

QCE Mathematical Methods Units 3&4

Paper 2 – Technology-active

SECTION 1 – MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

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QUESTION 1 B

$$\text{Let } a = 2, b = 5, C = \frac{\pi}{6}.$$

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos(C)$$

$$c^2 = 2^2 + 5^2 - 2 \times 2 \times 5 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$c^2 = 4 + 25 - 20 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$c \approx 3.42 \text{ units}$$

QUESTION 2 C

$$\text{area} = \frac{1}{2}bc \sin(A)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 2 \times \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)$$

$$\approx 1.18 \text{ units}^2$$

QUESTION 3 C

According to the graph, the mean is approximately 2.5. The probability of $x > 3.1$ is 16%. This means that the probability of $2.5 \leq x \leq 3.1$ is 34% and thus the probability for $1.9 \leq x \leq 3.1$ is 68%. The area within one standard deviation of the mean is approximately 68%. Thus, the difference between 3.1 and 2.5 is approximately one standard deviation. Thus, the standard deviation is approximately 0.6.

QUESTION 4 B

B is correct. This expression accurately describes the cumulative distribution function for any probability density function.

A is incorrect. The cumulative distribution function is not an indefinite integral.

C is incorrect. The lower bound is not necessarily 0, and the use of x as both the upper bound and the variable being integrated is incorrect.

D is incorrect. The lower bound is not necessarily 0.

QUESTION 5 C

Let E_{1971} be the energy released by the 1971 earthquake.

$$\begin{aligned} M_{w1971} &= \frac{2}{3} \log_{10}(E_{1971}) - 10.7 \\ &= 6.4 \end{aligned}$$

Let E_{1975} be the energy released by the 1975 earthquake.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} E_{1971} &= E_{1975} \\ M_{w1975} &= \frac{2}{3} \log_{10}(E_{1975}) - 10.7 \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \log_{10}\left(\frac{E_{1971}}{2}\right) - 10.7 \\ &= \frac{2}{3} (\log_{10}(E_{1971}) - \log_{10}(2)) - 10.7 \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \log_{10}(E_{1971}) - 10.7 - \frac{2}{3} \log_{10}(2) \\ &= 6.4 - \frac{2}{3} \log_{10}(2) \\ &\approx 6.2 \end{aligned}$$

QUESTION 6 D

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 8^{3x} \\ &= e^{\ln(8^{3x})} \\ &= e^{3 \ln(8)x} \\ f'(x) &= e^{3 \ln(8)x} \times 3 \ln(8) \\ &= 3 \ln(8) e^{3 \ln(8)x} \\ &= 3 \ln(8) \times 8^{3x} \end{aligned}$$

QUESTION 7 C

According to the fundamental theorem of calculus:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 g(x) dx &= F(1) - F(0) \\ &= (3 \times 1^3 + 2 \times 1 - 7) - (3 \times 0^3 + 2 \times 0 - 7) \\ &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

QUESTION 8 C

C is correct. Euler's number (e) is the unique number that makes the equation true.

A is incorrect. If $a = 1$, the limit would equal 0.

B is incorrect. While close in value to e , 2.72 is a rational number, not an irrational number like e .

D is incorrect. If $a = \pi$, the limit would equal $\ln \pi$.

QUESTION 9 B

Let $x(t)$ be the displacement function.

$$\begin{aligned}x(t) &= \int v(t) dt \\ &= \int 5t^2 - 4t + 1 dt \\ &= \frac{5t^3}{3} - 2t^2 + t + c\end{aligned}$$

$$x(0) = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{5 \times 0^3}{3} - 2 \times 0^2 + 0 + c &= 2 \\ c &= 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } x(t) = \frac{5t^3}{3} - 2t^2 + t + 2.$$

QUESTION 10 D

D is correct. The function $f(x)$ may have three points of inflection because a , b and c are the only zeroes of the function $f''(x)$.

A is incorrect. Since $f''(a) = f''(c) = 0$, there are potentially up to three points of inflection.

B and **C** are incorrect. Since $f'(a) \neq 0$ and $f'(c) \neq 0$, they cannot be local extrema.

