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MATHEMATICAL METHODS

U3-SAC 1a – Application Task: Project

Date of distribution: Monday 23rd May 2022

Due date: Thursday 2nd June 2022, prior to SAC 1b

Task Sections	Marks	Your Marks
Extended Response Questions	60	
Total Marks	60	

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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

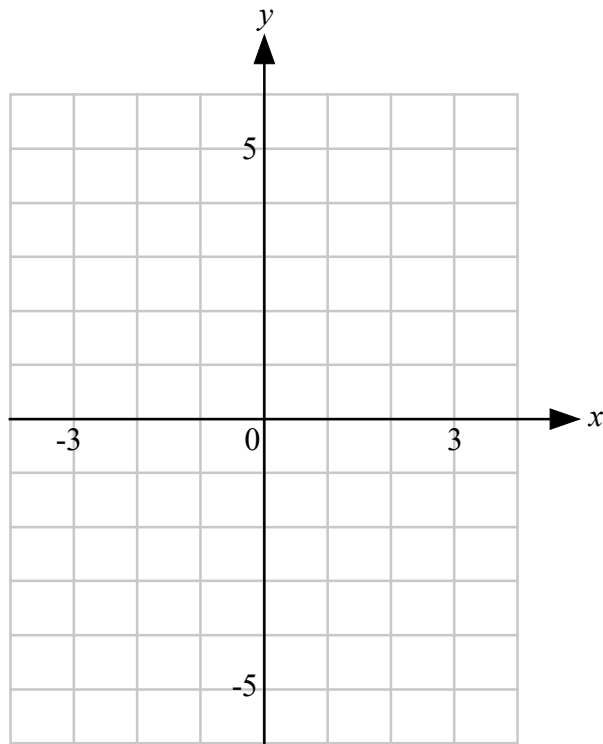
- A scientific calculator and a CAS calculator.
- Any notes or references.

At the end of the task

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

Question 1 (3 marks)

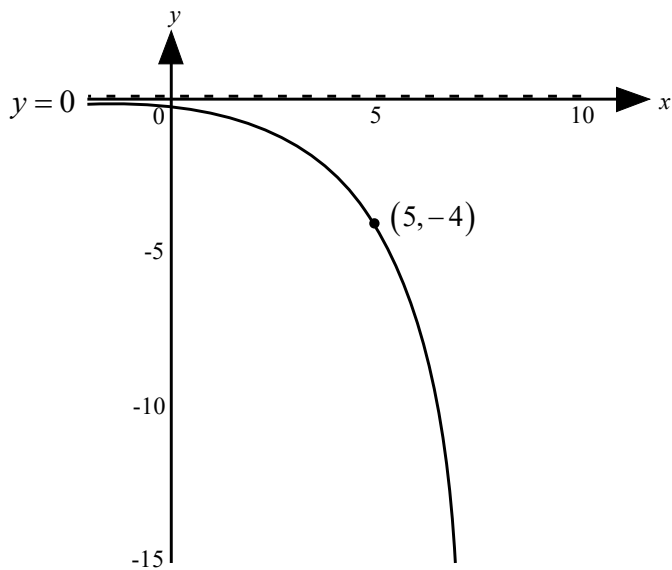
Sketch the graph of $y = 4e^x - 2$. Label all axis intercepts with their co-ordinate points and all asymptotes with their equations.



Question 2 (15 marks)

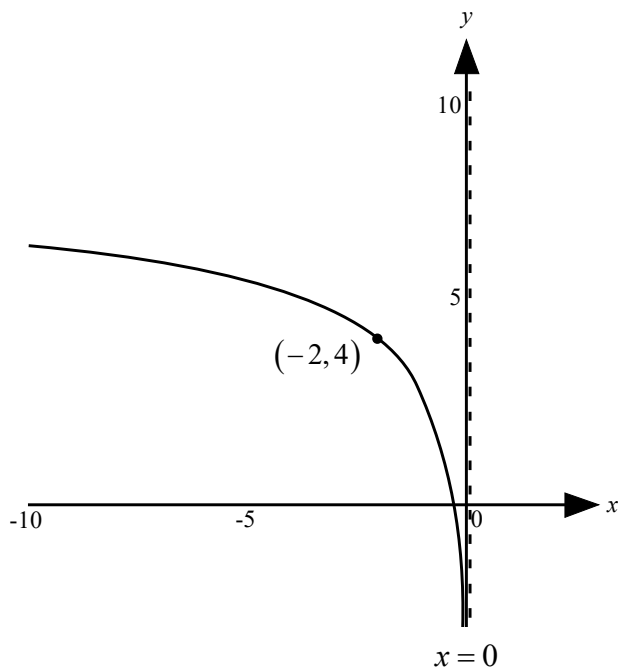
a. i. The graph below has rule $f(x) = -2^{x+b}$, where $b \in \mathbb{R}$. Find the value of b .

