

**AP CALCULUS  
FORMULA LIST**

Definition of  $e$ :  $e = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$

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Absolute value:  $|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$

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Definition of the derivative:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

$$f'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \quad (\text{Alternative form})$$

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Definition of continuity:  $f$  is continuous at  $c$  iff

- 1)  $f(c)$  is defined;
  - 2)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$  exists;
  - 3)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$ .
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Average rate of change of  $f(x)$  on  $[a, b] = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$

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Rolle's Theorem: If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$  and if  $f(a) = f(b)$ , then there is at least one number  $c$  on  $(a, b)$  such that  $f'(c) = 0$ .

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Mean Value Theorem: If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , then there exists a number  $c$  on  $(a, b)$  such that  $f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$ .

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Intermediate Value Theorem: If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and  $k$  is any number between  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$ , then there is at least one number  $c$  between  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $f(c) = k$ .

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$\sin 2x = 2 \sin x \cos x$

$$\cos 2x = \begin{cases} \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x & \cos^2 x = \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2} \\ 1 - 2 \sin^2 x & \sin^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2} \\ 2 \cos^2 x - 1 & \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[c] = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[x^n] = nx^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[uv] = uv' + vu'$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left[\frac{u}{v}\right] = \frac{vu' - uv'}{v^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[f(g(x))] = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\sin u] = \cos u \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\cos u] = -\sin u \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\tan u] = \sec^2 u \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\cot u] = -\csc^2 u \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\sec u] = \sec u \tan u \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\csc u] = -\csc u \cot u \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\ln u] = \frac{1}{u} \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\log_a u] = \frac{1}{u \ln a} \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[e^u] = e^u \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[a^u] = a^u \ln a \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\arcsin u] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\arccos u] = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\arctan u] = \frac{1}{1+u^2} \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\operatorname{arccot} u] = -\frac{1}{1+u^2} \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\operatorname{arcsec} u] = \frac{1}{|u|\sqrt{u^2-1}} \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}[\operatorname{arccsc} u] = -\frac{1}{|u|\sqrt{u^2-1}} \frac{du}{dx}$$

$$(f^{-1})'(a) = \frac{1}{f'(f^{-1}(a))}$$

$$\int \cos u \, du = \sin u + C$$

$$\int \sin u \, du = -\cos u + C$$

$$\int \sec^2 u \, du = \tan u + C$$

$$\int \csc^2 u \, du = -\cot u + C$$

$$\int \sec u \tan u \, du = \sec u + C$$

$$\int \csc u \cot u \, du = -\csc u + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{u} \, du = \ln|u| + C$$

$$\int \tan u \, du = -\ln|\cos u| + C$$

$$\int \cot u \, du = \ln|\sin u| + C$$

$$\int \sec u \, du = \ln|\sec u + \tan u| + C$$

$$\int \csc u \, du = -\ln|\csc u + \cot u| + C$$

$$\int e^u \, du = e^u + C$$

$$\int a^u \, du = \frac{a^u}{\ln a} + C$$

$$\int \frac{du}{\sqrt{a^2 - u^2}} = \arcsin \frac{u}{a} + C$$

$$\int \frac{du}{u^2 + a^2} = \frac{1}{a} \arctan \frac{u}{a} + C$$

$$\int \frac{du}{u\sqrt{u^2 - a^2}} = \frac{1}{a} \operatorname{arcsec} \frac{|u|}{a} + C$$

### Definition of a Critical Number:

Let  $f$  be defined at  $c$ . If  $f'(c) = 0$  or if  $f'$  is undefined at  $c$ , then  $c$  is a critical number of  $f$ .

### First Derivative Test:

Let  $c$  be a critical number of a function  $f$  that is continuous on an open interval  $I$  containing  $c$ . If  $f$  is differentiable on the interval, except possibly at  $c$ , then  $f(c)$  can be classified as follows.

- 1) If  $f'(x)$  changes from negative to positive at  $c$ , then  $f(c)$  is a **relative minimum** of  $f$ .
- 2) If  $f'(x)$  changes from positive to negative at  $c$ , then  $f(c)$  is a **relative maximum** of  $f$ .

### Second Derivative Test:

Let  $f$  be a function such that  $f'(c) = 0$  and the second derivative of  $f$  exists on an open interval containing  $c$ .

- 1) If  $f''(c) > 0$ , then  $f(c)$  is a relative minimum.
- 2) If  $f''(c) < 0$ , then  $f(c)$  is a relative maximum.

### Definition of Concavity:

Let  $f$  be differentiable on an open interval  $I$ . The graph of  $f$  is **concave upward** on  $I$  if  $f'$  is increasing on the interval and **concave downward** on  $I$  if  $f'$  is decreasing on the interval.

### Test for Concavity:

Let  $f$  be a function whose second derivative exists on an open interval  $I$ .

- 1) If  $f''(x) > 0$  for all  $x$  in  $I$ , then the graph of  $f$  is concave upward in  $I$ .
- 2) If  $f''(x) < 0$  for all  $x$  in  $I$ , then the graph of  $f$  is concave downward in  $I$ .

### Definition of an Inflection Point:

A function  $f$  has an inflection point at  $(c, f(c))$

- 1) if  $f''(c) = 0$  or  $f''(c)$  does not exist and
- 2) if  $f''$  changes sign at  $x = c$ . (or if  $f'(x)$  changes from increasing to decreasing or vice versa at  $x = c$ )

First Fundamental Theorem of Calculus:  $\int_a^b f'(x)dx = f(b) - f(a)$

Second Fundamental Theorem of Calculus:  $\frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x f(t)dt = f(x)$

Chain Rule Version:  $\frac{d}{dx} \int_a^{g(x)} f(t)dt = f(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$

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Average value of  $f(x)$  on  $[a, b]$ :  $f_{AVE} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx$

Volume around a horizontal axis by discs:  $V = \pi \int_a^b [r(x)]^2 dx$

Volume around a horizontal axis by washers:  $V = \pi \int_a^b ([R(x)]^2 - [r(x)]^2) dx$

Volume by cross sections taken perpendicular to the  $x$ -axis:  $V = \int_a^b A(x)dx$

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If an object moves along a straight line with position function  $s(t)$ , then its

Velocity is  $v(t) = s'(t)$

Speed =  $|v(t)|$

Acceleration is  $a(t) = v'(t) = s''(t)$

Displacement (change in position) from  $x = a$  to  $x = b$  is Displacement =  $\int_a^b v(t)dt$

Total Distance traveled from  $x = a$  to  $x = b$  is Total Distance =  $\int_a^b |v(t)|dt$

or Total Distance =  $\left| \int_a^c v(t)dt \right| + \left| \int_c^b v(t)dt \right|$ , where  $v(t)$  changes sign at  $x = c$ .

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### **CALCULUS BC ONLY**

Integration by parts:  $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$

Length of arc for functions:  $s = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + [f'(x)]^2} dx$

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If an object moves along a curve, its

Position vector =  $(x(t), y(t))$

Velocity vector =  $(x'(t), y'(t))$

Acceleration vector =  $(x''(t), y''(t))$

Speed (or magnitude of velocity vector) =  $|v(t)| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2}$

Distance traveled from  $t = a$  to  $t = b$  (or length of arc) is  $s = \int_a^b \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$

In polar curves,  $x = r \cos \theta$  and  $y = r \sin \theta$

$$\text{Slope of polar curve: } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{r \cos \theta + r' \sin \theta}{-r \sin \theta + r' \cos \theta}$$

$$\text{Area inside a polar curve: } A = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b r^2 d\theta$$

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$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$$