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12 Mathematics Methods 2019

Test 1 – Differentiation and Logarithms

Section 1: Calculator-free

Time allowed: 25 minutes

Maximum marks: 24

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Instructions:

- Show all working clearly.
- Sufficient detail must be shown for marks to be awarded for reasoning.
- A formula sheet will be provided.
- No calculators or personal notes are permitted.

Question 1 [2, 2, 3 = 7 marks]Differentiate the following with respect to x (do not simplify):

(a) $\frac{3}{x} - \frac{5}{x^3} = 3x^{-1} - 5x^{-3}$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{3}{x} - \frac{5}{x^3} \right) = -3x^{-2} + 15x^{-4}$$

(b) $(2 - x^5)^4$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (2 - x^5)^4 = 4(2 - x^5)^3 (-5x^4)$$

(c) $x^3 \sqrt{1 - x^2} = x^3 (1 - x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^3 \sqrt{1 - x^2}) = x^3 \times \frac{1}{2} (1 - x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (-2x) + 3x^2 (1 - x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Question 2 [4 marks]Determine the equation of the tangent to $y = \frac{x^3}{x+1}$ at $x = 1$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(x+1)(3x^2) - x^3}{(x+1)^2}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x=1 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{5}{4}x + c$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{4} + c$$

$$\therefore c = -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{5}{4}x - \frac{3}{4}$$

Question 3 [4 marks]

Solve for x :

$$2 \ln(x) - 3 \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 10$$

$$\ln x^2 + \ln x^3 = 10$$

$$\ln x^5 = 10$$

$$5 \ln x = 10$$

$$\ln x = 2$$

$$e^2 = x$$

use of
log laws

Question 4 [2, 3 = 5 marks]

Consider the function $f(x) = \log_2(x - 1) + 1$.

(a) State the domain and range of f .

$$x > 1$$

$$y \in \mathbb{R}$$

(b) Find any asymptotes and co-ordinates of axes intercepts.

$x = 1$ is an asymptote.

no y -intercept.

$$0 = \log_2(x - 1) + 1$$

$$2^{-1} = x - 1$$

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

x -intercept at $(1\frac{1}{2}, 0)$

Question 5 [4 marks]

If $y = \sqrt[3]{x}$, use the incremental formula to determine the approximate value of $\sqrt[3]{1001}$.

$$x = 1000$$

$$\delta x = 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{3} x^{-\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$\therefore \delta y \approx \frac{dy}{dx} \times \delta x$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{3} (1000)^{-\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{1}{300} \approx 0.00\overline{33}$$

$$\therefore y = 10$$

$$\sqrt[3]{1001} = 10 + 0.00\overline{33} \approx 10.003$$

$$\text{or } 10\frac{1}{300}$$

END OF SECTION 1

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Section 2: Calculator-assumed

Time allowed: 25 minutes

Maximum marks: 21

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Question 6 [2, 1, 2 = 5 marks]

A particle moves in a straight line with its position from the origin given by

$$x(t) = 15t - \frac{60}{(t+1)^2} \text{ cm}$$

where t is the time in seconds, $t \geq 0$.

(a) What is the initial velocity of the particle?

$$x'(0) = v(0) = 135 \text{ cm/s}$$

(b) Determine the acceleration function for the particle's motion.

$$a(t) = \frac{-360}{(t+1)^3}$$

(c) For what values of t is the particle's velocity increasing? Justify your answer.

$$x''(t) > 0$$

$$\text{but } a(t) < 0 \text{ for } t > 0$$

\therefore the particle's velocity is never increasing

Question 7 [2, 3 = 5 marks]

If $A = \log_5 2$ and $B = \log_5 3$, write the following in terms of A and B :

