



Trial Examination 2021

VCE Mathematical Methods Units 1&2

Written Examination 1

Suggested Solutions

Question 1 (4 marks)

a.

	People younger than 40	People older than 40	Total
Yes	7	22	29
No	8	13	21
Total	15	35	50

any 4 correct values A1
all 8 correct values A2

b. For independence, $\Pr(Y \cap F) = \Pr(Y) \times \Pr(F)$. M1

Note: For independence $\Pr(A \cap B) = \Pr(A) \times \Pr(B)$, is also acceptable, but the response must also specify that $\Pr(A \cap B) = \Pr(Y \cap F)$, $\Pr(A) = \Pr(Y)$, $\Pr(B) = \Pr(F)$.

$$\Pr(Y \cap F) = \frac{7}{50} \quad \Pr(Y) = \frac{29}{50} \quad \Pr(F) = \frac{15}{50}$$

$$= \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\Pr(Y) \times \Pr(F) = \frac{29}{50} \times \frac{3}{10}$$

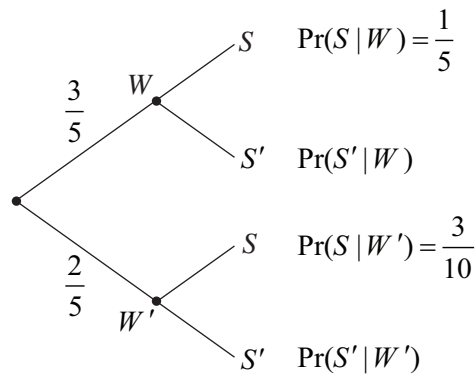
$$= \frac{87}{500}$$

Since $\Pr(Y \cap F) \neq \Pr(Y) \times \Pr(F)$, the relationship is not independent. A1

Note: Consequential on answer to Question 1a.

Question 2 (3 marks)

a.



correct branches A1
correct outcomes and possibilities A1

- b. Let $b = \Pr(S)$ when W' has occurred.

$$\Pr(S | W') = \Pr(W') \times \Pr(S)$$

$$\frac{3}{10} = \frac{2}{5} \times b$$

$$b = \frac{3}{10} \times \frac{5}{2}$$

$$= \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Pr(S') \text{ when } W' \text{ has occurred} = 1 - \frac{3}{4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Pr(W' \cap S') = \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{10}$$

A1

Note: Consequential on answer to **Question 2a**.

Question 3 (2 marks)

$$\log_3 \left(\frac{x}{y} \right) = \log_3 \left(\frac{1}{9^{-1}} \right)$$

$$\log_3 \left(\frac{x}{3y} \right) = \log_3(9)$$

$$\log_3 \left(\frac{x}{3y} \right) = 2$$

$$3^2 = \frac{x}{3y}$$

M1

$$9 = \frac{x}{3y}$$

$$3y = \frac{x}{9}$$

$$y = \frac{x}{27}$$

A1

Question 4 (3 marks)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{a. LHS} &= \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}} - y^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - y^{-\frac{1}{2}}} \\
 &= \frac{\left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} - y^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{\left(x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - y^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{\left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} - y^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} - \frac{1}{y^{\frac{1}{2}}}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{\left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} - y^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{\left(\frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{\frac{1}{2}}}\right)} \\
 &= \left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} - y^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) \times \left(\frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{\frac{1}{2}}}{y^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}}\right) \\
 &= \left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} - y^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) \times \left(-\frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{2}} - y^{\frac{1}{2}}}\right) \\
 &= -x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{\frac{1}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

M1

A1

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b. } \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}} - y^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - y^{-\frac{1}{2}}} &> 2 \\
 -x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{\frac{1}{2}} &> 2 \\
 -x^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 1 &> 2 \\
 -x^{\frac{1}{2}} &> 2 \\
 x^{\frac{1}{2}} &< -2 \\
 x &< 4
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $x > 0$.Hence, $0 < x < 4$.

A1

Question 5 (7 marks)

- a. Amplitude can be directly read from the equation of type $f(x) = a \sin(nx + h) + k$, where the magnitude of a represents the amplitude.

The amplitude is 3.

A1

b. $P = \frac{2\pi}{n}$, where $n = \frac{\pi}{4}$.

$$P = \frac{2\pi}{\frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$= 2\pi \times \frac{4}{\pi}$$

$$= 8$$

A1

c. i. $f(4) = -3 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{4}\right) + 1$

$$= -3 \sin\left(\frac{\pi \times 4}{4}\right) + 1$$

$$= -3 \sin(\pi) + 1$$

$$= -3 \times 0 + 1$$

$$= 1$$

A1

ii. $f\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = -3 \sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) + 1$

$$= -3 \sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3} \times \frac{1}{4}\right) + 1$$

$$= -3 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) + 1$$

M1

$$= -3 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1$$

$$= 1 - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{2 - 3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

A1

$$\text{iii.} \quad -3 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{4}\right) + 1 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$-3 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{4}\right) = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{\pi x}{4} = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

M1

Note: Both values must be given.

$$\frac{x}{4} = \frac{1}{6}, \frac{5}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{4}{6}, \frac{20}{6}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}, \frac{10}{3}$$

A1

*Note: Both values must be given.***Question 6** (11 marks)

- a. For the x -intercept, solve $g(x) = 0$.

$$0 = -(x-1)(x+2)^2$$

$$x-1=0 \quad x+2=0$$

$$x=1 \quad x=-2$$

Therefore, the coordinates of the x -intercepts are $(1, 0)$ and $(-2, 0)$.

A1

- b. Find the y -intercept by substituting $x = 0$.

$$g(0) = -(0-1)(0+2)^2$$

$$= -(-1)(2)^2$$

$$= 4$$

The coordinates of the y -intercept are $(0, 4)$.

