



Semester Two Examination, 2020

Question/Answer Booklet

**MATHEMATICS  
METHODS  
ATAR Year 12  
Section One:  
Calculator-free**

**SOLUTIONS**

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**Time allowed for this paper**

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5 minutes

Working time for paper:

50 minutes

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## Structure of this paper

Section	Number of questions available	Number of questions to be answered	Suggested working time (minutes)	Marks available	Percentage of examination
Section One: Calculator free	8	8	50	52	35
Section Two: Calculator-assumed	13	13	100	98	65
<b>Total</b>					100

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2. Write your answers in this Question/Answer booklet.
3. You must be careful to confine your answers to the specific questions asked and to follow any instructions that are specific to a particular question.
4. Supplementary pages for the use planning/continuing your answer to a question have been provided at the end of the Question/Answer booklet. If you use these pages to continue an answer, indicate at the original answer where the answer is continued, i.e. give the page number.
5. Show all your working clearly. Your working should be in sufficient detail to allow your answers to be checked readily and for marks to be awarded for reasoning. Incorrect answers given without supporting reasoning cannot be allocated any marks. For any question or part question worth more than two marks, valid working or justification is required to receive full marks. If you repeat any question, ensure that you cancel the answer you do not wish to have marked.
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Section One: Calculator-free

35% (52 Marks)

This section has eight (8) questions. Answer **all** questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

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Working time: 50 minutes

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Question 1

(7 marks)

(a) Determine an expression for  $f'(x)$  when

(i)  $f(x) = \ln(1 - \cos 3x)$ . (2 marks)

Solution
$f'(x) = \frac{3 \sin 3x}{1 - \cos 3x}$
Specific behaviours
✓ numerator
✗ denominator

(ii)  $f(x) = e^{5x}(5 - 2x)^3$ . (3 marks)

Solution
$f'(x) = 5e^{5x}(5 - 2x)^3 + e^{5x} \cdot 3(-2)(5 - 2x)^2$ $\hookrightarrow 5e^{5x}(5 - 2x)^3 - 6e^{5x}(5 - 2x)^2$
N.B. Simplifies to $(19 - 10x)(5 - 2x)^2 e^{5x}$
Specific behaviours
✗ derivative of $e^{5x}$
✗ derivative of $(5 - 2x)^3$
✗ correct expression using product rule

(b) For the positive number  $x$ , let  $A(x) = \int_0^x (8 - 2t^2) dt$ .

Determine the value(s) of  $x$  for which  $\frac{dA}{dx} = 0$ . (2 marks)

Solution
$\frac{dA}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \int_0^x (8 - 2t^2) dt \hookrightarrow 8 - 2x^2$ $\therefore 2x^2 = 8 = 2^3 \Rightarrow x^2 = 3 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{3}$
Specific behaviours
✓ expression for $A'(x)$
✗ correct value

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Question 2

(7 marks)

The discrete random variable  $X$  is defined by

$$P(X=x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+b}{5x+2} & x=0,1 \\ \text{elsewhere} & \end{cases}$$

- (a) Determine the value of the constant  $b$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
$\frac{b}{2} + \frac{1+b}{7} = 1$ $7b + 2 + 2b = 14$ $9b = 12$ $b = \frac{4}{3}$
Specific behaviours
✓ forms equation using $x=0$ and $x=1$ ✓ correct value

- (b) Determine

- (i)  $P(X=0)$ .

(1 mark)

Solution
$P(X=0) = \frac{b}{2} = \frac{2}{3}$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct probability

- (ii)  $E(7X-3)$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
$E(X) = p = P(X=1) = 1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$ $E(7X-3) = 7 \times \frac{1}{3} - 3 = \frac{-2}{3}$
Specific behaviours
✓ indicates $E(X)$ ✓ correct value

- (iii)  $\text{Var}(7X-3)$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
$\text{Var}(X) = p(1-p) = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{9}$ $\text{Var}(7X-3) = 7^2 \times \frac{2}{9} = \frac{98}{9}$
Specific behaviours
✓ indicates $\text{Var}(X)$ ✓ correct value

Question 3

(5 marks)

The rate of change of pressure in an air tank is given by  $P'(t) = -3e^{-0.05t}$ , where  $t$  is the time in minutes since it began to empty.

- (a) Determine an expression for the pressure  $P$  in the tank at any time  $t, t \geq 0$ . (2 marks)

Solution
$P(t) = \frac{-3}{-0.05} e^{-0.05t} + c = 60e^{-0.05t} + c$ $(0, 70) \Rightarrow 70 = 60e^0 + c \Rightarrow c = 10$ $P(t) = 10 + 60e^{-0.05t}$
Specific behaviours
✓ correctly integrates $P'(t)$ 📌 correct expression for $P(t)$

- (b) Determine

- (i) the time taken for the pressure in the tank to fall to 40 psi. (2 marks)

Solution
$10 + 60e^{-0.05t} = 40 \Rightarrow e^{-0.05t} = 0.5$ $-0.05t = \ln 0.5 \Rightarrow t = -20 \ln 0.5 \quad (\text{or } 20 \ln 2)$
Specific behaviours
✓ simplifies equation to $e^{-0.05t} = k$ 📌 correct time

- (ii) the minimum pressure in the tank for  $t \geq 0$ . (1 mark)

Solution
$t \rightarrow \infty, P \rightarrow 10 \text{ psi}$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct pressure

Question 4

(6 marks)

The continuous random variable  $X$  takes values in the interval 3 to 8 and has **cumulative** distribution function  $F(x)$  where

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 3 \\ \frac{x-3}{5} & 3 \leq x \leq 8 \\ 1 & x > 8. \end{cases}$$

(a) Determine

(i)  $P(X \leq 4.5)$ .