SECTION 2**QUESTION 11 (4 marks)**

a)
$$\int 2\sin(x+4)dx = -2\cos(x+4) + c$$

[1 mark]

1 mark for determining the antiderivative of the trigonometric term.
 Note: The constant of integration is not required to obtain this mark.

b)
$$\int \frac{1}{2x-9}dx = \frac{1}{2}\ln(2x-9) + c$$

[1 mark]

1 mark for determining the antiderivative of the algebraic fraction term.
 Note: The constant of integration is not required to obtain this mark.

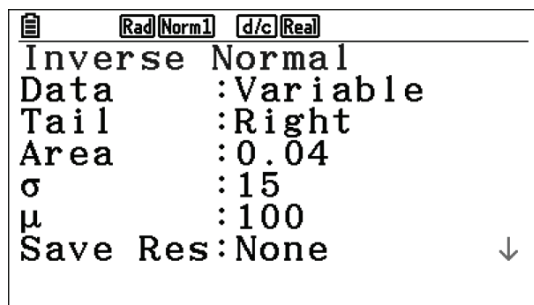
c)
$$\int \frac{1}{3}e^x dx = \frac{1}{3}e^x + c$$

[2 marks]

1 mark for determining the antiderivative of the exponential term.
 (Note: The constant of integration is not required to obtain this mark.)
 1 mark for including constants of integration for each of parts a, b and c.

QUESTION 12 (4 marks)a) **Method 1:**

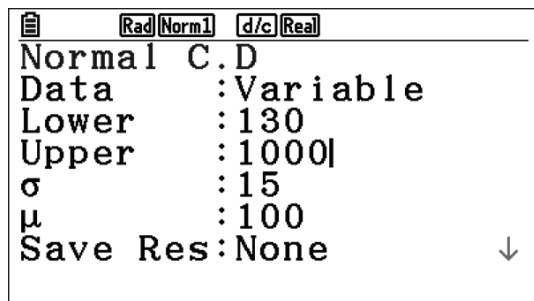
Using a graphics calculator: Statistics, DIST, NORM, InvN.



A score higher than approximately 126.26 would be in the top 4%. Since this is lower than 130, scoring in the top 4% is not sufficient to receive an invitation.

Method 2:

Using a graphics calculator: Statistics, DIST, NORM, Ncd.



A score higher than 130 means that one is in the top 2.28%. Thus, being in the top 4% is not sufficient to receive an invitation.

Method 3:

A score of 130 would have a z-score as follows:

$$z = \frac{130 - 100}{15} = 2$$

An individual would need to score two standard deviations above the mean. 95% of the adult population will score within two standard deviations from 100. Therefore, a score higher than 130 is in the top 2.5% of the adult population. Thus, being in the top 4% is not sufficient to receive an invitation.

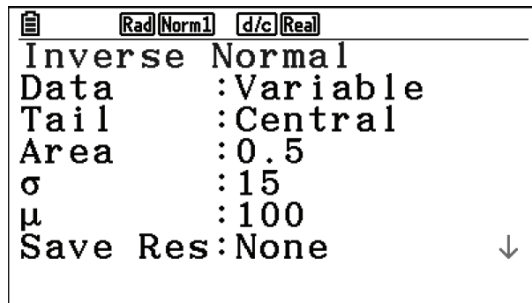
[3 marks]

1 mark for using an appropriate method.

1 mark for determining an appropriate and accurate probability or z-score to make a judgement.

1 mark for determining that a score in the top 4% is not sufficient based on sound reasoning.

- b) Using a graphics calculator, Statistics, DIST, NORM, InvN.



The individual would need to score between approximately 89.88 and approximately 110.12.

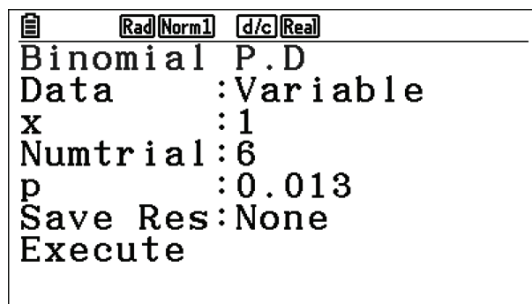
[1 mark]

1 mark for determining the score range.

Note: Accept lower bounds in the range 89–90, and accept upper bounds in the range 110–111.

