

4. Consider the following two logarithmic functions:

$$f(x) = \ln x \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \ln(x-2) + 2$$

[2 + 1 + 1 + 4 = 8 marks]

(a) State the equations of any asymptotes for these two functions.

$f(x)$  has  $x=0$  ✓,  $g(x)$  has  $x=2$  ✓.  
(don't require them to say which is which)

(b) Determine the exact value of the x-coordinate of their point of intersection.

$$\ln x = \ln(x-2) + 2$$

$$x = \frac{e^2}{2}$$

(c) Determine the exact x-value of the root of  $g(x)$ .

$$0 = \ln(x-2) + 2$$

$$x = 2 + \frac{1}{e^2}$$

(d) Determine, to two decimal places, the area trapped between the two curves and the x-axis.

$$A = \int_0^1 \ln x \, dx - \int_{2+\frac{1}{e^2}}^{2+\frac{1}{2}} (\ln(x-2) + 2) \, dx$$

$$= 0.54$$

limits on first ✓  
limits on second ✓  
minus sign (different) ✓  
answer (rounding) ✓  
didn't deduct mark for extra d.p.

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$$\ln(x^2 - 1) - \ln(x + 1)$$

$$= \ln \left[ \frac{x^2 - 1}{x + 1} \right]$$

$$= \ln(x - 1)$$

$$3 \log_{10} x + 5 \log_{10} y$$

$$= \log_{10} x^3 + \log_{10} y^5$$

$$= \log_{10} (x^3 y^5)$$

$$\log_2 \frac{x}{1} - \log_2 \frac{1}{x^2} + 3$$

$$= \log_2 \left( \frac{x}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} \right) + 3$$

$$= \log_2 x + 3$$

$$= \log_2 (8x)$$

2. Express each of the following as a single logarithm. Simplify your answers where possible.  
[2 + 2 + 2 + 2 = 6 marks]

(a)  $\log_6 36 = 2$  ✓  
(b)  $\log_3 \frac{27}{1} = -3$  ✓  
(c)  $\log_9 \sqrt{3} = \frac{1}{4} \log_9 9 = \frac{1}{4}$  ✓  
(d)  $5 \log_5 2 = 2$  ✓

1. Evaluate the following expressions giving your answers in the simplest form.

Note: You should show clear and comprehensive working out throughout to obtain part marks where these apply.

<p>Mathematics Methods: Units 3 &amp; 4</p> <p>Test 3: Logarithms</p> <p>Calculator-Free Section</p> <p>Time allowed: 20 minutes</p> <p>Total marks: 35</p> <p>Formula sheet provided</p> <p>No notes permitted</p> <p>No ClassPad (nor any other calculator) permitted</p>		<p>SHENTON COLLEGE</p>
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3. Find all possible values of  $x$  satisfying the following equations. Where your answers involve logarithms, express these using natural logarithms.

[2 + 2 + 3 = 7 marks]

(a)  $\log_3(3x - 3) = 2$

$$\log_3(3x - 3) = \log_3 9 \checkmark$$

$$3x - 3 = 9$$

$$x = 4 \checkmark$$

(b)  $7^{1-x} = 6^x$

$$\ln 7^{1-x} = \ln 6^x$$

$$(1-x)\ln 7 = x\ln 6 \quad \checkmark \text{ log of both sides and log law.}$$

$$x(\ln 6 + \ln 7) = \ln 7$$

$$x = \frac{\ln 7}{\ln 6 + \ln 7} \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{\ln 7}{\ln 42}$$

(better)

(c)  $\log_{10} x + \log_{10}(x - 21) = 2$

$$\log_{10}[x(x - 21)] = \log_{10} 100$$

$$x(x - 21) = 100 \checkmark$$

$$x^2 - 21x - 100 = 0$$

$$(x - 25)(x + 4) = 0 \quad \checkmark \text{ factorise}$$

$$x = 25 \quad \checkmark \text{ positive ed only}$$

4. Determine  $f'(x)$  for each of the following functions. Simplify your answers where possible, and where your answers involve logarithms express these using natural logarithms.

[2 + 2 + 3 + 3 = 10 marks]

(a)  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2\ln x$

$$f'(x) = 6x + \frac{2}{x} \checkmark$$

(b)  $f(x) = \ln[(x + 2)(x - 5)]$

$$= \ln[x^2 - 3x - 10] \quad \checkmark \text{ expand or log law or product rule}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2x - 3}{x^2 - 3x - 10}$$

$$x^2 - 3x - 10$$

$$\text{or } = \frac{2x - 3}{(x + 2)(x - 5)} \quad \checkmark \text{ answer (single fraction)}$$

(c)  $f(x) = e^{2x} \log_2 x$

$$= \frac{1}{\ln 2} \cdot e^{2x} \cdot \ln x \quad \checkmark \text{ change of base}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \left( e^{2x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + 2e^{2x} \cdot \ln x \right) \quad \checkmark \text{ product rule}$$

$$= \frac{e^{2x}}{\ln 2} \left( \frac{1}{x} + 2\ln x \right) \quad \checkmark \text{ answer (factor out } e^{2x})$$

(d)  $f(x) = \ln \left[ \frac{x}{1-x} \right]$

$$= \ln x - \ln(1-x) \quad \checkmark \text{ log law or quotient rule}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{-1}{1-x} \quad \checkmark$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{x(1-x)} \quad \checkmark \text{ answer (single fraction)}$$

3. Consider the curve defined by

$$y = \frac{\ln x}{\sqrt{x}}$$

In this question, give all of your answers using exact values.

