

**MATHEMATICS**  
**METHODS**  
**UNIT 3**  
**Section One:**  
**Calculator-free**

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Student Number: In figures

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Your name

**Time allowed for this section**

Reading time before commencing work: five minutes  
Working time for section: fifty minutes

**Materials required/recommended for this section**  
*To be provided by the supervisor*  
This Question/Answer Booklet  
Formula Sheet

**To be provided by the candidate**

Standard items: pens (blue/black preferred), pencils (including coloured), sharpener, correction fluid/tape, eraser, ruler, highlighters  
Special items: nil

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Total				140	100

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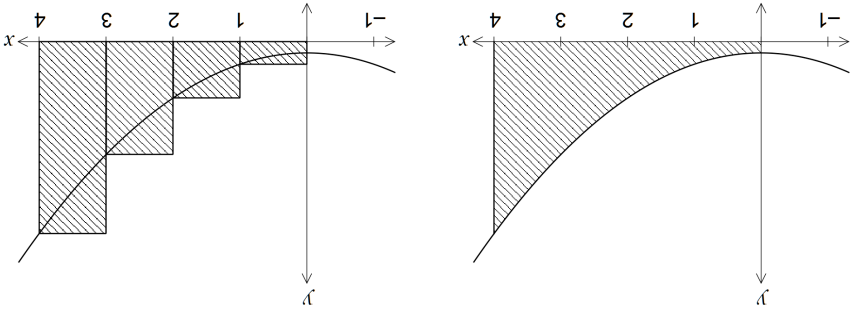
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This section has **eight (8)** questions. Answer **all** questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Working time for this section is 50 minutes.

**Question 1** (5 marks)

Part of the graph of  $y = x^2 + 1$  is shown in the diagrams below.



An approximation for the area beneath the curve between  $x = 0$  and  $x = 4$  is made using rectangles as shown in the right-hand diagram. Determine the exact amount by which the approximate area exceeds the exact area.

## Question 2

(9 marks)

(a) Differentiate the following with respect to  $x$ , simplifying your answers.

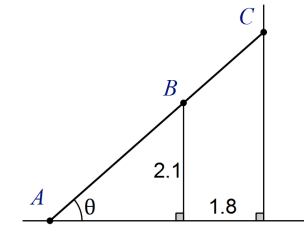
(i)  $y = \int_x^1 (t - t^3) dt.$  (2 marks)

(ii)  $y = \sin^3(2x + 1).$  (3 marks)

## Question 20

(7 marks)

A vertical wall, 2.1 metres tall, stands on level ground and 1.8 metres away from the wall of a house. A ladder, of negligible width, leans at an angle of  $\theta$  to the ground and just touches the ground, wall and house, as shown in the diagram.



(a) Show that the length of the ladder,  $L$ , is given by  $L = \frac{2.1}{\sin \theta} + \frac{1.8}{\cos \theta}.$  (3 marks)

(b) Use a calculus method to determine the length of the shortest ladder that can touch the ground, wall and house at the same time. (4 marks)

Question 2 (continued)

(b) Determine the values of the constants  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ , given that  $f''(x) = e^{3x}(ax^2 + bx + c)$  when  $f(x) = x^2e^{3x}$ . (4 marks)

Question 19

(7 marks)

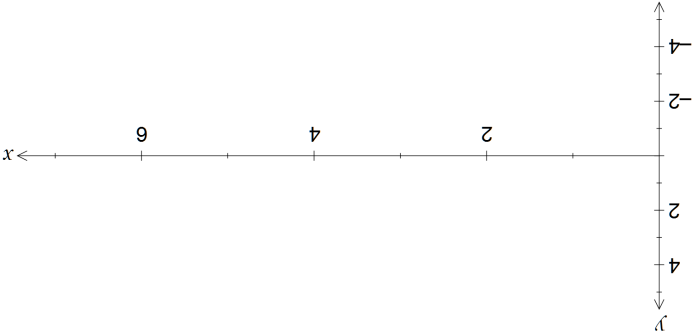
Consider the function  $f(t) = \frac{t - 4}{2}$  and the function  $A(x) = \int_x^0 f(t) \, dt$ .

