(x))$. <br> C11 | The line $y=m x+b$ is tangent to <br> the graph of $f(x)$ at $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$. |
| C12 | Find the derivative of the inverse to <br> $f(x)$ at $x=a$. |  |
| C13 | Given a piecewise function, show it <br> is differentiable at $x=a$ where the <br> function rule splits. |  |

## D. Applications of Derivatives

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| D1 | Find critical values of $f(x)$. |  |
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| D3 | Find points of relative extrema of <br> $f(x)$. |  |
| D4 | Find inflection points of $f(x)$. |  |
| D5 | Find the absolute maximum or <br> minimum of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$. |  |
| D6 | Find range of $f(x)$ on $(-\infty, \infty)$. <br> D7 <br> Find range of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$ <br> D8 <br> Show that Rolle's Theorem holds for <br> $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$. |  |
| D9 | Show that the Mean Value Theorem <br> holds for $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$. |  |
| D10 | Given a graph of $f$ ' $(x)$, determine <br> intervals where $f(x)$ is <br> increasing/decreasing. |  |
| D11 | Determine whether the linear <br> approximation for $f\left(x_{1}+a\right)$ over- <br> estimates or under-estimates $f\left(x_{1}+a\right)$. |  |
| D12 | Find intervals where the slope of $f(x)$ <br> is increasing. |  |
| D13 | Find the minimum slope of $f(x)$ on <br> [a, $b]$. |  |

## E. Integral Calculus

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| E1 | Approximate $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$ using left <br> Riemann sums with $n$ rectangles. |  |
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| E2 | Approximate $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$ using right <br> Riemann sums with $n$ rectangles. |  |
| E3 | Approximate $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$ using midpoint <br> Riemann sums. |  |
| E4 | Approximate $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$ using <br> trapezoidal summation. |  |
| E5 | Find $\int_{b}^{a} f(x) d x$ where $a<b$. |  |
| E8 | Meaning of $\int_{a}^{x} f(t) d t$. |  |
| E9 | Given $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$, find $\int_{a}^{b}[f(x)+k] d x$. |  |
| E10 | Given the value of $F(a)$ where the <br> antiderivative of $f$ is $F$, find $F(b)$. |  |
| E11 | Find $\frac{d}{d x} \int_{a}^{x} f(t) d t$. |  |
| E12 | Find $\frac{d}{d x} \int_{a}^{g(x)} f(t) d t$. |  |

## F. Applications of Integral Calculus

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| F1 | Find the area under the curve $f(x)$ on <br> the interval $[a, b]$. |  |
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| F2 | Find the area between $f(x)$ and $\mathrm{g}(x)$. |  |
| F3 | Find the line $x=c$ that divides the area <br> under $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$ into two equal <br> areas. |  |

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| F4 | Find the volume when the area under <br> $f(x)$ is rotated about the $x$-axis on the <br> interval $[a, b]$. |  |
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| F5 | Find the volume when the area <br> between $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ is rotated about <br> the $x$-axis. |  |
| F6 | Given a base bounded by <br> $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ on $[a, b]$ the cross <br> sections of the solid perpendicular to <br> the $x$-axis are squares. Find the volume. |  |
| F7 | Solve the differential equation <br> dy <br> $d x$$(x) g(y)$. |  |$\quad$| F8 |
| :--- |
| Find the average value of $f(x)$ on |
| $[a, b]$. |

## G. Particle Motion and Rates of Change

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| G1 | Given the position function $s(t)$ of a <br> particle moving along a straight line, <br> find the velocity and acceleration. |  |
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| G2 | Given the velocity function <br> $v(t)$ and $s(0)$, find $s(t)$. |  |
| G3 | Given the acceleration function $a(t)$ of <br> a particle at rest and $s(0)$, find $s(t)$. |  |
| G4 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$, <br> determine if a particle is speeding up or <br> slowing down at $t=k$. |  |
| G5 | Given the position function $s(t)$, find <br> the average velocity on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$. |  |
| G6 | Given the position function $s(t)$, find <br> the instantaneous velocity at $t=k$. |  |


