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SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS

Trial Written Examination 1

Reading time: 15 minutes

Total writing time: 1 hour

QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

Structure of book

<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
10	10	40

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners, rulers.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: any technology (calculators or software), notes of any kind, blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.

Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 23 pages with a detachable sheet of miscellaneous formulas at the end of this booklet.

Instructions

- Detach the formula sheet from the end of this book during reading time.
- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- All written responses must be in English.

Students are NOT permitted to bring mobile phones and/or any other unauthorised electronic devices into the examination room.

Question 5 (4 marks)

A curve is defined parametrically by $x = t^3 + 5$, $y = 6t^2 - 1$, for $t \geq 0$.

- a.** The arc length between the points where $t = 0$ and $t = 3$ on the curve is given by s .
Write down a definite integral in terms of t which gives the arc length s .

2 marks

- b.** Hence find the arc length.

2 marks

Question 8 (5 marks)

a.i. Show that $\frac{d}{dx}[\sec(kx)] = k \tan(kx) \sec(kx)$, where $k \in R$.

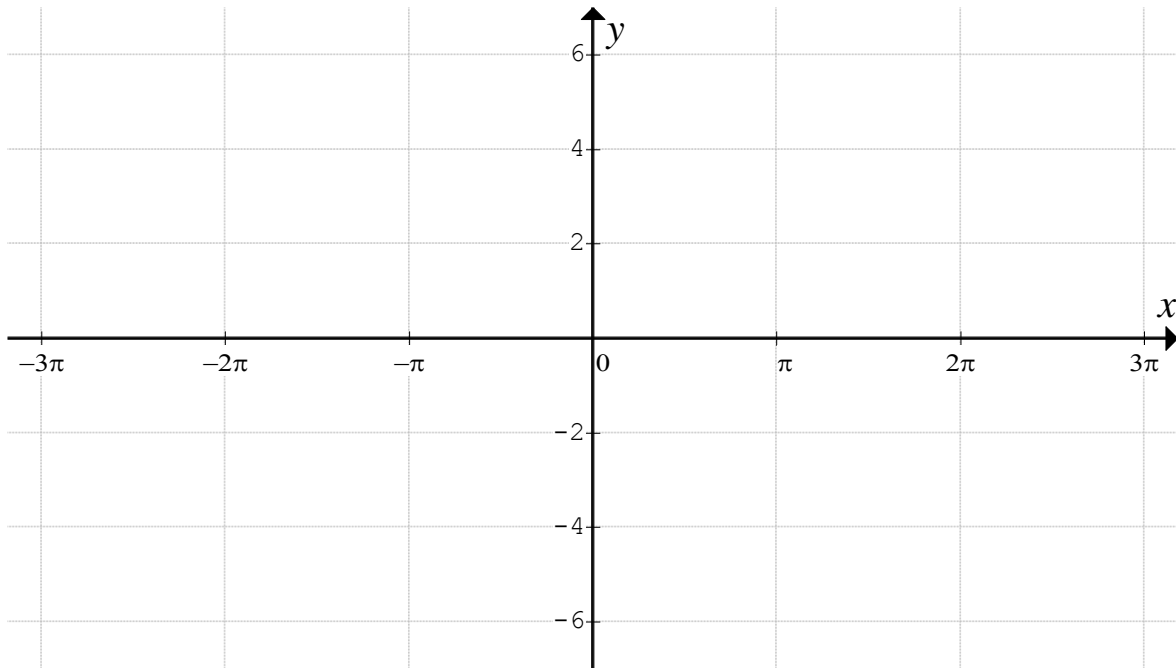
1 mark

ii. Hence show that $\frac{d}{dx}[\log_e(\tan(kx) + \sec(kx))] = k \sec(kx)$, where $k \in R$.

1 mark

- b. Sketch the graph of $y = 2 \sec\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$ on the axes below, stating the coordinates of any axial intercepts and the equations of any asymptotes.

