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# MATHEMATICAL METHODS

### U3-SAC 1a – Application Task: Project

Date of distribution: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022

Due date: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022, prior to SAC 1b

WORKED  
Solutions

Task Sections	Marks	Your Marks
Extended Response Questions	60	
<b>Total Marks</b>	<b>60</b>	

#### Remote Declaration

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#### General Instructions

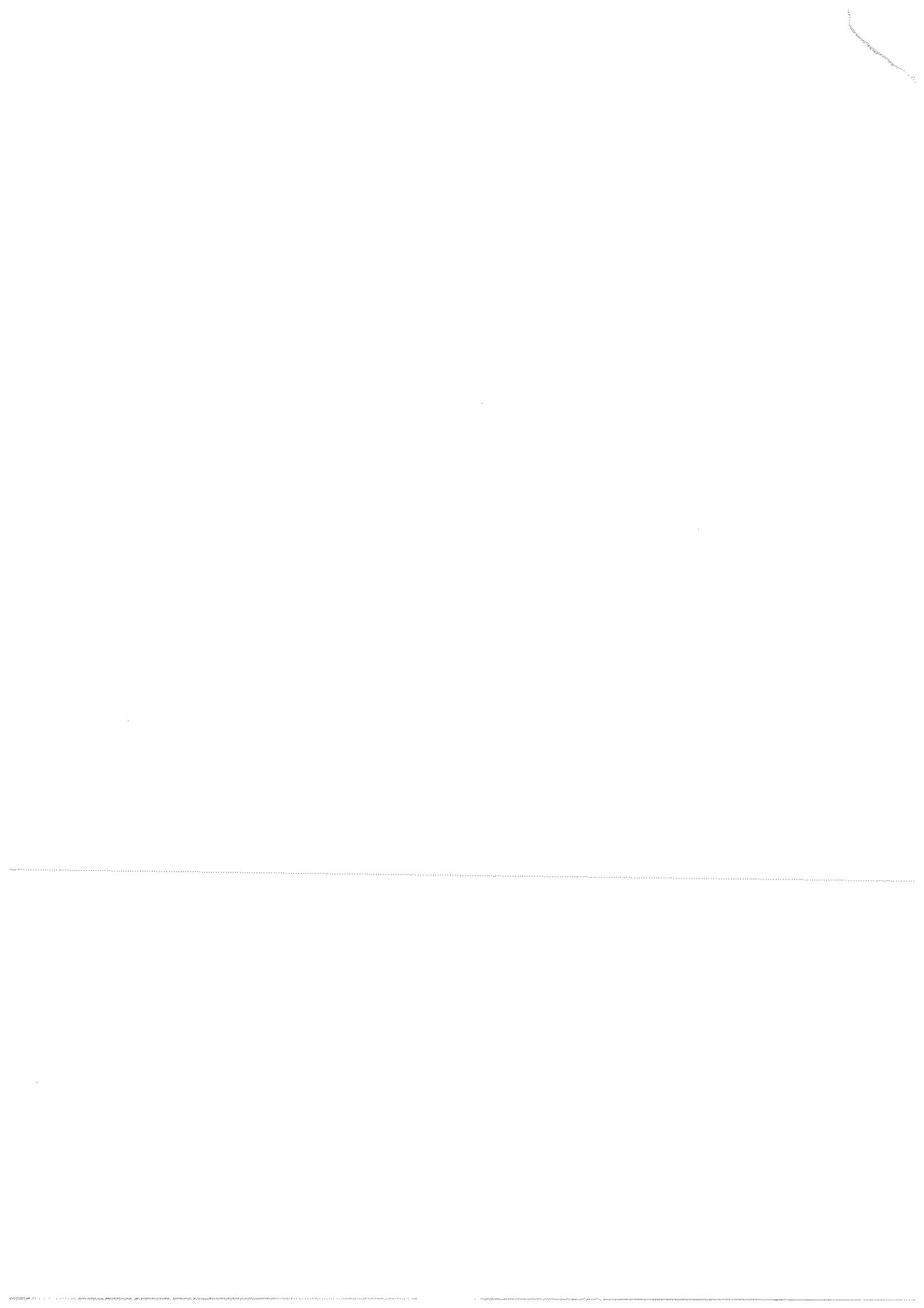
- Answer all questions in the spaces provided.
- In all questions where a numerical answer is required, an exact value must be given unless otherwise specified.
- In questions where more than one mark is available, appropriate working must be shown.
- Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this task are not drawn to scale.