| G7 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$ on <br> $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$, find the minimum acceleration <br> of a particle. |  |
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| G8 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$, find <br> the average velocity on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$ |  |
| G9 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$, <br> determine the difference of position of <br> a particle on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$. |  |
| G10 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$, <br> determine the distance a particle travels <br> on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$. |  |
| G11 | $\left.$Calculate $\int_{t_{1}}$ <br> $t_{1}$$v(t) \right\rvert\, d t$ without a |  |
| calculator. |  |  |$\quad$| G12 |
| :--- |
| Given the velocity function $v(t)$ and <br> $s(0)$, find the greatest distance of the <br> particle from the starting position on <br> $\left[0, t_{1}\right]$. |
| G13 |
| The volume of a solid is changing at <br> the rate of $\ldots$ |
| G14 |
| The meaning of $\int_{a}^{b} R^{\prime}(t) d t$. |
| G15 |
| Given a water tank with $g$ gallons <br> initially, filled at the rate of $F(t)$ <br> gallons $/$ min and emptied at the rate of <br> $E(t)$ gallons $/$ min on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$ a) The <br> amount of water in the tank at $t=m$ <br> minutes. b) the rate the water amount is <br> changing at $t=m$ minutes and c) the <br> time $t$ when the water in the tank is at a <br> minimum or maximum. |

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| A1 | Find the zeros of $f(x)$. | Set function equal to 0. Factor or use quadratic equation if <br> quadratic. Graph to find zeros on calculator. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| A2 | Find the intersection of <br> $f(x)$ and $g(x)$. | Set the two functions equal to each other. Find intersection on <br> calculator. |
| A3 | Show that $f(x)$ is even. | Show that $f(-x)=f(x)$. This shows that the graph of $f$ is <br> symmetric to the $y$-axis. |
| A4 | Show that $f(x)$ is odd. | Show that $f(-x)=-f(x)$. This shows that the graph of $f$ is <br> symmetric to the origin. |
| A5 | Find domain of $f(x)$. | Assume domain is $(-\infty, \infty)$. Restrict domains: denominators $\neq$ <br> 0, square roots of only non-negative numbers, logarithm or <br> natural log of only positive numbers. |
| A6 | Find vertical asymptotes of $f(x)$. | Express $f(x)$ as a fraction, express numerator and denominator <br> in factored form, and do any cancellations. Set denominator <br> equal to 0. |
| A7 | If continuous function $f(x)$ has <br> $f(a)<k$ and $f(b)>k$, explain why <br> there must be a value $c$ such that <br> $a<c<b$ and $f(c)=k$. | This is the Intermediate Value Theorem. |

## B. Limit Problems

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| B1 | Find $\lim _{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$. | Step 1: Find $f(a)$. If you get a zero in the denominator, <br> Step 2: Factor numerator and denominator of $f(x)$. Do any cancellations and go back to Step 1. If you still get a zero in the denominator, the answer is either $\infty,-\infty$, or does not exist. Check the signs of $\lim _{x \rightarrow a^{-}} f(x)$ and $\lim _{x \rightarrow a^{+}} f(x)$ for equality. |
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| B2 | Find $\lim _{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ where $f(x)$ is a piecewise function. | Determine if $\lim _{x \rightarrow a^{-}} f(x)=\lim _{x \rightarrow a^{+}} f(x)$ by plugging in $a$ to $f(x), x<a$ and $f(x), x>a$ for equality. If they are not equal, the limit doesn't exist. |
| B3 | Show that $f(x)$ is continuous. | Show that 1) $\lim _{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists <br> 2) $f(a)$ exists <br> 3) $\lim _{x \rightarrow a} f(x)=f(a)$ |
| B4 | Find $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim _{x \rightarrow-\infty} f(x)$. | Express $f(x)$ as a fraction. Determine location of the highest power: <br> Denominator: $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)=\lim _{x \rightarrow-\infty} f(x)=0$ <br> Both Num and Denom: ratio of the highest power coefficients Numerator: $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)= \pm \infty$ (plug in large number) |
| B5 | Find horizontal asymptotes of $f(x)$. | $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim _{x \rightarrow-\infty} f(x)$ |

