

Year 12
Mid-HSC Course Examination

2008



Mathematics

General Instructions

- Working time: 1½ hours
- Reading time: 5 minutes
- Write using blue or black pen.
- Board-approved calculators may be used.

Total marks – 70

- Attempt Questions 1 – 5
- All questions are of equal value
- Begin each question in a new booklet
- All necessary working should be shown in every question.

Question 1 – (14 marks) – (Start a new booklet)

- a) By sketching the graph, or otherwise, write down the equation of the locus of the point $P(x, y)$ which moves so that it is.
- equidistant from the points $A(3, 0)$ and $B(-5, 0)$
 - 3 units from the x axis
- b) The point $P(x, y)$ is joined to the points $D(1, 1)$ and $E(3, 5)$
- Write down the gradients of PD and PE .
 - If $D\hat{P}E = 90^\circ$ show that the equation of the locus of P is

$$x^2 - 4x + y^2 - 6y + 8 = 0$$
 - Hence, or otherwise, give a full geometric description of the locus of P .
- c) The point $P(x, y)$ moves so that it is equidistant from the point $S(2, 3)$ and the line $y = -1$.
Derive the equation of the locus of P .

Marks

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1

3

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4

Question 2 – (14 marks) – (Start a new booklet)

Marks

- a) For the parabola $x^2 - 6x - 4y + 1 = 0$ find:

(i) the coordinates of the vertex

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(ii) the focal length

1

(iii) the coordinates of the focus

1

(iv) the equation of the directrix

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- b) Differentiate with respect to x

(i) $f(x) = \frac{1}{2x}$

1

(ii) $h(x) = (x^2 + 2)^{10}$

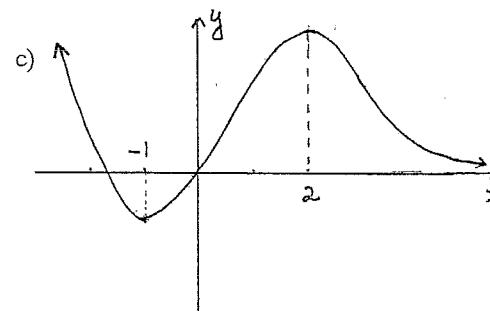
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(iii) $F(x) = \frac{2x+1}{3x+2}$

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(iv) $y = x(3x + 2)^3$

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The graph of $y = f(x)$ is shown on the diagram.

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Draw a neat sketch of $y = f'(x)$

Question 3 – (14 marks) – (Start a new booklet)

Marks

- a) Find the values of x for which the curve $y = x^3 + 5x^2 + 3x - 7$ is concave down.

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- b) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve $y = x + \frac{2}{x}$ at the point $(1, 3)$

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- c) Find the coordinates of the point on the curve $y = x^2 - 5x + 2$ where the normal is parallel to the line $x + 3y - 7 = 0$

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- d) Find the values of x for which $f(x) = 3 + 3x^2 - x^3$ is a decreasing function.

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Question 4 – (14 marks) – (Start a new booklet)

Marks

- a) Find the second derivative of $y = \frac{x}{2x+1}$ 3

- b) In a calculus test Philippa correctly showed that $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = (x - 5)^2$. She then concluded that the curve has a point of inflection at $x = 5$.

Explain why Philippa did not score full marks for her answer.

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- c) Find primitive functions of:

(i) $6x + 3$ 1

(ii) $(5x - 2)^3$ 1

(iii) $x\sqrt{x}$ 2

(iv) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3x+2}}$ 2

- d) The gradient of a curve is given by $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x + \frac{1}{x^2}$

If the curve passes through the point $(1, 4)$ find its equation.

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Question 5 – (14 marks) – (Start a new booklet)

Marks

- a) A piece of wire 36 metres long is cut into 2 pieces. The first piece is bent to form a square of side length x metres. The second is bent to form a rectangle with sides of lengths x metres and y metres.