#### Allowed Materials

- A scientific calculator and a CAS calculator.
- Any notes or references.

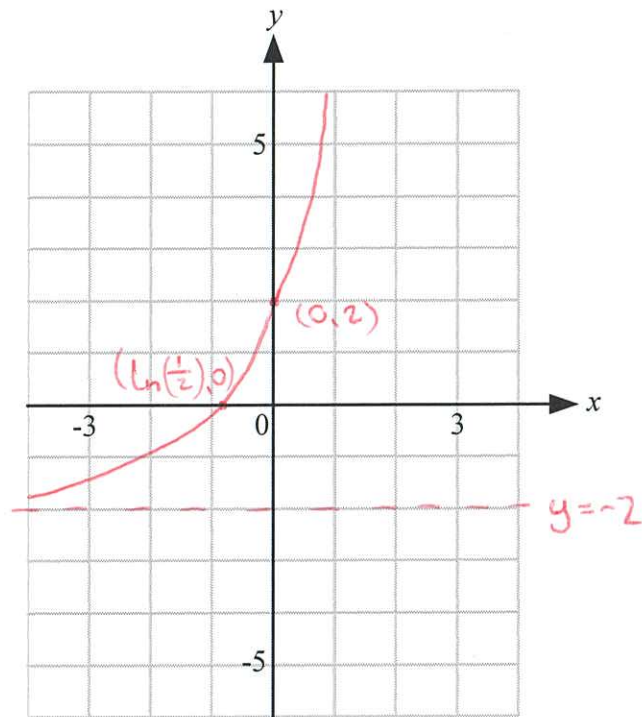
#### At the end of the task

- Submit the task to your teacher by the due date.



**Question 1** (3 marks)

Sketch the graph of  $y = 4e^x - 2$ . Label all axis intercepts with their co-ordinate points and all asymptotes with their equations.



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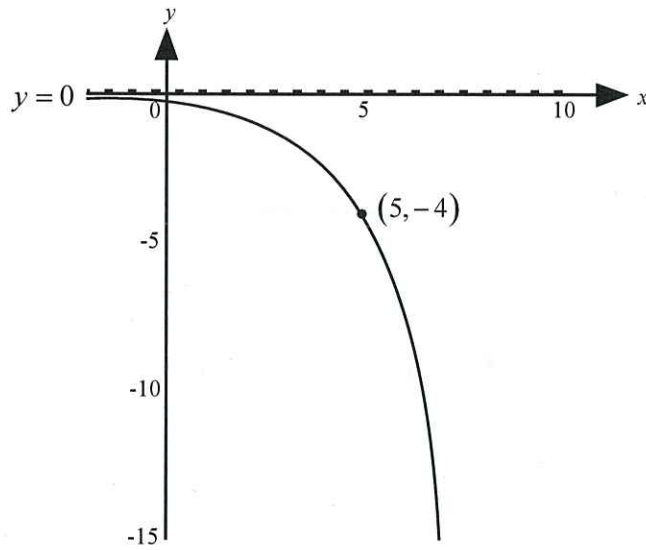
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**Question 2** (15 marks)

a. i. The graph below has rule  $f(x) = -2^{x+b}$ , where  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ . Find the value of  $b$ .