(a) Complete the table below. (2 marks)

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$A(x)$	0	-1.75					

(b) For what value(s) of  $x$  is the function  $A(x)$  increasing? (1 mark)

(c) On the axes below, sketch the graph of  $y = A(x)$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 6$ . (2 marks)



(d) Determine (i) when  $A'(x) = 0$ . (1 mark)

(ii) the function  $A(x)$  in terms of  $x$ . (1 mark)

## Question 3

(7 marks)

Consider the function defined by  $f(x) = \frac{x}{2} - \sqrt{x}$ ,  $x \geq 0$ .

(a) Determine the coordinates of the stationary point of  $f(x)$ .

(3 marks)

(b) Use the second derivative test to determine the nature of the stationary point found in (a).

(3 marks)

(c) State the global minimum of  $f(x)$ .

(1 mark)

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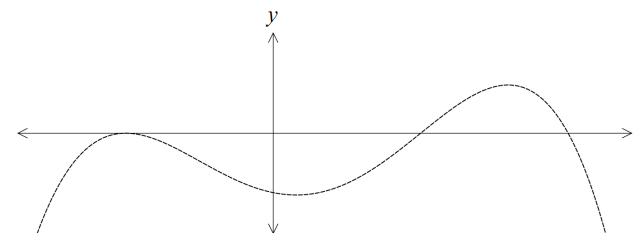
## Question 18 (continued)

(c) Does the graph of  $y = f(x)$  have a horizontal point of inflection? Justify your answer.

(2 marks)

(d) On the axis below, sketch a possible graph of  $y = f''(x)$ . The graph of  $y = f'(x)$  is shown with a broken line for your reference.

(3 marks)



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Question 4

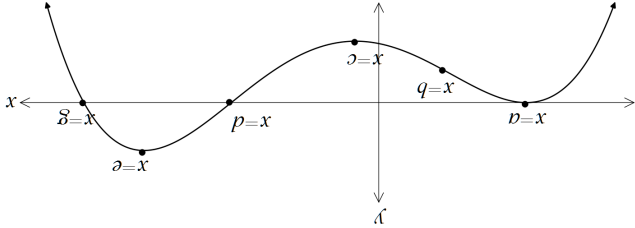
The area of a segment with central angle  $\theta$  in a circle of radius  $r$  is given by  $A = \frac{r^2}{2}(\theta - \sin \theta)$ . Use the increments formula to find the approximate increase in area of a segment in a circle of radius 10 cm as the central angle increases from  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  to  $\frac{11\pi}{30}$ .

(5 marks)

Question 18

The graph of  $y = f'(x)$ , the derivative of a polynomial function  $f$ , is shown below. The graph of  $y = f'(x)$  has stationary points when  $x = a$ ,  $x = c$  and  $x = e$ , points of inflection when  $x = b$  and  $x = d$ , and roots when  $x = a$ ,  $x = d$  and  $x = g$ , where  $a < b < c < d < e < g$ .

(8 marks)



(a) For what value(s) of  $x$  does the graph of  $y = f'(x)$  have a point of inflection? (1 mark)

(b) Does the graph of  $y = f'(x)$  have a local maximum? Justify your answer. (2 marks)

## Question 5

(5 marks)

- (a) Differentiate  $y = \frac{2x+1}{e^x}$ , simplifying your answer.

(3 marks)

- (b) Using the result in (a) or otherwise, evaluate  $\int_1^2 \left( \frac{1-2x}{e^x} \right) dx$ .

