

Review for Test 2: Sections 1.7, 2.1 – 2.6

ONLY non-CAS calculators will be allowed on the exam. You may not share a calculator with other students during the exam so be sure to bring your own.

Assigned problems:

page 58: 17, 19 (also review the 5 problems from the worksheet on continuity)

page 62: 47 (explain why it is discontinuous at $x = 1$, -1 using the formal definition of continuity)

page 67: 67

page 109: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 25, 27, 33ab, 35, 36, 37, 43

page 113: 3, 9, 12, (true), 14, (true), 16 (true), 23, 24 (True), 25, 26 (True), 27.

(Also review the worksheet on differentiability)

Concepts

Continuity (1.7)

- Determine points of discontinuity of a function from its graph or formula
- Know the FORMAL definition of continuity (3 parts) and be able to explain why a function is discontinuous at a point in terms of this definition.
- Given a piecewise-defined function, determine the value of a parameter in order to make the function continuous.

Derivatives (2.1 – 2.5)

Given a function in any form, i.e. as a formula, as a graph, as a table of data or as a description of an application:

- Approximate the value of the derivative at a point, $x = a$, given
 - a graph (find or estimate the slope of the tangent line at a point)
 - a table of data (know how to find the BEST estimate)
- Find the derivative (i.e. find the exact value) at a point, $x = a$, or as a formula for any x -value, using the limit definition.
Note: “find the derivative using the limit definition” is equivalent to “find the derivative algebraically” or “find the derivative using difference quotients” or “find a formula for the derivative.”

All of these require that you use analytic techniques, meaning setting up the limit for f' , then evaluating the limit algebraically. You shouldn't use your calculator on any part of this sort of problem...all the computation should be done using algebra.

- Interpret the derivative in practical terms, as a rate of change. Include units as part of the interpretation.
- Sketch the graph of f' , given the graph of the original function, f .
Key points: $f'(x) = 0$ at any point where f levels out.
 - $f'(x) > 0$ on intervals where f is increasing
 - $f'(x) < 0$ on intervals where f is decreasing
 - $f'(x)$ will be at a max or min value at a point of inflection of f

In general, know the relationship between the value (sign +, - or 0) of $f'(x)$ and the graph of f

- Sketch the graph of f'' , given the graph of the original function, f .
Key points: .
 - on intervals where f is concave up
 - on intervals where f is concave down
 - $f''(x) = 0$ when f is linear
 - f has a point of inflection when $f''(x) = 0$ AND f changes in concavity. Note: In logic, an “AND” statement requires that both conditions be satisfied for the statement to be true!

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- Know the relationship between the second derivative, acceleration of a particle and the graph of the particle’s distance with respect to time.

Differentiability

- Given the graph of a function, determine points at which the function is not differentiable. Be able to explain WHY the function is not differentiable at these points,
 - in terms of “abrupt change in slope”, “vertical tangent line”, “point of discontinuity of the original function”.
 - In terms of the limit (which creates the derivative) not existing (be able to show work demonstrating that the limit doesn’t exist)
- Given a piecewise-defined function (given algebraically), be able to graph and determine points at which the function is not differentiable.
- Given an absolute value function, be able to rewrite it in piecewise form and identify the point of non-differentiability.