1 mark



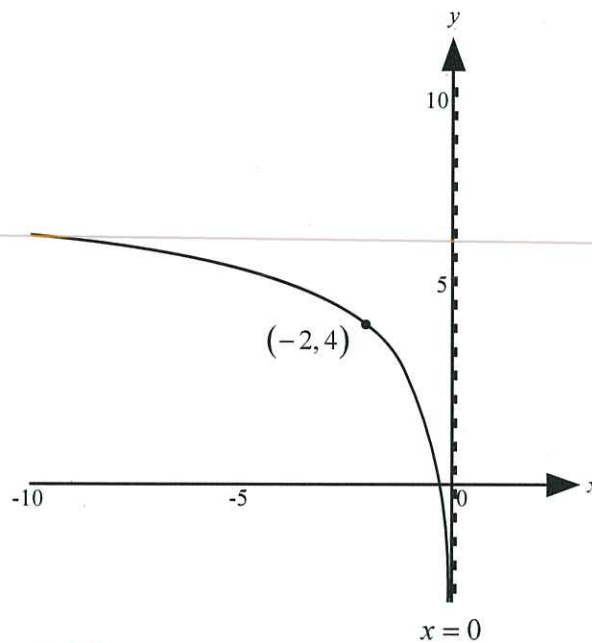
$$-4 = -2^{(5+b)}$$

$$\therefore 2 = 5+b$$

$$b = -3$$

ii. The graph below has rule  $g(x) = \log_2(-x) + m$ , where  $m \in \mathbb{R}$ . Find the value of  $m$ .

1 mark



$$4 = \log_2(2) + m$$

$$m = 3$$

iii. Show that  $g(x) = f^{-1}(x)$ .

1 mark

let  $y = f(x)$ . For inverse, swap  $x$  and  $y$ .

~~$x = 2y^2 - 3$~~        $x = -2y^2 - 3$

~~$x = 2y^2 - 3$~~

then

~~$-x = 2y^2 - 3$~~

$-x = 2y^2 - 3$

$\therefore$

$\log_2(-x) = y - 3$

$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \log_2(-x) + 3$

$= g(x)$

b. The curve given by rule  $h(x) = a \times 2^x - b$  passes through the points (1,5) and (2,11).

i. Find the rule  $h(x)$ .

2 marks

$5 = 2a - b$       ①

$11 = 4a - b$       ②

② - ①       $6 = 2a$

$a = 3$

sub into ①       $5 = 6 - b$

$b = 1$

ii. Find the rule  $h^{-1}(x)$ .

2 marks

$$\text{let } y = 3 \times 2^x - 1$$

For inverse, swap  $x$  and  $y$ .

$$x = 3 \times 2^y - 1$$

$$\frac{x+1}{3} = 2^y$$

$$y = \log_2 \left( \frac{x+1}{3} \right)$$

$$\therefore h^{-1}(x) = \log_2 \left( \frac{x+1}{3} \right)$$

c. i. Fully define  $p^{-1}$ , the inverse of  $p: [-4, 6) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $p(x) = 2 \log_{10}(6-x) + 1$ . State the range of  $p^{-1}$ .