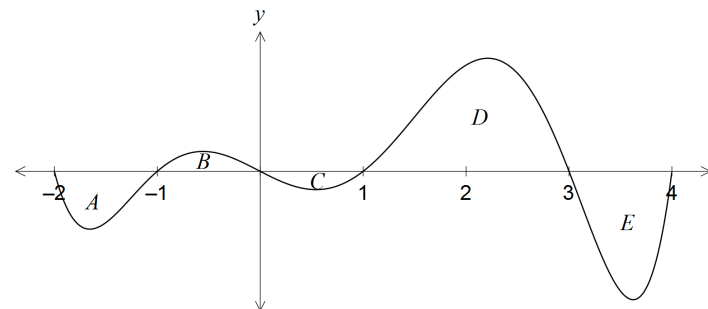
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## Question 17

(8 marks)

The graph of the function  $y = f(x)$  is shown below for  $-2 \leq x \leq 4$ .



The area of regions enclosed by the  $x$ -axis and the curve,  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$  and  $E$ , are 12, 7, 5, 32 and 21 square units respectively.

- (a) Determine the value of  $\int_{-2}^4 f(x) dx$ . (2 marks)

- (b) Determine the area of the region enclosed between the graph of  $y = f(x)$  and the  $x$ -axis from  $x = 0$  to  $x = 4$ . (2 marks)

- (c) Determine the values of

(i)  $\int_0^3 f(x) + 3 dx$ . (2 marks)

(ii)  $2 \int_0^1 f'(x) dx$ . (2 marks)

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(6 marks)

**Question 6** The discrete random variable  $X$  has the probability distribution shown in the table below.

$x$	3	2	1	0	$\frac{2a^2}{3}$	$\frac{1-3a}{3}$	$\frac{1+2a}{3}$	$\frac{4a^2}{3}$
$P(X = x)$								

Determine the value of the constant  $a$ .

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(8 marks)

**Question 16** The discrete random variable  $Y$  has the probability distribution shown in the table below.

$Y$	-2	-1	0	1	2
$P(Y = y)$	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2

(a) Determine  $P(Y \geq 0 \mid Y \leq 1)$ .

(2 marks)

(b) Calculate

(i)  $E(Y)$ .

(2 marks)

(ii)  $E(1 - 2Y)$ .

(1 mark)

(c) Calculate

(i)  $Var(Y)$ .

(2 marks)

(ii)  $Var(1 - 2Y)$ .

(1 mark)

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## Question 7

(5 marks)

The area bounded by the curve  $y = e^{2-x}$  and the lines  $y = 0$ ,  $x = 1$  and  $x = k$  is exactly  $e - 1$  square units. Determine the value of the constant  $k$ , given that  $k > 1$ .

## Question 15 (continued)

(d) After five seconds, the particle has moved a distance of  $k$  metres.

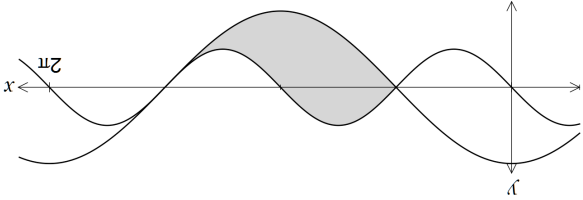
(i) Explain why  $k \neq \int_0^5 v(t) dt$ . (1 mark)

(ii) Calculate  $k$ . (2 marks)

(6 marks)

Question 8

The shaded region on the graph below is enclosed by the curves  $y = -\sin(2x)$  and  $y = 2\cos x$ .



- (a) Given that  $\sin(2x) = 2 \sin x \cos x$ , show that the first two roots of the equation  $2 \cos x = -\sin(2x)$  are  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\frac{3\pi}{2}$ . (3 marks)

Question 15

(9 marks)

A particle moves in a straight line according to the function  $x(t) = \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^2 + 3}$ , where  $t$  is in seconds and  $x$  is the displacement of the particle from a fixed point  $O$ , in metres.