QUESTION 13 (5 marks)

- a) Using a graphics calculator: Statistics, BINOMIAL, Bpd.



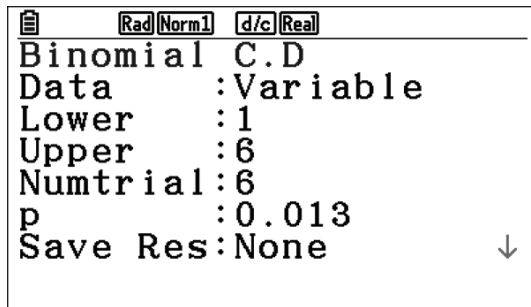
$$P(X = 1) \approx 0.0731$$

[1 mark]

1 mark for determining the probability.

Note: Accept values rounded to fewer decimal places, including 0.07.

- b) Using a graphics calculator: Statistics, BINOMIAL, Bcd.



$$P(X \geq 1) \approx 0.0755$$

[2 marks]

1 mark for using an appropriate procedure.

Note: This may be implied by the correct answer; from evidence of use of the binomial cumulative distribution; or by writing a formula, such as $P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0)$.

1 mark for determining the probability.

- c) expected value = np
 $= 50 \times 0.0755$
 ≈ 3.8

[2 marks]

1 mark for substituting into the correct formula to find the mean.

1 mark for determining the probability.

Note: Accept follow-through errors. Consequential on answer to **Question 13b**).

QUESTION 14 (4 marks)

$$f'(x) = 15e^{9x-4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \int f'(x) dx \\ &= \int 15e^{9x-4} dx \\ &= \frac{15}{9} e^{9x-4} + c \\ &= \frac{5}{3} e^{9x-4} + c \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) &= \frac{5}{3} e^{9 \times 0 - 4} + c \\ &= \frac{5}{3} e^{-4} + c \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{5}{3} e^{-4} + c = 1$$

$$c = 1 - \frac{5}{3} e^{-4}$$

$$\text{Thus, } f(x) = \frac{5}{3} e^{9x-4} + 1 - \frac{5}{3} e^{-4}.$$

[4 marks]

1 mark for integrating $f(x)$.

1 mark for substituting 0 into $f(x)$ and setting up an appropriate equation to solve for the constant.

1 mark for solving for c .

1 mark for stating the full solution of $f(x)$.

Note: Accept follow-through errors, including using an incorrect integral.

QUESTION 15 (5 marks)

$$\text{a) } \hat{p} = \frac{13}{80} = 0.1625$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\sigma} &= \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{0.1625(1-0.1625)}{80}} \\ &\approx 0.041 \end{aligned}$$

[2 marks]

1 mark for calculating the sample proportion.

1 mark for calculating the standard deviation of the sample proportion.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b) standard deviation} &= \sqrt{n\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})} \\
 &= \sqrt{80 \times 0.1625(1-0.1625)} \\
 &\approx 3.3 \text{ trees}
 \end{aligned}$$

[1 mark]

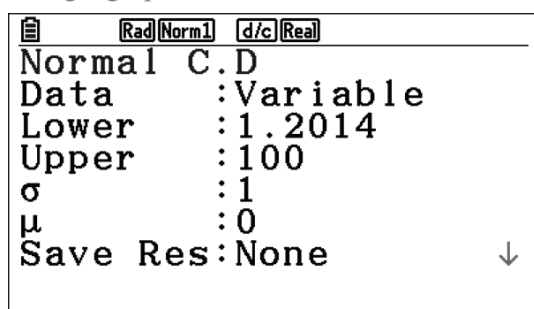
1 mark for calculating the standard deviation of the sample count.

Note: Consequential on working for **Question 15a**).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{c) } z &= \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\hat{\sigma}} \\
 &= \frac{0.1625 - 0.1130}{0.0412} \\
 &\approx 1.2014
 \end{aligned}$$

With this z-score, standardised normal distribution is used to calculate probability.

Using a graphics calculator: Statistics, DIST, NORM, Ncd.



The probability is 0.115 or 11.5%.

[2 marks]

1 mark for using an appropriate method used to determine the probability.

Note: This may be implied by the correct answer or shown, such as correct use of the formula to calculate the z-score.

1 mark calculating the probability.

Note: Consequential on working for **Question 15a**).

