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**Course** Mathematics Methods **Year** 11

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Task type: Response

Time allowed for this task: 45 mins

Number of questions: 7

Materials required: *This assessment is calculator-free*

Standard items: Pens (blue/black preferred), pencils (including coloured), sharpener, correction fluid/tape, eraser, ruler, highlighters

Special items: Drawing instruments, templates, notes on one unfolded sheet of A4 paper (double sided)

Marks available: 44 marks

Task weighting: 16%

Formula sheet provided: Yes

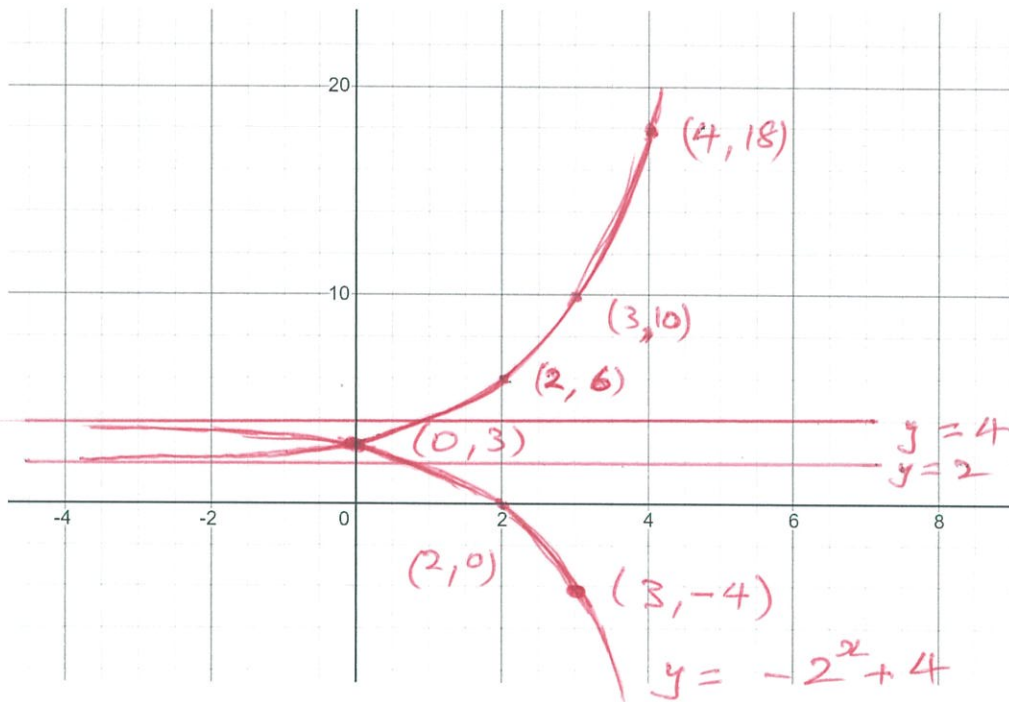
**Note: All part questions worth more than 2 marks require working to obtain full marks.**

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Question 1 (2.1.1- 2.1.7)

[5+1+4 = 10 marks]

(a) Sketch the graphs of  $y = 2^x + 2$  and  $y = -2^x + 4$  on the axes below, showing important features of each graph.



Asymptotes  
 ✓  $y = 2$   
 ✓  $y = 4$   
 Two points on each  
 ✓ ✓  
 Shape ✓

(b) Using your graph (or otherwise), find the intersection point of these two functions.

From the graph, intersection is  $(0, 3)$  ✓

OR  $2^x + 2 = -2^x + 4$

OR

$\Leftrightarrow 2^x + 2^x = 2$

$\Leftrightarrow 2^{x+1} = 2^1 \Rightarrow x+1 = 1 \Rightarrow x = 0$   
 Subs  $2^0 + 2 = 3$   
 $(0, 3)$  ✓

(c) Solve for  $x$ :  $9^{2x-1} = 243$

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$9 = 3^2$      $243 = 3^5$

Thus  $3^{2(2x-1)} = 3^5$  ✓

✓

Equate indices

$4x - 2 = 5$  ✓

$\therefore 4x = 7$   
 $x = 7/4$  ✓

Question 2 (2.3.1, 2.3.4, 2.3.5)

[4+2 = 6 marks]

(a) For the function  $f(x) = 3x^2$ , use first principles to find  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$  and hence show that  $f'(x) = 6x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= 3x^2 & f(x+h) &= 3(x+h)^2 \\
 \therefore \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} & & & \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) - 3x^2}{h} & & \checkmark \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x^2 + 6xh + 3h^2 - 3x^2}{h} & & \checkmark \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(6x + 3h)}{h} & & \checkmark = \underline{6x} \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Briefly describe what  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$  represents on a graph of  $f(x)$ .