## C. Derivatives, differentiability, and tangent lines

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| C1 | Find the derivative of a function using the derivative definition. | Find $\lim _{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$ or $\lim _{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)-f(a)}{x-a}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C2 | Find the average rate of change of $f$ on $[a, b]$. | Find $\frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$ |
| C3 | Find the instantaneous rate of change of $f$ at $x=a$. | Find $f^{\prime}(a)$ |
| C4 | Given a chart of $x$ and $f(x)$ and selected values of $x$ between $a$ and $b$, approximate $f^{\prime}(c)$ where $c$ is a value between $a$ and $b$. | Straddle $c$, using a value of $k \geq c$ and a value of $h \leq c . f^{\prime}(c) \approx \frac{f(k)-f(h)}{k-h}$ |
| C5 | Find the equation of the tangent line to $f$ at $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$. | Find slope $m=f^{\prime}\left(x_{i}\right)$. Then use point slope equation: $y-y_{1}=m\left(x-x_{1}\right)$ |
| C6 | Find the equation of the normal line to $f$ at $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$. | Find slope $m \perp=\frac{-1}{f^{\prime}\left(x_{i}\right)}$. Then use point slope equation: $y-y_{1}=m\left(x-x_{1}\right)$ |
| C7 | Find $x$-values of horizontal tangents to $f$. | Write $f^{\prime}(x)$ as a fraction. Set numerator of $f^{\prime}(x)=0$. |
| C8 | Find $x$-values of vertical tangents to $f$. | Write $f^{\prime}(x)$ as a fraction. Set denominator of $f^{\prime}(x)=0$. |
| C9 | Approximate the value of $f\left(x_{1}+a\right)$ if you know the function goes through point $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$. | Find slope $m=f^{\prime}\left(x_{i}\right)$. Then use point slope equation: $y-y_{1}=m\left(x-x_{1}\right)$. Evaluate this line for $y$ at $x=x_{1}+a$. Note: The closer $a$ is to 0 , the better the approximation will be. Also note that using concavity, it can be determine if this value is an over or under-approximation for $f\left(x_{1}+a\right)$. |
| C10 | Find the derivative of $f(g(x))$. | This is the chain rule. You are finding $f^{\prime}(g(x)) \cdot g^{\prime}(x)$. |
| C11 | The line $y=m x+b$ is tangent to the graph of $f(x)$ at $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$. | Two relationships are true: <br> 1) The function $f$ and the line share the same slope at $x_{1}$ : $m=f^{\prime}\left(x_{1}\right)$ <br> 2) The function $f$ and the line share the same $y$-value at $x_{1}$. |
| C12 | Find the derivative of the inverse to $f(x)$ at $x=a$. | Follow this procedure: <br> 1) Interchange $x$ and $y$ in $f(x)$. <br> 2) Plug the $x$-value into this equation and solve for $y$ (you may need a calculator to solve graphically) <br> 3) Using the equation in 1) find $\frac{d y}{d x}$ implicitly. <br> 4) Plug the $y$-value you found in 2) to $\frac{d y}{d x}$ |
| C13 | Given a piecewise function, show it is differentiable at $x=a$ where the function rule splits. | First, be sure that $f(x)$ is continuous at $x=a$. Then take the derivative of each piece and show that $\lim _{x \rightarrow a^{-}} f^{\prime}(x)=\lim _{x \rightarrow a^{+}} f^{\prime}(x)$. |