(1 mark)

Solution
$P(X \leq 4.5) = \frac{4.5-3}{5} = \frac{1.5}{5} = \frac{3}{10} = 0.3$
Specific behaviours
✓ correct probability

(ii) the value of  $k$ , if  $P(X > k) = 0.75$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
$P(X \leq k) = 1 - P(X > k) = 1 - 0.75 = 0.25$
$\frac{k-3}{5} = 0.25 \Rightarrow k = 4.25$
Specific behaviours
✓ indicates $P(X \leq k)$
✓ correct value

(b) Determine  $f(x)$ , the probability density function of  $X$ , and sketch the graph of  $y = f(x)$ .

(3 marks)

Solution
$f(x) = F'(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{5} & 3 \leq x \leq 8 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$
Specific behaviours
✓ $f(x)$ (no penalty for just $f(x) = \frac{1}{5}$ if sketch correct)
✓ draws $y = 0.2$ between endpoints

Question 5

(7 marks)

The function  $f$  is defined by  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 7}{4 - x}$ ,  $x \neq 4$ .

The second derivative of  $f$  is  $f''(x) = 18(4 - x)^{-3}$ .

Determine the coordinates and nature of all stationary points of the graph of  $y = f(x)$ .

**Solution**

$$f'(x) = \frac{2x(4-x) - (-1)(x^2-7)}{(4-x)^2}$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 8x - 2x^2 + x^2 - 7 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 8x + 7 = 0 \Rightarrow (x-1)(x-7) = 0$$

$$x = 1, 7$$

$$f''(1) = \frac{18}{3^3} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{Min}, f''(7) = \frac{18}{-3^3} < 0 \Rightarrow \text{Max}$$

$$f(1) = \frac{-6}{3} = -2, f(7) = \frac{42}{-3} = -14$$

$f(x)$  has a minimum at  $(1, -2)$  and a maximum at  $(7, -14)$ .

**Specific behaviours**

- ✓ indicates correct use of quotient rule
- ✓ correct  $f'(x)$
- ✓ equates numerator to zero
- ✓ determines  $x$ -coordinates of stationary points
- ✓ indicates correct use of second derivative for nature
- ✓ correct minimum
- ✓ correct maximum

Question 6

(7 marks)

- (a) Simplify  $3 \log 20 - \log 4 + \log 5$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
$\log 20^3 - \log 4 + \log 5 = \log (8000 \div 4 \times 5)$ $\log 10^4$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ expresses as single log</li> <li>✎ simplifies to number</li> </ul>

- (b) Given that  $\log_a x = 0.82$ , determine the value of  $\log_a \left( \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x} \right)$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
$\log_a \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x} = \log_a \sqrt{x} - \log_a x$ $= 0.5 \log_a x - \log_a x$ $= -0.5 \log_a x = -0.5 \times 0.82 = -0.41$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ obtains multiple of <math>\log_a x</math></li> <li>✎ correct value</li> </ul>

- (c) Determine the solution to the equation  $2^{3x} = 5^{2-x}$  in the form  $x = \frac{\log a}{\log b}$ .

(3 marks)

Solution
$3x \log 2 = (2-x) \log 5$ $3x \log 2 = 2 \log 5 - x \log 5$ $3x \log 2 + x \log 5 = 2 \log 5$ $x(3 \log 2 + \log 5) = 2 \log 5$ $x = \frac{2 \log 5}{3 \log 2 + \log 5}$ $x = \frac{\log 25}{\log 40}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ writes as log equation</li> <li>✎ factors out x</li> <li>✎ solves and simplifies into required form</li> </ul>



Question 7

(6 marks)

The acceleration at time  $t$  seconds of a small body travelling in a straight line is given by

$$a(t) = \frac{-27}{\sqrt{3t+1}} \text{ cm/s}^2, t \geq 0.$$

When  $t=1$  the body was at the origin and 7 seconds later its displacement was 22 cm.

Determine the velocity of the body when  $t=5$ .

