The Mathematical Association of Victoria

MATHEMATICAL METHODS and MATHEMATICAL METHODS (CAS)

Trial written examination 1

2007

Reading time: **15 minutes**
Writing time: **1 hour**

Student's Name: ....

QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

Structure of book

Number of questions	Number of questions to be answered	Number of marks
8	8	40

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Working space

Instructions

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

A decimal approximation will not be accepted if an **exact** answer is required to a question.

In questions where more than one mark is available, appropriate working must be shown.

Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this book are **not** drawn to scale.

Question 1

a. $\dfrac{x+2}{x-3}$ can be expressed in the form $A + \dfrac{B}{x-3}$, where A and B are real constants. Show that $A = 1$ and $B = 5$.
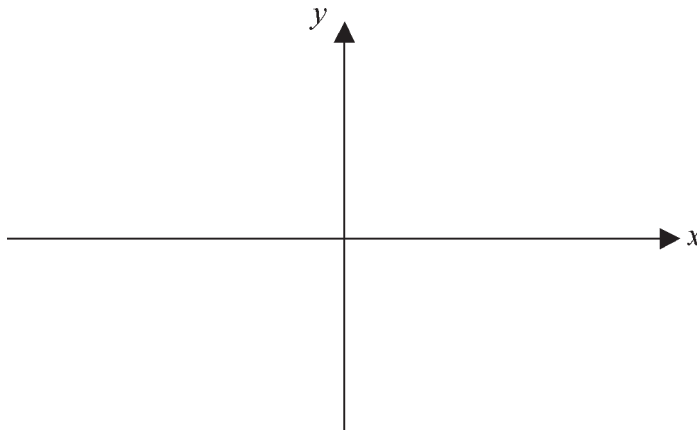

1 mark

b. Hence, sketch the graph of $y = g(x)$ given $g : R \setminus \{3\} \to R$, where $g(x) = A + \dfrac{B}{x-3}$ on the set of axes below, clearly showing the coordinates of any intercepts with the coordinate axes and the equations of the asymptotes.

Consider the function with rule $f(x) = \sqrt{\dfrac{x+2}{x-3}}$.

3 marks

c. State the maximal domain of $f(x)$.

1 mark

$1 + 3 + 1 = 5$ marks

TURN OVER

Question 2

Consider the function $f : (-\infty, a) \to R$ where $f(x) = \log_e |2x - 1|$, where a is a real constant.

a. Find the largest value of a so that f^{-1} exists.

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1 mark

b. State the rule for f^{-1}, for this value of a.

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2 marks

1 + 2 = 3 marks

Question 3

For what values of k, where k is a real constant, does the equation $4^x - 5(2^x) = k$, have two distinct solutions?

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Question 4

Consider the functions with rules $f(x) = (1-x)^{\frac{1}{3}}$ and $g(x) = \log_e(2x)$.

a. Find $f(g(x))$.

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1 mark

b. Find the equation of the tangent to $f(g(x))$ at $x = \dfrac{1}{2}$.

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4 marks

1 + 4 = 5 marks

Question 5

Find the area bounded by the x-axis and the curve with equation $y = x(x+1)^2$.

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3 marks

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Question 6

Consider the function $s:[0,9] \to R$, where $s(t) = 4\sin\left(\dfrac{\pi}{6}t\right) - 2$.

a. For the function, write down

    i. the range and

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    ii. the period.

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b. Solve the equation $s(t) = 0$, for $t \in [0,\ 9]$.

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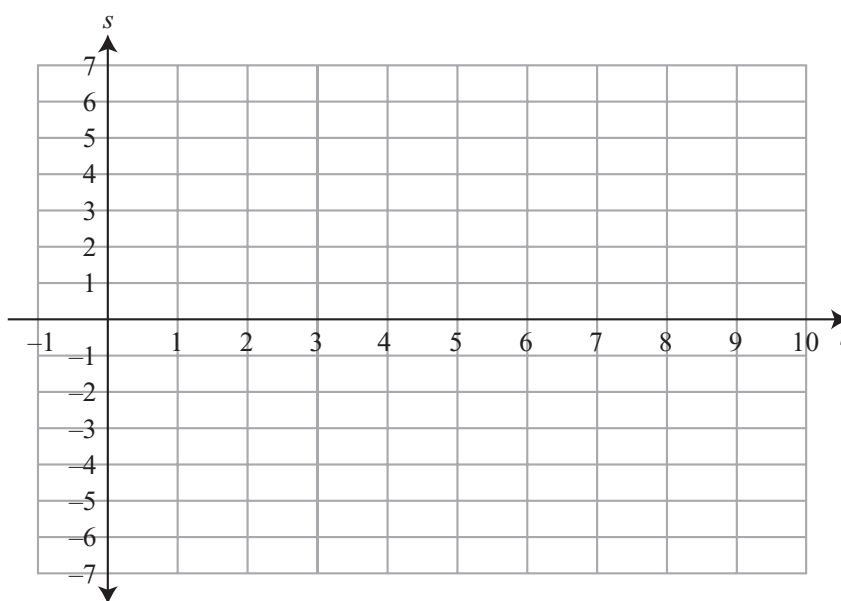**c.** Sketch the graph of the function s on the set of axes below. Label the axes intercepts and endpoints with their coordinates.