[4 + 1 + 4 = 9 marks]

- (a) Show that this curve has a local maximum and give the exact value of its coordinates.

$$y' = \frac{2 - \ln x}{2\sqrt{x^3}} \quad \checkmark \text{ derivative}$$

$$y' = 0 \Rightarrow 2 - \ln x = 0$$

$$x = e^2$$

$\checkmark$  single stationary point

$$y'' = \frac{3\ln x - 8}{4\sqrt{x^5}}$$

$$y''|_{x=e^2} = -\frac{1}{2e^5} < 0 \Rightarrow \text{local max.} \quad \checkmark \text{ second derivative test or sign test}$$

$$y|_{x=e^2} = \frac{2}{e}$$

$$(e^2, 2/e) \quad \checkmark \text{ coordinates}$$

- (b) Determine the equation of the tangent to this curve at the point (1,0).

$$y = x - 1 \quad \checkmark$$

-1 overall for decimal answers.

- (c) Find the coordinates of the point of intersection of the tangent found in Part (b) and the tangent to the curve at its local maximum.

$$y = x - 1$$

$$y = 2/e$$

$\checkmark$  tangent at local max.

$$x - 1 = 2/e$$

$\checkmark$  equate lines

$$x = 1 + 2/e$$

$\checkmark$  solve

so the point of intersection is  $(1 + 2/e, 2/e)$   $\checkmark$  coordinates

2. The rate at which a battery charges becomes slower the closer the battery gets to its maximum charge  $C_0$ . The time (in hours) taken for a completely flat battery to be charged to a charge  $C$  is

$$t = -k \ln \left( 1 - \frac{C}{C_0} \right)$$

where  $k$  is a positive constant that depends on the battery.

[3 + 2 = 5 marks]

(a) Rearrange the equation above to give an equation showing how the charge on an initially flat battery changes as a function of time. (i.e., rearrange it to the form  $C =$ )

$$-t/k = \ln \left( 1 - \frac{C}{C_0} \right) \quad / \text{divide by } -k$$

$$e^{-t/k} = 1 - \frac{C}{C_0} \quad / \text{applies inverse function}$$

$$\frac{C}{C_0} = 1 - e^{-t/k}$$

$$C = C_0 (1 - e^{-t/k}) \quad /$$

$$t = -0.25 \cdot \ln \left( 1 - \frac{0.95}{1.05} \right) = -0.25 \cdot \ln 0.05 = 0.75 \text{ hours}$$

accept 2b  
the equivalent  
form

substitutes  
correctly  
answer (units, d.p.)

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max. -1  
for units/rounding  
between 0.1, 0.2

5. Evaluate the following indefinite integrals. (Assume that the domains are restricted to ensure that the denominators in any fractions are greater than zero.)

[2 + 2 + 2 = 6 marks]

(a)  $\int \left( 3x^2 + \frac{x}{4} \right) dx$

$$= x^3 + \frac{1}{4} \ln x + C$$

{ accept answers w/  
absolute value here.  
+ C missing  
⊆ overall }

recognises derivative  
in numerator

(b)  $\int \frac{4x - 10}{x^2 - 5x} dx$

$$= 2 \int \frac{x^2 - 5x}{x^2 - 5x} dx$$

$$= 2 \ln (x^2 - 5x) + C \quad /$$

(c)  $\int \frac{\sin 2x - \cos 2x}{\sin 2x + \cos 2x} dx$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\sin 2x - \cos 2x}{\sin 2x + \cos 2x} dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \ln (\sin 2x + \cos 2x) + C \quad /$$

recognises derivative in  
numerator

[END OF SECTION]



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Mathematics Methods: Units 3 & 4  
Test 3: Logarithms  
Calculator-Assumed Section

Time allowed: 30 minutes  
Total marks: 27

Formula sheet provided  
1 single-sided A4 page of notes permitted  
ClassPad (and/or other calculator) permitted

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Note: You should show clear and comprehensive working out throughout to obtain part marks where these apply.

1. The ear is sensitive to a very wide range of sound intensities. As such, the perceived loudness of a sound is measured on a logarithmic scale in units called decibels (dB). The loudness of a sound of intensity  $I$  is given by

$$L = 10 \log \frac{I}{I_0}$$

where  $I_0 = 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$  is a reference intensity defined as that of a barely audible sound.

[2 + 3 = 5 marks]

- (a) Find the loudness, to the nearest decibel, of a hairdryer with a sound intensity of  $1.58 \times 10^{-5} \text{ W/m}^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} L &= 10 \log \left( \frac{1.58 \times 10^{-5}}{10^{-12}} \right) && \checkmark \text{ substitutes correctly} \\ &= 72 \text{ dB} && \checkmark \text{ answer (units, rounding)} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) A normal conversation has a loudness of 50 dB. Sitting in the front row at a rock concert has a loudness of 110 dB. How many times greater is the intensity of sound at the rock concert compared with that of the normal conversation?

$$\begin{aligned} L_2 - L_1 &= 10 \log \left( \frac{I_2}{I_0} \right) - 10 \log \left( \frac{I_1}{I_0} \right) && \checkmark \log \text{ law} \\ &= 10 \log \left( \frac{I_2}{I_1} \right) && \checkmark \text{ substitute} \\ 110 - 50 &= 10 \log \left( \frac{I_2}{I_1} \right) && \checkmark \text{ rearrange and answer.} \\ \frac{I_2}{I_1} &= 10^6 \quad \text{i.e., it is a million times greater.} \end{aligned}$$

OR.  
 $\checkmark I_1 = 10^{-1} \text{ W/m}^2$   
 $\checkmark I_2 = 10^{-7} \text{ W/m}^2$   
ratio.