**Solution**

$$v(t) = \int -27(3t+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt \quad \checkmark \quad \frac{-27}{\frac{1}{2} \times 3} (3t+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + c$$

$$\checkmark \quad -18(3t+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + c$$

$$\Delta x = \int_1^{1+7} -18(3t+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + c dt \quad \checkmark \quad \left[ \frac{-18}{\frac{3}{2} \times 3} (3t+1)^{\frac{3}{2}} + ct \right]_1^8$$

$$\checkmark \quad \left[ -4(3t+1)^{\frac{3}{2}} + ct \right]_1^8 \quad \checkmark \quad [-4(125) + 8c] - [-4(27) + c]$$

$$\checkmark \quad 7c - 468$$

But  $\Delta x = 22$

$$7c - 468 = 22 \quad c = 490 \quad c = 70$$

$$v(5) = -18(3(5)+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 70 \quad \checkmark \quad -72 + 70 \quad \checkmark \quad -2 \text{ cm/s}$$

**Specific behaviours**

- ✓ antiderivative of  $a(t)$
- ▣ integral for change in displacement  $\Delta x$
- ▣ antiderivative of  $v(t)$
- ▣ simplifies equation for  $c$
- ▣ uses given  $\Delta x$  to determine value of  $c$
- ▣ correct velocity

Question 7 – alternative method

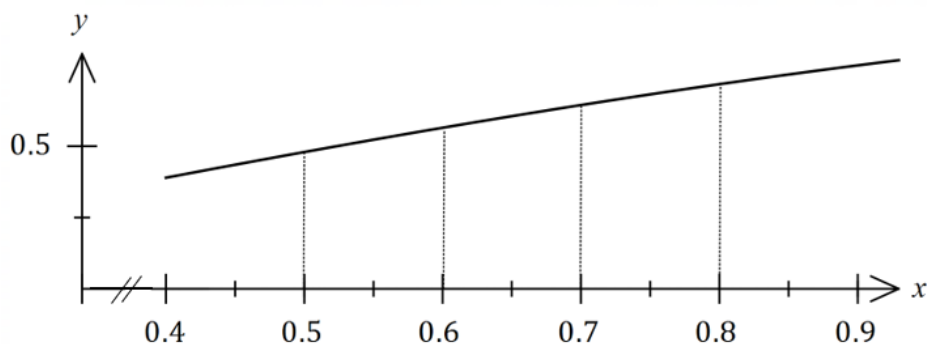
Solution
$v(t) = \int -27(3t+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt \quad \int \frac{-27}{\frac{1}{2} \times 3} (3t+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + c \quad \int -18(3t+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + c$
$x(t) = \int -18(3t+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt \quad \int \frac{-18}{\frac{3}{2} \times 3} (3t+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + ct + k \quad \int -4(3t+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + ct + k$
$0 = -4(3 \times 1 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + 1c + k \quad 32 = c + k \text{ eqn}$
$22 = -4(3 \times 8 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + 8c + k \quad 522 = 8c + k$
$7c = 490 \quad c = 70$
$v(5) = -18(3(5) + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + 70 \quad -72 + 70 = -2 \text{ cm/s}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ antiderivative of <math>a(t)</math></li> <li>✗ antiderivative of <math>v(t)</math></li> <li>✗ <math>x(t)</math> equation for <math>t=1</math></li> <li>✓ <math>x(t)</math> equation for <math>t=8</math></li> <li>✗ solves simultaneously to determine value of <math>c</math></li> <li>✗ correct velocity</li> </ul>

Question 8

(7 marks)

The graph and a table of values for  $y=f(x)$  is shown below, where  $f(x)=\sin x$ .

End of questions



$x$	$y$
0.4	0.39
0.5	0.48
0.6	0.56
0.7	0.64
0.8	0.72
0.9	0.78

DO NOT

Let  $I = \int_{0.5}^{0.8} \sin x \, dx$ .

- (a) By using the information shown and considering sums of the form  $\sum_i f(x_i) \delta x_i$  explain why  $I < 0.192$ .

(3 marks)

Solution
With $\delta x = 0.1$ , $x_1 = 0.6$ , $x_2 = 0.7$ and $x_3 = 0.8$ then $\sum_i f(x_i) \delta x_i = 0.1(0.56 + 0.64 + 0.72) < 0.1(1.92) < 0.192$ Hence $I$ must be less than this value as it is the area of circumscribed rectangles that overestimate the area under the curve.
Specific behaviours
✓ indicates $x$ -ordinates for circumscribed rectangles 🔍 shows sum of $f(x_i) \delta x_i$ 🔍 explains inequality

- (b) In a similar manner to (a), determine the lower estimate,  $L$ , for the value of  $I$ . That is, the value of  $L$  for  $I > L$ .

(2 marks)

Solution
With $\delta x = 0.1$ , $x_1 = 0.5$ , $x_2 = 0.6$ and $x_3 = 0.7$ then $L = \sum_i f(x_i) \delta x_i = 0.1(0.48 + 0.56 + 0.64) < 0.1(1.68)$ $< 0.168$
Specific behaviours
✓ indicates $x$ -ordinates for inscribed rectangles 🔍 value of $L$

- (c) Use your previous answers to determine a numerical estimate for  $I$  and explain whether your estimate is smaller or larger than the exact value of  $I$ . (2 marks)

Solution
$I = \frac{0.168 + 0.192}{2} = 0.18$ This value slightly underestimates the exact value of $I$ as the curve is concave downwards.
Specific behaviours
✓ correctly averages values 🔍 states underestimate with reason

End of questions