1 mark



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

1 mark



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

1 mark

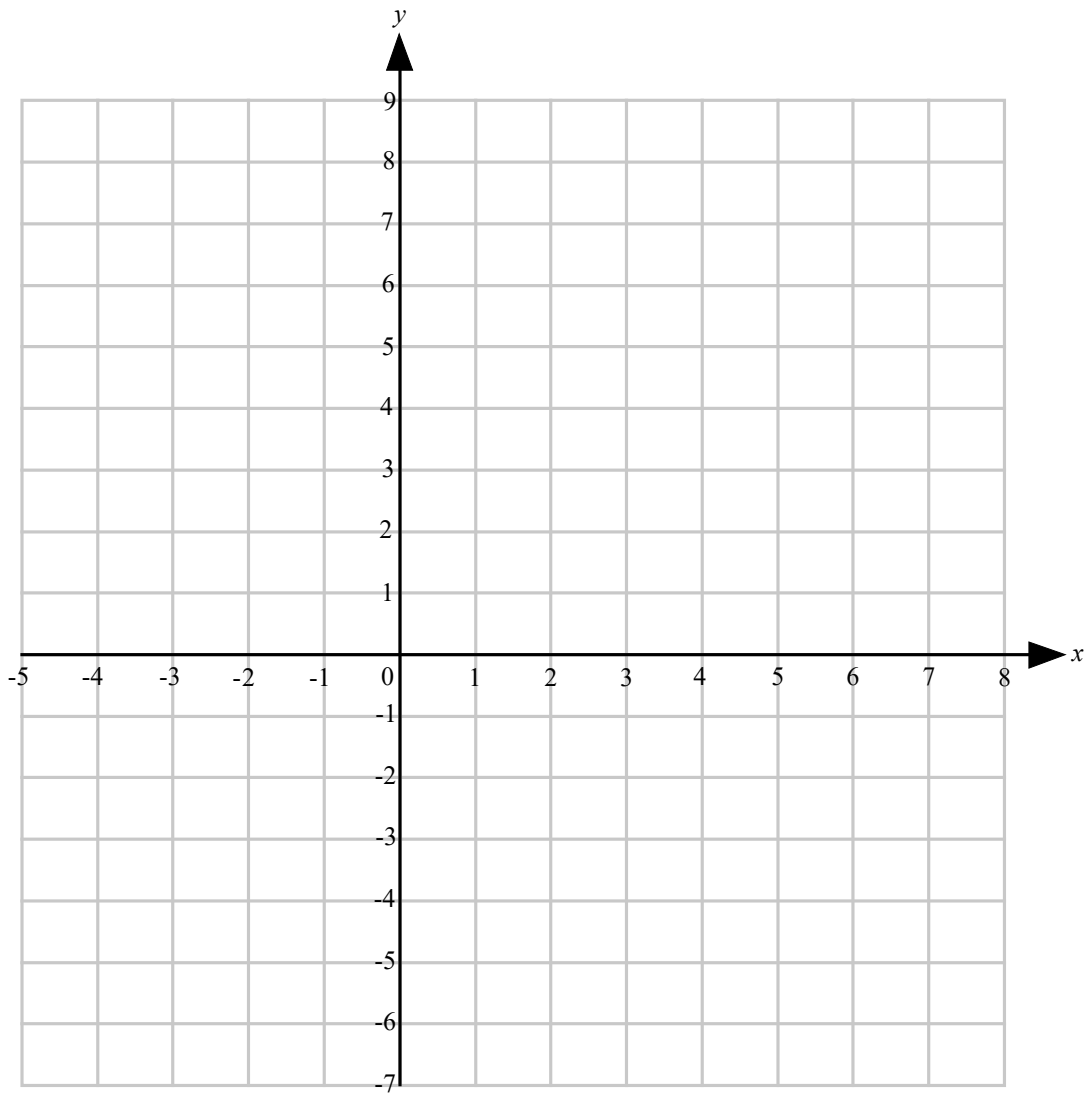
b. The curve given by rule $h(x) = a \times 2^x - b$ passes through the points (1,5) and (2,11).

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

2 marks

- 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



Question 3 (5 marks)

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

a. Find $f'(x)$.