4 marks

$$\text{let } y = 2 \log_{10}(6-x) + 1$$

For inverse, swap  $x$  and  $y$

$$x = 2 \log_{10}(6-y) + 1$$

$$\frac{x-1}{2} = \log_{10}(6-y)$$

$$6-y = 10^{\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)}$$

$$y = 6 - 10^{\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)}$$

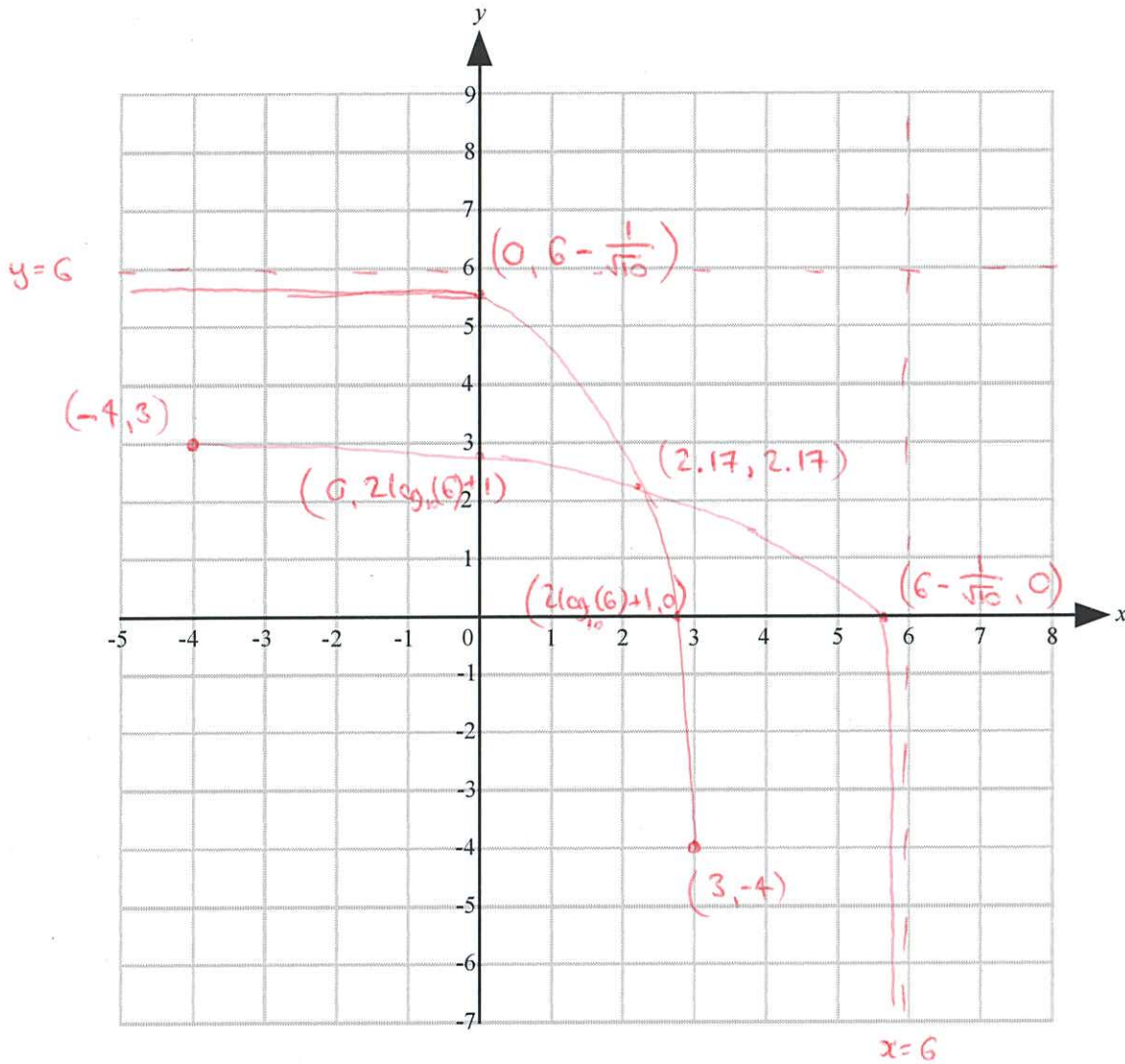
$$\therefore \text{dom } p^{-1} = \text{ran } p = (-\infty, 3]$$

$$p^{-1}: (-\infty, 3] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, p^{-1}(x) = 6 - 10^{\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)}$$

$$\text{ran } p^{-1} = \text{dom } p = [-4, 6)$$

- ii. Sketch the graph of  $y = p(x)$  and  $y = p^{-1}(x)$  on the same set of axes. Label all axis intercepts, endpoints and points of intersection with their co-ordinates. Points of intersection co-ordinates to be given correct to two decimal places. Label all asymptotes with their equations.

4 marks




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**Question 3** (5 marks)

Consider the function  $f(x) = e^{\sqrt{x}}$ .

a. Find  $f'(x)$ .

1 mark

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{\sqrt{x}}$$

b. For the graph of  $y = f(x)$ , find, in terms of  $a$ , the equation of the tangent to the graph at the point where  $x = a$ .

2 marks

$$f'(a) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{a}} e^{\sqrt{a}}$$

$$\therefore y - e^{\sqrt{a}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{a}} e^{\sqrt{a}} (x - a)$$

$$y = \frac{e^{\sqrt{a}}}{2\sqrt{a}} x + e^{\sqrt{a}} - \frac{ae^{\sqrt{a}}}{2\sqrt{a}}$$

c. Find the value of  $a$  such that the tangent to the graph of  $y = f(x)$  at  $x = a$  passes through the origin.

1 mark

$$0 = e^{\sqrt{a}} - \frac{ae^{\sqrt{a}}}{2\sqrt{a}}$$

$$\therefore a = 4$$

d. Using the value of  $a$  found in **part c**, find the equation of the normal to the graph of  $y = f(x)$  at  $x = a$ .

1 mark

$$y = -\frac{4}{e^2} x + \frac{16}{e^2} + e^2$$



**Question 4** (10 marks)

- a. The graphs of  $y = -(x-2)^2$  and  $y = x^2 - k$  are to join smoothly (that is, their gradients are equal at the point of intersection). Find the value of  $k$  and the co-ordinates of their point of intersection.

