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Pearson Edexcel International Advanced Level

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Paper reference **WMA13/01**

Mathematics

International Advanced Level
Pure Mathematics P3

You must have:
Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables (Yellow), calculator

Total Marks

Candidates may use any calculator permitted by Pearson regulations. Calculators must not have the facility for symbolic algebra manipulation, differentiation and integration, or have retrievable mathematical formulae stored in them.

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- If pencil is used for diagrams/sketches/graphs it must be dark (HB or B).
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions and ensure that your answers to parts of questions are clearly labelled.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*
- You should show sufficient working to make your methods clear. Answers without working may not gain full credit.
- Inexact answers should be given to three significant figures unless otherwise stated.

Information

- A booklet 'Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables' is provided.
- There are 9 questions in this question paper. The total mark for this paper is 75.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.
- If you change your mind about an answer, cross it out and put your new answer and any working underneath.

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1. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**
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The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = \ln(x^2 + 3) \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{3 + 5x}{x + 2} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad x > -2$$

(a) State the range of f

(1)

(b) Find g^{-1}

(3)

(c) Find $fg(0)$

(2)

(d) Find the exact value of a for which

$$g\left(e^{2a}\right) = f\left(\sqrt{e^4 - 3}\right)$$

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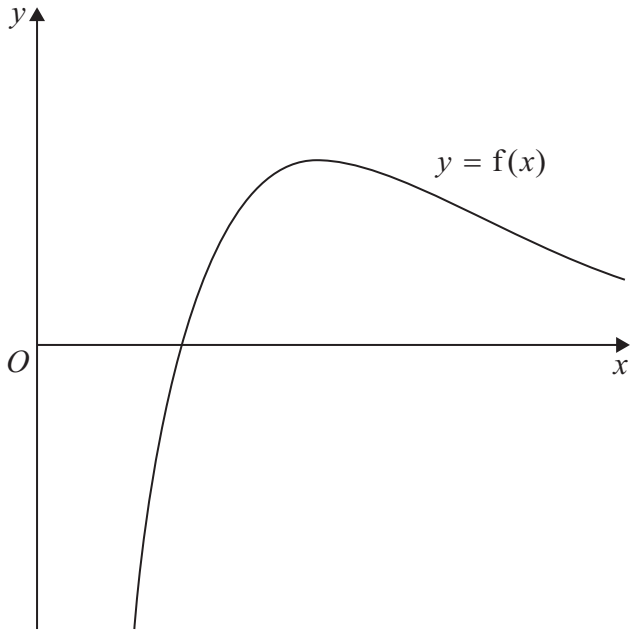

Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation $y = f(x)$ where

$$f(x) = \frac{2x^2 + 3x - 4}{e^x} - \frac{1}{x^2} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad x \neq 0$$

(a) Show that $f(x) = 0$ has a root α in the interval $[1, 2]$

(2)

(b) Show that the equation $f(x) = 0$ can be written in the form

$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{e^x + 4x^2}{2x + 3}}$$

(2)

Using the iteration formula

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{e^{x_n} + 4x_n^{\,2}}{2x_n + 3}} \qquad \text{with } x_1 = 1$$

find, to 4 decimal places,

(c) (i) the value of x_3

(ii) the value of α

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Question 2 continued

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3. The share price, £V, of a company is being monitored.

A graph is drawn of $\log_{10} V$ against t, where t is the number of years after monitoring began.

The graph is a straight line passing through the points $(0, 2)$ and $(5, 2.25)$

Using this information,

(a) find an equation for the line in the form

$$\log_{10} V = mt + c$$

where m and c are constants.

(2)

(b) Write the answer to part (a) in the form

$$V = ab^t$$

where a and b are constants to be found.

Give the exact value of a and the value of b to 3 significant figures.

(3)

When $t = T$, the rate of increase in the share price of the company was £50 per year.

(c) Find the value of T, giving your answer to the nearest integer.

(*Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable*.)

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4. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**
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(a) $f(x) = \sqrt{3}\sin 2x - 3\cos 2x$

Express $f(x)$ in the form $R\sin(2x - \alpha)$, where R and α are constants,

$$R > 0 \text{ and } 0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Give the exact value of R and the exact value of α.