(a) $\log_5 1.5$

$$\log_5 \frac{3}{2}$$

$$B - A$$

(b) $\log_5 60$

$$\log_5 2^2 \times 3 \times 5$$

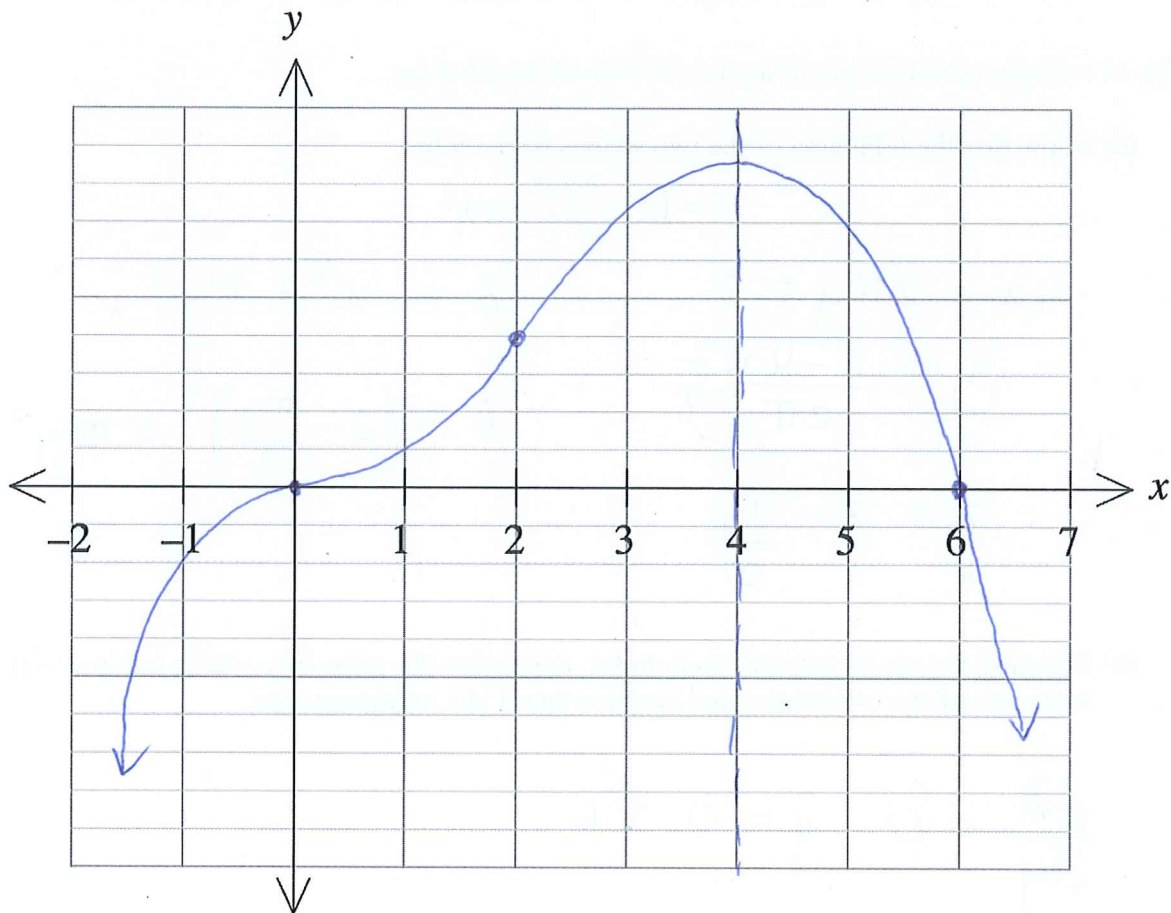
$$2\log_5 2 + \log_5 3 + \log_5 5$$

$$2A + B + 1$$

Question 8 [5 marks]

Sketch a function $y = f(x)$ with all of the following features, clearly indicating any stationary points and points of inflection:

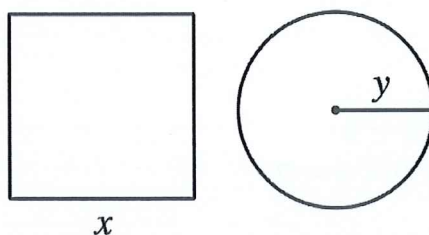
- $f(0) = f(6) = 0$
- $f'(0) = f'(4) = 0$
- $f'(x) \geq 0$ strictly for $x < 4$
- $f''(x) > 0$ strictly for $0 < x < 2$



- ✓ x-intercepts
- ✓ maximum
- ✓ horizontal point of inflection
- ✓ vertical point of inflection
- ✓ general shape

Question 9 [2, 4 = 6 marks]

The diagram below shows a square with side x cm and a circle with radius y cm.



The two shapes are made out of a piece of wire of length 8 cm.

- (a) Show that the total area of the two shapes is given by:

$$A = \left(2 - \frac{\pi y}{2}\right)^2 + \pi y^2$$

$$4x + 2\pi y = 8$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{8 - 2\pi y}{4}$$

$$x = 2 - \frac{\pi y}{2}$$

$$A = x^2 + \pi y^2$$

$$\therefore A = \left(2 - \frac{\pi y}{2}\right)^2 + \pi y^2$$

- (b) Showing the use of calculus techniques, determine the value of y which minimises the total area of the two shapes and confirm that it is a minimum area.

$$\frac{dA}{dy} = 0 \quad y = 0.56$$

$$\frac{d^2A}{dy^2} = 11.22 > 0 \quad \therefore \text{minimum}$$

END OF TEST