3 marks

$$\textcircled{1} \quad -(x-2)^2 = x^2 - k$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad -2(x-2) = 2x$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow x = 1$$

sub into  $\textcircled{1}$   $-1 = 1 - k$

$$k = 2$$

$\therefore$  intersection at  $(1, -1)$

- b. i. The graph of the equation  $y = \frac{1}{10}(x-3)(x+2)(x-6)$ , where  $x \in [-2, 8]$ , is to join smoothly to the graph of a certain parabola, where  $x \in [8, 16]$ , at the point  $(8, 10)$ . The parabola also passes through the point  $(12, 26)$ . Find the equation of the parabola.

3 marks

$$y = ax^2 + bx + c$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2ax + b$$

$$\therefore 10 = 64a + 8b + c$$

$$26 = 144a + 12b + c$$

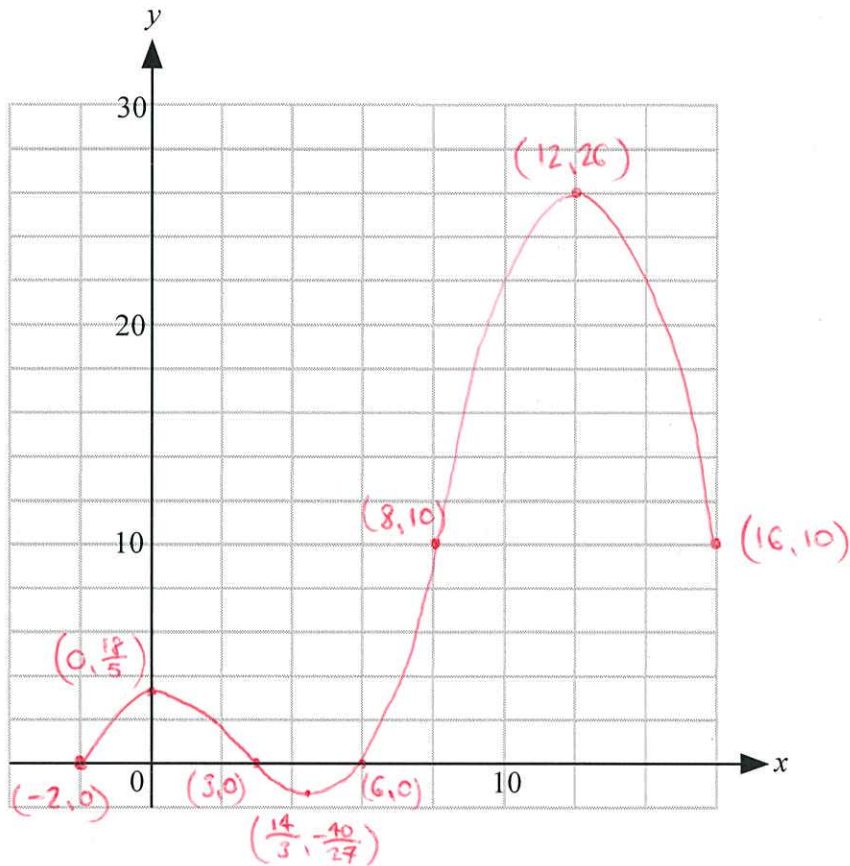
$$8 = 16a + b$$

$$a = -1 \quad b = 24 \quad c = -118$$

$$\therefore y = -x^2 + 24x - 118$$

ii. Sketch the cubic and parabola from **part i** on the same set of axes below. Label all stationary points, intercepts, points of intersection and endpoints with their co-ordinates.

4 marks



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**Question 5** (5 marks)

Consider the functions  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = e^{\frac{7}{2}x^2 - x - 1}$  and  $g(x) = \begin{cases} e^{\frac{7}{2}x^2 - x - 1} & , -\infty < x \leq a \\ \log_e(x - k) + 2 & , a < x < \infty \end{cases}$ ,

where  $a, k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a > k$ .

a. Solve  $f'(x) = 0$ .

