

AP Calculus BC

Chapter 8 – AP Exam Problems

L'Hopital's Rule

1. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \csc x =$
A) $-\infty$ B) -1 C) 0 D) 1 E) ∞

2. If $f'(x) = \cos x$ and $g'(x) = 1$ for all x , and if $f(0) = g(0) = 0$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} =$
A) $\frac{\pi}{2}$ B) 1 C) 0 D) -1 E) nonexistent

3. Find $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2 \sin^2 \theta} =$
A) 0 B) $\frac{1}{8}$ C) $\frac{1}{4}$ D) 1 E) nonexistent

4. Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_1^{1+h} \sqrt{x^5 + 8} dx}{h}$
A) 0 B) 1 C) 3 D) $2\sqrt{2}$ E) nonexistent

5. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{x - \frac{\pi}{4}}$ is
A) 0 B) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ C) $\frac{\pi}{4}$ D) 1 E) nonexistent

6. Let f and g be continuous functions that are differentiable for all real numbers, with $g(x) \neq 0$ for $x \neq 0$. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$ exists, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ is
A) 0 C) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$ E) nonexistent
B) $\frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$ D) $\frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{(f(x))^2}$

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7. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\int_1^x e^{t^2}}{x^2 - 1}$
- A) 0 B) 1 C) $\frac{e}{2}$ D) e E) nonexistent
8. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + 2x)^{\csc x} =$
- A) 0 B) 1 C) 2 D) e E) e^2
9. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1 + 5e^x)^{1/x} =$
- A) 0 B) 1 C) e D) e^5 E) nonexistent
10. If k is a positive integer, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^k}{e^x} =$
- A) 0 B) 1 C) e D) $k!$ E) nonexistent
11. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - \cos x - 2x}{x^2 - 2x}$
- A) $-1/2$ B) 0 C) $1/2$ D) 1 E) nonexistent
12. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x \cos x}{x}$
- A) -1 B) 0 C) 1 D) $\frac{\pi}{4}$ E) nonexistent
13. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{e^{x^2} - e^9}{x - 3}$
- A) 0 B) $\frac{e^9}{9}$ C) $3e^9$ D) $6e^9$ E) nonexistent

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14. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\int_1^x \sin t dt}{x^2 - 1}$

- A) 0 B) 1 C) $\frac{\sin 1}{2}$ D) 2 E) nonexistent

15. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - e^x}{\ln(1+x)}$

- A) -1 B) 0 C) 1 D) e E) nonexistent

16. Let $f(x)$ be a continuous function with the properties that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f'(x) = 3$.

What is the value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} [f(x)]^{\frac{1}{x}}$?

- A) 0 B) 1 C) 3 D) e^3 E) nonexistent

17. Let $f(x)$ be a continuous function with the properties that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \infty$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) = 4$.

What is the value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [e^x]^{f(x)}$?

- A) 0 B) 1 C) 4 D) e^4 E) nonexistent

Improper Integrals

18. Evaluate $\int_2^{+\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2}$

- A) $\frac{1}{2}$ B) $\ln 2$ C) 1 D) 2 E) nonexistent

19. Evaluate $\int_4^{\infty} \frac{-2x}{\sqrt[3]{9-x^2}} dx$

- A) $7^{\frac{2}{3}}$ C) $9^{\frac{2}{3}} + 7^{\frac{2}{3}}$ E) nonexistent
B) $\frac{3}{2} \left(7^{\frac{2}{3}} \right)$ D) $\frac{3}{2} \left(9^{\frac{2}{3}} + 7^{\frac{2}{3}} \right)$

20. Evaluate $\int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x^3} dx$

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- A) $-\frac{1}{3}$ B) 0 C) $\frac{1}{3}$ D) 1 E) divergent

21. What are all values of p for which $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{2p}} dx$ converges?

- A) $p < -1$ B) $p > 0$ C) $p > \frac{1}{2}$ D) $p > 1$ E) There are no values.

22. Let R be the region between the graph of $y = e^{-2x}$ and the x -axis for $x \geq 3$. The area of R is

- A) $\frac{1}{2e^6}$ B) $\frac{1}{e^6}$ C) $\frac{2}{e^6}$ D) $\frac{\pi}{2e^6}$ E) infinite

23. Evaluate $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{(1+x^3)^2} dx$

- A) $-1/6$ B) $-1/24$ C) $1/24$ D) $1/6$ E) nonexistent

24. Find $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{3x^2}{(1+x^3)^2} dx$

- A) -1 B) 0 C) 1 D) 3 E) nonexistent

25. Evaluate $\int_0^3 \frac{3}{x} dx$

- A) 0 B) 1 C) $3e$ D) e^3 E) nonexistent

26. (1985 BC5) Let f be the function defined by $f(x) = -\ln x$ for $0 < x \leq 1$ and let R be the region between the graph of f and the x -axis.

(a) Determine whether region R has finite area. Justify your answer.

(b) Determine whether the solid generated by revolving region R about the y -axis has finite volume. Justify your answer.

27. (1971 BC5) Determine whether or not $\int_0^{\infty} xe^{-x} dx$ converges. If it converges, give its value. Show your reasoning.

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Answer Key

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| 1. D | 1985 | AB | #37 | 44% |
| 2. B | 1988 | AB | #23 | 73% |
| 3. C | 1993 | AB | #29 | 40% |
| 4. C | 1985 | BC | #23 | 25% |
| 5. D | 1985 | BC | #29 | 84% |
| 6. C | 1993 | BC | #24 | 58% |
| 7. C | 1998 | BC | #28 | 56% |
| 8. E | 1993 | BC | #42 | 25% |
| 9. C | 1985 | BC | #38 | 21% |
| 10. A | 1988 | BC | #35 | 50% |
| 11. C | 2003 | BC | #2 | 67% |
| 12. C | 2008 | BC | #3 | 73% |
| 13. D | Pearson | BC1 | #16 | |
| 14. C | Pearson | BC2 | #28 | |
| 15. A | Lucia | BC1 | #14 | |
| 16. B | Lucia | BC1 | #44 | |
| 17. B | Lucia | BC2 | #28 | |

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| 18. A | 1988 | BC | #7 | 82% |
| 19. E | 1993 | BC | #11 | 70% |
| 20. C | 1998 | BC | #25 | 45% |
| 21. C | 2003 | BC | #6 | 69% |
| 22. A | 2008 | BC | #11 | 52% |
| 23. D | Pearson | BC1 | #8 | |
| 24. C | Pearson | BC2 | #25 | |
| 25. E | Lucia | BC1 | #7 | |