Instantaneous rate of change of  $f(x)$  at  $x$ . OR Gradient of tangent to  $f(x)$  at point  $x$ .

Question 3 (2.3.7, 2.3.13 - 2.3.17)

[4+4 = 8 marks]

The curve with the equation  $y = (x + 1)(x - 2)(x - 5)$  cuts the  $x$ -axis at the points  $A(-1, 0)$ ,  $B(2, 0)$  and  $C(5, 0)$ . The expanded equation is  $y = x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x + 10$

(a) Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  and hence show that the tangents to the curve at points A and C are parallel.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 12x + 3 \quad \checkmark$$

At A,  $x = -1 \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3 + 12 + 3 = 18 \quad \checkmark$   
 (both)

At C,  $x = 5 \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3(25) - 12(5) + 3$   
 $= 75 - 60 + 3 = 18$

Tangents have the same gradient  $\checkmark$

$\therefore$  tangents are parallel.  $\checkmark$



- (b) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve at the point C and find the point  $(x, y)$  where the tangent crosses the  $y$ -axis.

$$y = 18x + c \quad \checkmark \text{ at } (5, 0) \text{ Substitute } (x, y)$$

$$0 = 18(5) + c \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow c = -90$$

$$\boxed{y = 18x - 90} \quad \checkmark$$

$$y \text{ intercept} = (0, -90) \quad \checkmark$$

Question 4 (2.3.8 - 2.3.11)

[3+3 = 6 marks]

A jet pilot follows a flight path defined by  $f(x) = x^3 - 9x^2 + 15x - 8$ .

- (a) Is the gradient of the flight path positive (going up) or negative (down) at the point  $(2, -6)$ ? Explain your answer.

$$f(x) = x^3 - 9x^2 + 15x - 8$$

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 18x + 15 \quad \checkmark \text{ Substitute } x = 2$$

$$= 12 - 36 + 15 \quad \checkmark$$

$$= -9 \quad \checkmark$$

Negative gradient shows that the flight path is downwards at  $(2, -6)$  (or  $x = 2$ )

- (b) At what  $x$ -values on the curve  $f(x)$  is the tangent parallel to the line  $y = 3$ ?

$$y = 3 \Rightarrow y' = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\therefore \text{Solve } f'(x) = 3x^2 - 18x + 15 = 0$$

$$= 3(x^2 - 6x + 5)$$

$$= 3(x-5)(x-1) \Rightarrow x = 5 \text{ or } 1 \quad \checkmark \text{ both}$$

Question 5 (2.3.3 - 2.3.7, 2.3.22)

[4 marks]

Find  $y$  in terms of  $x$  if  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 2x - 6$  and the function  $f(x)$  passes through the point  $(2, 4)$ .

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 2x - 6$$

$$f(x) = \int (3x^2 - 2x - 6) dx \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{3x^3}{3} - \frac{2x^2}{2} - 6x + c$$

Write Anti-derivative  
Add  $c$   
Substitute  
State answer

At  $(2, 4)$ ,  $\Rightarrow 4 = 2^3 - 2^2 - 6(2) + c \Rightarrow c = 8$

$$\therefore y = x^3 - x^2 - 6x + 8 \quad \checkmark$$

Question 6 (2.3.10)

[4 marks]

A section of roller coaster has been constructed using the function:

$$f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 4$$

An amusement park photographer is taking "action shots" near the roller coaster where the gradient is equal to -3 ("negative 3"). In terms of  $x$  - values, where is the photographer working? Explain your answer with suitable working.

$f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 4$   
 $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 6x$   
 Set  $f'(x) = -3$   
 $\therefore 3x^2 + 6x = -3$   
 or  $3x^2 + 6x + 3 = 0$   
 $\therefore 3(x^2 + 2x + 1) = 0$   
 $\therefore 3(x+1)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{x = -1}}$  - Ans

(check)  
 $f''(x) = 6x + 6$   
 at  $x = -1, f''(x) = 0$   
 Hence point of inflection

Question 7 (2.3.19, 2.3.22)

[3+3 =6 marks]

A function  $V(t)$  for which  $V'(t) = 4t + k$ , (where  $k$  is a constant), has a turning point at  $(1, -2)$ . Find:

(a) The value of  $k$

$V'(t) = 4t + k = 0$  at  $(1, -2) \Rightarrow \boxed{k = -4}$   
 $\therefore V(t) = \frac{4t^2}{2} + kt + c = 2t^2 + kt + c$

(b) The value of  $V(t)$  when  $t = 4$

$V(t) = 2t^2 - 4t + c$  Subst  $(1, -2)$   
 $-2 = 2 - 4 + c \Rightarrow c = 0$   
 $V(t) = 2t^2 - 4t$   
 when  $t = 4, V(t) = 2(16) - 4(4) = 16$