## D. Applications of Derivatives

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| D1 | Find critical values of $f(x)$. | Find and express $f^{\prime}(x)$ as a fraction. Set both numerator and denominator equal to zero and solve. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D2 | Find the interval(s) where $f(x)$ is increasing/decreasing. | Find critical values of $f^{\prime}(x)$. Make a sign chart to find sign of $f^{\prime}(x)$ in the intervals bounded by critical values. Positive means increasing, negative means decreasing. |
| D3 | Find points of relative extrema of $f(x)$. | Make a sign chart of $f^{\prime}(x)$. At $x=c$ where the derivative switches from negative to positive, there is a relative minimum. When the derivative switches from positive to negative, there is a relative maximum. To actually find the point, evaluate $f(c)$. OR if $f^{\prime}(c)=0$, then if $f^{\prime \prime}(c)>0$, there is a relative minimum at $x=c$. If $f^{\prime \prime}(c)<0$, there is a relative maximum at $x=c$. ( $2^{\text {nd }}$ Derivative test). |
| D4 | Find inflection points of $f(x)$. | Find and express $f^{\prime \prime}(x)$ as a fraction. Set both numerator and denominator equal to zero and solve. Make a sign chart of $f^{\prime \prime}(x)$. Inflection points occur when $f^{\prime \prime}(x)$ witches from positive to negative or negative to positive. |
| D5 | Find the absolute maximum or minimum of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$. | Use relative extrema techniques to find relative max/mins. Evaluate $f$ at these values. Then examine $f(a)$ and $f(b)$. The largest of these is the absolute maximum and the smallest of these is the absolute minimum |
| D6 | Find range of $f(x)$ on $(-\infty, \infty)$. | Use relative extrema techniques to find relative max/mins. Evaluate $f$ at these values. Then examine $f(a)$ and $f(b)$. Then examine $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ and $\lim _{x \rightarrow-\infty} f(x)$. |
| D7 | Find range of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$ | Use relative extrema techniques to find relative max/mins. Evaluate $f$ at these values. Then examine $f(a)$ and $f(b)$. Then examine $f(a)$ and $f(b)$. |
| D8 | Show that Rolle's Theorem holds for $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$. | Show that $f$ is continuous and differentiable on $[a, b]$. If $f(a)=f(b)$, then find some $c$ on $[a, b]$ such that $f^{\prime}(c)=0$. |
| D9 | Show that the Mean Value Theorem holds for $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$. | Show that $f$ is continuous and differentiable on $[a, b]$. If $f(a)=f(b)$, then find some $c$ on $[a, b]$ such that $f^{\prime}(c)=\frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$ |
| D10 | Given a graph of $f^{\prime}(x)$, determine intervals where $f(x)$ is increasing/decreasing. | Make a sign chart of $f^{\prime}(x)$ and determine the intervals where $f^{\prime}(x)$ is positive and negative. |
| D11 | Determine whether the linear approximation for $f\left(x_{1}+a\right)$ overestimates or under-estimates $f\left(x_{1}+a\right)$. | Find slope $m=f^{\prime}\left(x_{i}\right)$. Then use point slope equation: $y-y_{1}=m\left(x-x_{1}\right)$. Evaluate this line for $y$ at $x=x_{1}+a$. If $f^{\prime \prime}\left(x_{1}\right)>0, f$ is concave up at $x_{1}$ and the linear approximation is an underestimation for $f\left(x_{1}+a\right)$. $f^{\prime \prime}\left(x_{1}\right)<0, f$ is concave down at $x_{1}$ and the linear approximation is an overestimation for $f\left(x_{1}+a\right)$. |


| D12 | Find intervals where the slope of $f(x)$ <br> is increasing. | Find the derivative of $f^{\prime}(x)$ which is $f^{\prime \prime}(x)$. Find critical <br> values of $f^{\prime \prime}(x)$ and make a sign chart of $f^{\prime \prime}(x)$ looking for <br> positive intervals. |
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| D13 | Find the minimum slope of $f(x)$ on <br> $[a, b]$. | Find the derivative of $f^{\prime}(x)$ which is $f^{\prime \prime}(x)$. Find critical <br> values of $f^{\prime \prime}(x)$ and make a sign chart of $f^{\prime \prime}(x)$. Values of <br> $x$ where $f^{\prime \prime}(x)$ switches from negative to positive are <br> potential locations for the minimum slope. Evaluate $f^{\prime}(x)$ <br> at those values and also $f^{\prime}(a)$ and $f^{\prime}(b)$ and choose the <br> least of these values. |

