

Summer Work Packet for MPH Math Classes

**Students going into
AP Calculus BC
Sept. 2017**

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AP CALCULUS BC

There are three main parts to this packet. Please follow each set of instructions for each part. For this packet you will need to watch the movie “Hidden Figures”. It is available on amazon prime (the link is below).

https://www.amazon.com/Hidden-Figures-Taraji-P-Henson/dp/B01LTI1RHG/ref=sr_1_2?ie=UTF8&qid=1498057398&sr=8-2&keywords=hidden+figures+movie

Students will need TI-84 or TI-89 calculator for AP Calculus BC.

Good luck, have fun and please contact me or Mrs. Meehan with any concerns or problems!

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Part I: Introduction to Sequences and Sums

Instructions:

1. Go to <https://www.khanacademy.org/>
2. Click on “Learners, start here”
3. Under **Math by subject**, click “AP Calculus BC”
4. Scroll down until you reach the section that says “Sequences & series intro”

You will complete lessons and practice exercises from four topics *off the menu on the left hand side*. I have laid out all the topics with the videos (lessons) you are responsible for watching, followed by their corresponding practice exercises.

You are to complete the practice exercises on a loose leaf sheet of paper. This will be collected within the first week of school. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sequences Review:

1. Videos: “Sequences Intro”, “Worked Example Sequence: Explicit Formula”, “Worked Example Sequence: Implicit Formula”
2. Practice: “Sequences Review”

Infinite Sequences:

1. Videos: “Convergent and Divergent Sequences”, “Worked Example: Sequence Convergent/Divergent”
2. Practice: Sequence Convergent/Divergent

Series Review:

1. Videos: “Sigma Notation for Sums”, “Worked Example: Sigma Notation”, “Worked Example: Sigma Notation ($n \geq 2$)”
2. Practice: “Sigma Notation intro”

Partial Sums:

1. Videos: “Partial Sums intro”, “Partial Sums: formula for nth term from partial sum”, “Partial Sums: term value from partial sum”
2. Practice: “Partial Sums Intro”

Part II: Hidden Figures

Instructions: Please watch the movie “Hidden Figures” and answer the following questions. This will be collected and graded.

You may access the movie through amazon using the link below:

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1. Characters:

Give the first and last names of each person.

The three women who work at NASA;

Which of the three women is ...

the engineer? _____

the computer scientist? _____

the mathematician? _____

The head of the whole Space Task Group: _____

The engineer who is “second in command” in the Space Task Group: _____

2. Setting:

Where does the movie take place? _____

Is the movie fiction, non-fiction, or somewhere in between the two? _____

Who was the U.S. president at the time? _____

Was Martin Luther King Jr. still alive? _____

Give an example of how “colored” were treated differently than “whites”.

Give an example of how women were treated differently than men.

3. Katherine gets an assignment to the Space Task Group.

Why does she get the assignment?

What kind of math can she do?

4. Mary wants to become an engineer but needs to take additional classes.

Where does she take the classes?

Who does she have to convince to let her enroll?

5. Dorothy sneaks a book out of the library,

What kind of book is it?

Why does she have to sneak it out?

Why does she need the book?

6. Who was the first Russian to orbit the Earth? _____
How many times did he orbit the earth? _____
Who was the first American to orbit the Earth? _____
How many times did he orbit the Earth? _____
Who orbited first, a Russian or an American? _____

7. Who got the IBM (I _____ B _____ M _____)?
How many multiplications can the IBM compute per second? _____

8. Who figured out the landing coordinates? _____
Using what method? _____
Was this new math or old math? _____

9. Who knocked down the “colored ladies room” sign? _____
Explain why.

10. What parting gift does Katherine get right before her wedding? _____
What is the significance of the gift?

11. Right before John Glenn’s lift off, what happens?
Who does John Glenn ask to check the coordinates?

12. Who becomes the supervisor at the end of the movie? _____
What does Mrs. Mitchell call her at that time and what is the significance of this?
13. How many years were Katherine and Jim married? _____
What happened to Katherine's first husband? _____
14. When Mary goes to night school, where is the "colored section" of the classroom?
15. State the number of children each woman has.
Katherine _____ Mary _____ Dorothy _____
16. How many times is John Glenn scheduled to orbit the Earth? _____ How long is it supposed to take? _____ How many times does he actually orbit the Earth? _____ Why did they have to bring him down early? _____
17. Where did John Glenn take off? _____
18. Where did John Glenn land? _____
19. What does Paul bring Katherine at the end of the movie? _____
What is the significance of this?

PART III : INTRODUCTION TO BOUNDED FUNCTIONS

Please make sure to read this **carefully** and complete the examples. This will be collected within the first week of school.

