

Trial Examination 2021

## VCE Mathematical Methods Units 3&4

Written Examination 2

### Question and Answer Booklet

Reading time: 15 minutes

Writing time: 2 hours

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Structure of booklet

<i>Section</i>	<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
A	20	20	20
B	5	5	60
			Total 80

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#### Materials supplied

Question and answer booklet of 18 pages

Formula sheet

Answer sheet for multiple-choice questions

#### Instructions

Write your **name** and your **teacher's name** in the space provided above on this page, and on the answer sheet for multiple-choice questions.

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All written responses must be in English.

#### At the end of the examination

Place the answer sheet for multiple-choice questions inside the front cover of this booklet.

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**SECTION A – MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS****Instructions for Section A**

Answer **all** questions in pencil on the answer sheet provided for multiple-choice questions.

Choose the response that is **correct** for the question.

A correct answer scores 1; an incorrect answer scores 0.

Marks will **not** be deducted for incorrect answers.

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**Question 1**

The tangent to the curve  $y = x^2 + 2x - 1$  at  $x = 1$  has the equation

- A.  $y = 4x - 2$
- B.  $y = 2x + 2$
- C.  $y = -\frac{x}{4} + \frac{9}{4}$
- D.  $y = 4x + 2$
- E.  $y = 4x - 3$

**Question 2**

The quadratic function  $f : [-2, 1) \rightarrow R$ ,  $f(x) = 1 - 2x^2$  has a range equal to

- A.  $(-7, -1]$
- B.  $[-7, -1)$
- C.  $(-7, 1]$
- D.  $[-7, 1)$
- E.  $R$

**Question 3**

The graph of the cubic function  $f$  has a local maximum at  $(a, 2)$  and a local minimum at  $(b, -3)$ , where  $a < b$ .

If the equation  $2f(x) = c$  has exactly one solution, then

- A.  $c < -6$  or  $c > 4$
- B.  $c < -3$  or  $c > 2$
- C.  $-6 < c < 4$
- D.  $-3 < c < 2$
- E.  $-4 < c < 6$

**Question 4**

Consider the simultaneous linear equations below, where  $m$  is a real constant.

$$mx + 3y = 0$$

$$4x + (m + 1)y = 5$$

The set of values of  $m$  for which the system has a unique solution is

- A.  $R$
- B.  $R \setminus \{-4, 3\}$
- C.  $R \setminus \{-3, 4\}$
- D.  $\{-4, 3\}$
- E.  $\{-3, 4\}$

**Question 5**

A pet food company produces cans of dog food that are required to contain a minimum of 82 grams of meat. In a random sample of 1000 cans, 927 cans are found to meet this requirement.

If an approximate 95% confidence interval for the proportion of cans that meet this requirement is obtained from this result, the upper bound of this confidence interval is closest to

- A. 0.911
- B. 0.927
- C. 0.943
- D. 0.950
- E. 0.952

**Question 6**

Let  $f : R \rightarrow R$ ,  $f(x) = 1 - 2 \sin(3x)$ .

The period and the range of  $f$  respectively are

- A.  $2\pi$  and  $[-1, 1]$ .
- B.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$  and  $[-2, 0]$ .
- C.  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$  and  $[-1, 3]$ .
- D.  $6\pi$  and  $[-2, 0]$ .
- E.  $6\pi$  and  $[-1, 3]$ .

**Question 7**

The point  $A(-1, 2)$  lies on the graph of the function  $f$ . A transformation maps the graph of  $f$  to the graph of  $g$ , where  $g(x) = 2f(x - 5) + 1$ .

The value of  $g(4)$  is equal to

- A. -11
- B. -2
- C. 4
- D. 5
- E. 6

**Question 8**

If  $\int_3^5 f(x)dx = 10$ , then  $\int_5^3 1 - 2f(x)dx$  is equal to

- A. -32
- B. -10
- C. 13
- D. 17
- E. 18

**Question 9**

A discrete random variable  $X$  has the following probability distribution, where  $m$  and  $k$  are real constants.