- (i) Show that $y = 18 - 3x$ 1

- (ii) Hence show that the sum of the areas of the square and rectangle is given by $A = 18x - 2x^2$ 2

- (iii) Using calculus, show that the maximum value of A is $\frac{81}{2}$ 3

- b) For the curve $y = 6x^2 - x^3$

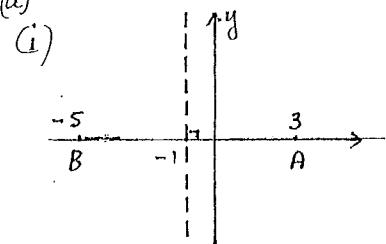
- (i) Find any stationary points and determine their nature. 4

- (ii) Sketch the curve for the domain $-1 \leq x \leq 7$ 2

- (iii) For what values of k does the equation $6x^2 - x^3 = k$ have 3 distinct solutions. within this restricted domain. 2

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(a)

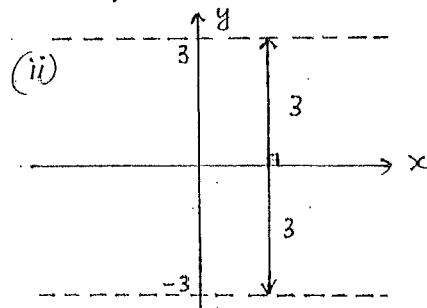


$$\text{or } PA^2 = PB^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x-3)^2 + (y-0)^2 &= (x+5)^2 + (y-0)^2 \\ x^2 - 6x + 9 + y^2 &= x^2 + 10x + 25 + y^2 \\ -16x &= 16 \\ x &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Locus of P is the perpendicular bisector of interval AB

\therefore Equation is $x = -1$



Equation of locus of P

is $y = 3$ or -3

or $|y| = 3$

$$(b) (i) \text{ Gradient of } PD = \frac{y-1}{x-1}$$

$$\text{Gradient of } PE = \frac{y-5}{x-3}$$

(ii) If $\hat{DPE} = 90^\circ$ then

$$\frac{y-1}{x-1} \times \frac{y-5}{x-3} = -1$$

$$(y-1)(y-5) = -(x-1)(x-3)$$

$$y^2 - 6y + 5 = -(x^2 - 4x + 3)$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 3 + y^2 - 6y + 5 = 0$$

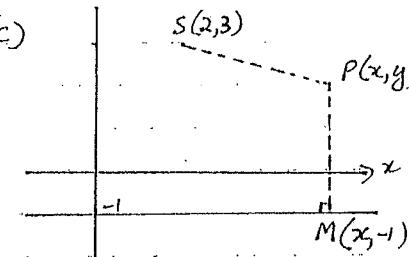
$$x^2 - 4x + y^2 - 6y + 8 = 0$$

$$(iii) x^2 - 4x + 4 + y^2 - 6y + 9 = -8 + 4 + 9$$

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

$\therefore P$ moves on a circle with centre $(2, 3)$ and radius of $\sqrt{5}$.

(c)



Let M be the foot of the perpendicular from P to line $y = -1$

\therefore Coordinates of M are $(x, -1)$

$$PS = PM$$

$$PS^2 = PM^2$$

$$(x-2)^2 + (y-3)^2 = (x-x)^2 + (y+1)^2$$

$$(x-2)^2 + y^2 - 6y + 9 = 0 + y^2 + 2y + 1$$

$$(x-2)^2 = 8y - 8$$

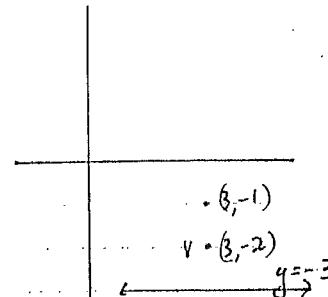
i.e. $(x-2)^2 = 8(y-1)$ is the equation of the locus of P