1 mark

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

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

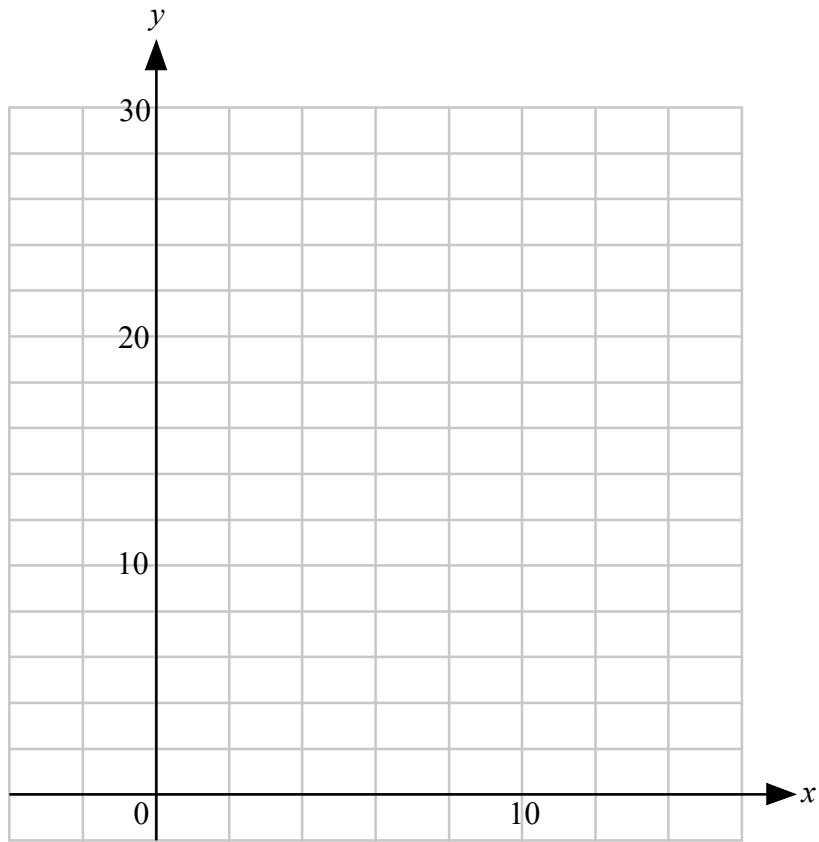
1 mark

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

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



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

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

1 mark

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

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

- 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

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

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

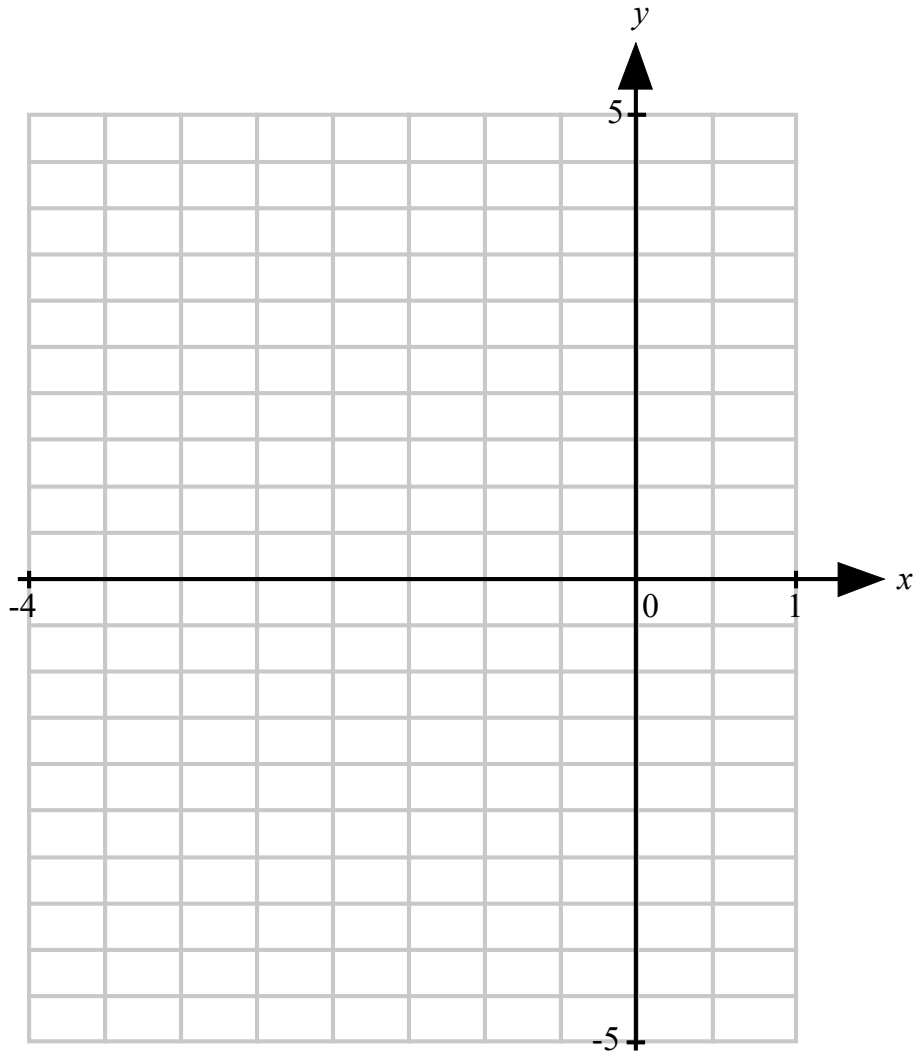
ii. Find the equation of the common tangent.

1 mark

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



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

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

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

- b.** If the number of virions is greater or equal to 5×10^8 , 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

- 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

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

1 mark

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

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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

$\Pr(A) = 1 - \Pr(A')$		$\Pr(A \cup B) = \Pr(A) + \Pr(B) - \Pr(A \cap B)$	
$\Pr(A B) = \frac{\Pr(A \cap B)}{\Pr(B)}$			
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	$\left(\hat{p} - z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}, \hat{p} + z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \right)$