2 marks

$$f'(x) = (7x - 1) e^{\frac{7}{2}x^2 - x - 1}$$

$$f'(x) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{7}$$

b. Hence state the largest interval over which  $f$  is strictly increasing.

1 mark

$$\left[ \frac{1}{7}, \infty \right)$$

c. Find the values of  $a$  and  $k$  (both correct to two decimal places) such that  $g'(x)$  exists for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

2 marks

$$e^{\frac{7}{2}a^2 - a - 1} = \log_e(a - k) + 2$$

$$(7a - 1) e^{\frac{7}{2}a^2 - a - 1} = \frac{1}{a - k}$$

$$\therefore a = 0.66$$

$$k = 0.34$$

**Question 6** (8 marks)

- a. Find the common tangent for the graphs with equation  $y = e^x - 1$  and  $y = \log_e(x+1)$ . 2 marks

$$e^x - 1 = \log_e(x+1)$$

$$\therefore x=0$$

check:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^x = 1$  at  $x=0$        $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x+1} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$  at  $x=0$

$$\therefore y = x \text{ is common tangent}$$

- b. The graphs with equations  $y = e^{x+2} - 1$  and  $y = \log_e(x+h) + k$  intersect at a single point and have a common tangent with gradient 1 at that point.

- i. Find the values of  $h$  and  $k$ . 2 marks

$$y = e^{x+2} - 1 \text{ is a translation 2 units left from } y = e^x + 1.$$

$$\therefore h = 3$$

$$k = 0$$

- ii. Find the equation of the common tangent. 1 mark

$$y = x + 2$$

- c. The graphs with equations  $y = e^{x+p} + q$  and  $y = \log_e(x+2) + 2$  intersect at a single point and have a common tangent with gradient 1 at that point.

i. Find the values of  $p$  and  $q$ .

2 marks

Translating  $y = \log_e(x+1)$  to  $y = \log_e(x+2) + 2$   
is a translation 1 unit left and 2 units up.

Apply transformations to  $y = e^x - 1$

$$\therefore p = 1$$

$$q = 1$$

ii. Find the equation of the common tangent.