QUESTION 16 (5 marks)

Since $f(x)$ is a probability density function:

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 f(x) dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{kx+c} dx \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{k} \ln(kx+c) \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \ln(k+c) - \frac{1}{k} \ln(c) \\ &= \frac{1}{k} (\ln(k+c) - \ln(c)) \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \ln\left(\frac{k+c}{c}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{k} \ln\left(\frac{k+c}{c}\right) = 1$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{k+c}{c}\right) = k$$

$$\frac{k+c}{c} = e^k$$

$$c = \frac{k}{e^k - 1}$$

[5 marks]

1 mark for integrating the function.

1 mark for stating the correct answer after the substitution of bounds.

1 mark for setting up an appropriate equation where the integrated function equals 1.

1 mark for applying an appropriate strategy to solve for the constant.

1 mark for solving for c in terms of k .

QUESTION 17 (5 marks)

Method 1 (integrating without technology):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{area} &= \int_0^1 x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 2 dx - \int_1^2 x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 2 dx \\
 &= \left[\frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{2x^3}{3} - \frac{x^2}{2} + 2x \right]_{-1}^1 - \left[\frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{2x^3}{3} - \frac{x^2}{2} + 2x \right]_1^2 \\
 &= \left(\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} + 2 \right) - \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} - 2 \right) \right) - \left(\left(\frac{16}{4} - \frac{16}{3} - \frac{4}{2} + 4 \right) - \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} + 2 \right) \right) \\
 &= \frac{8}{3} - \left(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{13}{12} \right) \\
 &= \frac{37}{12} \text{ units}^2 \\
 &\approx 3.08 \text{ units}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

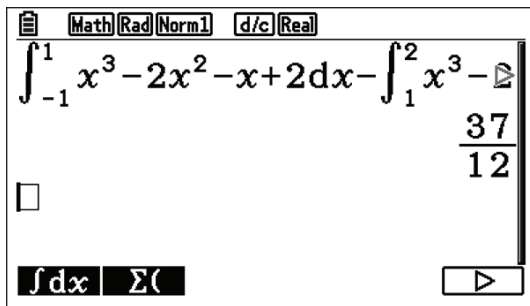
[5 marks]

- 1 mark for recognising that $f(x)$ intersects with the x -axis at -1 , 1 and 2 .
- 1 mark for recognising the need to integrate the two areas separately.
- 1 mark for recognising the need to multiply the second integral by -1 .
- 1 mark for integrating the polynomial terms.

1 mark for determining that the area is $\frac{37}{12}$ or 3.08 units^2 .

Method 2 (using a graphics calculator):

Calculating the definite integrals using a graphics calculator gives: Run-Matrix, MATH, F5, F1.



[5 marks]

- 1 mark for recognising that $f(x)$ intersects with the x -axis at -1 , 1 and 2 .
- 1 mark for recognising the need to integrate the two areas separately.
- 1 mark for recognising the need to multiply the second integral by -1 .
- 1 mark for showing logical organisation and communicating key steps.

1 mark for determining that the area is $\frac{37}{12}$ or 3.08 units^2 .

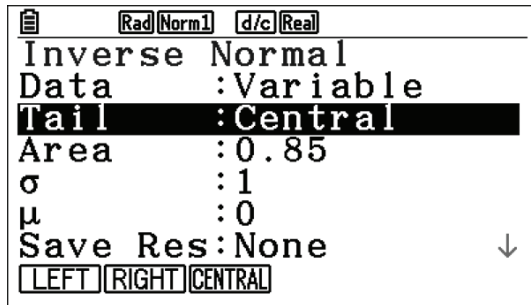
QUESTION 18 (5 marks)

- a) number of people with an accurate test = $18 + 347 = 365$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{18 + 347}{400}$$

$$= 0.9125$$

Using a graphics calculator to determine the z-value: Statistics, DIST, NORM, InvN



$$z \approx 1.4395$$

confidence interval:

$$\left(\hat{p} - z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}, \hat{p} + z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \right)$$

$$= \left(0.9125 - 1.4395 \sqrt{\frac{0.9125(1-0.9125)}{400}}, 0.9125 + 1.4395 \sqrt{\frac{0.9125(1-0.9125)}{400}} \right)$$

$$= (0.892, 0.933)$$

[3 marks]

