

AP[®] CALCULUS BC FREE-RESPONSE QUESTIONS

No calculator is allowed for these problems.

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4. Consider the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x - y$.

(part c)
 $f(-0.4) = 1.52$... (3)

- (d) Find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ in terms of x and y . Determine whether the approximation found in part (c) is less than or greater than $f(-0.4)$. Explain your reasoning.
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6. Let f be the function whose graph goes through the point $(3, 6)$ and whose derivative is given by

$$f'(x) = \frac{1 + e^x}{x^2}.$$

- (a) Write an equation of the line tangent to the graph of f at $x = 3$ and use it to approximate $f(3.1)$.
- (b) ~~Use Euler's method, starting at $x = 3$ with a step size of 0.05, to approximate $f(3.1)$.~~ Use f'' to explain why this approximation is less than $f(3.1)$.
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