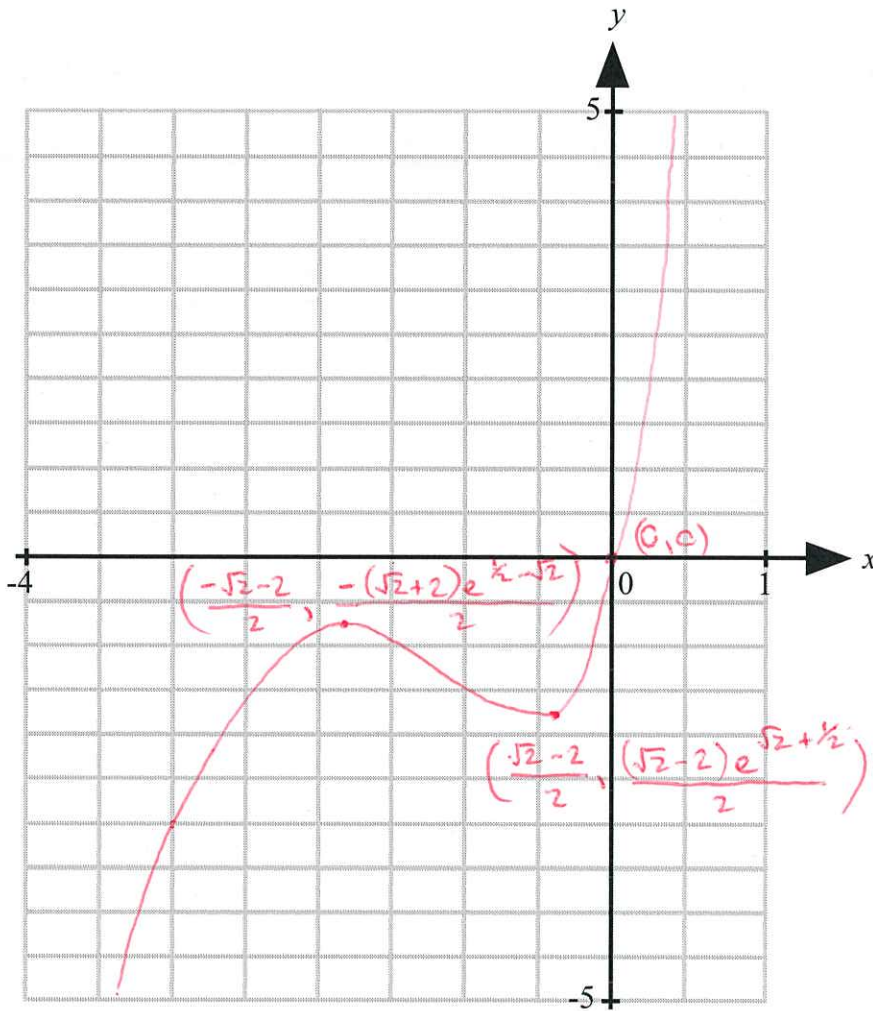
1 mark

$$y = x + 3$$

**Question 7 (7 marks)**

- a. Sketch the graph of  $y = xe^{x^2+4x+3}$  on the axes below, labelling all intercepts and stationary points with their co-ordinates.

3 marks




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b. Consider the family of graphs represented by equations of the form  $y = xe^{ax^2+bx+c}$ , where  $a \neq 0$ .

i. Find the relationship of  $b$  in terms of  $a$  for the graph of  $y = xe^{ax^2+bx+c}$  to have one stationary point.

2 marks

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x(2ax+b)e^{ax^2+bx+c} + e^{ax^2+bx+c}$$

$$= (2ax^2+bx+1)e^{ax^2+bx+c}$$

As  $e^{ax^2+bx+c} > 0$ , solving  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  gives

$$2ax^2 + bx + 1 = 0$$

$$\Delta = b^2 - (2a) \cdot 4 = 0$$

$$b = \pm 2\sqrt{2a}$$

ii. Given the graph of  $y = xe^{ax^2+bx+c}$  has one stationary point at  $\left(1, e^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)$ , find the values of

$a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .

2 marks

$$e^{\frac{1}{2}} = e^{a+b+c}$$

$$(2a+b+1) = 0$$

$$b = 2\sqrt{2a}$$

$$b = -2\sqrt{2a}$$

$$-2a-1 = 2\sqrt{2a}$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{1}{2}$$

No solutions

$$b = -2$$

$$c = 2$$

**Question 8** (7 marks)

The number of virions in a person's body  $t$  days after becoming infected is modelled by

$$f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(t) = 3t \times 10^8 \times e^{\frac{-t^2+3}{3}}$$

- a. Calculate the number of virions 1 day after infection. Give your answer correct to three significant figures.

1 mark

$$5.84 \times 10^8$$

- b. If the number of virions is greater or equal to  $5 \times 10^8$ , a person has a heightened risk of being admitted to hospital.

- i. Find how long after becoming infected a person will have a heightened risk of being admitted to hospital. Give your answer in days, correct to three decimal places.

2 marks

$$f(t) = 5 \times 10^8$$

$$\therefore t = 0.734 \text{ days}$$

- ii. For how long does a person experience the heightened risk of hospital admission. Give your answer in days, correct to two decimal places.

1 mark

$$1.06 \text{ days}$$

- c. Find the maximum number of virions predicted by the model. Give your answer correct to three significant figures.

1 mark

$$f'(t) = 0$$

$$t = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$$

$$f\left(\frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}\right) = 6.06 \times 10^8$$



A new medication is in trials and the number of virions in a person's body  $t$  days after infection,  $g(t)$ , is linked to the amount of the drug administered,  $k$ , where  $k \in (0, 10]$ , such that

$$g: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(t) = kt \times 10^8 \times e^{\frac{-t^2+3}{k}}$$

- d. Find the value of  $k$  for which the peak number of virions is smallest.

