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# Specialist Mathematics Examination 1

## Question and Answer Book

VCE (NHT) Examination – Thursday 23 May 2024

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- Reading time is **15 minutes**: 10.30 am to 10.45 am
- Writing time is **1 hour**: 10.45 am to 11.45 am

### Materials supplied

- Question and Answer Book of 12 pages
- Formula Sheet

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10 questions (40 marks)	2–10

**Instructions**

- Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.
  - Write your responses in English.
  - Unless otherwise specified, an **exact** answer is required for each question.
  - In questions where more than one mark is available, appropriate working **must** be shown.
  - Unless otherwise indicated, the diagrams in this book are **not** drawn to scale.
  - Take the **acceleration due to gravity** to have a magnitude  $g \text{ m s}^{-2}$ , where  $g = 9.8$
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**Question 1** (4 marks)

- a. A certain model of electric car accelerates in a straight line from rest, with constant acceleration, to travel 400 metres in 10 seconds.

i. Find the acceleration of the car in  $\text{m s}^{-2}$ .

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ii. Find the speed of the car, in  $\text{m s}^{-1}$ , when it has travelled 400 m.

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- b. A second car accelerates in a straight line from rest, with constant acceleration, for 12 seconds.

Given that the speed of this car is  $V \text{ m s}^{-1}$  after 12 seconds, write down the average speed of the car in terms of  $V$  for the first 6 seconds of its motion.

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**Question 2** (3 marks)

Solve  $z^4 = -8 + 8\sqrt{3}i$ , giving your answers in Cartesian form.

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**Question 3** (3 marks)

a. Find the coordinates of the points of inflection of the graph of  $y = x^4 - 6x^2 + 4$ .

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b. Hence, or otherwise, find all values of  $x$  for which the graph of  $y = x^4 - 6x^2 + 4$  is concave up.

1 mark

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**Question 6** (4 marks)

- a. A café made a large batch of muffins. The masses of the muffins are normally distributed with a mean of  $\mu$  grams and a standard deviation of 1 gram.

A random sample of 16 muffins was selected from the batch, and the sample mean was 25 grams.

Find a 95% confidence interval ( $z = 1.96$ ) for  $\mu$ . Give your answer correct to one decimal place.

2 marks

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- b. A different random sample of 25 muffins was selected from the batch. The mean mass of this new sample was 25 grams, and a 95% confidence interval was calculated correct to one decimal place.

By what percentage is the width of the new confidence interval reduced compared to the confidence interval calculated from the sample in **part a**?

2 marks

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**Question 9** (6 marks)

In a population, the number of kangaroos,  $P$ , is modelled by the logistic differential equation

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 0.05P \left( 10 - \frac{P}{50} \right), \text{ where } P \in [100, 500) \text{ and where } t \text{ is the time in years after the population}$$

was established.

The initial number of kangaroos in the population was 100.

a. Find  $\frac{d^2P}{dt^2}$  in terms of  $P$ .

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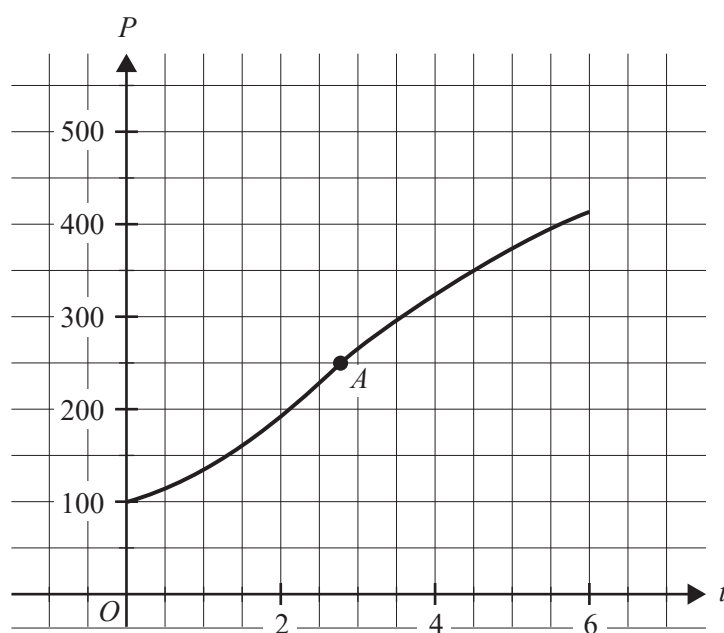


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Part of the graph of  $P$  against  $t$  is shown below. The graph contains a single point of inflection, labelled  $A$ .



b. In the context of the growth of the kangaroo population, what does the point of inflection at  $A$  represent?

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## Formula Sheet

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### Mensuration

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

### Algebra, number and structure (complex numbers)

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

### Data analysis, probability and statistics

for independent random variables $X_1, X_2 \dots X_n$	$E(aX_1 + b) = aE(X_1) + b$ $E(a_1X_1 + a_2X_2 + \dots + a_nX_n)$ $= a_1E(X_1) + a_2E(X_2) + \dots + a_nE(X_n)$
	$\operatorname{Var}(aX_1 + b) = a^2\operatorname{Var}(X_1)$ $\operatorname{Var}(a_1X_1 + a_2X_2 + \dots + a_nX_n)$ $= a_1^2\operatorname{Var}(X_1) + a_2^2\operatorname{Var}(X_2) + \dots + a_n^2\operatorname{Var}(X_n)$
for independent identically distributed variables $X_1, X_2 \dots X_n$	$E(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n) = n\mu$
	$\operatorname{Var}(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n) = n\sigma^2$

You may keep this Formula Sheet.

