

**VCAA 2005 Mathematical Methods  
Written Examination 2**

**Suggested Answers & Solutions**

**Question 1**

**a. i**  $(0, 2]$

**ii** Interchange  $t$  for  $y$  and  $y$  for  $t$ :  $t = 2e^{-y}$  and so  $\frac{t}{2} = e^{-y}$

Taking logarithm of both sides (to base  $e$ ):  $\log_e\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) = \log_e(e^{-y}) = -y$

Hence  $f^{-1}(t) = -\log_e\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)$  and the domain is  $(0, 2]$

**b. i** Using the Product Rule  $g'(t) = 2(t-1)e^{-t} - (t-1)^2e^{-t}$   
 $= [2t - 2 - (t^2 - 2t + 1)]e^{-t}$   
 $= (-t^2 + 4t - 3)e^{-t}$

Answers:  $b = 4, c = -3$

**ii**  $g'(t) = -(t-1)(t-3)e^{-t}$   
 $= 0$  for stationary values.

This occurs at  $t = 1$  and  $t = 3$ . It should be noted that  $e^{-t}$  is never zero.

When  $t = 1$ ,  $g(1) = 0$  and so one stationary value is  $(1, 0)$ .

When  $t = 3$ ,  $g(3) = (3-1)^2e^{-3} = 4e^{-3}$  and so the other stationary value is  $(3, 4e^{-3})$ .

Answers:  $p = 0, m = 3$  and  $n = 4e^{-3}$

**iii**  $q(t) = 2(t-1)^2e^{-t} - 5$

Stationary points occur when  $q'(t) = 0$ .

$$\text{ie. } 2g'(t) = 0$$

$$g'(t) = 0, \text{ so at } t=1 \text{ and } 3$$

This has stationary points at  $(1, -5)$  and  $(3, 8e^{-3} - 5)$

**c. i** If this has one stationary value only then the discriminant of the quadratic factor is zero.

$$\Delta = (2-a)^2 + 4(a-10)$$

$$\text{Therefore } 4 - 4a + a^2 + 4a - 40 = 0$$

$$a^2 - 36 = 0 \text{ and so } a = \pm 6$$

**ii** If  $h'(t) < 0$  for all  $t$  then the same discriminant must be negative as  $e^{-t} > 0$  for all  $t$ .

Therefore  $a^2 - 36 < 0$  and so  $-6 < a < 6$ .

**Question 2**

**a.** Greater than the A Standard:

$$\text{Probability} = \text{normalcdf}(81.8, 10^{10}, 80.8, 4.5) = 0.412$$

Greater than A but less than Olympic:

$$\text{Probability} = \text{normalcdf}(81.8, 90.17, 80.8, 4.5) = 0.393$$

Greater than Olympic:

$$\text{Probability} = \text{normalcdf}(90.17, 10^{10}, 80.8, 4.5) = 0.019$$

b.  $\text{Invnorm}(0.1, 80.8, 4.5) = 75.03$  and so  $M = 75.03$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c. } \Pr(X > A / X < \text{Olympic}) &= \frac{0.4121 - 0.01866}{1 - 0.01866} \\ &= 0.401 \end{aligned}$$

d. The following table assists in finding this reward:

Length of throw	Amount paid \$	Probability
Under personal best (PB)	0	0.5
Between PB and A	1000	0.088
Between A and Olympic	2000	0.393
Over Olympic	10000	0.019

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Expected reward} &= 0 \times 0.5 + 1000 \times 0.088 + 2000 \times 0.393 + 10000 \times 0.019 \\ &= 0 + 88 + 786 + 190 \\ &= 1064 \end{aligned}$$

Answer: \$1060 (to nearest \$10)

e. i  $5 \times 1064 = 5320$

Answer: \$5320

ii Binomial distribution:  $n=5$  and  $p = 0.393+0.019=0.412$

i.e.  $\text{Bi}(5, 0.412)$

Probability of at least three throws =  $\Pr(X=3) + \Pr(X=4) + \Pr(X=5)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(3) + \Pr(4) + \Pr(5) &= {}^5C_3 (.412)^3 (.588)^2 + {}^5C_4 (.412)^4 (.588)^1 + (.412)^5 \\ &= 0.2418 + 0.0847 + 0.01187 \\ &= 0.3384 \end{aligned}$$

Answer: 0.338

iii Expected number =  $np = 5 \times 0.412$

Answer: 2.06

iv  $\Pr(\text{Throws at least one Olympic Record}) + \Pr(\text{Throws all five greater than Standard but less than Olympic})$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (1 - \Pr(\text{throwing no Olympic})) + 0.393^5 \\ &= (1 - 0.981^5) + 0.393^5 \\ &= (1 - 0.9085) + 0.0094 \\ &= 0.101 \end{aligned}$$

### Question 3

a. 150 m

b. 50 m

c. i 800 m

ii  $1200 - 800 = 400$  m

d. Solve  $y_1 = 100 \cos\left(\frac{\pi(x-400)}{600}\right) + 50$  and  $y_2 = 20$  to find intersection points on

the graphics calculator. The two values of  $x$  found are 41.81 and 758.19.