2 marks

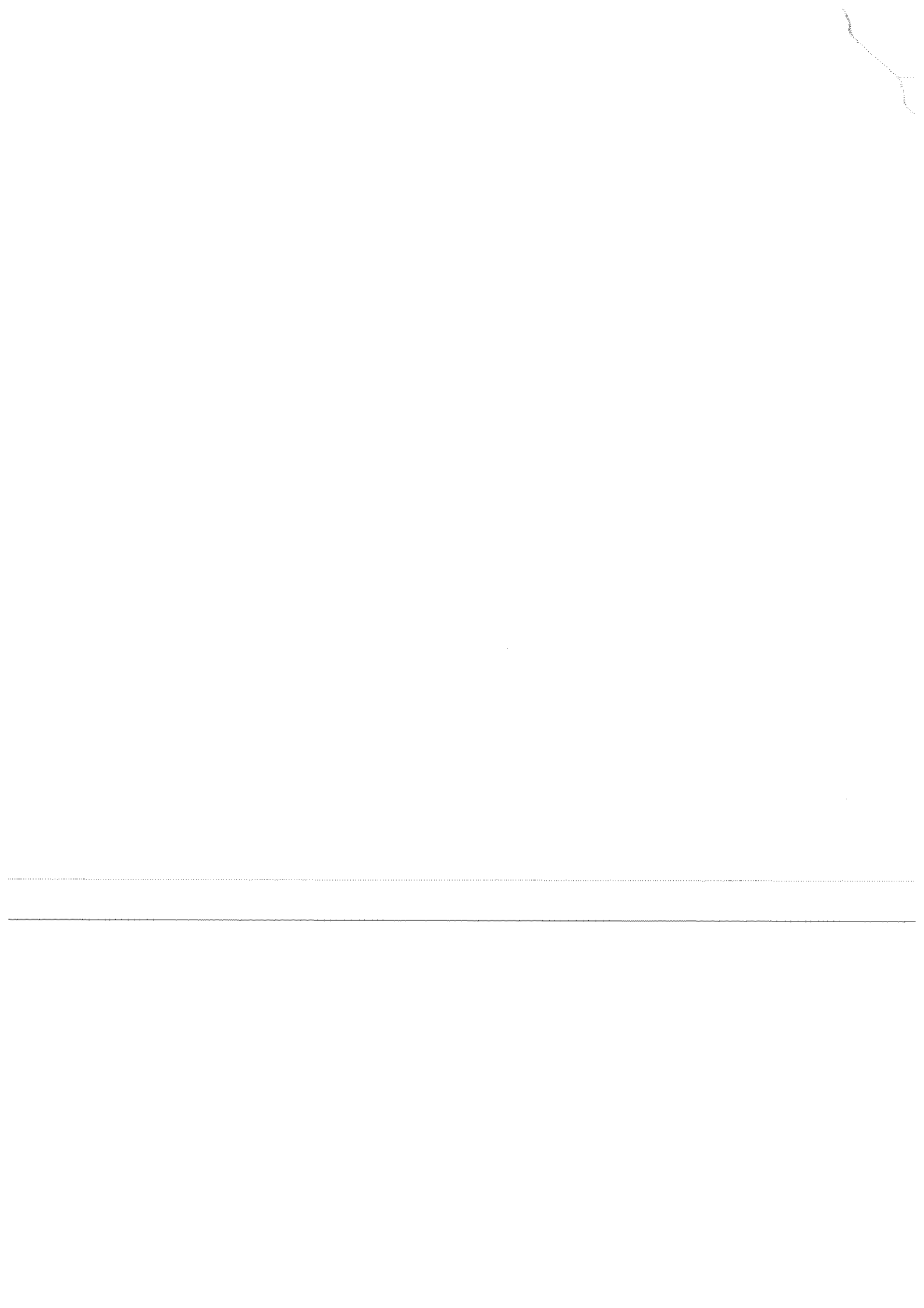
$$g'(t) = 0$$
$$t = \frac{\sqrt{k}}{2}$$

$$h(k) = g\left(\frac{\sqrt{k}}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{such that } h'(k) = 0$$

$$k = 2$$

**END OF SAC 1a**



## 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

$\Pr(A) = 1 - \Pr(A')$		$\Pr(A \cup B) = \Pr(A) + \Pr(B) - \Pr(A \cap B)$	
$\Pr(A B) = \frac{\Pr(A \cap B)}{\Pr(B)}$			
mean	$\mu = E(X)$	variance	$\text{var}(X) = \sigma^2 = E((X - \mu)^2) = E(X^2) - \mu^2$

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

## Sample proportions

$\hat{p} = \frac{X}{n}$		mean	$E(\hat{p}) = p$
standard deviation	$\text{sd}(\hat{p}) = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$	approximate confidence interval	$\left( \hat{p} - z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}, \hat{p} + z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \right)$