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# MATHEMATICAL METHODS

## Written examination 1

Wednesday 3 November 2021

Reading time: 9.00 am to 9.15 am (15 minutes)

Writing time: 9.15 am to 10.15 am (1 hour)

### QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

#### Structure of book

<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
9	9	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 book of 11 pages
- Formula sheet
- Working space is provided throughout the book.

#### Instructions

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this book 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.

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** (3 marks)

a. Differentiate  $y = 2e^{-3x}$  with respect to  $x$ .

1 mark

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b. Evaluate  $f'(4)$ , where  $f(x) = x\sqrt{2x+1}$ .

2 marks

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**Question 2** (2 marks)

Let  $f'(x) = x^3 + x$ .

Find  $f(x)$  given that  $f(1) = 2$ .

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**Question 3** (5 marks)

Consider the function  $g : R \rightarrow R$ ,  $g(x) = 2 \sin(2x)$ .

a. State the range of  $g$ .

1 mark

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b. State the period of  $g$ .

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c. Solve  $2 \sin(2x) = \sqrt{3}$  for  $x \in R$ .

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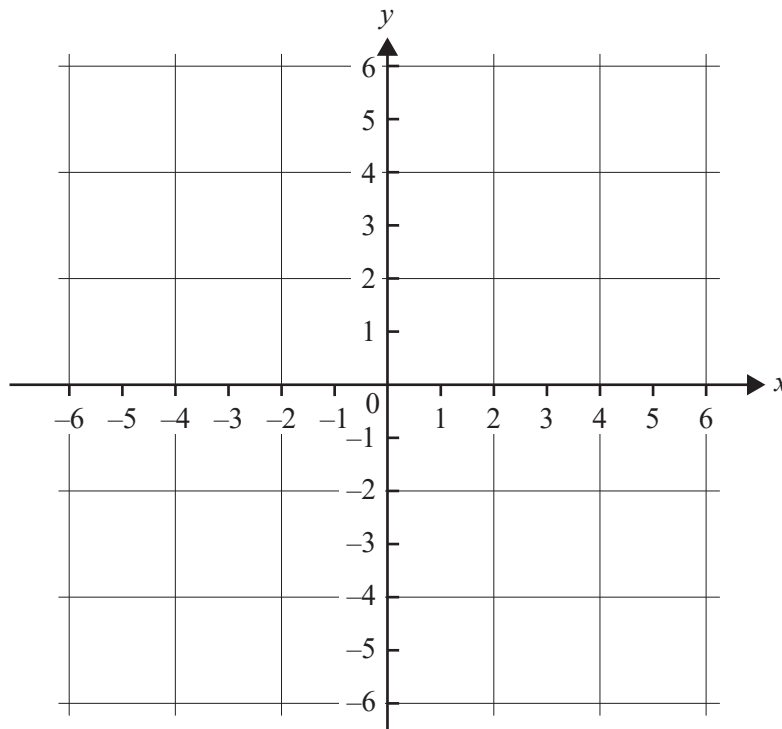
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**Question 4** (4 marks)

- a. Sketch the graph of  $y = 1 - \frac{2}{x-2}$  on the axes below. Label asymptotes with their equations and axis intercepts with their coordinates.

3 marks



- b. Find the values of  $x$  for which  $1 - \frac{2}{x-2} \geq 3$ .

1 mark

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**Question 5** (4 marks)

Let  $f: R \rightarrow R$ ,  $f(x) = x^2 - 4$  and  $g: R \rightarrow R$ ,  $g(x) = 4(x - 1)^2 - 4$ .

- a. The graphs of  $f$  and  $g$  have a common horizontal axis intercept at  $(2, 0)$ .

Find the coordinates of the other horizontal axis intercept of the graph of  $g$ .

2 marks

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- b. Let the graph of  $h$  be a transformation of the graph of  $f$  where the transformations have been applied in the following order:

- dilation by a factor of  $\frac{1}{2}$  from the vertical axis (parallel to the horizontal axis)
- translation by two units to the right (in the direction of the positive horizontal axis)

State the rule of  $h$  and the coordinates of the horizontal axis intercepts of the graph of  $h$ .

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**Question 6** (6 marks)

An online shopping site sells boxes of doughnuts.

