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## YEAR 12 MATHEMATICS METHODS

Logarithmic functions and  
calculus involving logarithmic functions

### Test 4

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#### Calculator Free (32 marks)

1. [5 marks]

Determine the exact values of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .

a)  $3^a = 11$

$$a = \frac{\log 11}{\log 3} = \frac{\ln 11}{\ln 3} = \log_3 11$$

b)  $\log_2(2b - 1) = 4$

$$2^4 = 16 = 2b - 1$$

$$2b = 17$$

$$b = 8.5$$

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c)  $\log_2 4^{2c} = \log_3 27^{c+1}$

$$2c \log_2 4 = (c + 1) \log_3 27$$

$$4c = 3c + 3$$

$$c = 3$$

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2. [3 marks]

Express  $\log 9 - 3\log\sqrt{3} + \log 81$  in the form  $k\log 3$  where  $k$  is an exact fraction.

$$\begin{aligned} & \log 9 - 3\log\sqrt{3} + \log 81 \\ &= \log 3^2 - 3\log 3^{\frac{1}{2}} + \log 3^4 \\ &= 2\log 3 - \frac{3}{2}\log 3 + 4\log 3 = \frac{9}{2}\log 3 \end{aligned}$$

3. [7 marks]

Differentiate:

a)  $5\log_e x$        $\frac{d}{dx}(5 \ln x) = \frac{5}{x}$

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b)  $\log_e(2x^3 - 5x)$        $\frac{d}{dx} \ln(2x^3 - 5x) = \frac{6x^2 - 5}{2x^3 - 5x}$

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c)  $\ln[(2x-1)(4x+3)]$       (no need to simplify your answer)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln[(2x-1)(4x+3)] = \frac{\frac{d}{dx}(8x^2 + 2x - 3)}{[(2x-1)(4x+3)]} = \frac{16x + 2}{[(2x-1)(4x+3)]}$$

**or**

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln[(2x-1)(4x+3)] = \frac{d}{dx} \ln(2x-1) + \ln(4x+3) = \frac{2}{2x-1} + \frac{4}{4x+3}$$

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d)  $\frac{\ln x}{x^2}$       (simplify your answer)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\ln x}{x^2} \right) = \frac{x^2 \times \frac{1}{x} - 2x \times \ln x}{x^4} = \frac{x - 2x \ln x}{x^4} = \frac{1 - 2 \ln x}{x^3}$$

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4. [4 marks]

Show that  $\int_2^4 (x - 4x^{-1} + 4x^{-3}) dx = \frac{51}{8} - 4 \ln 4$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_2^4 (x - 4x^{-1} + 4x^{-3}) dx &= \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} - 4 \ln x - 2x^{-2} \right]_2^4 \\ &= \left[ 8 - 4 \ln 4 - \frac{1}{8} \right] - \left[ 2 - 4 \ln 2 - \frac{1}{2} \right] \\ &= 6 - 8 \ln 2 + 4 \ln 2 + \frac{3}{8} \\ &= \frac{51}{8} - 4 \ln 2\end{aligned}$$

5. [5 marks]

Show the only solution to  $3^{2x+1} - 11(3^x) - 4 = 0$  is  $x = \log_3 4$ .

Let  $y = 3^x$

$$3y^2 - 11y - 4 = 0$$

$$(3y+1)(y-4) = 0$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ or } y = 4$$

$$3^x \neq -\frac{1}{3} \quad 3^x = 4 \Rightarrow x \log 3 = \log 4$$

$$x = \frac{\log 4}{\log 3} = \log_3 4$$

6. [8 marks]

a) Given that

$$p = \log_2 x \text{ and } q = \log_2 y$$

find expressions in terms of  $p$  and  $q$  for

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i. } \log_2(x^2y) &= \log_2 x^2 + \log_2 y \\ &= 2\log_2 x + \log_2 y \\ &= 2p + q \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii. } \log_2\left(\frac{\sqrt{y}}{x^3}\right) &= \frac{1}{2}\log_2 y - 3\log_2 x \\ &= \frac{1}{2}q - 3p \end{aligned}$$

