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**VCE Mathematical Methods  
Units 3 & 4**

Practice examination

STUDENT NUMBER

Letter

**MATHEMATICAL METHODS****Written examination 1**

Reading time: 15 minutes

Writing time: 1 hour

**QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK****Structure of book**

| <i>Number of questions</i> | <i>Number of questions to be answered</i> | <i>Number of marks</i> |
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| 8                          | 8                                         | 40                     |

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**Materials supplied**

- Question and answer book
- Formula sheet
- Working space is provided throughout the book.

**Instructions**

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this book are **not** drawn to scale.
- All written responses must be in English.

**At the end of the examination**

- You may keep the formula sheet.

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**Question 1****(3 marks)**a Differentiate the following expression with respect to  $n$ 

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}(n+4)}{2\sqrt{2n^2-n-2}}$$

A

$$3n^3 + n^2 - 4n + 1$$

B

$$-\frac{17\sqrt{2}n}{4(2n^2-n-2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

C

$$-\frac{255\sqrt{2}n}{4(2n^2-n-2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

D

$$-\frac{17\sqrt{2}n}{20(2n^2-n-2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

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b Differentiate the polynomial with respect to  $c$ 

$$\frac{1-4c}{c^2}$$

A

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

B

$$4-5c$$

C

$$\frac{10(2c-1)}{c^3}$$

D

$$\frac{2c-1}{5c^3}$$

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c Differentiate  $f(n)$ .

$$f(n) = -\cos(2n)$$

Hence, find the following integral.

$$\int 2 \sin(2n) + \frac{1}{n} \, dn$$

A

$$\log(n) - \cos(2n) + C$$

B

$$-\log(n) - \cos(2n) + C$$

C

$$-\cos(2n) + C$$

D

$$2 \log(n) - \cos(2n) + C$$

(1 mark)

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## Question 2

Let  $g : (\frac{3}{2}, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g(x) = \frac{3}{2x-3}$ , and let  $f$  be a function for which

$$\int_0^1 f(x) \, dx = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^1 [f(x)]^2 \, dx = \frac{1}{5}.$$

a Find the rule for an antiderivative of  $g(x)$ .

(1 mark)

b Evaluate  $\int_0^1 f(x) (3f(x) + 2) \, dx$ .

(3 marks)

c Evaluate  $\int_2^3 g(x) \, dx$ .

(2 marks)

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### Question 3

Let  $\left(\tan(\theta) - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right)(\sin(\theta) - \sqrt{3}\cos(\theta))(\sin(\theta) + \sqrt{3}\cos(\theta)) = 0$ . Give all answers in exact form.

- a State all possible values of  $\tan(\theta)$ . (1 mark)

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- b Hence find all possible solutions for  $\left(\tan(\theta) - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right)(\sin^2(\theta) - 3\cos^2(\theta)) = 0$ , where  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$ . (2 marks)

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### Question 4

Let  $y = 4(x+2)e^{3x}$  and let  $f: R \rightarrow R$ ,  $f(x) = \frac{\sin(x)}{e^{2x}}$ . Give all rules in exact form.

- a Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ . (1 mark)

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- b Find and simplify the rule of  $f'(x)$ . (2 marks)

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- c Find the equation of the tangent to the graph of  $y = 4(x+2)e^{3x}$  at the point where  $x = 0$ . (2 marks)

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### Question 5

Consider the equation

$$\sin(2\theta) - \sin(\theta) = 0.$$

Give all answers in exact form.

- a Use the identity  $\sin(2\theta) = 2\sin(\theta)\cos(\theta)$  to factorise the equation, and hence state all possible values of  $\sin(\theta)$  and  $\cos(\theta)$ . (1 mark)

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- b Hence find all solutions for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ . (2 marks)

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- c State the number of solutions for  $\theta \in [0, 4\pi]$ . (1 mark)

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### Question 6

Let  $f: R \rightarrow R$ ,  $f(x) = 2^{4x-11}$ . Give all answers in exact form.

- a Solve  $f(x) = 8$  for  $x$ . (2 marks)

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- b Find the value of  $x$  for which  $f(x) = 1$ . (1 mark)

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c State the range of  $f$ . (1 mark)

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d Find the rule and the domain of  $f^{-1}$ , the inverse function of  $f$ . (3 marks)

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### Question 7

Two tins contain buttons that differ only in colour. Tin 1 contains one silver button and four gold buttons. Tin 2 contains five gold buttons. A tin is chosen randomly and one button is drawn randomly from it. Each tin is equally likely to be chosen, as is each button. Let  $T_i$  be the event that Tin  $i$  is chosen, and let  $A$  be the event that the button drawn is gold.

a Find  $\Pr(T_2 \cap A)$ . (1 mark)

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b Find  $\Pr(A)$ . (2 marks)

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c Hence find  $\Pr(T_2 | A)$ . (2 marks)

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### Question 8

Let  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = \log_e(x^2 - 2x - 3)$ , where  $D$  is the maximal domain of  $f$ . Give all answers in exact form.