(3)

(b) $$g(x) = \frac{18}{f(3x) + 4\sqrt{3}} \qquad x > 0$$

Using the answer to part (a),

(i) write down the exact minimum value of $g(x)$,

(ii) find the smallest value of x for which this minimum value occurs.

You must make your method clear.

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5. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**
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The number of squirrels in a forest is being studied.

The number of squirrels, N, in the forest, t years after the start of the study, is modelled by the equation

$$N = \frac{4000e^{0.1t}}{19 + e^{0.2t}} \qquad t \geqslant 0$$

Use the equation of the model to answer parts (a), (b), (c) and (d).

(a) Find the number of squirrels in the forest at the start of the study.

(1)

(b) Find $\frac{dN}{dt}$

(2)

The number of squirrels in the forest is at a maximum when $t = T$

Using the answer to part (b),

(c) show that $e^{0.2T} = A$, where A is a constant to be found.

(2)

(d) Hence find the maximum number of squirrels in the forest.

Show your working and give your answer to the nearest whole number.

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Question 5 continued

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6. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**
Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(i) Given $y = \ln(2x^2 + 5)$ find $\dfrac{dy}{dx}$

(2)

(ii) A curve C has equation $y = f(x)$ where

$$f(x) = \frac{21x}{3x^2 + k} \qquad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

where k is a positive integer, $k > 1$

Given that

$$\int_1^k f(x)\,dx < 7\ln 8$$

find the greatest possible value of k

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Question 6 continued

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7. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**
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A curve C has equation

$$y = 2xe^{x^2+(3k-2)x}$$

where k is a constant.

Given that C has two distinct turning points, find the range of possible values of k.

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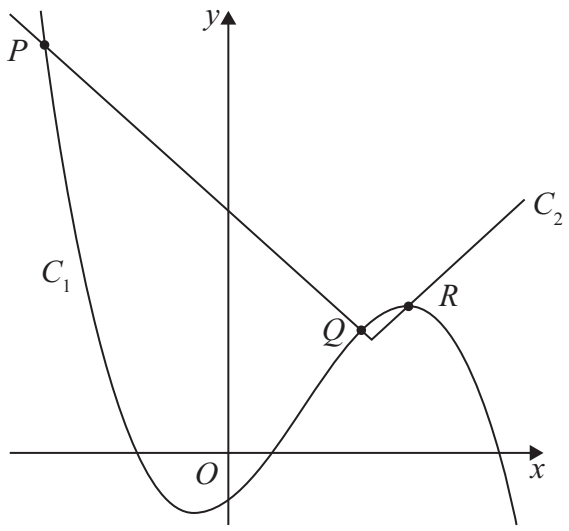

Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of the graph C_1 with equation

$$y = -2x^3 + 5x^2 + 4x - 3$$

and a sketch of the graph C_2 with equation

$$y = a + |5x + b|$$

where a and b are constants.

Graphs C_1 and C_2 intersect at point P, point Q and point R, as shown in Figure 2.

Given that P has coordinates $(-2, 25)$

(a) show that

$$a = 15 + b$$

(2)

Given also that R has coordinates $(2, 9)$

(b) find the value of a and the value of b

(3)

Using the answer to part (b),

(c) state the coordinates of the vertex of C_2

(2)

(d) Find, using algebra, the coordinates of Q. Show each stage of your working.

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9. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**
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(a) Express

$$6\sin^2\theta\cot 2\theta + 4\sin\theta\cos\theta$$

in terms of $\sin 2\theta$ and $\cos 2\theta$ only.

(3)

(b) Hence show that the equation

$$3\cot 2\theta - 14 = 6\sin^2\theta\cot 2\theta + 4\sin\theta\cos\theta$$

can be written in the form

$$5\sin^2 2\theta + 14\sin 2\theta - 3 = 0$$

(3)

(c) Hence solve, for $0 < x < 90°$, the equation

$$3\cot 2x - 14 = 6\sin^2 x\cot 2x + 4\sin x\cos x$$

giving your answers to one decimal place.

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