



## VCAA Mathematical Methods 34

### Sample exam 2 solutions 2006

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#### SECTION 1: Multiple-choice questions

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
A	C	A	C	D	A	B	B	A	C	E

Q1  $2\sin(3x) - 1 = 0$ ,  $\sin(3x) = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $3x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{13\pi}{6}, \frac{17\pi}{6}$

$x = \frac{\pi}{18}, \frac{5\pi}{18}, \frac{13\pi}{18}, \frac{17\pi}{18}$ .  $\frac{\pi}{18} + \frac{5\pi}{18} + \frac{13\pi}{18} + \frac{17\pi}{18} = 2\pi$ .

Q2  $e^{2x} - 3e^x + 2 = 0$ ,  $(e^x - 1)(e^x - 2) = 0$ ,  $\therefore e^x = 1$  or  $e^x = 2$ .

Hence  $x = 0$  or  $x = \log_e 2$ .

Q3  $|p + 3| > 3$ , either  $p + 3 > 3$  or  $-(p + 3) > 3$ .

$\therefore p > 0$  or  $p + 3 < -3$ ,  $\therefore p > 0$  or  $p < -6$ .

Q4 Area =  $\int_a^b f(x) dx - \int_b^c f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_c^b f(x) dx$ .

Q5 Use graphics calculator,  $h = 0.5 \left( 1 - e^{-0.05t} \cos\left(\frac{3\pi t}{2}\right) \right)$ ,

evaluate  $\frac{dh}{dt}$  at  $t = 2.5$ .  $\frac{dh}{dt} = 0.03$ .

By calculus,  $\frac{dh}{dt} = 0.5 \left( \frac{3\pi}{2} e^{-0.05t} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi t}{2}\right) + 0.05 e^{-0.05t} \cos\left(\frac{3\pi t}{2}\right) \right)$ .

At  $t = 2.5$ ,  $\frac{dh}{dt} = 0.03$ .

Q6  $N(t) = 1000e^{0.1t}$ ,  $N(0) = 1000$ ,  $N(10) = 1000e$ .

Average rate =  $\frac{1000e - 1000}{10} = 172$ .

Q7  $y = a(x + 3)(x - 1)(x - 4)$ , when  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 24$ ,

$\therefore 24 = a(3)(-1)(-4)$ ,  $\therefore a = 2$ .

Q8  $\log_5(6) = \frac{\log_{10}(6)}{\log_{10}(5)} = 1.113$

Q9 The graph is the inverse of  $y = x^3$ ,  $\therefore y = \sqrt[3]{x} = x^{\frac{1}{3}}$  is the rule of the graph.

Q10  $f(x) = \log_e(x^2) + 1$  is defined for  $x \neq 0$ .  $D$  is  $R \setminus \{0\}$ .

Q11  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 + 6$ , to find the stationary points let

$f'(x) = 6x^2 - 6x = 0$ ,  $\therefore 6x(x - 1) = 0$ ,  $\therefore x = 0$  or  $x = 1$ .

For  $f$  to have an inverse function,  $f$  must be a one-to-one function,  $\therefore a \geq 1$ .

Q12  $\int_a^b (4 - 2f(x)) dx = \int_a^b 4 dx - 2 \int_a^b f(x) dx = [4x]_a^b - 2(3)$   
 $= 4b - 4a - 6 = 4(b - a) - 6$ .

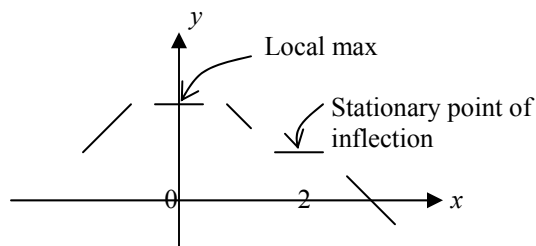
Q13 Amplitude is doubled (dilation from the x-axis by a scale factor of 2) and the graph is inverted (reflection in the x-axis).

Q14 For  $\pi < x < 2\pi$ ,  $\sin(x)$  has a negative value,

$\therefore y = |\sin(x)| = -\sin(x)$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\cos(x)$ .