Consider the function $\sin(x)$. We know that for all x in \mathbb{R} , $-1 \leq \sin x \leq 1$. Recall that this is equivalent to saying that

$$|\sin x| \leq 1 \text{ for all } x \text{ in } \mathbb{R}.$$

In this case we say that 1 is a **bound for $\sin x$ on \mathbb{R}** . Intuitively, a bound for a function is a real number M such that the absolute value of the function never exceeds M .

DEFINITION 1. Let f be a function defined on a closed interval $[a, b]$ and let M be a positive real number. We say M is a **bound for $f(x)$** if

$$|f(x)| \leq M \text{ for all } x \text{ in } [a, b] \text{ and } M \geq 0.$$

An important point to notice is that bounds are not unique. While it is true that $|\sin x| \leq 1$ for all x in \mathbb{R} , it is also true that $|\sin x| \leq 2$, $|\sin x| \leq 3$, ..., $|\sin x| \leq 100$ etc. However, 1 is the smallest bound so we think of it as the "best" in some sense since anything smaller than 1 is **not** a bound for $\sin x$. Let's work out some explicit examples to see what this means.

EXAMPLE 1. Let $f(x) = \sin x$. State three bounds for $f(x)$ and determine the smallest bound for $f(x)$.

Solution. Since $|f(x)| \leq 1$ for all x in \mathbb{R} , then 3 bounds for $f(x)$ could be 1, 5, and 17. But as stated above, the smallest bound for $f(x)$ is 1. This can be seen by looking at the graph of $\sin x$.

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EXAMPLE 2. Let $f(x) = 2 \sin x + 1$. State three bounds for $f(x)$ and determine the "best" (smallest) bound for $f(x)$.

Now consider the function $f(x) = x$. This linear function does not have a bound on the whole real line. In other words, there is no number M such that $|x| \leq M$ for all x in \mathbb{R} . Graphically we understand this because $|x|$ goes to infinity for both positive and negative x .

But when we limit the domain values to a closed interval, for example $[1, 3]$, the y values are limited as well. So in general we care mostly about continuous functions defined on a closed interval because these functions can always be bounded. In practice the Extreme Value Theorem gives us a procedure to find a bound.

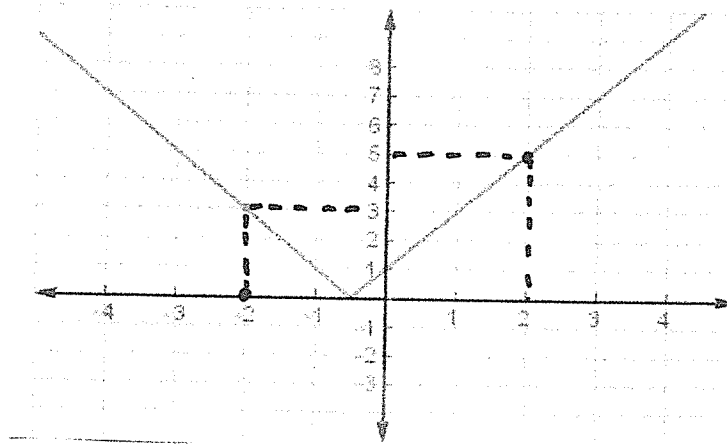
THEOREM 1 (EXTREME VALUE THEOREM). Let $f(x)$ be a continuous functions defined on a closed interval $[a, b]$. Then, $f(x)$ attains both a maximum and a minimum on $[a, b]$.

Our goal is to find bounds for the absolute value of functions. We will do this by using the Extreme Value Theorem and the following theorem.

THEOREM 2. If $f(x)$ is a continuous function on the closed interval $[a, b]$, then $|f(x)|$ is also continuous on $[a, b]$.

Combining these two, if $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$, then $|f(x)|$ attains a maximum on $[a, b]$.

EXAMPLE 3. In this example we will be finding a bound for $f(x) = 2x + 1$ on the closed interval $[-2, 2]$. The first step is to graph $|f(x)| = |2x + 1|$.



Next find the maximum of $|f(x)|$ on the given interval. In this example, since 5 is the largest y -value attained on $[-2, 2]$, we have that

$$|f(x)| \leq 5 \text{ for all } x \text{ in } [-2, 2].$$

So, $M = 5$ and we have found our bound for $f(x)$ on $[-2, 2]$.

Please complete the following examples, this will be collected. Find a bound for each of the following functions on the given intervals. Please make sure to provide graphs of $f(x)$ and $|f(x)|$.

1. $f(x) = e^x$ on $[\frac{1}{2}, 1]$

2. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ on $[-3, -2]$

3. $f(x) = \ln x$ on $[\frac{1}{4}, 1]$ and $[1, 2]$.