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b) Hence, or otherwise, solve the simultaneous equations

$$\log_2(x^2y) = 2$$

$$\log_2\left(\frac{\sqrt{y}}{x^3}\right) = -11$$

$$2p + q = 2 \qquad 2p + q = 2$$

$$\frac{1}{2}q - 3p = -11 \quad (\times 2) \quad -6p + q = -22$$

$$8p = 24 \qquad p = 3, q = -4$$

$$-4 = \log_2 y \quad \Rightarrow y = 2^{-4} = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$3 = \log_2 x \quad \Rightarrow x = 2^3 = 8$$

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**End of Part A**



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**Calculator Section**

**(18 marks)**

7. [2 marks]

Biologists use the logarithmic model  $n = k \log(A)$  to estimate the number of species,  $n$ , that live in a region of area  $A$  km<sup>2</sup>. In the model,  $k$  represents a constant.

If 2800 species live in a rainforest of 500 square kilometres, then how many species will be left when half of this rainforest is destroyed by logging?

$$2800 = k \log(500) \Rightarrow k = \frac{2800}{\log(500)}$$

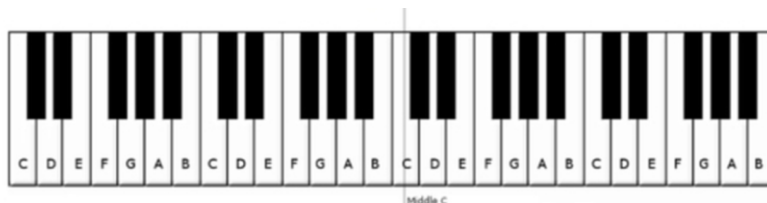
$$n = \frac{2800}{\log(500)} \times \log(250) = 2487.70161 \approx 2500 \text{ (nearest 100)}$$

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8. [2 marks]

In the modern scale of musical notes the note names repeat every octave, **each note is**

**double** the frequency of the note of the same name in the octave below. The A note below middle C has a standard frequency of 440 Hertz.



There are actually **12 different notes**, including flats and sharps, **in an octave**. This is called a chromatic scale and the ratio of the frequency of one note to the previous note in the chromatic scale is a constant.

a) What is the ratio of a musical note to the previous note in the chromatic scale?

$$\sqrt[12]{2} = 1.059463094$$

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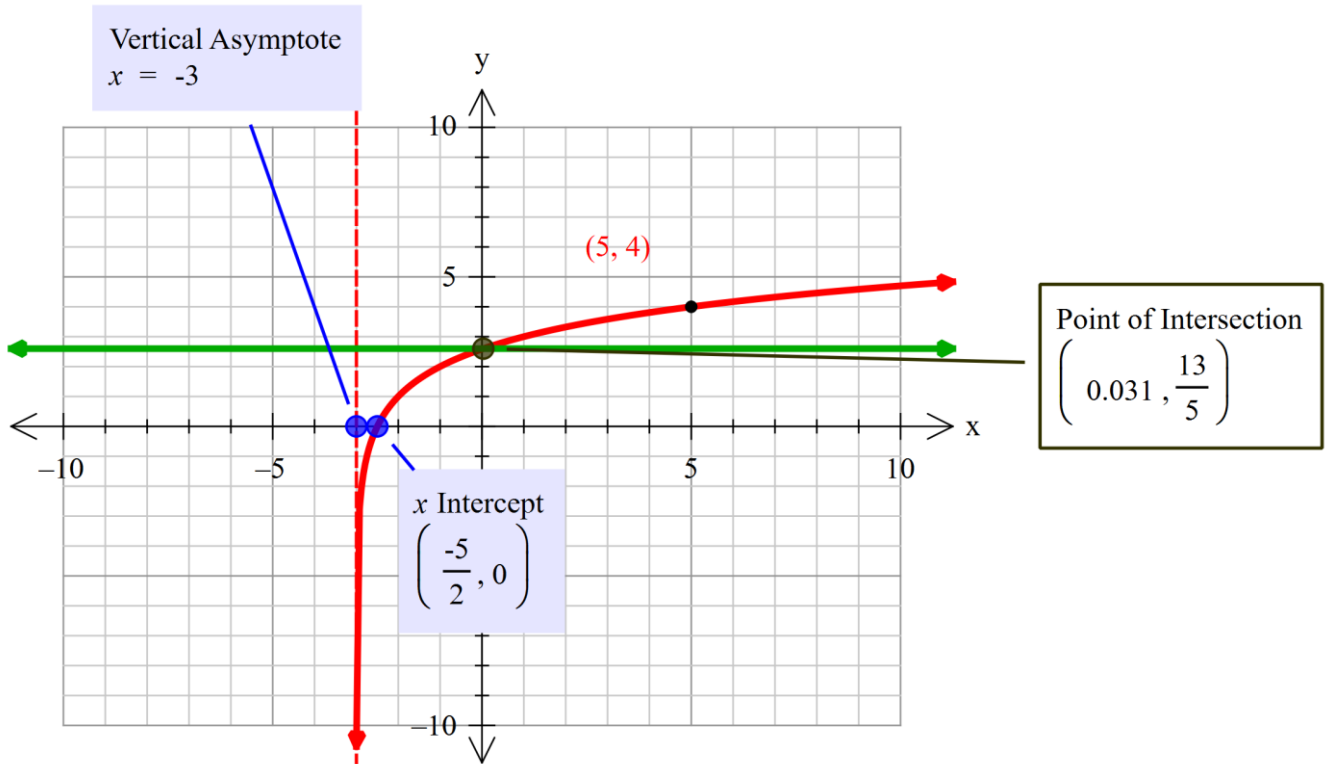
b) What is the frequency of middle C?