The length of the tunnel =  $758.19 - 41.81$

$$= 716 \text{ m ( to the nearest metre).}$$

e. 
$$\int_{1200}^{800} (100 \cos\left(\frac{\pi(x-400)}{600}\right) + 50) dx$$

$$= \left[ \frac{100 \times 600}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\pi(x-400)}{600}\right) + 50x \right]_{1200}^{800}$$

$$= \left( \frac{60000}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{400\pi}{600}\right) + 40000 \right) - \left( \frac{60000}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{800}{600}\right) + 60000 \right)$$

$$= 13080 \text{ m}^2 \text{ (to the nearest square metre).}$$

f. i  $800 - 2k$

ii  $400 + 2k$

iii  $C = (800 - 2k)^2 + (400 + 2k)^2$

iv 
$$\frac{dC}{dk} = 2 \times -2(800 - 2k) + 2 \times 2(400 + 2k)$$

$$= -3200 + 8k + 1600 + 8k$$

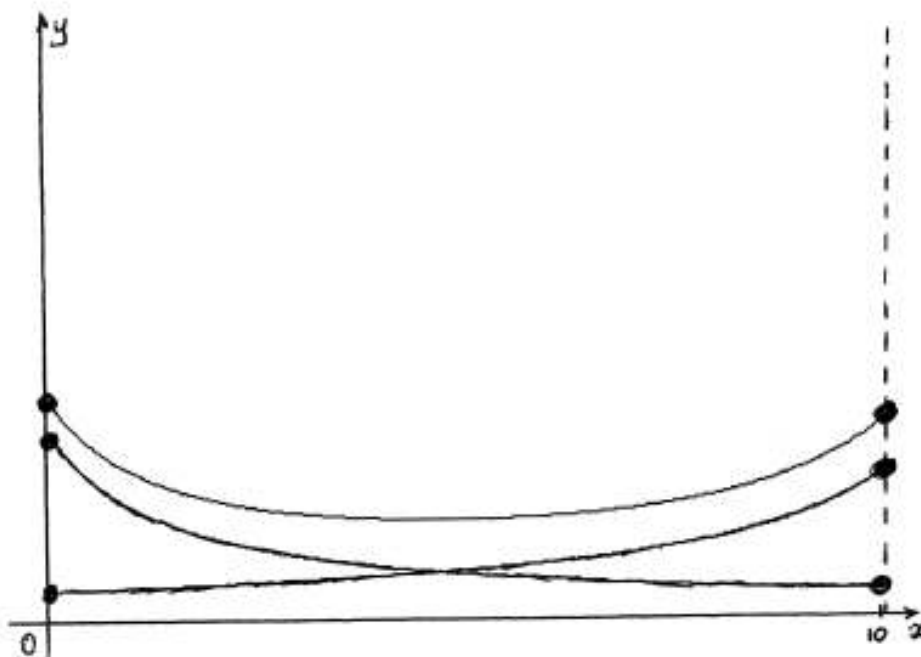
$$= 0 \text{ for a minimum}$$

$$0 = 16k - 1600 \text{ and so } k = 100.$$

#### Question 4

a.  $y = \frac{p}{4} + \frac{q}{8}$

b.



Two features need to be shown here:

- the end-points need to be closed and filled in
- the addition graph is to have a minimum *above* the intersection of the two original graphs.

c.  $y = \frac{9}{x+1} + \frac{4}{11-x}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-9}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{4}{(11-x)^2}$$

$$\frac{-9}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{4}{(11-x)^2} = 0 \text{ for a minimum value.}$$

d. i Now adding these two fractions together gives:

$$\frac{-9(11-x)^2 + 4(x+1)^2}{(x+1)^2(11-x)^2} = 0$$

If this fraction is zero then the numerator is zero:

$$4(x+1)^2 - 9(11-x)^2 = 0$$

This can be factorised using the difference of two squares:

$$[2(x+1) - 3(11-x)][2(x+1) + 3(11-x)] = 0$$

$$[2x+2 - 33 + 3x][2x+2 + 33 - 3x] = 0$$

$$(5x-31)(-x+35) = 0$$

Hence  $x = 6.2$  is the only answer within the domain.

When  $x = 6.2$  then the minimum is 2.083 (correct to three decimal places).

ii Solve  $\frac{9}{x+1} + \frac{4}{11-x} = 5$  using the calculator to give  $x = 0.956$ .

The pollution level will be less than 5 for a journey from  $x = 0.956$  to  $x = 10$ , which is a distance of 9.044 km.

e.  $\int_0^{10} \left( \frac{9}{x+1} + \frac{4}{11-x} \right) dx$

$$= [9 \log_e(x+1) - 4 \log_e(11-x)]_0^{10}$$

$$= (9 \log_e(11) - 4 \log_e(1) - (9 \log_e(1) - 4 \log_e(11)))$$

$$= 13 \log_e(11)$$

Answer: 31.17 correct to two decimal places.