**Data analysis, probability and statistics – continued**

approximate confidence interval for $\mu$	$\left( \bar{x} - z \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + z \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$	
distribution of sample mean $\bar{X}$	mean	$E(\bar{X}) = \mu$
	variance	$\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$

**Calculus**

$\frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1}$	$\int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1}x^{n+1} + c, n \neq -1$
$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{ax}) = ae^{ax}$	$\int e^{ax} dx = \frac{1}{a}e^{ax} + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\log_e(x)) = \frac{1}{x}$	$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \log_e x  + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin(ax)) = a \cos(ax)$	$\int \sin(ax) dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cos(ax) + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos(ax)) = -a \sin(ax)$	$\int \cos(ax) dx = \frac{1}{a} \sin(ax) + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan(ax)) = a \sec^2(ax)$	$\int \sec^2(ax) dx = \frac{1}{a} \tan(ax) + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\cot(ax)) = -a \operatorname{cosec}^2(ax)$	$\int \operatorname{cosec}^2(ax) dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cot(ax) + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\sec(ax)) = a \sec(ax) \tan(ax)$	$\int \sec(ax) \tan(ax) dx = \frac{1}{a} \sec(ax) + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\operatorname{cosec}(ax)) = -a \operatorname{cosec}(ax) \cot(ax)$	$\int \operatorname{cosec}(ax) \cot(ax) dx = -\frac{1}{a} \operatorname{cosec}(ax) + c$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1}(ax)) = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1-(ax)^2}}$	$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c, a > 0$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos^{-1}(ax)) = \frac{-a}{\sqrt{1-(ax)^2}}$	$\int \frac{-1}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} dx = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c, a > 0$
$\frac{d}{dx}(\tan^{-1}(ax)) = \frac{a}{1+(ax)^2}$	$\int \frac{a}{a^2+x^2} dx = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + c$
	$\int (ax+b)^n dx = \frac{1}{a(n+1)}(ax+b)^{n+1} + c, n \neq -1$
	$\int \frac{1}{ax+b} dx = \frac{1}{a} \log_e ax+b  + c$

**Calculus** – continued

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	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \times \frac{du}{dx}$
integration by parts	$\int u \frac{dv}{dx} dx = uv - \int v \frac{du}{dx} dx$
Euler's method	If $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$ , $x_0 = a$ and $y_0 = b$ , then $x_{n+1} = x_n + h$ and $y_{n+1} = y_n + h \times f(x_n, y_n)$ .
arc length parametric	$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$
surface area Cartesian about $x$ -axis	$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} 2\pi y \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$
surface area Cartesian about $y$ -axis	$\int_{y_1}^{y_2} 2\pi x \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2} dy$
surface area parametric about $x$ -axis	$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} 2\pi y \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$
surface area parametric about $y$ -axis	$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} 2\pi x \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$

**Kinematics**

acceleration	$a = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \frac{dv}{dt} = v \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1}{2}v^2\right)$	
constant acceleration formulas	$v = u + at$	$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$
	$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$	$s = \frac{1}{2}(u + v)t$

**Vectors in two and three dimensions**

$\underline{r}(t) = x(t)\underline{i} + y(t)\underline{j} + z(t)\underline{k}$	$ \underline{r}(t)  = \sqrt{x(t)^2 + y(t)^2 + z(t)^2}$
	$\dot{\underline{r}}(t) = \frac{d\underline{r}}{dt} = \frac{dx}{dt}\underline{i} + \frac{dy}{dt}\underline{j} + \frac{dz}{dt}\underline{k}$
for $\underline{r}_1 = x_1\underline{i} + y_1\underline{j} + z_1\underline{k}$ and $\underline{r}_2 = x_2\underline{i} + y_2\underline{j} + z_2\underline{k}$	vector scalar product $\underline{r}_1 \cdot \underline{r}_2 =  \underline{r}_1  \underline{r}_2 \cos(\theta) = x_1x_2 + y_1y_2 + z_1z_2$
	vector cross product $\underline{r}_1 \times \underline{r}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ x_1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 & z_2 \end{vmatrix} = (y_1z_2 - y_2z_1)\underline{i} + (x_2z_1 - x_1z_2)\underline{j} + (x_1y_2 - x_2y_1)\underline{k}$
vector equation of a line	$\underline{r}(t) = \underline{r}_1 + t\underline{r}_2 = (x_1 + x_2t)\underline{i} + (y_1 + y_2t)\underline{j} + (z_1 + z_2t)\underline{k}$
parametric equation of a line	$x(t) = x_1 + x_2t \quad y(t) = y_1 + y_2t \quad z(t) = z_1 + z_2t$
vector equation of a plane	$\underline{r}(s, t) = \underline{r}_0 + s\underline{r}_1 + t\underline{r}_2$ $= (x_0 + x_1s + x_2t)\underline{i} + (y_0 + y_1s + y_2t)\underline{j} + (z_0 + z_1s + z_2t)\underline{k}$
parametric equation of a plane	$x(s, t) = x_0 + x_1s + x_2t, \quad y(s, t) = y_0 + y_1s + y_2t, \quad z(s, t) = z_0 + z_1s + z_2t$
Cartesian equation of a plane	$ax + by + cz = d$

**Circular functions**

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