## E. Integral Calculus

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| E1 | Approximate $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$ using left <br> Riemann sums with $n$ rectangles. | $A=\left(\frac{b-a}{n}\right)\left[f\left(x_{0}\right)+f\left(x_{1}\right)+f\left(x_{2}\right)+\ldots+f\left(x_{n-1}\right)\right]$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| E2 | Approximate $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$ using right <br> Riemann sums with $n$ rectangles. | $A=\left(\frac{b-a}{n}\right)\left[f\left(x_{1}\right)+f\left(x_{2}\right)+f\left(x_{3}\right)+\ldots+f\left(x_{n}\right)\right]$ |
| E3 | Approximate $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$ using <br> midpoint Riemann sums. | Typically done with a table of points. Be sure to use only <br> values that are given. If you are given 7 points, you can only <br> calculate 3 midpoint rectangles. |
| E4 | Approximate $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$ using <br> trapezoidal summation. | $A=\left(\frac{b-a}{2 n}\right)\left[f\left(x_{0}\right)+2 f\left(x_{1}\right)+2 f\left(x_{2}\right)+\ldots+2 f\left(x_{n-1}\right)+f\left(x_{n}\right)\right]$ <br> This formula only works when the base of each trapezoid is <br> the same. If not, calculate the areas of individual trapezoids. |
| E5 | Find $\int_{b}^{a} f(x) d x$ where $a<b$. | $\int_{b}^{a} f(x) d x=-\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$ |

## F. Applications of Integral Calculus

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| F1 | Find the area under the curve $f(x)$ on the interval $[a, b]$. | $\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| F2 | Find the area between $f(x)$ and $\mathrm{g}(x)$. | Find the intersections, $a$ and $b$ of $f(x)$ and $g(x)$. If $f(x) \geq g(x)$ on $[\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}]$, then area $A=\int^{b}[f(x)-g(x)] d x$. |
| F3 | Find the line $x=c$ that divides the area under $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$ into two equal areas. | $\int_{a}^{c} f(x) d x=\int_{c}^{b} f(x) d x \text { or } \int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x=2 \int_{a}^{c} f(x) d x$ |
| F4 | Find the volume when the area under $f(x)$ is rotated about the $x$-axis on the interval $[a, b]$. | Disks: Radius $=f(x): V=\pi \int_{a}^{b}[f(x)]^{2} d x$ |
| F5 | Find the volume when the area between $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ is rotated about the $x$-axis. | Washers: Outside radius $=f(x)$. Inside radius $=g(x)$. Establish the interval where $f(x) \geq g(x)$ and the values of $a$ and $b$, where $f(x)=g(x) . V=\pi \int^{b}\left([f(x)]^{2}-[g(x)]^{2}\right) d x$ |
| F6 | Given a base bounded by $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ on $[a, b]$ the cross sections of the solid perpendicular to the $x$-axis are squares. Find the volume. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Base }=f(x)-g(x) . \text { Area }=\text { base }^{2}=[f(x)-g(x)]^{2} \\ & \text { Volume }=\int_{a}^{b}[f(x)-g(x)]^{2} d x \end{aligned}$ |
| F7 | Solve the differential equation $\frac{d y}{d x}=f(x) g(y)$. | Separate the variables: $x$ on one side, $y$ on the other with the $d x$ and $d y$ in the numerators. Then integrate both sides, remembering the $+C$, usually on the $x$-side. |
| F8 | Find the average value of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$. | $F_{\text {avg }}=\frac{\int_{a}^{b} f(x) d x}{b-a}$ |
| F9 | Find the average rate of change of $F^{\prime}(x)$ on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$. | $\frac{\frac{d}{d t} \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} F^{\prime}(x) d x}{t_{2}-t_{1}}=\frac{F^{\prime}\left(t_{2}\right)-F^{\prime}\left(t_{1}\right)}{t_{2}-t_{1}}$ |
| F10 | $y$ is increasing proportionally to $y$. | $\frac{d y}{d t}=k y$ which translates to $y=C e^{k t}$ |
| F11 | Given $\frac{d y}{d x}$, draw a slope field. | Use the given points and plug them into $\frac{d y}{d x}$, drawing little lines with the calculated slopes at the point. |

