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MATHEMATICAL METHODS UNITS 3 & 4

TRIAL EXAMINATION 1

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Reading Time: 15 minutes

Writing time: 1 hour

Instructions to students

This exam consists of 9 questions.
All questions should be answered in the spaces provided.
There is a total of 40 marks available.
The marks allocated to each of the questions are indicated throughout.
Students may **not** bring any calculators or notes into the exam.
Where a numerical answer is required, an exact value must be given unless otherwise directed.
Where more than one mark is allocated to a question, appropriate working must be shown.
Diagrams in this trial exam are not drawn to scale.
A formula sheet can be found on pages 12 and 13 of this exam.

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Question 1 (4 marks)

- a. Differentiate $2x \log_e(x)$ with respect to x .

1 mark

- b. Let $f(x) = \frac{\tan(x)}{3x}$.
Evaluate $f'\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$.

3 marks

Question 2 (3 marks)

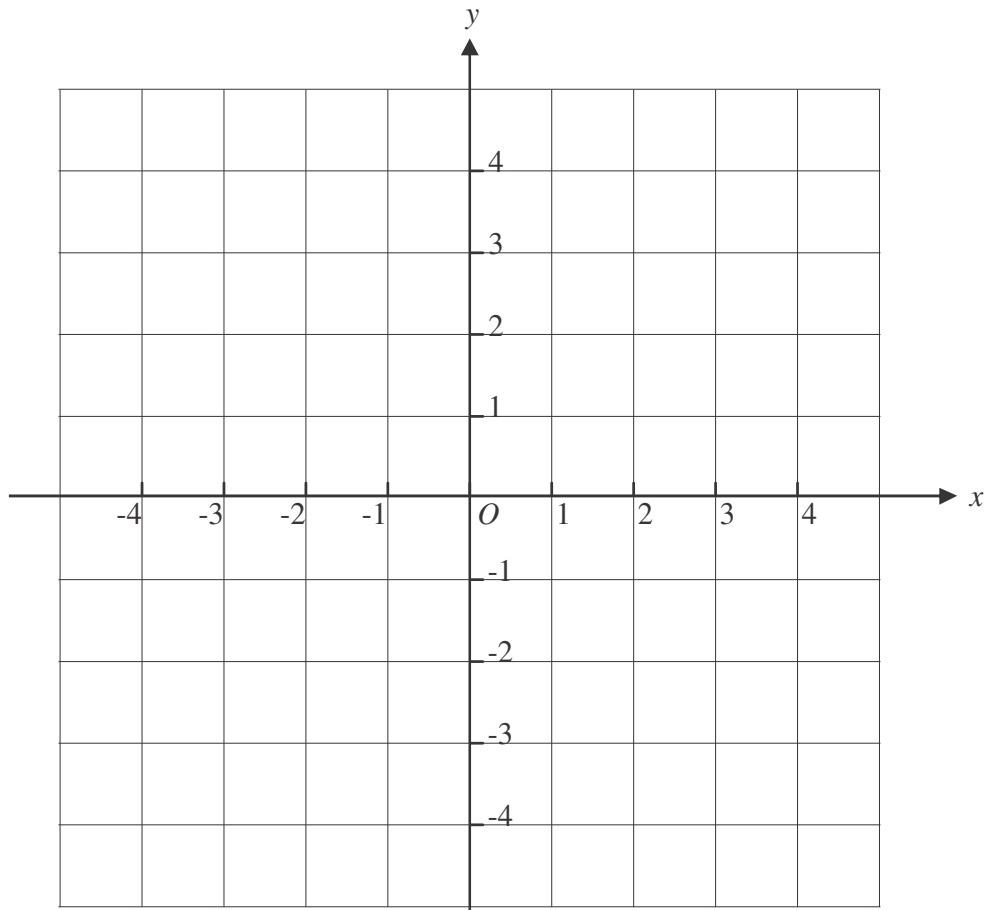
Let $g'(x) = 3 - \frac{2}{x}$, where $x > 0$. Find $g(x)$ given that $g(1) = 2$.

Question 3 (4 marks)

Let $f: [-2, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \sqrt{x+2} - 1$.

- a.** Sketch the graph of f . Label the axis intercepts with their coordinates and label any endpoints with their coordinates.