$x$	0	1	2	3
$\Pr(X = x)$	$m$	$k$	$k - \frac{1}{4}$	$k^2$

The maximum value of  $m$  is

- A. 0
- B.  $\frac{1}{4}$
- C.  $\frac{5}{16}$
- D.  $\frac{1}{2}$
- E.  $\frac{11}{16}$

**Question 10**

The average rate of change of the function  $f$  with a rule  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x$  between  $x = a$  and  $x = a + 1$  is at a minimum when  $a$  is equal to

- A.  $-1$
- B.  $-\frac{1}{2}$
- C.  $0$
- D.  $\frac{1}{2}$
- E.  $1$

**Question 11**

Let  $f$  be a polynomial function such that  $f(a) = a$ ,  $f(-a) = -a$  and  $f'(-a) = f'(a) = 0$ , where  $a > 0$ .

Given the range of  $f$  is  $(-\infty, a]$ , the minimum degree of  $f$  is

- A.  $2$
- B.  $3$
- C.  $4$
- D.  $5$
- E.  $6$

**Question 12**

The chance for a particular Olympic archer to successfully hit the bullseye on any given attempt is 75%. The archer is competing in a competition and has four attempts remaining.

The probability that the archer makes exactly three **consecutive** bullseyes is equal to

- A.  $\frac{27}{256}$
- B.  $\frac{27}{128}$
- C.  $\frac{27}{64}$
- D.  $\frac{135}{256}$
- E.  $\frac{3}{4}$

**Question 13**

The continuous random variable  $X$  has a probability density function given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin(2x) & \text{if } \pi < x < \frac{3\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

The value of  $a$  such that  $\Pr(X < a) = \frac{1}{4}$  is equal to

- A.  $\frac{9\pi}{8}$
- B.  $\frac{7\pi}{6}$
- C.  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$
- D.  $\frac{11\pi}{8}$
- E.  $\frac{3}{2}$

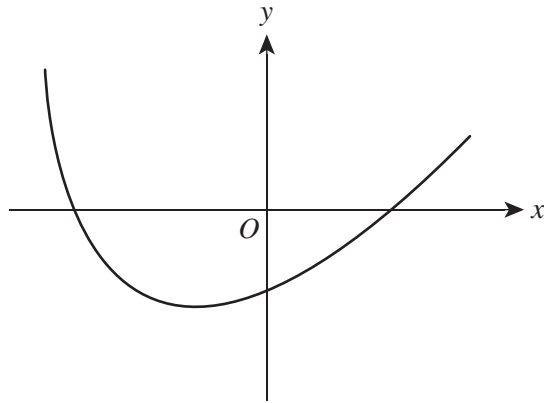
**Question 14**

The maximal domain of the function with the rule  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-mx}}$ , where  $m > 0$ , is equal to

- A.  $(-\infty, 1]$
- B.  $(1, \infty)$
- C.  $\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{m}\right]$
- D.  $\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{m}\right)$
- E.  $\left(\frac{1}{m}, \infty\right)$

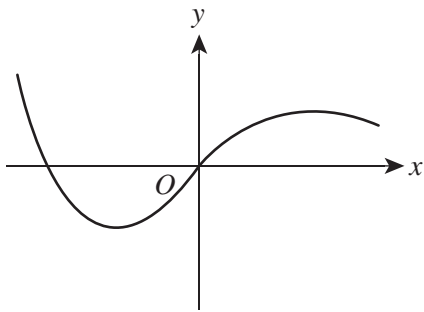
**Question 15**

The graph of the derivative function  $f'$  is shown below.

