# Mth 251 <br> Review for Exam 1 

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1. The point $P(2,8)$ lies on the curve $y=x^{3}$.
(a) Graph the curve $y=x^{3}$ and plot the point $P$.
(b) If $Q$ is the point $\left(x, x^{3}\right)$, find the slope of the secant line $P Q$ for the following values of $x$, rounding to five decimal places:

| $x$ | $m_{\mathrm{sec}}=\frac{f(x)-f(2)}{x-2}$ |
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| 1.5 |  |
| 1.9 |  |
| 1.99 |  |
| 2 | cannot compute <br> (do not write here) |
| 2.01 |  |
| 2.1 |  |
| 2.5 |  |

(c) Taking part (b) into consideration, make an educated guess at the value of the slope of the tangent line to the curve at $P(2,8)$.
2. Repeat question 1 using $y=\frac{1}{x}$ and the point $P\left(2, \frac{1}{2}\right)$.
3. Sketch the graph of a function $f$ satisfying all of the given conditions.
(a) $\lim _{x \rightarrow-\infty} f(x)=-\infty$
(e) $\lim _{x \rightarrow-2} f(x)=1$
(b) $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)=\infty$
(f) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)=-1$
(c) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 0^{-}} f(x)=-\infty$
(g) $f(-2)=-1$
(d) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 0^{+}} f(x)=\infty$
(h) $f(2)=1$
4. Sketch the graph of a function $f$ satisfying all of the given conditions.
(a) $\lim _{x \rightarrow-\infty} f(x)=3$
(e) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 2^{-}} f(x)=\infty$
(b) $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)=-4$
(c) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 0^{-}} f(x)=-2$
(f) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 2^{+}} f(x)=-\infty$
(d) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 0^{+}} f(x)=4$
(g) $f(0)=0$
5. The graph of $y=f(x)$ is shown below. Use this graph to answer the following questions.
(a) Is $f$ continuous on $(-\infty,-4)$ ?
(b) Is $f$ continuous from the left at $x=-1$ ?
(c) Is $f$ continuous from the right at $x=-1$ ?
(d) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow-4^{-}} f(x)$ ?
(e) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow-4^{+}} f(x)$ ?
(f) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow-4} f(x)$ ?
(g) What is $f(-4)$ ?
(h) Is $f$ continuous at $x=-4$ ?
(i) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow-2^{-}} f(x)$ ?
(j) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow-2^{+}} f(x)$ ?
(k) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow-2} f(x)$ ?
(l) What is $f(-2)$ ?
(m) Is $f$ continuous at $x=-2$ ?
(n) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow-1^{-}} f(x)$ ?
(o) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow-1^{+}} f(x)$ ?
(p) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow-1} f(x)$ ?
(q) What is $f(-1)$ ?
(r) Is $f$ continuous at $x=-1$ ?
(s) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow 3^{-}} f(x)$ ?
(t) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow 3^{+}} f(x)$ ?
(u) What is $\lim _{x \rightarrow 3} f(x)$ ?
(v) What is $f(3)$ ?
(w) Is $f$ continuous at $x=3$ ?
(x) Where are the discontinuities of $f$ ? Identify each discontinuity as either a removable, jump, or infinite discontinuity.

6. Evaluate the limit, if it exists.
(a) $\lim _{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^{2}-5 x+6}{2 x^{2}-5 x-3}$
(f) $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{4 t^{2}+1}}{t-1}$
(b) $\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^{2}-5 x+6}{2 x^{2}-5 x-3}$
(g) $\lim _{\alpha \rightarrow 2^{-}} \frac{|\alpha-2|}{\alpha^{2}-3 \alpha+2}$
(c) $\lim _{y \rightarrow-1} \frac{y^{3}+1}{y^{2}-1}$
(d) $\lim _{y \rightarrow-\infty} \frac{y^{3}+1}{y^{2}-1}$
(h) $\lim _{\alpha \rightarrow 2^{+}} \frac{|\alpha-2|}{\alpha^{2}-3 \alpha+2}$
(e) $\lim _{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos z}{z^{4}-1}$
(i) $\lim _{\alpha \rightarrow 2} \frac{|\alpha-2|}{\alpha^{2}-3 \alpha+2}$
7. Below are five statements. Determine if the statement is True or False. If the statement is True, you need only write "True" and do not need to provide a justification (though one may provide partial credit). If the statement is False, write "False" and justify your answer as specifically as possible. (Do not write "T" or "F"; please write the full word)
(a) The derivative of the velocity function represents acceleration.
(b) The function $f(t)=\sqrt{4-t^{2}}$ is continuous from the left at $t=-2$.
(c) If a function is defined at $a$, it is continuous at $a$.
(d) If a function is continuous at $a$, it is defined at $a$.
(e) The derivative of a function $f$ at $a$ is the same as $f^{\prime \prime}(a)$.
8. Graph the piecewise function

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f(x)= \begin{cases}x^{3} & \text { if } x<-1 \\ 0 & \text { if }-1 \leq x<2 \\ \sqrt{x-2} & \text { if } x \geq 2\end{cases}
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Identify all of the discontinuities of $f$. Are they removable, jump, or infinite discontinuities?
9. Use the definition of derivative to find the derivative function of $f(x)=2 x^{2}+1$
10. Use the definition of derivative to find the derivative function of $g(x)=\frac{3-x}{x}$
11. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve $y=2 x^{2}+1$ at $(-2,9)$. Do not use any shortcuts for finding the slope. (Though you can use them to verify your answer.)
12. Find an equation of the tangent line to the curve $y=\frac{3-x}{x}$ at $(-1,-4)$. Do not use any shortcuts for finding the slope. (Though you can use them to verify your answer.)
13. Sketch a graph of $f(x)=2 x^{2}+1$. Then sketch a graph of $f^{\prime}(x)$.
14. Sketch a graph of $h(x)=\tan x$ on the interval $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$. Then sketch a graph of $h^{\prime}(x)$.
15. Below is the graph of a function $g(x)$. Sketch a graph of $g^{\prime}(x)$.