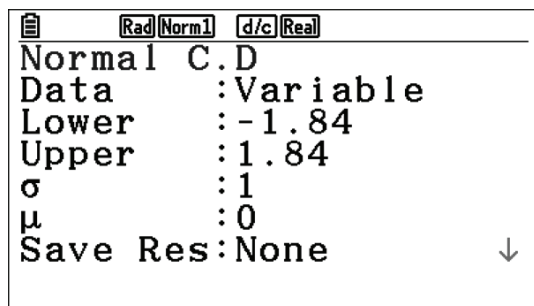
1 mark for calculating the value of \hat{p} .

1 mark for determining the z-value. (Note: Allow for rounding differences.)

1 mark for calculating the confidence interval.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b)} \quad E &= z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \\
 0.026 &= z \sqrt{\frac{0.9125(1-0.9125)}{400}} \\
 z &= \frac{0.026}{\sqrt{\frac{0.9125(1-0.9125)}{400}}} \\
 &\approx 1.84
 \end{aligned}$$

Using a graphics calculator: Statistics, DIST, NORM, Ncd.



$$p = 0.934$$

Therefore, the confidence interval was 93.4%.

[2 marks]

1 mark for determining the z-value.

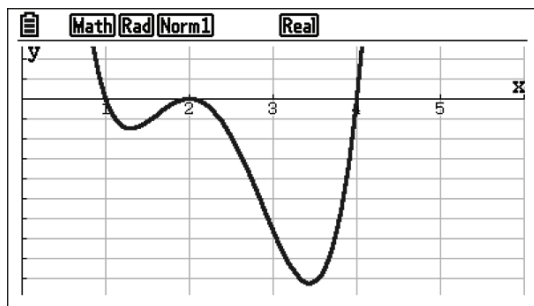
1 mark for determining the percentage of the confidence interval.

QUESTION 19 (7 marks)

a) The domain is $(0, \infty)$.

Stationary points occur when $f'(x) = 0$. Thus, $x = 1$, $x = 2$ and $x = 4$.

Using a graphics calculator: Graph option, plot $f'(x)$.



Based on the graph, the features of $f(x)$ can be identified.

At $x = 1$, there is a maximum using the first derivative test since $f'(x) > 0$ for values of x just below 1 and $f'(x) < 0$ for values of x just above 1.

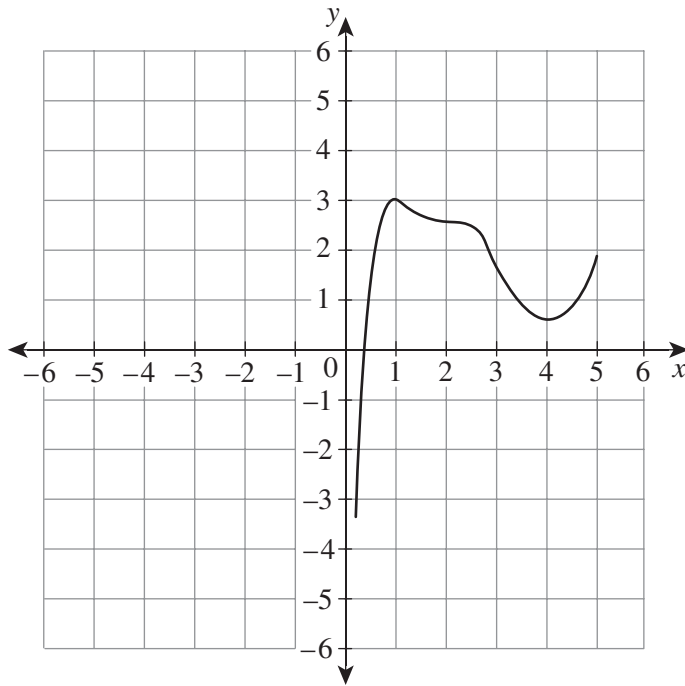
At $x = 2$, there is an inflection point since $f''(x) = 0$ because at $x = 2$ $f'(x)$ is a stationary point.

At $x = 4$, there is a minimum using the first derivative test since $f'(x) < 0$ for values of x just below 4 and $f'(x) > 0$ for values of x just above 4.