- (a) Determine the velocity function,  $v(t)$ , for the particle. (2 marks)

- (b) Determine the displacement of the particle at the instant it is stationary. (2 marks)

- (c) Show that the acceleration of the particle is always positive. (2 marks)

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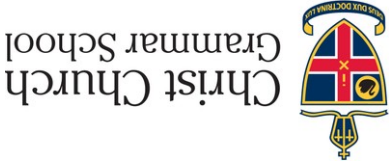
- (c) The probability that a student misses his bus to school is 0.2, and the probability that he misses the bus on any day is independent of whether he missed it on the previous day.

Over five consecutive weekdays, what is the probability that the student

- (i) only misses the bus on Tuesday? (2 marks)

- (ii) misses the bus at least twice? (2 marks)

- (iii) misses the bus on Tuesday and on two other days? (3 marks)



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Calculator-assumed

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- Question 14 (14 marks)
- (a) Determine the mean of a Bernoulli distribution with variance of 0.24. (3 marks)

- (b) A Bernoulli trial, with probability of success  $p$ , is repeated  $n$  times. The resulting distribution of the number of successes has an expected value of 5.76 and a standard deviation of 1.92. Determine  $n$  and  $p$ . (4 marks)

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## Question 13

(5 marks)

Records of a company that has a large workforce indicate that 35 percent of employees take sick leave during any given year.

- (a) If the records of five employees are selected at random from the previous year, what is the probability that fewer than three took sick leave? (2 marks)

Amongst the 20 management staff of the company, seven of them had taken sick leave during the previous year.

- (b) If five management staff are selected at random, what is the probability that two or less took sick leave during the previous year? (3 marks)

**Section Two: Calculator-assumed** **65% (92 Marks)**

This section has **thirteen (13)** questions. Answer **all** questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Working time for this section is 100 minutes.

- Question 12** (8 marks)

The height of grain in a silo, initially 0.4 m, is increasing at a rate given by  $h'(t) = 0.55t - 0.05t^2$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 11$ , where  $h$  is the height of grain in metres and  $t$  is in hours.

(a) At what time is the height of grain rising the fastest? (2 marks)

- Question 9** (4 marks)

A recent news report said that it took 34 months for the population of Australia to increase from 23 to 24 million people.

(a) Assuming that the rate of growth of the population can be modelled by the equation  $\frac{dP}{dt} = kP$ , where  $P$  is the population of Australia at time  $t$  months, determine the value of the constant  $k$ . (2 marks)
- (b) Determine the height of grain in the silo after 11 hours. (3 marks)

- (b) Assuming the current rate of growth continues, how long will it take for the population to increase from 24 million to 25 million people? (2 marks)
- (c) Calculate the time taken for the grain to reach a height of 4.45 m. (3 marks)

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## Question 10

(7 marks)

A small object is moving in a straight line with acceleration  $a = 6t + k \text{ ms}^{-2}$ , where  $t$  is the time in seconds and  $k$  is a constant. When  $t = 1$  the object was stationary and had a displacement of 4 metres relative to a fixed point  $O$  on the line. When  $t = 2$  the object had a velocity of  $1 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

- (a) Determine the value of  $k$  and hence an equation for the velocity of the object at time  $t$ .  
(4 marks)

- (b) Determine the displacement of the object when  $t = 2$ .  
(3 marks)

## Question 11

(7 marks)

It is known that 15% of Year 12 students in a large country study advanced mathematics.

A random sample of  $n$  students is selected from all Year 12's in this country, and the random variable  $X$  is the number of those in the sample who study advanced mathematics.

- (a) Describe the distribution of  $X$ .  
(2 marks)

- (b) If  $n = 22$ , determine the probability that

- (i) three of the students in the sample study advanced mathematics. (1 mark)

- (ii) more than three of the students in the sample study advanced mathematics. (1 mark)

- (iii) none of the students in the sample study advanced mathematics. (1 mark)

- (c) If ten random samples of 22 students are selected, determine the probability that at least one of these samples has no students who study advanced mathematics. (2 marks)