

1. A function  $g(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 + 12x + 18$

(a) Find  $g'(x)$ .

(3)

(b) Solve  $g'(x) = 0$ .

(2)

(c) (i) Calculate the values of  $g'(x)$  when

(a)  $x = -3$ ;

(b)  $x = 0$ .

(ii) Hence state whether the function is increasing or decreasing at

(a)  $x = -3$ ;

(b)  $x = 0$ .

(4)

(Total 9 marks)

2. Consider the function  $g(x) = x^4 + 3x^3 + 2x^2 + x + 4$ .

Find

(a)  $g'(x)$

(3)

(b)  $g'(1)$

(2)

(Total 5 marks)

3. A function is given as  $y = ax^2 + bx + 6$ .

(a) Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

(2)

(b) If the gradient of this function is 2 when  $x$  is 6 write an equation in terms of  $a$  and  $b$ .

(2)

(c) If the point  $(3, -15)$  lies on the graph of the function find a second equation in terms of  $a$  and  $b$ .

(2)

(Total 6 marks)

4. (a) Differentiate the following function with respect to  $x$ :

$$f(x) = 2x - 9 - 25x^{-1}$$

(b) Calculate the  $x$ -coordinates of the points on the curve where the gradient of the tangent to the curve is equal to 6.

(Total 6 marks)

5. (a) Differentiate the function  $y = x^2 + 3x - 2$ .

(b) At a certain point  $(x, y)$  on this curve the gradient is 5. Find the co-ordinates of this point.

(Total 6 marks)

6. Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{3}{x^2} + x - 4$ .

- (a) Calculate the value of  $f(x)$  when  $x = 1$ . (2)
  - (b) Differentiate  $f(x)$ . (4)
  - (c) Find  $f'(1)$ . (2)
  - (d) Explain what  $f'(1)$  represents. (2)
  - (e) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve  $f(x)$  at the point where  $x = 1$ . (3)
  - (f) Determine the  $x$ -coordinate of the point where the gradient of the curve is zero. (3)
- (Total 16 marks)**

7. (a) On the same graph sketch the curves  $y = x^2$  and  $y = 3 - \frac{1}{x}$  for values of  $x$  from 0 to 4 and values of  $y$  from 0 to 4. Show your scales on your axes. (4)
- (b) Find the points of intersection of these two curves. (4)
- (c) (i) Find the gradient of the curve  $y = 3 - \frac{1}{x}$  in terms of  $x$ .  
(ii) Find the value of this gradient at the point  $(1, 2)$ . (4)
- (d) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve  $y = 3 - \frac{1}{x}$  at the point  $(1, 2)$ . (3)
- (Total 15 marks)**

1. (a)  $g'(x) = 3x^2 + 12x + 12$  (A3) 3
- (b)  $3x^2 + 12x + 12 = 0$

$$x^2 + 4x + 4 = 0 \quad (M1)$$

$$(x + 2)^2 = 0$$

$$x = -2 \quad (A1) \text{ or (G2) } 2$$

(c) (i)  $x = -3 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3 \quad (A1)$

(ii)  $x = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 12 \quad (A1)$

(iii) (a) Increasing (A1)

(b) Increasing (A1) 4  
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2. (a)  $g'(x) = 4x^3 + 9x^2 + 4x + 1 \quad (A3) \quad 3$

*Note: Award (A3) for all five terms correctly differentiated, (A2) for four terms, (A1) for three terms, (A0) for two or less terms correctly differentiated.*

(b)  $g'(1) = 4(1)^3 + 9(1)^2 + 4(1) + 1 \quad (M1)$

$$= 4 + 9 + 4 + 1$$

$$= 18 \quad (A1)$$

**OR**

18 (G2) 2  
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3. (a)  $y = ax^2 + bx + 6 \quad (A1)(A1)$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2ax + b$$

(b) Gradient = 2 when  $x = 6$ .  
Therefore,  $2 = 2a \times 6 + b$  (M1)  
 $2 = 12a + b$  (A1) 2