Hence at  $x = k$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\cos(k)$ .

Q15



Q16 For  $t \in [a, 0)$ ,  $\int_t^0 f(x) dx > 0$  because  $f(x) > 0$ .

$\therefore F(t) = \int_0^t f(x) dx = -\int_t^0 f(x) dx < 0$ .

For  $t = 0$ ,  $F(t) = \int_0^0 f(x) dx = \int_0^0 f(x) dx = 0$ .

For  $t \in (0, b]$ ,  $F(t) = \int_0^t f(x) dx > 0$  because  $f(x) > 0$ .

Q17 At  $x = 4$ ,  $y = 2x^{\frac{3}{2}} = 2 \left( 4^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) = 16$ ,

gradient of tangent =  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^{\frac{1}{2}} = 6$ , gradient of normal =  $-\frac{1}{6}$ .

Equation of normal:  $y - 16 = -\frac{1}{6}(x - 4)$ ,

$\therefore y = -\frac{1}{6}x + \frac{50}{3}$ .

Q18  $f(x)$  is an increasing function,  $\therefore f'(x) > 0$  for all  $x$ . Also as  $x$  increases,  $f'(x)$  increases.

Q19  $\Pr(X > 15) = \Pr\left(Z > \frac{15 - 12.2}{1.4}\right) = \Pr(Z > 2)$ .

Q20 Given  $p = 0.15$ , and  $\Pr(X \geq 1) > 0.95$ .  
 $\therefore 1 - \Pr(X = 0) > 0.95$ ,  $\therefore \Pr(X = 0) < 0.05$ ,  
 $\therefore (1 - 0.15)^n < 0.05$ ,  $0.85^n < 0.05$ ,  
 $n \log_{10} 0.85 < \log_{10} 0.05$ ,  $-0.0706n < -1.3010$ ,  
 $\therefore n > 18.4$ .

Q21  $\Pr(00 \cup 11 \cup 22 \cup 33) = \Pr(00) + \Pr(11) + \Pr(22) + \Pr(33)$   
 $= 0.4^2 + 0.3^2 + 0.2^2 + 0.1^2 = 0.30$

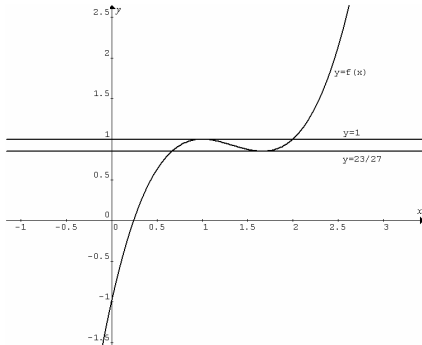
Q22  
 $\Pr(X > a) = 0.25$ ,  $\int_a^\pi \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin(x)\right) dx = 0.25$ ,  $\left[-\frac{1}{2} \cos(x)\right]_a^\pi = 0.25$ ,  
 $-\frac{1}{2} \cos(\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(a) = 0.25$ ,  $1 + \cos(a) = 0.5$ ,  $\cos(a) = -0.5$ ,  
 $\therefore a \approx 2.09$ .

## SECTION 2

Q1a  $f(x) = (x-1)^2(x-2) + 1$ ,  
 $f'(x) = (x-1)^2(1) + 2(x-1)(x-2) = (x-1)((x-1) + 2(x-2))$   
 $= (x-1)(3x-5)$ .  $\therefore u = 3$  and  $v = -5$ .

Q1b At the turning points,  $f'(x) = 0$ ,  $(x-1)(3x-5) = 0$ ,  
 $x = 1$  and  $y = 1$  or  $x = \frac{5}{3}$  and  $y = \frac{23}{27}$ .  
 $\therefore a = 1$  and  $b = \frac{5}{3}$ .

Q1c



For  $(x-1)^2(x-2) + 1 = p$  to have exactly one solution,  $p < \frac{23}{27}$   
or  $p > 1$ .

Q1di Dilation from the y-axis by a scale factor of 2, then  
downward translation by 1 unit.