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- a Find the maximal domain  $D$  of  $f$ . (3 marks)

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- b State the equations of the vertical asymptotes of the graph of  $f$ . (1 mark)

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- c Solve  $f(x) = \log_e(12)$  for  $x$ . (3 marks)

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## Solutions

1. (a) B  
(b) A  
(c) A

2. (a) Integrate the given expression and simplify. This gives  $\int \frac{3}{2x-3} dx = \frac{3\log_e(2x-3)}{2} + C$ .  
(b) Using the required working, the answer is

$$\int_0^1 f(x)(3f(x)+2)dx = 3 \int_0^1 [f(x)]^2 dx + 2 \int_0^1 f(x) dx, = \frac{19}{15}$$

- (c) Using the required working, the answer is  $\int_2^3 g(x) dx = \frac{3\log_e(3)}{2}$ .

3. (a) Using the required working, the answer is  
 $\tan(\theta) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$  or  $\tan(\theta) = \pm\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\tan(\theta) = -\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$ ,  $\sqrt{3}$ .

- (b) Using the required working, the answer is

$$\sin^2(\theta) - 3\cos^2(\theta) = (\sin(\theta) - \sqrt{3}\cos(\theta))(\sin(\theta) + \sqrt{3}\cos(\theta))$$

, so the equation has the same solutions as part a,  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}$ .

4. (a) Using the required working, the answer is  $\frac{dy}{dx} = (12x+28)e^{3x}$ .  
(b) Using the required working, the answer is  $f'(x) = (-2\sin(x) + \cos(x))e^{-2x}$ .

- (c) Using the required working, the answer is  $\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = 28$ ,  $y = 28x + 8$ .

5. (a) Using the required working, the answer is  
 $\sin(\theta)(2\cos(\theta) - 1) = 0$ ,  $\sin(\theta) = 0$  or  $\cos(\theta) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

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(b) Using the required working, the answer is

$$\sin(\theta) = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 0, \pi, 2\pi, \cos(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}, \theta = 0, \frac{\pi}{3}, \pi, \frac{5\pi}{3}, 2\pi$$

(c) The equation repeats every  $2\pi$ , and a solution at an endpoint is not counted twice

$$, \theta = 0, \frac{\pi}{3}, \pi, \frac{5\pi}{3}, 2\pi, \frac{7\pi}{3}, 3\pi, \frac{11\pi}{3}, 4\pi$$

, number of solutions = 9

6. (a) Using the required working, the answer is  $8 = 2^3$ ,  $4x - 11 = 3$ ,  $x = \frac{7}{2}$ .

(b) Using the required working, the answer is  $4x - 11 = 0$ ,  $x = \frac{11}{4}$ .

(c) Determine the possible output values from the function. The range is  $\text{range}(f) = (0, \infty)$ .

(d) Write  $y = f(x)$ , swap  $x$  and  $y$ , and solve for  $y$ . This gives

$$y = 2^{4x-11}, \log_2(y) = 4x - 11, x = \frac{\log_2(y) + 11}{4}, f^{-1}(x) = \frac{\log_2(x) + 11}{4},$$

domain =  $(0, \infty)$ .

7. (a) Using the required working, the answer is

$$\Pr(A | T_2) = 1, \Pr(T_2 \cap A) = \Pr(T_2) \Pr(A | T_2) = \frac{1}{2} \times 1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

(b) Using the required working, the answer is

$$\Pr(A) = \Pr(T_1 \cap A) + \Pr(T_2 \cap A), = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{4}{5} + \frac{1}{2} \times 1, = \frac{9}{10}$$

(c) Using the required working, the answer is

$$\Pr(T_2 | A) = \frac{\Pr(T_2 \cap A)}{\Pr(A)}, = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{9}{10}}, = \frac{5}{9}$$

8. (a) The logarithm requires a positive argument:

$$x^2 - 2x - 3 > 0, (x - 3)(x + 1) > 0, D = (-\infty, -1) \cup (3, \infty)$$

(b) The argument approaches 0 at the ends of  $D$ , where  $(x - 3)(x + 1) = 0$ ,  $x = -1$ ,  $x = 3$

(c) Using the required working, the answer is

$$x^2 - 2x - 3 = 12, x^2 - 2x - 15 = 0, (x - 5)(x + 3) = 0, x = -3, 5$$

, Both solutions lie in  $D$ , so both are accepted..