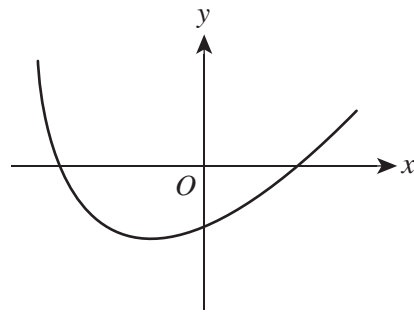


The graph of the function  $f$  could be

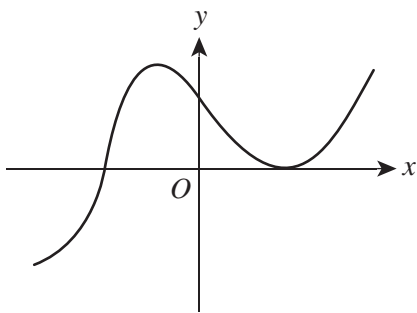
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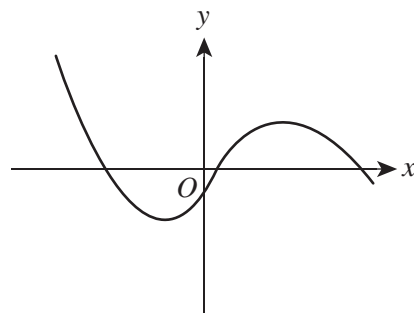
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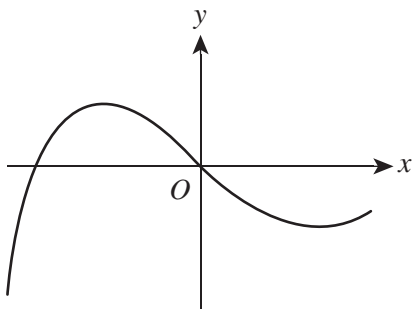
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**D.**



**E.**



**Question 16**

The minimum distance from the parabola  $y = c - x^2$  to the origin is equal to the magnitude of  $c$  when

- A.  $c > \frac{1}{2}$
- B.  $c \leq \frac{1}{2}$
- C.  $c > -\frac{1}{2}$
- D.  $c > \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$
- E.  $c \in \mathbb{R}^+$

**Question 17**

$X$  is a normally distributed random variable with a mean of 0 and  $\Pr(X > 1.5) = 0.1$ .

The variance of  $X$  is closest to

- A. 1.17
- B. 1.28
- C. 1.37
- D. 1.92
- E. 3.67

**Question 18**

For  $y = \sqrt{\frac{1}{f(x)}}$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  is equal to

- A.  $\frac{-f'(x)}{2\sqrt{f(x)}}$
- B.  $\frac{-f'(x)}{[\sqrt{f(x)}]^3}$
- C.  $-\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{f(x)}} \right]^3$
- D.  $\frac{-f'(x)}{2[\sqrt{f(x)}]^3}$
- E.  $\frac{-1}{2\sqrt{f'(x)}}$



**Question 19**

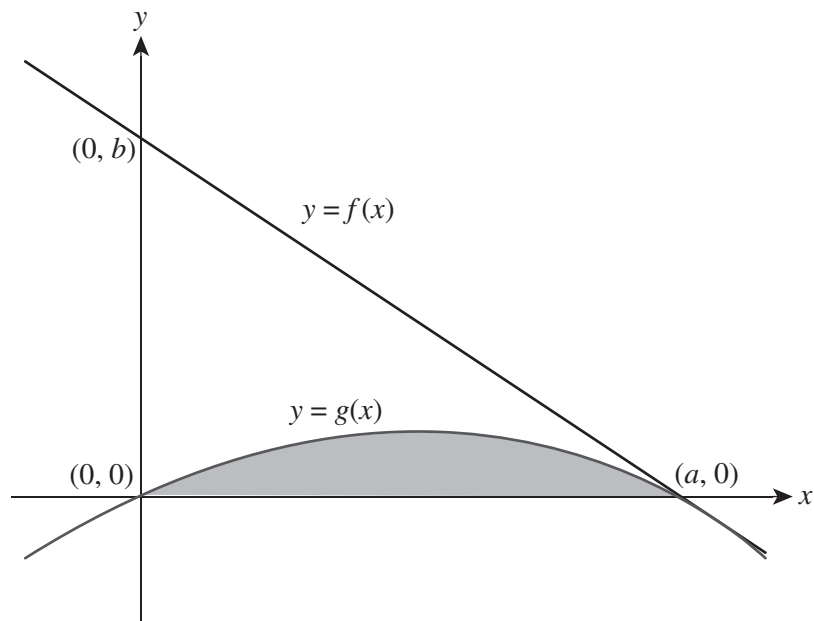
Consider the function  $g$ , where  $g(x) = \sin(a^x)$  and  $a$  is a real number greater than 1.

If  $g$  is a one-to-one function, the domain of  $g$  could be

- A.  $R^+$
- B.  $\left(-\infty, \log_a\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right)$
- C.  $\left(\log_a\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right), \infty\right)$
- D.  $(-\infty, \log_a(\pi))$
- E.  $(\log_a(\pi), \infty)$

**Question 20**

The graph below shows a linear function  $f$  and a quadratic function  $g$ , where  $g(x) \leq f(x)$  for  $x \in R$ .