Question 2

(a) $x^2 - 6x - 4y + 1 = 0$

(i) $x^2 - 6x + 9 = 4y - 1 + 9$
 $(x-3)^2 = 4y + 8$
 $(x-3)^2 = 4(y+2)$

\therefore Vertex is $(3, -2)$



(ii) Focal length = 1

(iii) Focus is $(3, -1)$

(iv) Directrix is $y = -3$

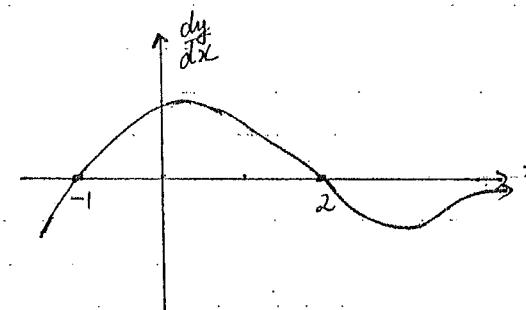
(b) (i) $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1}$
 $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{2}x^{-2}$
 $\left(= -\frac{1}{2x^2}\right)$

(ii) $h(x) = (x^2 + 2)^{10}$
 $h'(x) = 10(x^2 + 2)^9 \cdot 2x$
 $= 20x(x^2 + 2)^9$

(iii) $F(x) = \frac{2x+1}{3x+2}$
 $F'(x) = \frac{2(3x+2) - 3(2x+1)}{(3x+2)^2}$
 $= \frac{6x+4 - 6x-3}{(3x+2)^2}$
 $= \frac{1}{(3x+2)^2}$

(iv) $y = x(3x+2)^3$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \cdot (3x+2)^3 + x \cdot 3(3x+2)^2 \cdot 3$
 $= (3x+2)^3 + 9x(3x+2)^2$
 $= (3x+2)^2(3x+2 + 9x)$
 $= (3x+2)^2(12x+2)$
 $= 2(3x+2)^2(6x+1)$

(c)



Question 3

(a) $y = x^3 + 5x^2 + 3x - 7$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 + 10x + 3$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 6x + 10$$

Curve is concave down when $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$

$$6x + 10 < 0$$

$$x < -\frac{5}{3}$$

(b) $y = x + 2x^{-1}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - 2x^{-2}$$

When $x=1$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - 2 \times 1 = -1$

\therefore Eqn of tangent is

$$y - 3 = -1(x-1)$$

$$= -x + 1$$

$$x + y - 4 = 0 \quad (\text{or } y = -x + 4)$$

(c) $x + 3y - 7 = 0$

$$y = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{7}{3}$$

\therefore Grad of normal $= -\frac{1}{3}$

Grad of tangent $= 3$

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

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x - 5$$

When $x=4$

$$y = 16 - 20 + 2$$

$$= -2$$

$$2x - 5 = 3$$

$$x = 4$$

\therefore Point is $(4, -2)$

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

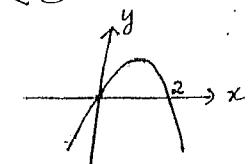
$$f'(x) = 6x - 3x^2$$

$f(x)$ is decreasing when $f'(x) < 0$

$$\text{i.e. } 6x - 3x^2 < 0$$

$$3x(2-x) < 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } x < 0 \text{ or } x > 2$$



Question 4

$$(a) \quad y = \frac{x}{2x+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1(2x+1) - x \cdot 2}{(2x+1)^2} \\ &= \frac{2x+1 - 2x}{(2x+1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2} \\ &= (2x+1)^{-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= -2(2x+1)^{-3} \times 2 \\ &= -\frac{4}{(2x+1)^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$-\frac{8(1-4)}{(2x+1)^4} \cdot 2 \checkmark$$

(a) There must be a change of concavity at a point of inflection

$$\begin{aligned} \text{When } x=4, \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= (4-5)^2 = 1 > 0 \quad \therefore \text{concave up} \\ x=6, \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= (6-5)^2 = 1 > 0 \quad \therefore \text{concave up} \end{aligned}$$

∴ There is no change of concavity at $x=5$

Thus, the curve does not have an inflection point at $x=5$.