Q1dii  $y = f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - 1 = \left(\frac{x}{2} - 1\right)^2 \left(\frac{x}{2} - 2\right) + 1 - 1 = \left(\frac{x}{2} - 1\right)^2 \left(\frac{x}{2} - 2\right)$ ,

x-intercepts:  $\left(\frac{x}{2} - 1\right)^2 \left(\frac{x}{2} - 2\right) = 0$ ,  $\therefore \frac{x}{2} - 1 = 0$  or  $\frac{x}{2} - 2 = 0$ .

Hence  $x = 2$  or  $4$ .

Q1diii Use graphics calculator to sketch  $y = f\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) - 1$  and  
evaluate definite integral (lower limit 2, upper limit 4) to obtain  
0.17.

Q1e  $f(x+h) = 1$ ,  $(x+h-1)^2(x+h-2) + 1 = 1$ ,  
 $\therefore (x+h-1)^2(x+h-2) = 0$ .

To have exactly one positive value solution,  $h-1 \geq 0$  and  
 $h-2 \leq 0$ .  $\therefore h \geq 1$  and  $h \leq 2$ , i.e.  $1 \leq h \leq 2$ .

Note: zero is neither positive nor negative.

Q2a  $y = (2x^2 - 3x)e^{ax}$  passes through  $(2, 3)$ .  
 $3 = (2(2^2) - 3(2))e^{2a}$ ,  $3 = 2e^{2a}$ ,  $\therefore 2a = \log_e 1.5$ ,  $a = 0.203$ .

Q2b  $a = 1$ ,  $\therefore y = (2x^2 - 3x)e^x = x(2x-3)e^x$ .

x-intercepts:  $x = 0$  or  $\frac{3}{2}$ . The x-coordinate of A is  $\frac{3}{2}$ .

Q2ci  $y = (2x^2 - 3x)e^x$ ,

$\frac{dy}{dx} = (4x-3)e^x + (2x^2-3x)e^x = e^x(2x^2+x-3)$

$\therefore p = 2$ ,  $q = 1$ ,  $r = -3$ .

Q2cii At turning points,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ ,

$\therefore e^x(2x^2+x-3) = e^x(2x+3)(x-1) = 0$ .

Since  $e^x \neq 0$ ,  $\therefore x = -\frac{3}{2}$  or  $1$ . Hence x-coordinate of B is 1 and  
y-coordinate is  $-e$ .  $\therefore B$  is  $(1.000, -2.718)$ .

Q2d  $\frac{d}{dx} \{(2x^2 + mx + n)e^x\} = (2x^2 - 3x)e^x$ ,

$\therefore (4x+m)e^x + (2x^2+mx+n)e^x = (2x^2-3x)e^x$ ,

$\therefore 2x^2 + (m+4)x + (m+n) = 2x^2 - 3x$ ,

$\therefore m+4 = -3$  and  $m+n = 0$ .

Hence  $m = -7$  and  $n = 7$ .

Area =  $-\int_0^{1.5} (2x^2 - 3x)e^x dx = -[(2x^2 + mx + n)e^x]_0^{1.5}$

$= -[(2x^2 - 7x + 7)e^x]_0^{1.5}$

$= -(2(1.5)^2 - 7(1.5) + 7)e^{1.5} + (2(0)^2 - 7(0) + 7)e^0$   
 $= 7 - e^{1.5}$ .

Q3ai Given Monday night on north side,

$\Pr(NNN) = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^3 = \frac{8}{125}$ .

Q3aii Given Monday night on north side,  
 $\Pr(NNS) + \Pr(NSN) + \Pr(SNN)$

$= \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{3}{5} + \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{4}{5} + \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{12}{25}$ .