1 mark



Question 10 (8 marks)

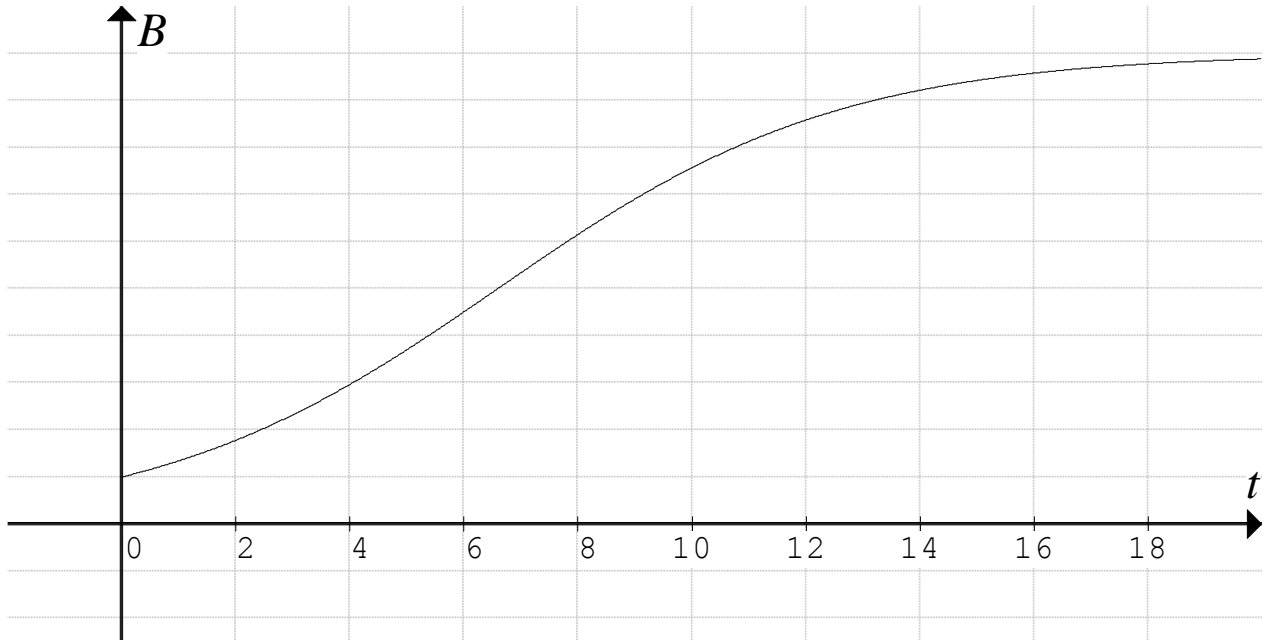
The rate at which a baby bird gains weight is proportional to its current weight and the difference between its adult weight and its current weight. Initially when the bird is first weighed its weight is 20 grams. If $B(t)$ is the weight of the bird, in grams, at a time t

months after it is first weighed then $\frac{dB}{dt} = \frac{B}{600}(200 - B)$.

- a.** Find the rate at which the bird is gaining weight, when $B = 60$ and $B = 120$.
At which of these weights is the bird gaining weight faster? 1 mark

- d. The graph of B versus t , is shown, label the scales on the vertical axis on the diagram below.

1 mark



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Written examination 1

FORMULA SHEET

Directions to students

Detach this formula sheet during reading time.

This formula sheet is provided for your reference.

Specialist Mathematics formulas

Mensuration

area of a trapezium	$\frac{1}{2}(a+b)h$
curved surface area of a cylinder	$2\pi rh$
volume of a cylinder	$\pi r^2 h$
volume of a cone	$\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$
volume of a sphere	$\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$
volume of a pyramid	$\frac{1}{3}Ah$
area of triangle	$\frac{1}{2}bc \sin(A)$
sine rule	$\frac{a}{\sin(A)} = \frac{b}{\sin(B)} = \frac{c}{\sin(C)}$
cosine rule	$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos(C)$