Given that  $f(a) = g(a)$  and the equation  $f(x) = g(x)$  has one solution, the area of the shaded region can be expressed as

- A.  $\frac{ab}{6}$
- B.  $\frac{a^3}{6}$
- C.  $ab$
- D.  $\frac{ab}{2}$
- E.  $\frac{ab}{12}$

**END OF SECTION A**

**SECTION B**

**Instructions for Section B**

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

In all questions where a numerical answer is required, an exact value must be given unless otherwise specified.

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

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**Question 1** (10 marks)

Consider the function  $f$  with the rule  $f(x) = x^3$ .

- a. Find the equation of the tangent at the point where  $x = 1$ . 1 mark

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- b. Find the area bound by  $y = f(x)$ , the tangent line at  $x = 1$  and the  $x$ -axis. 3 marks

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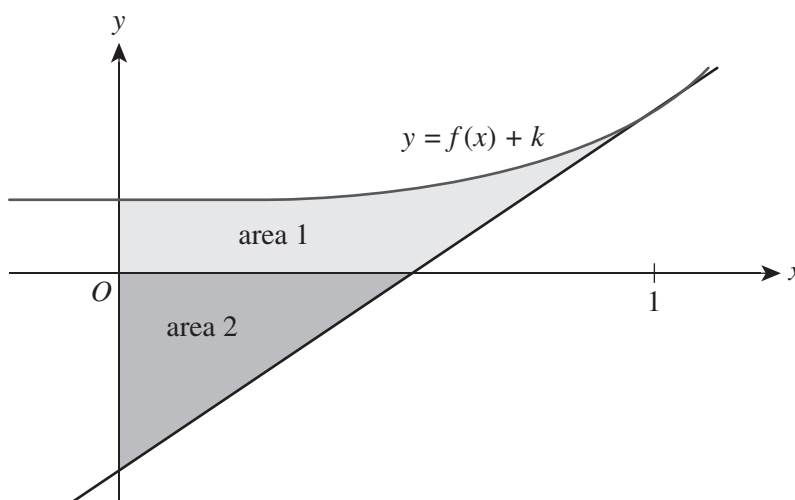


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The graph of  $y = f(x) + k$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , and the tangent line at the point where  $x = 1$  are sketched below.



- c. Find the coordinates of the  $x$ -intercept of the tangent line in terms of  $k$ . 2 marks

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- d.** Area 1 is the area bound by the curve  $y = f(x) + k$ , the tangent line at  $x = 1$  and the coordinate axes. Area 2 is the area bound by the tangent line at  $x = 1$  and the coordinate axes.

Find the value of  $k$  so that area 1 = area 2.

4 marks

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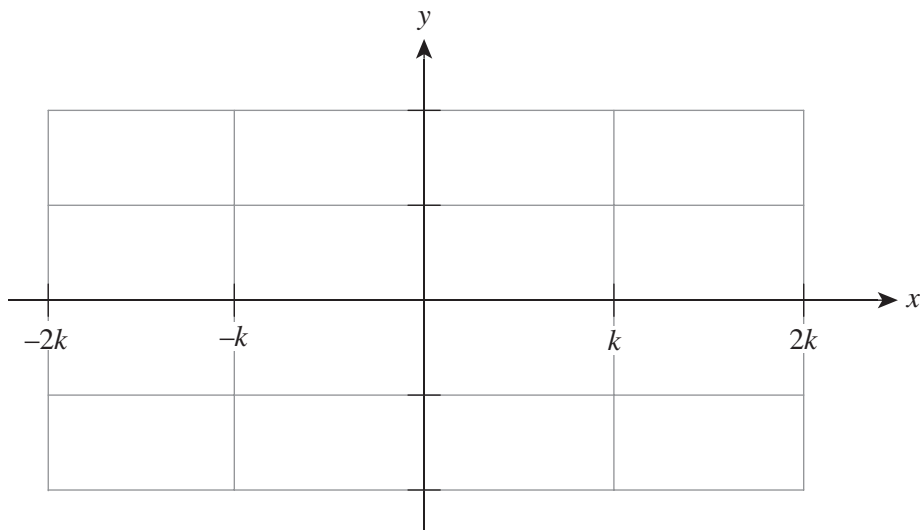
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**Question 2** (6 marks)

Consider the function with the rule  $f(x) = (x + k)(x - k)^2$ , where  $k \in R^+$ .