$$440 \times \sqrt[12]{2} = 523.2511306 \text{ Hz}$$

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9. [5 marks]

- a) Sketch the graph of  $y = \log_2(x + 3) + 1$  on the grid below, labelling important features.



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- b) Show how you use your graph to solve  $\log_2(x + 3) = 1.6$

$$\log_2(x + 3) = 1.6$$

$$\log_2(x + 3) + 1 = 2.6 \quad \text{x-coordinate of point of intersection} = 0.031$$

*Draw  $y = 2.6$  on graph*

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10. [8 marks]

A small colony of black peppered moths lives on a small isolated island. In summer the population begins to increase. If  $t$  is the number of days after 12 midnight on 1 January, the equation that best models the number of moths in the colony at any given time is

$$N(t) = 500 \ln(21t + 3) \quad 0 \leq t \leq 40$$

a) What is the population of the species on 1 January?

$$N(0) = 500 \ln(3) = 549$$

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b) What is the population of moths after 30 days?

$$N(30) = 500 \ln(21 \times 30 + 3) \approx 3225$$

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c) On which day is the population first greater than 2000?

$$\begin{aligned} 500 \ln(21t + 3) &> 2000 \\ t &> 2.457 \text{ i.e. } 3 \text{ January} \end{aligned}$$

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A related species, the white peppered moth, shares the same habitat. It reproduces in a similar pattern to the black peppered moth, with its population modelled by

$$P(t) = P \ln(Qt + 3) \quad 0 \leq t \leq 40$$

d) The initial population is 769 and the population when  $t = 15$  is 2750. Find the value of  $P$ , correct to the nearest whole number and  $Q$ , correct to 3 decimal places.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 769 &= P \ln(3) \\ 2750 &= P \ln(15Q + 3) \end{aligned} \right\}_{P, Q}$$

$$P = 699.97, \quad Q = 3.18944$$

$$P = 700 \quad Q = 3.189$$

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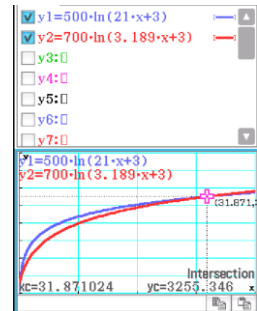
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- e) The populations of  $P(t)$  and  $N(t)$  are briefly equal on the first day. Determine an approximate time when the populations of the black and white peppered moths will again be the same.

*Evidence of graph sketch or solving the equation*

$$500 \ln(21t + 3) = 700 \ln(3.189t + 3)$$

when  $t \approx 31.87$       i.e. 1 February



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- f) What are the population growth rates at this time?

*16 black moths/day*  
*21 white moths/day*

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt} (500 \ln(21t+3)) \Big|_{t=31.87} \\ 15.61872462 \\ \frac{d}{dt} (700 \ln(3.189t+3)) \Big|_{t=31.87} \\ 21.33448172 \end{array} \right|$$

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**End of Part B**