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                                               1 + 1 + 2 + 3 = 7 marks

Question 7

A shop in the historic town of Brugge sells hand-made Belgian chocolates. The mass, in grams, of a box of twenty chocolates is a normally distributed random variable, *X*, with a mean of 510 grams and a standard deviation of 40 grams.

a. If $\Pr(k < X < 590) \approx 0.95$, find the value of *k*.

1 mark

b. Let *Z* be the standard normal random variable. To answer the following, use the result that, correct to two decimal places, $\Pr(Z < -0.5) \approx 0.31$. Give your answers correct to two decimal places.

    i. John randomly selects a box of these chocolates from the shelf. What is the probability that its mass is less than 530 grams?

2 marks

    ii. The shopkeeper sold Marie a box of chocolates with a mass **greater than** the mean value of 510 grams. What is the probability that its mass is less than 530 grams?

2 marks

1 + 2 + 2 = 5 marks

TURN OVER

Question 8

A continuous random variable, X, has a probability density function given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} a(x+1) & \text{for } -1 \le x \le 3 \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases},$$

where a is a real constant.

a. Show that $a = \dfrac{1}{8}$.

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2 marks

b. Evaluate $\Pr(X < 0)$.

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1 mark

c. Find the mean value of X.

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2 marks

d. Find the value(s) of m for which $\int_{-1}^{m} \left(\frac{1}{8}(x+1) \right) dx = \frac{1}{2}$. Hence state the median value of X.

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3marks

2 + 1 + 2 + 3 = 8 marks

END OF QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

MATHEMATICAL METHODS AND
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Written examinations 1 and 2

FORMULA SHEET

Directions to students

Detach this formula sheet during reading time.

This formula sheet is provided for your reference.

Mathematical Methods and Mathematical Methods CAS Formulas

Mensuration

area of a trapezium: $\frac{1}{2}(a+b)h$　　　　volume of a pyramid: $\frac{1}{3}Ah$

curved surface area of a cylinder: $2\pi rh$　　　　volume of a sphere: $\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$

volume of a cylinder: $\pi r^2 h$　　　　area of a triangle: $\frac{1}{2}bc\sin A$

volume of a cone: $\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$

Calculus

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(x^n\right) = nx^{n-1}$$

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1}x^{n+1} + c, n \neq -1$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(e^{ax}\right) = ae^{ax}$$

$$\int e^{ax} dx = \frac{1}{a}e^{ax} + c$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\log_e(x)\right) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \log_e |x| + c$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\sin(ax)\right) = a\,\cos(ax)$$

$$\int \sin(ax) dx = -\frac{1}{a}\cos(ax) + c$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\cos(ax)\right) = -a\,\sin(ax)$$

$$\int \cos(ax) dx = \frac{1}{a}\sin(ax) + c$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\tan(ax)\right) = \frac{a}{\cos^2(ax)} = a\,\sec^2(ax)$$

product rule: $\dfrac{d}{dx}(uv) = u\dfrac{dv}{dx} + v\dfrac{du}{dx}$　　　　quotient rule: $\dfrac{d}{dx}\left(\dfrac{u}{v}\right) = \dfrac{v\dfrac{du}{dx} - u\dfrac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$

chain rule: $\dfrac{dy}{dx} = \dfrac{dy}{du}\dfrac{du}{dx}$　　　　approximation: $f(x+h) \approx f(x) + hf'(x)$

Probability

$\Pr(A) = 1 - \Pr(A')$　　　　　　$\Pr(A \cup B) = \Pr(A) + \Pr(B) - \Pr(A \cap B)$

$\Pr(A|B) = \dfrac{\Pr(A \cap B)}{\Pr(B)}$

mean: $\mu = \mathrm{E}(X)$　　　　variance: $\mathrm{var}(X) = \sigma^2 = \mathrm{E}((X-\mu)^2) = \mathrm{E}(X^2) - \mu^2$

probability distribution		mean	variance
discrete	$\Pr(X=x) = p(x)$	$\mu = \sum x\,p(x)$	$\sigma^2 = \sum (x-\mu)^2 p(x)$
continuous	$\Pr(a < X < b) = \int_a^b f(x)dx$	$\mu = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x\,f(x)dx$	$\sigma^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x-\mu)^2 f(x)dx$

END OF FORMULA SHEET