3 marks



- b.** Find the average rate of change of f between $x = -1$ and $x = 2$.

1 mark

Question 4 (3 marks)

A class contains 10 girls and 15 boys. The teacher randomly selects one of these 25 students on Monday to have their homework checked.

The teacher repeats this process on Wednesday and again on Friday.

- a.** What is the probability that during this week none of the selected students were girls? 1 mark

- b.** What is the probability that at least two of the students selected during this week were girls? 1 mark

- c.** What is the mean number of girls expected to be selected during such a week? 1 mark

Question 5 (4 marks)

The random variable X is normally distributed with a mean of 24 and a standard deviation of 3. The random variable Z is the standard normal distribution and $\Pr(Z > 1) = 0.16$, correct to two decimal places.

a. Find $\Pr(X > 21)$.

1 mark

b. Find $\Pr(24 < X < 27)$.

1 mark

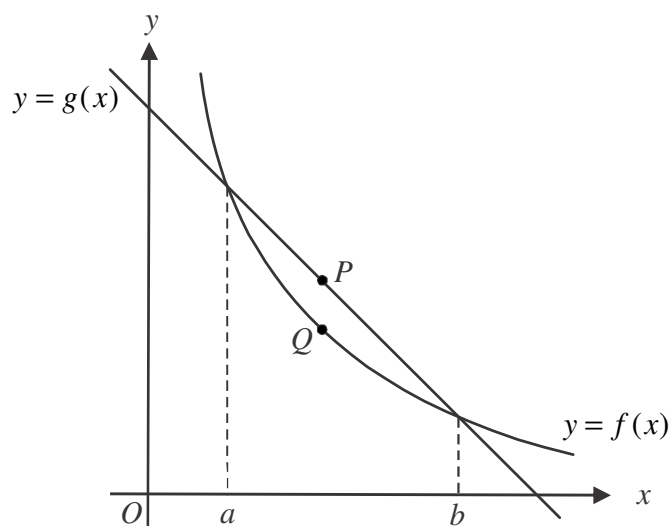
c. Find $\Pr(X < 21 | X < 24)$.

2 marks

Question 6 (5 marks)

Let $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \frac{4}{x}$ and $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g(x) = 5 - x$.

The graphs of f and g intersect at the points where $x = a$ and $x = b$ as shown below.



Point P lies on the graph of g between $x = a$ and $x = b$.

Point Q lies on the graph of f between $x = a$ and $x = b$.

Point P lies vertically above point Q .

- a.** Find an expression in terms of x for L , the length of the line segment PQ . 1 mark

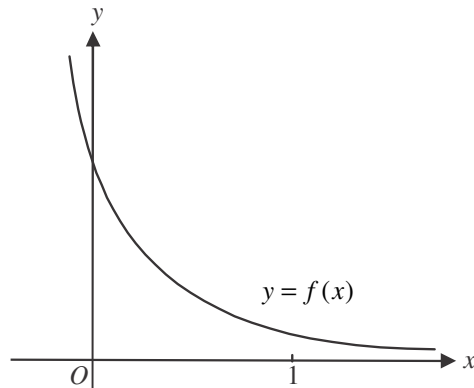
- b.** Find the maximum length of the line segment PQ . 2 marks

- c.** The tangent to the graph of f at the point where $x = 2$ makes an angle of θ with the positive branch of the x -axis.
Find θ . 2 marks

Question 7 (5 marks)

Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = e^{-2x}$.

Part of the graph of f is shown below.



- a.** Find the area enclosed by the graph of $y = f(x)$, the x and y axes and the line $x = 1$. 2 marks

- b.** Let k equal the average value of f between $x = 0$ and $x = 1$. Find k . 1 mark

- c.** By using the graph and considering the area of appropriate rectangles, explain why $\frac{1}{e^2} < k < 1$. 2 marks

Question 8 (4 marks)

The continuous random variable X has a probability density function given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{2\pi}{3} \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