Circular (trigonometric) functions

$\cos^2(x) + \sin^2(x) = 1$	
$1 + \tan^2(x) = \sec^2(x)$	$\cot^2(x) + 1 = \operatorname{cosec}^2(x)$
$\sin(x+y) = \sin(x)\cos(y) + \cos(x)\sin(y)$	$\sin(x-y) = \sin(x)\cos(y) - \cos(x)\sin(y)$
$\cos(x+y) = \cos(x)\cos(y) - \sin(x)\sin(y)$	$\cos(x-y) = \cos(x)\cos(y) + \sin(x)\sin(y)$
$\tan(x+y) = \frac{\tan(x) + \tan(y)}{1 - \tan(x)\tan(y)}$	$\tan(x-y) = \frac{\tan(x) - \tan(y)}{1 + \tan(x)\tan(y)}$
$\cos(2x) = \cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x) = 2\cos^2(x) - 1 = 1 - 2\sin^2(x)$	
$\sin(2x) = 2\sin(x)\cos(x)$	$\tan(2x) = \frac{2\tan(x)}{1 - \tan^2(x)}$

Circular (trigonometric) functions - continued

Function	\sin^{-1} (arcsin)	\cos^{-1} (arccos)	\tan^{-1} (arctan)
Domain	$[-1, 1]$	$[-1, 1]$	R
Range	$\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$	$[0, \pi]$	$\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

Algebra (complex numbers)

$z = x + yi = r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta)) = r \operatorname{cis}(\theta)$	
$ z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = r$	$-\pi < \operatorname{Arg}(z) \leq \pi$
$z_1 z_2 = r_1 r_2 \operatorname{cis}(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$	$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} \operatorname{cis}(\theta_1 - \theta_2)$
$z^n = r^n \operatorname{cis}(n\theta)$ (de Moivre's theorem)	

Probability and statistics

for random variables X and Y	$E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$ $E(aX + bY) = aE(X) + bE(Y)$ $\operatorname{Var}(aX + b) = a^2 \operatorname{Var}(X)$
for independent random variables X and Y	$\operatorname{Var}(aX + bY) = a^2 \operatorname{Var}(X) + b^2 \operatorname{Var}(Y)$
approximate confidence interval for μ	$\left(\bar{x} - z \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + z \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$
distribution of sample mean \bar{X}	mean $E(\bar{X}) = \mu$ variance $\operatorname{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$

Vectors in two and three dimensions

$\underline{r} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$
$ \underline{r} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = r$
$\dot{\underline{r}} = \frac{dx}{dt} \underline{i} + \frac{dy}{dt} \underline{j} + \frac{dz}{dt} \underline{k}$
$\underline{r}_1 \cdot \underline{r}_2 = r_1 r_2 \cos(\theta) = x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2 + z_1 z_2$

Mechanics

momentum	$\underline{p} = m\underline{v}$
equation of motion	$\underline{R} = m\underline{a}$

Calculus

$\frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1}$	$\int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} + c, n \neq -1$
$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{ax}) = ae^{ax}$	$\int e^{ax} dx = \frac{1}{a} e^{ax} + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\log_e(x)) = \frac{1}{x}$	$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \log_e x + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin(ax)) = a \cos(ax)$	$\int \sin(ax) dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cos(ax) + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos(ax)) = -a \sin(ax)$	$\int \cos(ax) dx = \frac{1}{a} \sin(ax) + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan(ax)) = a \sec^2(ax)$	$\int \sec^2(ax) dx = \frac{1}{a} \tan(ax) + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1}(x)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$	$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c, a > 0$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos^{-1}(x)) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$	$\int \frac{-1}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} dx = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c, a > 0$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan^{-1}(x)) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$	$\int \frac{a}{a^2+x^2} dx = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c$
	$\int (ax+b)^n dx = \frac{1}{a(n+1)} (ax+b)^{n+1} + c, n \neq -1$
	$\int (ax+b)^{-1} dx = \frac{1}{a} \log_e ax+b + c$
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	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$
Euler's method	If $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)$, $x_0 = a$ and $y_0 = b$, then $x_{n+1} = x_n + h$ and $y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n)$
acceleration	$a = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \frac{dv}{dt} = v \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1}{2}v^2\right)$
arc length	$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \sqrt{1+(f'(x))^2} dx$ or $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \sqrt{(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2} dt$

END OF FORMULA SHEET