Q3aiii Given Monday night on north side,  
 $\Pr(NMS) + \Pr(MNS)$

$= \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{3}{5} + \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{3}{5} = \frac{84}{625}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Q3b } \Pr(t > 3) &= \int_3^4 \left( \frac{3}{32} t(4-t) \right) dt = \left[ \frac{3}{32} \left( 2t^2 - \frac{t^3}{3} \right) \right]_3^4 \\ &= \frac{3}{32} \left( 2(4^2) - \frac{4^3}{3} \right) - \frac{3}{32} \left( 2(3^2) - \frac{3^3}{3} \right) = \frac{5}{32}. \end{aligned}$$

Q3c Binomial,  $p = \frac{5}{32}$ ,  $n = 3$ .

$$\Pr(X \geq 2) = 1 - \Pr(X \leq 1) = 1 - 0.934 = 0.066.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Q3d } \Pr\left(t < \frac{n}{60}\right) &= \int_0^{\frac{n}{60}} \left( \frac{3}{32} t(4-t) \right) dt = \left[ \frac{3}{32} \left( 2t^2 - \frac{t^3}{3} \right) \right]_0^{\frac{n}{60}} \\ &= \frac{3}{32} \left( 2 \left( \frac{n}{60} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{n}{60} \right)^3 \right) = \frac{1}{32} \left( \frac{n^2}{600} - \frac{n^3}{216000} \right). \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \frac{1}{32} \left( \frac{n^2}{600} - \frac{n^3}{216000} \right) = 0.104$ . Use graphics calculator to solve this equation.  $n = 48$ .

$$\text{Q4a } \text{Since } -1 \leq \sin\left(\frac{(5t-1)\pi}{2}\right) \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \text{max height} = 62 + 60 = 122$$

$$\text{Q4b } \text{min height} = 62 - 60 = 2$$

$$\text{Q4c } \text{Period } T = \frac{2\pi}{n} = \frac{2\pi}{\frac{5\pi}{2}} = 0.8 \text{ hour i.e. 48 minutes.}$$

$\therefore$  At 1.48 pm.

$$\text{Q4di } 92 = 62 + 60 \sin\left(\frac{(5t-1)\pi}{2}\right), \therefore \sin\left(\frac{(5t-1)\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2},$$

$$\frac{(5t-1)\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}.$$

Hence  $t = \frac{4}{15}$  (first time),  $\frac{8}{15}$  (second time).

$$t = \frac{4}{15} \text{ hour} = 16 \text{ minutes, } \therefore \text{at 1.16 pm.}$$

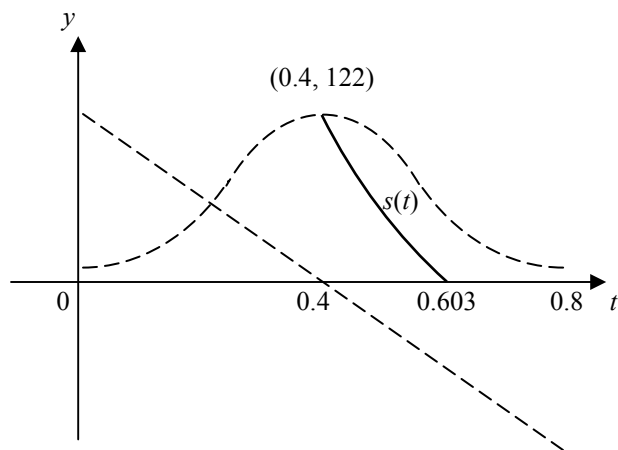
$$\text{Q4dii } \text{At least 92 metres above ground level when } \frac{4}{15} \leq t \leq \frac{8}{15},$$

$$\therefore \Delta t = \frac{8}{15} - \frac{4}{15} = \frac{4}{15} \text{ hour, i.e. 16 minutes.}$$

$$\text{Q4ei } \frac{dh}{dt} = 60 \times \frac{5\pi}{2} \cos\left(\frac{(5t-1)\pi}{2}\right) = 150\pi \cos\left(\frac{(5t-1)\pi}{2}\right).$$

$$\text{Q4eii } \text{When } t = 1, \frac{dh}{dt} = 150\pi \cos(2\pi) = 471.2 \text{ mh}^{-1}.$$

Q4f i and ii



Domain for  $s(t)$  is  $[0.4, 0.603]$ .

Graphics calculator

Q4fiii Spider reaches ground when  $s(t) = 0$ ,

i.e. at  $t = 0.603$  hour.

At the highest point,  $t = 0.4$  hour.

$\therefore \Delta t = 0.603 - 0.4 = 0.203$  hour, i.e. 12 minutes.

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