(c)  $y = -15$  when  $x = 3$ .  
Therefore,  $-15 = 9a + 3b + 6$   
or  $-21 = 9a + 3b$  or  $-7 = 3a + b$  (M1)(A1)  
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4. (a)  $f'(x) = 2 + 25x^{-2}$  (A2) (C2)
- (b)  $2 + 25x^{-2} = 6$  (M1)  
 $25 = 4x^2$  (M1)  
 $x^2 = \frac{25}{4}$   
 $x = \pm 2.5$  (A1)(A1)  
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5. (a)  $2x + 3$  (–1 for each extra term) (A2) (C2)  
*Note: If correct and an extra term included, award (A1) only.*
- (b) Equating the gradient to 5 ( $2x + 3 = 5$ ) (M1)  
For solving attempt (M1)  
For  $x = 1$  (A1)  
Co-ordinates (1, 2) (A1) (C4)  
**[6]**
6. (a)  $f(1) = \frac{3}{1^2} + 1 - 4$  (M1)  
 $= 0$  (A1)
- OR**  
 $f(1) = 0$  (G2) 2
- (b)  $f'(x) = -\frac{6}{x^3} + 1$  (A4) 4
- Note: Award (A2) for  $\frac{3}{x^2}$  correctly differentiated and (A1) for each other term correctly differentiated.*
- (c)  $f'(1) = -\frac{6}{1} + 1$  for substituting  $f'(x)$  (M1)  
 $= -5$  (A1)  
**OR**  
 $f'(1) = -5$  (G2) 2
- (d) The gradient of the curve where  $x = 1$ . (A2) 2

**Note:** Award (A1) for gradient and (A1) for  $x = 1$  or at point  $(1, 0)$ .

- (e)  $y = 0, x = 1, m = -5$  for using  $y = mx + c$  with their correct values of  $m, x$  and  $y$ .

(M1)

$$0 = -5 \times 1 + c$$

$$c = 5$$

(A1)

$$y = -5x + 5$$

(A1)

**OR**

$$y = -5x + 5$$

(G3) 3

- (f)  $f'(x) = 0$

$$1 - \frac{6}{x^3} = 0$$

(M1)(A1)

$$x^3 = 6$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{6} (1.82)$$

(A1)

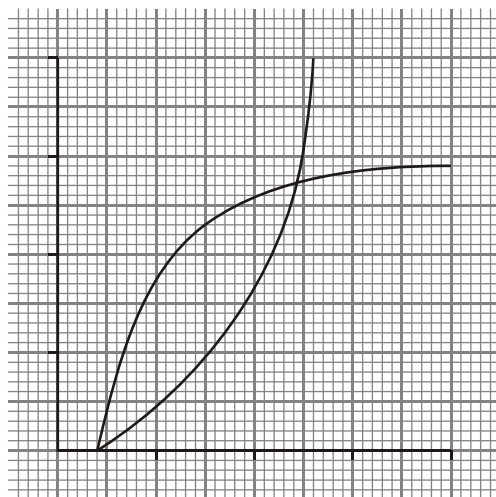
**OR**

$$1.82$$

(G3) 3

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7. (a)



For correct axes from 0 to 4.

(A1)

For correct curve  $y = x^2$ .

(A1)

For correct curve  $y = 3 - \frac{1}{x}$ .

(A1)

For two intersections.

(A1) 4

- (b) (0.347, 0.121) or  $x = 0.347, y = 0.121$  (by GDC)  
(1.53, 2.35) or  $x = 1.53, y = 2.35$ .

(G1)(G1)

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- (c) (i)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x^2}$  for losing the constant. (A1)
- For attempting to write  $\frac{1}{x}$  as a power (can be implied). (M1)
- For correct answer  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  or  $x^{-2}$ . (A1)
- (ii) 1 (A1) 4
- (d) For using  $y = mx + c$  or equivalent with their  $m$ , to find  $c$ . (M1)
- $c = 1$  (A1)
- $y = x + 1$  (A1) 3
- [15]**