A1

- c. $g(x) = -(x-1)(x+2)^2$

$$= -(x-1)(x^2 + 4x + 4)$$

$$= -(x^3 + 4x^2 + 4x - x^2 - 4x - 4)$$

M1

$$= -(x^3 + 3x^2 - 4)$$

$$= -x^3 - 3x^2 + 4$$

$$g'(x) = -3x^2 - 6x$$

A1

d. $g'(x) = -3x^2 - 6x$

$$-3x - 6x = 0$$

$$-3x(x + 2) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } -2$$

M1

From **part b.**, $g(0) = 4$:

$$g(-2) = -(-2)^3 - 3(-2)^2 + 4$$

$$= 8 - 12 + 4$$

$$= 0$$

M1

*Note: The answer for $g(-2)$ can also be drawn from **Question 6b.***

stationary points = $(0, 4)$ and $(-2, 0)$

A1

*Note: Consequential on answer to **Question 6c.***

- e. Since $g(x) = -(x - 1)(x + 2)^2$ is an inverted cubic function with x -intercepts of $(1, 0)$ and $(-2, 0)$, given $(x + 2)^2$, this indicates a stationary point on the x -axis. From **part d.**, $(0, 4)$ is also a stationary point.

Following the coordinates from $(-2, 0)$ to $(0, 4)$ to $(1, 0)$:

$(0, 4)$ is a local maximum and $(-2, 0)$ is a local minimum.

A1

- f. Endpoints are found at:

$$g(-3) = -(-3 - 1)(-3 + 2)^2$$

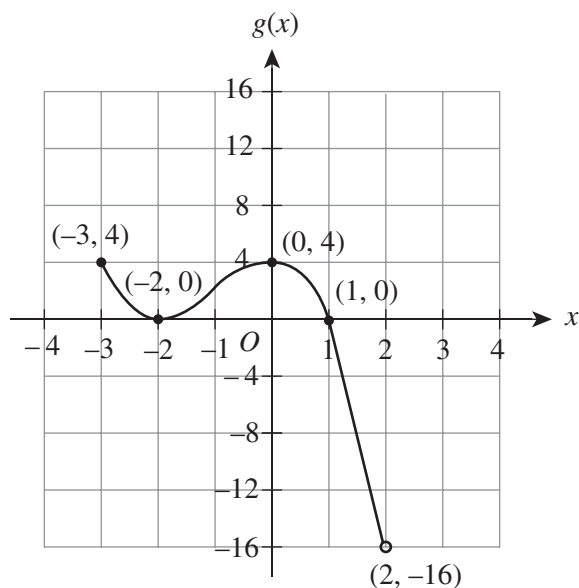
$$= 4$$

$$(-3, 4)$$

$$g(2) = -(2 - 1)(2 + 2)^2$$

$$= -16$$

$$(2, -16)$$



$(-2, 0)$, $(0, 4)$, $(1, 0)$ all correctly labelled A1

correct shape A1

$(-3, 4)$ labelled with a closed circle and $(2, -16)$ labelled with an open circle A1

*Note: Consequential on answer to **Questions 6c., d. and e.***

Question 7 (10 marks)

a. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = 2 - 3 + 2 - 1 + 1$
 $= 1$

A1

b. $f'(x) = 8x^3 - 9x^2 + 4x - 1$

A1

c. $g(3x) = 2(3x)^2 + 3x - 5$
 $= 18x^2 + 3x - 5$

A1

d. i. $h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$
 $= 2x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 1 - (2x^2 + x - 5)$
 $= 2x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 1 - 2x^2 - x + 5$
 $= 2x^4 - 3x^3 - 2x + 6$

A1

ii. $\int_1^2 h(x) dx = \int_1^2 (2x^4 - 3x^3 - 2x + 6) \cdot dx$
 $= \left[\frac{2x^5}{5} - \frac{3x^4}{4} - x^2 + 6x \right]_1^2$
 $= \left(\frac{64}{5} - \frac{3 \times 16}{4} - 4 + 12 \right) - \left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{3}{4} - 1 + 6 \right)$
 $= \frac{64}{5} - 4 - \frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{4} - 5$
 $= \frac{62}{5} + \frac{3}{4} - \frac{45}{5}$
 $= \frac{17}{5} + \frac{3}{4}$
 $= \frac{68}{20} + \frac{15}{20}$
 $= \frac{83}{20}$

M1

M1

A1

Note: Consequential on answer to Question 7d.i.

e. Method 1:

$$2x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 1 = 2x^3(x-2) + x^2(x-2) + 4x(x-2) + 7(x-2) + 15 \quad \text{M1}$$

$$= 2x^4 - 4x^3 + x^3 - 2x^2 + 4x^2 - 8x + 7x - 14 + 15$$

$$= 2x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 1 \quad \text{A1}$$

$$\frac{f(x)}{x-2} = \frac{2x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 1}{(x-2)}$$

$$= 2x^3 + x^2 + 4x + 7 + \frac{15}{x-2} \quad \text{A1}$$

Method 2:

$$x-2 \overline{) 2x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 1} \quad \text{A1}$$

$$\underline{-(2x^4 - 4x^3)}$$

$$x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 1$$

$$\underline{-(x^3 - 2x^2)}$$

$$4x^2 - x + 1$$

$$\underline{-(4x^2 - 8x)}$$

$$7x + 1$$

$$\underline{-(7x - 14)}$$

$$15$$

M1

$$\frac{f(x)}{x-2} = \frac{2x^4 - 3x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 1}{(x-2)}$$

$$= 2x^3 + x^2 + 4x + 7 + \frac{15}{x-2} \quad \text{A1}$$