$$(c) (i) \int 6x+3 \, dx = 3x^2 + 3x + C$$

$$\begin{aligned} (ii) \int (5x-2)^3 \, dx &= \frac{(5x-2)^4}{5 \times 4} + C \\ &= \frac{(5x-2)^4}{20} + C \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}$ if no 5

$$(iii) \int x\sqrt{x} \, dx = \int x^{\frac{3}{2}} \, dx \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}} + C \cdot \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{2}{5} x^{\frac{5}{2}} + C \quad \frac{2}{5} \sqrt{x^5} + C \\ &\quad \left[= \frac{2}{5} x^2 \sqrt{x} + C \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$(iv) \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x+2}} \, dx = \int (3x+2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \, dx \cdot \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(3x+2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\frac{3}{2}} + C \cdot \frac{1}{3} \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{3x+2} + C \cdot \frac{1}{2} \\ &\quad \text{Leave out } -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$(d) \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x + x^{-2}$$

$$y = x^2 + \frac{x^{-1}}{-1} + C$$

$$y = x^2 - \frac{1}{x} + C$$

$$\text{When } x=1, y=4$$

$$4 = 1 - \frac{1}{1} + C$$

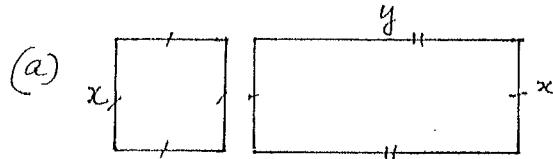
$$\begin{aligned} C &= 4 \\ \therefore \text{Eqn of curve is} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = x^2 - \frac{1}{x} + 4$$

if for incorrect value
of C

$$\begin{aligned} &125x^3 + 3 \times 25x^2 - 2 + 3 \times 5x + 4 + 1 \times (-2)^{-3} \\ &= 125x^3 + 150x^2 + 60x - 8 \\ &= \frac{125x^4}{4} - \frac{150x^3}{3} + \frac{60x^2}{2} - 8x + C \end{aligned}$$

Question 5



$$(i) 4x + 2x + 2y = 36$$

$$6x + 2y = 36$$

$$2y = 36 - 6x$$

$$y = 18 - 3x$$

$$(ii) A = x^2 + xy \\ = x^2 + x(18 - 3x) \\ = x^2 + 18x - 3x^2 \\ = 18x - 2x^2$$

$$(iii) \frac{dA}{dx} = 18 - 4x$$

$$\frac{d^2A}{dx^2} = -4$$

Stationary points occur when $\frac{dA}{dx} = 0$

$$18 - 4x = 0$$

$$x = \frac{9}{2}$$

Since $\frac{d^2A}{dx^2} < 0$ curve is concave down and so

there is a max tp at $x = \frac{9}{2}$

$$A = 18 \times \frac{9}{2} - 2 \times \left(\frac{9}{2}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{81}{2}$$

i.e Maximum value of A is $\frac{81}{2}$

$$(b) y = 6x^2 - x^3$$

$$(i) \frac{dy}{dx} = 12x - 3x^2$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 12 - 6x$$

Stat pts occur when $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$12x - 3x^2 = 0$$

$$3x(4-x) = 0$$

$$x = 0, 4$$

When $x = 0$ $y = 0$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 12$$

\therefore Min tp at $(0, 0)$

When $x = 4$ $y = 6 \times 16 - 64$

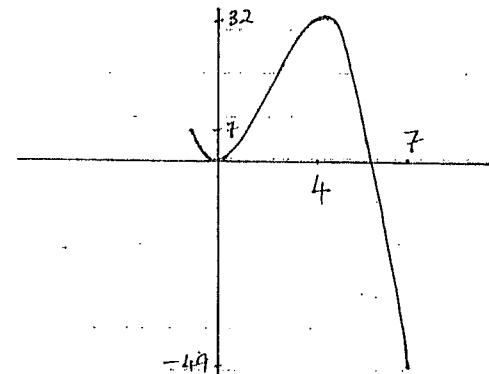
$$= 32$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -12$$

\therefore Max tp at $(4, 32)$

(ii) When $x = -1$ $y = 6(-1)^2 - (-1)^3 = 7$

$$x = 7 \quad y = 6 \times 7^2 - 7^3 = -49$$



(iii) $6x^2 - x^3 = k$ will have 3 distinct roots if the line $y = k$ intersects the above graph 3 times
i.e. $0 < k \leq 7$