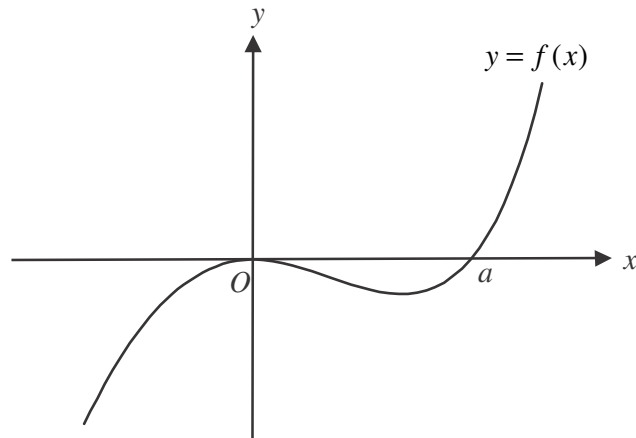
- a.** Show by differentiation that $\frac{d}{dx}\left(x \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)\right) = \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - \frac{x}{2} \sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$. 1 mark

- b.** Hence find $E(X)$. 3 marks

Question 9 (8 marks)

Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = x^3 - ax^2$, where a is a positive real number.

The graph of f is shown below.



- a.** Find the coordinates of the stationary points of the graph of f .

3 marks

- b.** Find the values of n , where n is a real number, for which the equation $f(x) = n$ has two solutions.

1 mark

- c.** The point $U(u, f(u))$ lies on the graph of f .
A tangent is drawn to the graph of f at the point U .
No other tangent to the graph of f has the same gradient as this tangent.
Find u .

2 marks

- d.** The points $V(v, f(v))$ and $W(w, f(w))$ also lie on the graph of f where $v \neq w$.
The tangents to the graph of f at the points V and W have the same gradient.
Find $v + w$.

2 marks

Mathematical Methods formulas

Mensuration

area of a trapezium	$\frac{1}{2}(a+b)h$	volume of a pyramid	$\frac{1}{3}Ah$
curved surface area of a cylinder	$2\pi rh$	volume of a sphere	$\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$
volume of a cylinder	$\pi r^2 h$	area of a triangle	$\frac{1}{2}bc \sin(A)$
volume of a cone	$\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$		

Calculus

$\frac{d}{dx}(x^n)=nx^{n-1}$		$\int x^n dx=\frac{1}{n+1}x^{n+1}+c, n\neq -1$	
$\frac{d}{dx}((ax+b)^n)=an(ax+b)^{n-1}$		$\int (ax+b)^n dx=\frac{1}{a(n+1)}(ax+b)^{n+1}+c, n\neq -1$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{ax})=ae^{ax}$		$\int e^{ax} dx=\frac{1}{a}e^{ax}+c$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(\log_e(x))=\frac{1}{x}$		$\int \frac{1}{x} dx=\log_e(x)+c, x>0$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin(ax))=a\cos(ax)$		$\int \sin(ax)dx=-\frac{1}{a}\cos(ax)+c$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos(ax))=-a\sin(ax)$		$\int \cos(ax)dx=\frac{1}{a}\sin(ax)+c$	
$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan(ax))=\frac{a}{\cos^2(ax)}=a\sec^2(ax)$			
product rule	$\frac{d}{dx}(uv)=u\frac{dv}{dx}+v\frac{du}{dx}$	quotient rule	$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{u}{v}\right)=\frac{v\frac{du}{dx}-u\frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$
chain rule	$\frac{dy}{dx}=\frac{dy}{du}\frac{du}{dx}$		

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Probability

$\Pr(A) = 1 - \Pr(A')$		$\Pr(A \cup B) = \Pr(A) + \Pr(B) - \Pr(A \cap B)$	
$\Pr(A B) = \frac{\Pr(A \cap B)}{\Pr(B)}$			
mean	$\mu = E(X)$	variance	$\text{var}(X) = \sigma^2 = E((X - \mu)^2) = E(X^2) - \mu^2$

Probability distribution		Mean	Variance
discrete	$\Pr(X = x) = p(x)$	$\mu = \sum x p(x)$	$\sigma^2 = \sum (x - \mu)^2 p(x)$
continuous	$\Pr(a < X < b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$	$\mu = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$	$\sigma^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)^2 f(x) dx$

Sample proportions

$\hat{p} = \frac{X}{n}$		mean	$E(\hat{P}) = p$
standard deviation	$\text{sd}(\hat{P}) = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$	approximate confidence interval	$\left(\hat{p} - z\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}, \hat{p} + z\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \right)$