

Trial Examination 2021

VCE Mathematical Methods Units 3&4

Written Examination 1

Question and Answer Booklet

Reading time: 15 minutes

Writing time: 1 hour

Student's Name: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Structure of booklet

<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
9	9	40

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Materials supplied

Question and answer booklet of 10 pages

Formula sheet

Working space is provided throughout the booklet.

Instructions

Write your **name** and your **teacher's name** in the space provided above on this page.

Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this booklet 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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Instructions

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

In all questions where a numerical answer is required, an exact value must be given, unless otherwise specified.

In questions where more than one mark is available, appropriate working **must** be shown.

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Question 1 (3 marks)

a. Let $y = \frac{3}{2} \cos\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right)$.

Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

1 mark

b. Let $f(x) = \frac{\log_e(-x)}{e^x}$.

Evaluate $f'(-1)$.

2 marks

Question 2 (3 marks)

Let $\int_1^5 \frac{1}{1-2x} dx = \log_e(b)$.

Find the value of b .

Question 3 (7 marks)

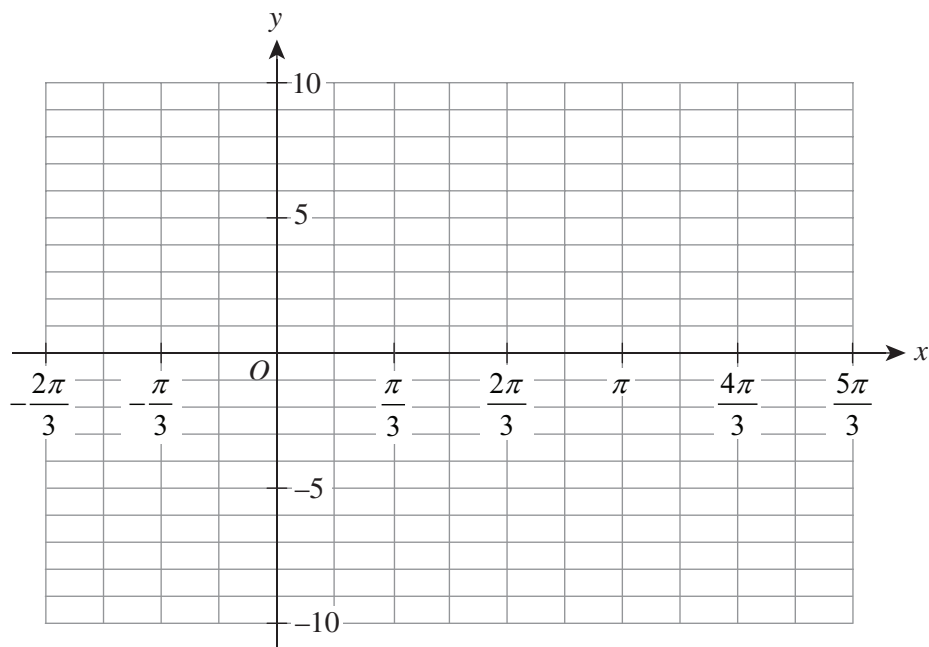
a. Solve $\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - x\right) = 0$ for $x \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{4\pi}{3}\right]$.

2 marks

Let $f : \left(-\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{4\pi}{3}\right] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - x\right)$.

- b. Sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$ on the axes below. Label the axes intercepts with their coordinates and give the equations of asymptotes.

3 marks



- c. Find the equation of the tangent to the graph of $y = f(x)$ at the point where the graph crosses the y-axis.

2 marks

Question 4 (3 marks)

Solve $\log_2(2x + 4) - 2\log_2(x + 2) - 1 = 0$.

Question 5 (3 marks)

The results of four independent trials show that $4\Pr(X = 1) = \Pr(X = 3)$, where the random variable X represents the number of successes. X is binomially distributed.

If p is the probability of success on any trial, find the value(s) of p .

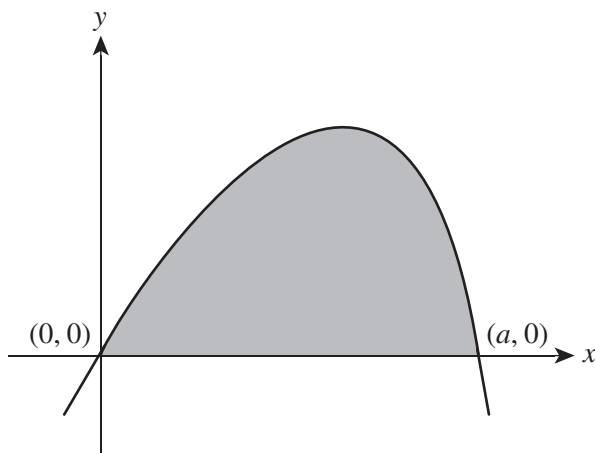
Question 6 (2 marks)

An animal rescue shelter has a population of rabbits of different breeds. European rabbits form $\frac{3}{5}$ of the population. If a sample of size n is taken from the population, $\hat{P}$ represents the proportion of European rabbits in the sample.

