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MATHEMATICAL METHODS

Unit 3-SAC 1b – Application Task: Test

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SOLUTIONS

Thursday 2nd June 2022

Reading Time	none
Writing Time	45 minutes

Task Sections	Marks	Your Marks
Extended Response Questions	30	
Total Marks	30	

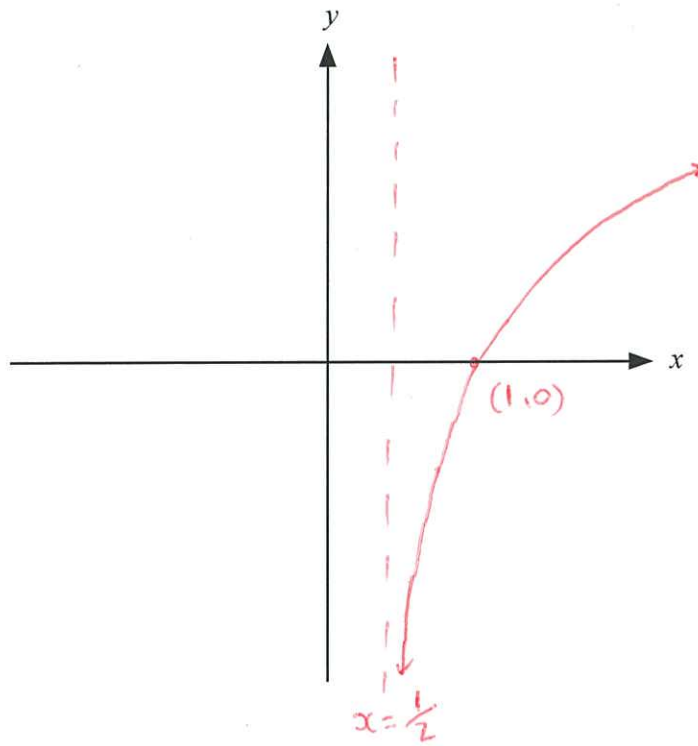
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General Instructions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Answer all questions in the spaces provided.• In all questions where a numerical answer is required, an exact value must be given unless otherwise specified.• In questions where more than one mark is available, appropriate working must be shown.• Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this task are not drawn to scale.
Allowed Materials
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Calculators are not allowed• Notes and/or references are not allowed.
At the end of the task
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensure you cease writing upon request.
Electronic Devices
Students are not allowed to have a mobile phone, smart watch and/or any other unauthorised electronic device in the SAC, unless it is TURNED OFF and is placed on the front teacher desk.



Question 1 (3 marks)

Sketch the graph of $y = \log_e(2x-1)$. Label all axis intercepts with their co-ordinates and all asymptotes with their equations.



Question 2 (3 marks)

Solve each of the equations below.

a. $2 \times 3^x = 5$

1 mark

$$3^x = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$x = \log_3\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)$$

b. $\log_5(2) - \log_5(x) = 3$

2 marks

$$\log_5\left(\frac{5}{x}\right) = 3$$

$$\frac{5}{x} = 5^3$$

$$\frac{1}{25} = x$$

Question 3 (4 marks)

a. The graph given by the rule $y = a \times 10^x - 2$ passes through the point $(\log_{10}(3), 4)$.

Find the value of a .

2 marks

$$4 = a \times 10^{\log_{10}(3)} - 2$$

$$6 = 3a$$

$$2 = a$$

b. The graph given by the rule $y = 3 \times \log_2(x - b)$ passes through the point $\left(\frac{3}{2}, -3\right)$.

Find the value of b .

2 marks

$$-3 = 3 \times \log_2\left(\frac{3}{2} - b\right)$$

$$-1 = \log_2\left(\frac{3}{2} - b\right)$$

$$2^{-1} = \frac{3}{2} - b$$

$$b = 1$$

Question 4 (5 marks)

Consider the polynomial $P(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 12x - 6$.

a. Find $P'(x)$.

1 mark

$$P'(x) = 6x^2 + 6x - 12$$

b. Hence, find the co-ordinates of all stationary points of the graph of $y = e^{2x^3 + 3x^2 - 12x - 6}$.

4 marks

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (6x^2 + 6x - 12) e^{2x^3 + 3x^2 - 12x - 6}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{when} \quad 0 = 6x^2 + 6x - 12$$

$$0 = 6(x^2 + x - 2)$$

$$0 = 6(x+2)(x-1)$$

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

$$\text{when } x = 1, \quad y = e^{-13}$$

$$\text{when } x = -2, \quad y = e^{14}$$

$$\therefore (1, e^{-13}) \text{ and } (-2, e^{14})$$

Question 5 (6 marks)

Consider the function $f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \log_e(x^2)$.

