

Trial Examination 2019

## VCE Specialist Mathematics Units 3&4

Written Examination 1

### Question and Answer Booklet

Reading time: 15 minutes

Writing time: 1 hour

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

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

#### Structure of booklet

<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
10	10	40

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Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: any technology (calculators or software), notes of any kind, blank sheets of paper and/or correction fluid/tape.

#### Materials supplied

Question and answer booklet of 9 pages

Formula sheet

Working space is provided throughout the booklet.

#### Instructions

Write your **name** and your **teacher's name** in the space provided above on this page.

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

All written responses must be in English.

#### At the end of the examination

You may keep the formula sheet.

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**Instructions**

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

Unless otherwise specified, an **exact** answer is required to a question.

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

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Take the **acceleration due to gravity** to have magnitude  $g \text{ ms}^{-2}$ , where  $g = 9.8$

**Question 1** (3 marks)

A particle of mass  $m$  kg moves in a straight line on a smooth horizontal surface. Initially at rest, the particle moves under a variable force of magnitude  $(2pt + q)$  newtons at time  $t$  seconds, where  $p$  and  $q$  are real constants.

Find an expression for the velocity of the particle at time  $t$ .

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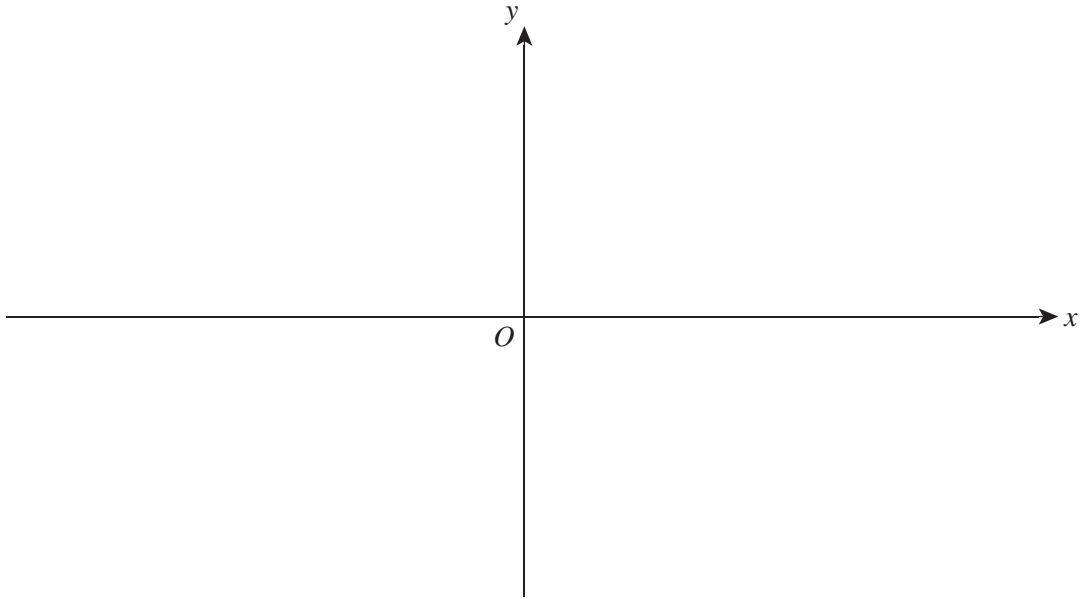
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**Question 2** (4 marks)

Sketch the graph of  $y = \frac{x^2 - 2}{x - 1}$  on the axes below. Label any asymptotes with their equations and label any intercepts with the axes and stationary points, expressing them as coordinates.



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**Question 3** (3 marks)

The random variable  $Z$  is defined as  $Z = 4X - 3Y$ , where  $X \sim N(30, 3^2)$ ,  $Y \sim N(20, 2^2)$  and  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent.

- a.** Find the mean of  $Z$ . 1 mark

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- b.** Find the variance of  $Z$ . 2 marks

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**Question 4** (3 marks)

Relative to an origin  $O$ , the points  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are defined respectively by the position vectors  $\vec{OA} = 2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}$ ,  $\vec{OB} = 5\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + m\mathbf{k}$  and  $\vec{OC} = 2\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}$ , where  $m$  is a real constant.

Find the possible values of  $m$  for which  $|\vec{AB}| = |\vec{OC}|$ .

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