## G. Particle Motion and Rates of Change

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| G1 | Given the position function $s(t)$ of a particle moving along a straight line, find the velocity and acceleration. | $v(t)=s^{\prime}(t) \quad a(t)=v^{\prime}(t)=s^{\prime \prime}(t)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| G2 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$ and $s(0)$, find $s(t)$. | $s(t)=\int v(t) d t+C$. Plug in $s(0)$ to find $C$. |
| G3 | Given the acceleration function $a(t)$ of a particle at rest and $s(0)$, find $s(t)$. | $\begin{aligned} & v(t)=\int a(t) d t+C_{1} . \text { Plug in } v(0)=0 \text { to find } C_{1} . \\ & s(t)=\int v(t) d t+C_{2} . \text { Plug in } s(0) \text { to find } C_{2} . \end{aligned}$ |
| G4 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$, determine if a particle is speeding up or slowing down at $t=k$. | Find $v(k)$ and $a(k)$. If both have the same sign, the particle is speeding up. If they have different signs, the particle is slowing down. |
| G5 | Given the position function $s(t)$, find the average velocity on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$. | $\text { Avg. vel. }=\frac{s\left(t_{2}\right)-s\left(t_{1}\right)}{t_{2}-t_{1}}$ |
| G6 | Given the position function $s(t)$, find the instantaneous velocity at $t=k$. | Inst. vel. $=s^{\prime}(k)$. |
| G7 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$ on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$, find the minimum acceleration of a particle. | Find $a(t)$ and set $a^{\prime}(t)=0$. Set up a sign chart and find critical values. Evaluate the acceleration at critical values and also $t_{1}$ and $t_{2}$ to find the minimum. |
| G8 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$, find the average velocity on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$. | Avg. vel. $=\frac{\int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} v(t) d t}{t_{2}-t_{1}}$ |
| G9 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$, determine the difference of position of a particle on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$. | $\text { Displacement }=\int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} v(t) d t$ |
| G10 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$, determine the distance a particle travels on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$. | $\text { Distance }=\int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}}\|v(t)\| d t$ |
| G11 | Calculate $\int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}}\|v(t)\| d t$ without a calculator. | Set $v(t)=0$ and make a sign charge of $v(t)=0$ on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$. On intervals $[a, b]$ where $v(t)>0, \int_{a}^{b}\|v(t)\| d t=\int_{a}^{b} v(t) d t$ On intervals $[a, b]$ where $v(t)<0, \int_{a}^{b}\|v(t)\| d t=\int_{b}^{a} v(t) d t$ |
| G12 | Given the velocity function $v(t)$ and $s(0)$, find the greatest distance of the particle from the starting position on $\left[0, t_{1}\right]$. | Generate a sign chart of $v(t)$ to find turning points. $s(t)=\int v(t) d t+C$. Plug in $s(0)$ to find $C$. <br> Evaluate $s(t)$ at all turning points and find which one gives the maximum distance from $s(0)$. |


| G13 | The volume of a solid is changing at the rate of ... | $\frac{d V}{d t}=\ldots$ |
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| G14 | The meaning of $\int_{a}^{b} R^{\prime}(t) d t$. | This gives the accumulated change of $R(t)$ on $[a, b]$. $\int_{a}^{b} R^{\prime}(t) d t=R(b)-R(a)$ or $R(b)=R(a)+\int_{a}^{b} R^{\prime}(t) d t$ |
| G15 | Given a water tank with $g$ gallons initially, filled at the rate of $F(t)$ gallons/min and emptied at the rate of $E(t)$ gallons $/ \mathrm{min}$ on $\left[t_{1}, t_{2}\right]$ a) The amount of water in the tank at $t$ $=m$ minutes. $\mathbf{b}$ ) the rate the water amount is changing at $t=m$ minutes and c) the time $t$ when the water in the tank is at a minimum or maximum. | a) $g+\int_{0}^{m}[F(t)-E(t)] d t$ <br> b) $\frac{d}{d t} \int_{0}^{m}[F(t)-E(t)] d t=F(m)-E(m)$ <br> c) set $F(m)-E(m)=0$, solve for $m$, and evaluate $g+\int_{0}^{m}[F(t)-E(t)] d t$ at values of $m$ and also the endpoints. |