- a. Graph  $y = f(x)$  on the set of axes below, showing the coordinates of all intercepts and turning points in terms of  $k$  where appropriate.

3 marks



- b. Consider the equation  $x^2 - k^2 = \frac{1}{x - k}$ .

- i. Show that this equation can be expressed as  $(x + k)(x - k)^2 = 1$ .

1 mark

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- ii. For what value(s) of  $k$  does the equation  $x^2 - k^2 = \frac{1}{x - k}$  have exactly two solutions?

2 marks

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**Question 3** (17 marks)

Sheepdog trials are held at a large country show. The trials involve the dogs completing a circuit of obstacles as quickly as possible. The two main sheepdog breeds that compete are border collies and kelpies. The finishing time for border collies is normally distributed with a mean of 280 seconds and a standard deviation of 24 seconds.

- a.** Find the probability that the finishing time for a randomly selected border collie will be between 250 and 300 seconds. Give your answer correct to three decimal places. 1 mark

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It is known that 35% of the border collies competing are purebred. The remaining 65% of the border collies are crossbred.

- b.** A sheepdog is considered elite if it completes the course in less than 240 seconds. Find the probability that a randomly selected border collie is both purebred and elite. Give your answer correct to three decimal places. 2 marks

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- c. i.** Find the probability that a random sample of 20 border collies will contain exactly 6 purebred border collies. Give your answer correct to three decimal places. 2 marks

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- ii.** For a random sample of 20 border collies,  $\hat{P}$  is the random variable that represents the proportion of border collies that are purebred. Find the probability that  $\hat{P}$  is greater than 33%. Give your answer correct to three decimal places. 2 marks

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- iii.** For a random sample of  $n$  border collies,  $\hat{P}_n$  is the random variable that represents the proportion of border collies who are purebred. Find the least value of  $n$  for which  $\Pr\left(P \geq \frac{2}{n}\right) > 0.96$ . 2 marks

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A random sample of 52 kelpies is taken, with a proportion of them being purebred kelpies. The approximate confidence interval for the proportion is (0.1184, 0.3047).

- d. i.** Determine the sample proportion used in the calculation of this confidence interval. 1 mark

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- ii.** Find the level of confidence used to calculate this confidence interval. Give your answer correct to the nearest percentage. 2 marks

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- e.** The age of all dogs competing in the sheepdog trials is given by the probability density function  $A$  with the rule

$$Q(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{mt^2}{e^t} & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

where  $t$  is given in years and  $m$  is a real constant.

- i.** Differentiate  $(t^2 + 2t + 2)e^{-t}$  and hence show that the value of  $m$  is equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$ . 3 marks

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- ii.** Find the probability that the age of a randomly selected sheepdog is greater than the mean age. 2 marks

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**Question 4** (7 marks)

Let  $f(x) = e^{2x} - 2e^x$ .

- a.** Find the coordinates of any stationary points of  $f$ . 2 marks

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Let  $g : [a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g(x) = e^{2x} - 2e^x$ .

- b.** Find the minimum value of  $a$  for which the inverse function  $g^{-1}$  exists. 1 mark

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- c.** Find the rule and the domain of the inverse function  $g^{-1}$ . 3 marks

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- d.** Find the coordinates of the point of intersection between  $g$  and  $g^{-1}$ . Give your answer correct to two decimal places. 1 mark

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**Question 5** (20 marks)

Consider the functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = (x - 2)(x - 1)$  and  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $g(x) = \log_e(x)$ .

- a. i.** State the domain and range of  $g(f(x))$ . 2 marks

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- ii.** Find  $\frac{d[g(f(x))]}{dx}$  and hence explain why the graph of  $y = f(g(x))$  has no stationary points. 2 marks

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Let  $h(x) = f(g(x))$ .