[4 marks]

1 mark for identifying the three stationary points of $x = 1$, $x = 2$ and $x = 4$.
3 marks for classifying each stationary point and providing some justification for each (1 mark for each point).

b)



[3 marks]

1 mark for showing an asymptote at $x = 0$. (Note: The function should not cut through the y-axis.)

1 mark for showing $f(1) = 3$.

1 mark for showing a maximum at $x = 1$, inflection point at $x = 2$ and minimum at $x = 4$.

Note: Consequential on answer to **Question 19a**.

QUESTION 20 (6 marks)

a) Model for the salp population in terms of time:

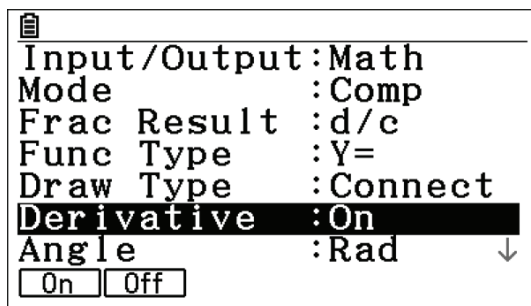
$$S(t) = S(C(t))$$

$$= -39 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{50} \times -\frac{1}{7}(t - 100) \ln(t + 30)\right) + 40$$

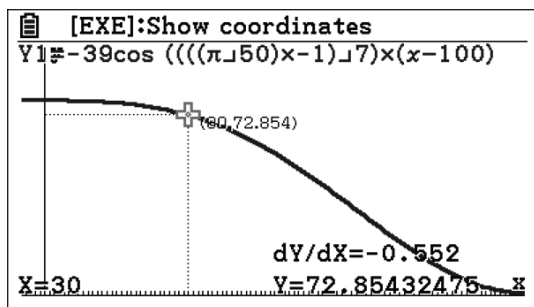
$$= -39 \cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{350}(t - 100) \ln(t + 30)\right) + 40$$

Method 1:

Inputting the above function into a graphics calculator: SET UP, Derivative: On.



Graph, Trace, then typing 30 making sure the window is an appropriate size.



The rate of change is approximately -0.552 individuals $m^{-2} t^{-1}$.

Method 2:

$$S(t) = -39\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{350}(t - 100)\ln(t + 30)\right) + 40$$

$$\begin{aligned} S'(t) &= 39\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{350}(t - 100)\ln(t + 30)\right) \times -\frac{\pi}{350}\left(\ln(t + 30) + \frac{t - 100}{t + 30}\right) \\ &= -\frac{39\pi}{350}\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{350}(t - 100)\ln(t + 30)\right) \times \left(\ln(t + 30) + \frac{t - 100}{t + 30}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S'(30) &= -\frac{39\pi}{350}\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{350}(30 - 100)\ln(30 + 30)\right) \times \left(\ln(30 + 30) + \frac{30 - 100}{30 + 30}\right) \\ &\approx -0.522 \text{ individuals } m^{-2} t^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

[4 marks]

1 mark for attempting to create the composition of the functions in the correct order.

(Note: This may be implied.)

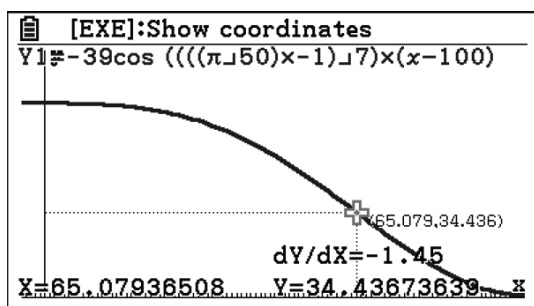
1 mark for composition of the functions. (Note: This does not need to be simplified and may be implied.)

1 mark for communicating a suitable method to solve.

1 mark for determining the rate of change.

Note: Units are not required to obtain full marks.

- b) Using a graphics calculator's trace function, the maximum decrease will occur around the year 2065 with a rate of change of -1.45 individuals $m^{-2} t^{-1}$.



[2 marks]

1 mark for identifying the year of the highest rate of decrease. (Note: Accept years in the range 2063–2068.)

1 mark for identifying the rate of change. (Note: Accept values from -1.45 to -1.46 .)