- a. Find the rule of the derivative, $f'(x)$.

1 mark

$$f'(x) = \frac{2x}{x^2} = \frac{2}{x}$$

- b. Show that the tangent to the graph of $y = f(x)$ at the point where $x = a$ is given by

$$y = \frac{2x}{a} + 2(\log_e(a) - 1).$$

2 marks

$$\text{at } x = a, \quad y = \log_e(a^2) \quad \text{and} \quad m = \frac{2}{a}$$

$$\therefore y - \log_e(a^2) = \frac{2}{a}(x - a)$$

$$y = \frac{2}{a}x - 2 + \log_e(a^2)$$

$$= \frac{2}{a}x - 2 + 2\log_e(a)$$

$$= \frac{2x}{a} + 2(\log_e(a) - 1)$$

- c. Find the value of a such that the tangent to the graph passes through the origin.

1 mark

$$x = 0, \quad y = 0$$

$$0 = 2(\log_e(a) - 1)$$

$$1 = \log_e(a)$$

$$a = e$$

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

2 marks

$$x = e, \quad f(e) = \log_e(e^2) = 2 \quad f'(e) = \frac{2}{e}$$

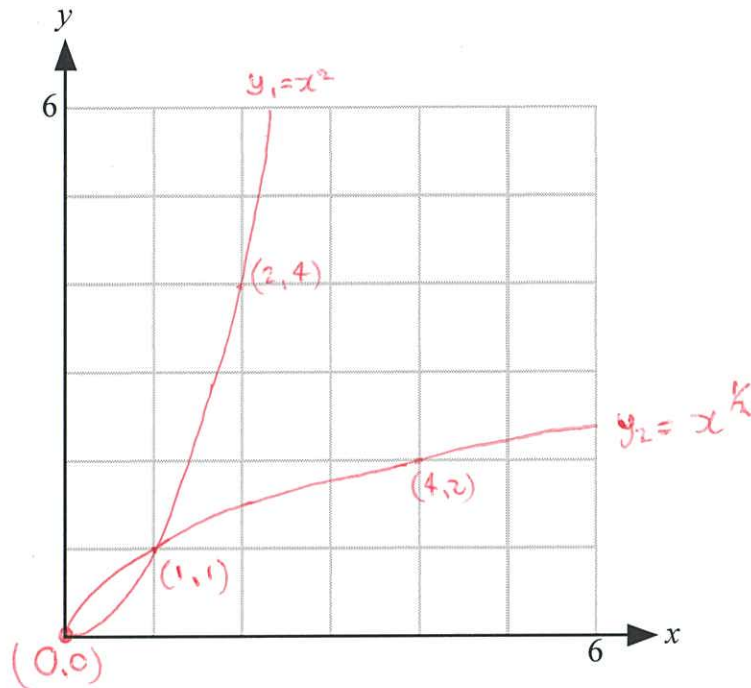
$$\therefore y - 2 = -\frac{e}{2}(x - e)$$

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

Question 6 (9 marks)

- a. Sketch the graphs of $y_1 = x^2$, $x \geq 0$ and $y_2 = x^{\frac{1}{2}}$, $x \geq 0$, on the same axes below, labelling any axis intercepts, endpoints and points of intersection with their co-ordinates.

3 marks



- b. For each of the graphs in **part a** find the co-ordinates of the point where the gradient of the tangent to the curve is one.

3 marks

$\frac{dy_1}{dx} = 2x$	$\frac{dy_2}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$
$1 = 2x$	$1 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$
$x = \frac{1}{2}$	$\sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2}$
so ab point $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4})$	$x = \frac{1}{4}$
	so point $(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2})$

- c. Find the value of k so that the graphs with equations $y = x^2 + k$ and $y = (x - k)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ have a common tangent at a single point of intersection.

1 mark

$$\text{gradient} = 1 \text{ at points } \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4} + k\right) \text{ and } \left(\frac{1}{4} + k, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

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

- d. Let $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = x^3 + b$, and

$$g: [b, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = (x - b)^{\frac{1}{3}}.$$

Find the value of b such that the graphs of $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ have a common tangent at a single point of intersection.

2 marks

$$f'(x) = 3x^2$$

$$1 = 3x^2$$

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

$$x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{gradient} = 1 \text{ at points } \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{27}} + b\right) \text{ and } \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{27}} + b, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{27}} + b$$

$$\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{9} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{9} + b$$

$$b = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{9}$$

END OF SAC 1b

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	$\left(\hat{p} - z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}, \hat{p} + z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \right)$