A box contains 20 doughnuts. There are only four types of doughnuts in the box. They are:

- glazed, with custard
- glazed, with no custard
- not glazed, with custard
- not glazed, with no custard.

It is known that, in the box:

- $\frac{1}{2}$  of the doughnuts are with custard
- $\frac{7}{10}$  of the doughnuts are not glazed
- $\frac{1}{10}$  of the doughnuts are glazed, with custard.

- a. A doughnut is chosen at random from the box.

Find the probability that it is not glazed, with custard.

1 mark

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- b. The 20 doughnuts in the box are randomly allocated to two new boxes, Box *A* and Box *B*.

Each new box contains 10 doughnuts.

One of the two new boxes is chosen at random and then a doughnut from that box is chosen at random.

Let  $g$  be the number of glazed doughnuts in Box *A*.

Find the probability, in terms of  $g$ , that the doughnut comes from Box *B* given that it is glazed.

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- c. The online shopping site has over one million visitors per day.  
It is known that half of these visitors are less than 25 years old.  
Let  $\hat{P}$  be the random variable representing the proportion of visitors who are less than 25 years old in a random sample of five visitors.

Find  $\Pr(\hat{P} \geq 0.8)$ . Do not use a normal approximation.

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**Question 7** (3 marks)

A random variable  $X$  has the probability density function  $f$  given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{k}{x^2} & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

where  $k$  is a positive real number.

**a.** Show that  $k = 2$ .

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**b.** Find  $E(X)$ .

2 marks

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**Question 8** (5 marks)

The gradient of a function is given by  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{x+6} - \frac{x}{2} - \frac{3}{2}$ .

The graph of the function has a single stationary point at  $\left(3, \frac{29}{4}\right)$ .

a. Find the rule of the function.

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b. Determine the nature of the stationary point.

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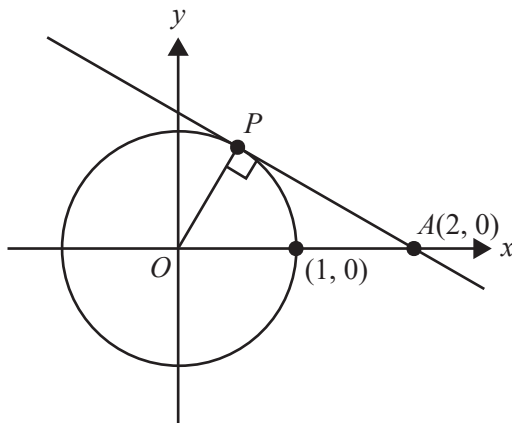
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**Question 9** (8 marks)

Consider the unit circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and the tangent to the circle at the point  $P$ , shown in the diagram below.



- a. Show that the equation of the line that passes through the points  $A$  and  $P$  is given by  $y = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$ . 2 marks

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Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & q \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $q \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ , and let the graph of the function  $h$  be the transformation of the line that passes through the points  $A$  and  $P$  under  $T$ .

- b. i. Find the values of  $q$  for which the graph of  $h$  intersects with the unit circle at least once. 1 mark

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- ii. Let the graph of  $h$  intersect the unit circle twice.

Find the values of  $q$  for which the coordinates of the points of intersection have only positive values.

1 mark

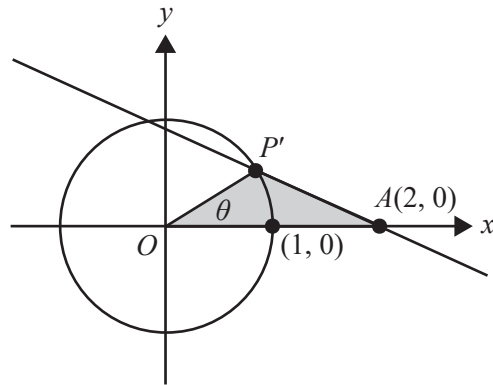
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- c. For  $0 < q \leq 1$ , let  $P'$  be the point of intersection of the graph of  $h$  with the unit circle, where  $P'$  is always the point of intersection that is closest to  $A$ , as shown in the diagram below.



Let  $g$  be the function that gives the area of triangle  $OAP'$  in terms of  $\theta$ .

- i. Define the function  $g$ .

2 marks

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- ii. Determine the maximum possible area of the triangle  $OAP'$ .

2 marks

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**FORMULA SHEET**

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