- b. i.** Show that the rule for  $h$  can be expressed as  $h(x) = \left(\log_e(x) - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4}$ . 2 marks

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- ii.** Hence, find the range of  $h(x)$ . 1 mark

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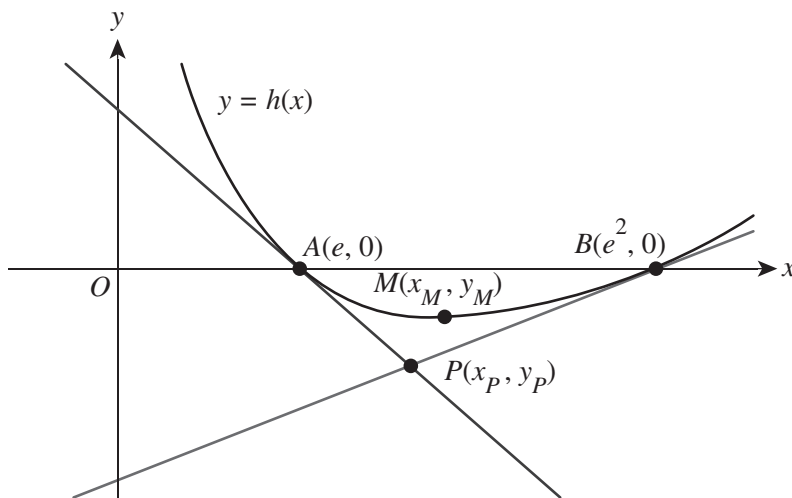
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Part of the graph of  $y = h(x)$  is shown below. The points  $A$  and  $B$  are the  $x$ -intercepts of the graph of  $y = h(x)$  and  $M(x_M, y_M)$  is the turning point. Tangent lines to the graph of  $y = h(x)$  at the points  $A$  and  $B$  intersect at the point  $P(x_P, y_P)$ .



**c. i.** Find  $h'(x)$ . 1 mark

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**ii.** Hence, find  $x_M$ . 1 mark

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**d.** Show that  $x_P = \frac{2e^2}{e+1}$ . 2 marks

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**e.** Prove that  $x_P < x_M$ . 2 marks

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**f. i.** Find the angle  $\angle APB$ . Give your answer in the form  $\tan^{-1}(\alpha) + \tan^{-1}(\beta)$ . 2 marks

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**ii.** Prove that  $\angle APB$  is an obtuse angle. 1 mark

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**g.** Find the area bound by the graph of  $y = h(x)$  and the tangent lines at the points  $A$  and  $B$ .  
 Give your answer in the form  $\frac{\alpha e^3 + \beta e^2 + \gamma e}{2e + 2}$ , where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . 4 marks

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**END OF QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOKLET**

## VCE Mathematical Methods Units 3&4

### Written Examination 2

#### Multiple-choice Answer Sheet

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Instructions

Use a **pencil** for **all** entries. If you make a mistake, **erase** the incorrect answer – **do not** cross it out. Marks will **not** be deducted for incorrect answers.

**No** mark will be given if more than **one** answer is completed for any question.

All answers must be completed like this example:

A	B	C	D	E
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#### Use pencil only

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### Formula Sheet

#### Instructions

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## MATHEMATICAL METHODS 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

$\frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1}$		$\int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1}x^{n+1} + c, n \neq -1$	
$\frac{d}{dx}((ax+b)^n) = an(ax+b)^{n-1}$		$\int (ax+b)^n dx = \frac{1}{a(n+1)}(ax+b)^{n+1} + c, n \neq -1$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{ax}) = ae^{ax}$		$\int e^{ax} dx = \frac{1}{a}e^{ax} + c$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(\log_e(x)) = \frac{1}{x}$		$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \log_e(x) + c, x > 0$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin(ax)) = a \cos(ax)$		$\int \sin(ax) dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cos(-ax) + c$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos(ax)) = -a \sin(ax)$		$\int \cos(ax) dx = \frac{1}{a} \sin(ax) + c$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan(ax)) = \frac{a}{\cos^2(ax)} = a \sec^2(ax)$			
product rule	$\frac{d}{dx}(uv) = u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx}$	quotient rule	$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{u}{v}\right) = \frac{v \frac{du}{dx} - u \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$
chain rule	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$		

**Probability**

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

	<b>Probability distribution</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>Variance</b>
Bernoulli	$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} p & x = 1 \\ 1 - p & x = 0 \end{cases}$	$\mu = p$	$\sigma^2 = p(1 - p)$
binomial	$P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1 - p)^{n-x}$	$\mu = np$	$\sigma^2 = np(1 - p)$
normal	$\Pr(X \leq a) = \int_{-\infty}^a \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} dx$	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$

**END OF FORMULA SHEET**