Find the value of n such that the standard deviation of $\hat{P}$ is equal to $\frac{1}{10}$.

Question 7 (5 marks)

Part of the graph of $f(x) = x \cos(x^2)$ is shown below. The point $(a, 0)$ is the first positive x -intercept of the graph of $y = f(x)$.



- a. Show that $a = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{2}$. 1 mark

- b. Find $\frac{d(\sin(x^2))}{dx}$ and hence find the shaded area of the graph. 4 marks

Question 8 (6 marks)

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

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} a\sqrt{p-x} & 0 \leq x \leq p \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

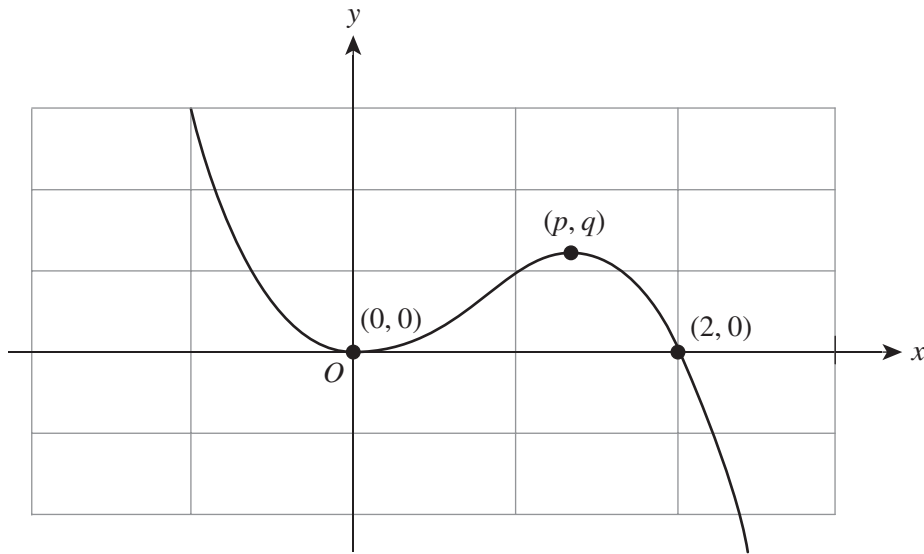
- a.** Show that $a = \frac{3}{2p^{\frac{3}{2}}}$. 2 marks

- b.** Let the y -intercept of the function f be given by the coordinate $(0, q)$.
Express q in terms of p . 1 mark

- c.** The minimum value of $(p+q)$ is equal to $\sqrt{m}$.
Find the value of m . 3 marks

Question 9 (8 marks)

Part of the graph of a cubic polynomial $y = f(x)$ is shown below. The rule of $f(x)$ can be written as $f(x) = ax^2(x - 2)$, where $a < 0$. The graph has a local maximum at (p, q) .



A transformation is applied to $f(x)$. The image of $f(x)$ under this transformation is defined as $g(x)$. The rule for $g(x)$ can be written as $g(x) = kf(x + 1)$, where $k < -\frac{3}{2}$.

- a. Sketch the graph of $y = g(x)$ on the axes above. Label the axes intercepts and turning points with their coordinates in terms of p and q where required. 3 marks
- b. Show that $p = \frac{4}{3}$. 2 marks

- c. The average value of g over the interval $[-1, 1]$ is equal to -1 .

Find q in terms of k .

3 marks

END OF QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOKLET

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Formula Sheet

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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	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$		

Probability

$\Pr(A) = 1 - \Pr(A')$	$\Pr(A \cup B) = \Pr(A) + \Pr(B) - \Pr(A \cap B)$	
$\Pr(A B) = \frac{\Pr(A \cap B)}{\Pr(B)}$		

Probability distribution		Mean	Variance
Bernoulli	$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} p & x = 1 \\ 1 - p & x = 0 \end{cases}$	$\mu = p$	$\sigma^2 = p(1 - p)$
binomial	$P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1 - p)^{n-x}$	$\mu = np$	$\sigma^2 = np(1 - p)$
normal	$\Pr(X \leq a) = \int_{-\infty}^a \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} dx$	μ	σ^2

END OF FORMULA SHEET